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About District 01

DISTRICT ONE COMMITTEE

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The District 01 Committee serves the AA groups and meetings of Northeast Wisconsin. We hold a monthly business meeting each month on the 2nd Thursday at 6:30 pm. Anyone is welcome. A great opportunity for service. Next meeting is October 12th, 2023.

DISTRICT MONTHLY MEETING

August 10, 2023

Opened with the Serenity Prayer. 7th Tradition. Responsibility statement. 12 Traditions

Attendance - 15

DCM	Mike N. – absent
Alt. DCM	Mark P. – absent
Secretary	Donna Y – dyoungwirth@new.rr.com
Treasurer	Paul K.
Newsletter/Webmaster	Doug F.
Grapevine	Sherry W. – absent
Corrections	Bruce – absent
Co-Chair	Lee – absent
Bridging the Gap	Tim – absent
PI	Open position
CPC	Open position
Archives	Jeff – absent
Accessibilities	Open position
Hot Line	William W – absent
District Events	Open position

GSRs: Deb P, Mary M, Lynn B, Duffy, Linda V, John VS, Eric V, Sean M, Donna Y, Kati S, Dani B

VISITORS: Erceal, Randy G.

GSR Reports:

Doug – Due to absence of both DCM and Alternate DCM – Doug led the meeting.

Deb P. alt GSR – [Zoom Women in the Present](#) – 7:00pm – 8:00pm Thursdays. The meeting is a discussion meeting based on a reading from the Grapevine or Daily Reflections chosen by the meeting chair. This meeting continues to be well attended, averaging 12 members joining each week. At the last business meeting we discussed the impact of the Women in the Present meeting moving back to the Abbey. We concluded that there is still a need for the Zoom Women in the Present meeting and will continue to meet weekly.

Mary M. – [Women in the Present](#) – 7:00pm – 8:00pm Thursdays.

We had 30 women attend our last meeting at the Bridge on July 27th. There were 26 women in attendance at our 1st meeting at The Abbey! Several “old-timers” were returning to the meeting for the 1st time since COVID, and then renovations, prevented our group from meeting there. We are looking forward to our group’s continuing growth and opportunities for fellowship.

Currently our group has a private/closed Facebook page for sharing information and reaching out to each other, a daily gratitude-sharing text group, a Book Club that meets at noon on the 1st Sunday of the month at Kavarna and usually one activity a month for meeting attendees. Many of our fellowship activities are open to any woman in recovery and, occasionally family members/friends. For the month of August, we have been promoting the 218 Club Picnic being held at Murphy Park on 8/12.

Due to limitations on access to our meeting room at The Abbey, our next Business Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 31st at 6:30pm – just **prior** to our regular meeting.

Lynn B. – [Eye Opener Group](#) – St. Matt’s, Saturday 10:00 am. Meetings participation is consistent for summer. We are working through an issue regarding an inquiry for liability/insurance from the church. Lynn’s term as GSR will expire 9/30/23 so an election will take place at the October business meeting to elect a new GSR. Please come join us on Saturday mornings at 10:00 am at St. Matt’s.

Melissa – [Saturday Sober Sisters - Zoom](#) – Meets @ 8:30 am to 9:30am– Saturdays.virtually. Our attendance is holding steady, 15-20 women with a range of sobriety new and old and in between. Our topics are leaders’ choice based on AA approved literature.

Liv M – [Road to Recovery](#) – 5:30pm Mondays at the 218 Club (Back Room). *No written report*

Matt B. – [There is a Solution](#) – Saturdays, 8:00am @ The Bridge. *No Written report.*

Mark P – [Recovery Crusaders](#) – 8:00 a.m. Sunday @ Nativity of Lord Church. *No written report.*

Duffy – [Early Birds](#) – Sundays 7:30am at the 218 Club. *No written report.*

Monty J. – [Serenity Seekers](#) – Tuesday 6-7 p.m. @ Union Church. *No written report*

John v S – [Never on Sunday](#) – The Bridge 9:30am Sundays. Attendance continues to be strong with 15-30 people on average. A great mix of short-, medium-, and long-term sobriety are represented. Quite a few newcomers have found their way to our group recently as well. There is also a newer sober house/ treatment center right down the road and occasionally we will see the people from there at our meeting.

We have begun a donation drive to repair the parking lot at the Bridge. The goal is to reach \$7,000. So, if any groups are interested in donating please see me. The bridge in my opinion is a vital part of the recovery community in green bay and can really use our help.

Sean – [Early Risers](#) – Saturday 8 a.m. @ St. John the Baptist Church. (Cardinal Ln. and Glendale Ave. in Howard). Closed meeting every Saturday with a strong presence of both fresh and time-honored sobriety. Early Riser's 12&12 study gathers at 7am in the old chapel. With a new month comes new reflections. August may be called the Sunday of Summer it's also American Adventures Month -- get out and enjoy the sunshine with ambition and authenticity with new friends in AA.

Paul K. – [The Serenity Now Group of AA](#) – Calvary Lutheran Church every Mon., Wed., & Fri. from 12:00 to 1 p.m. *No written report.*

Donna Y – [Letting Go](#) – Meeting Thurs. 1 p.m. @ 218. We are discussing Open District Positions, encouraging participation in District Events, and 4-5th Step Workshop.

Kati S. – [Sisters in Sobriety](#) – Tues. 1pm @ 218 Club. *No written report*

William – [Guest Speaker](#) – Wed. 7 p.m. @ 218 Club. The meeting is going well with attendance growing and speakers signing up on the board at the 218 Club. Please remember the meeting has switched to a 7:00 PM start time.

DISTRICT CHAIR REPORTS

District 01 Events:

- **August 12-218 Club picnic at Murphy Park, 12-4pm**
- **September 4-Labor Day Gratitude Meeting @ 218 Club 10am.**
- **September 9-District 1 picnic 12 noon-4pm, Bay Beach pavilion #6.**
- **September 14-District Meeting, 6:30 Nativity Church door #4**
- **September 15-17-Area 74 Fall Conference, Holiday Inn, Eau Claire.**
- **October 6-8, 4th & 5th Step Retreat, St. Norbert Abbey**
- **October 12-District Meeting Nativity Church door #4**
- **October 14-Area 74 Election Assembly-Rhineland, WI**
- **November 9-District Meeting Nativity Church door #4**
- **November 17-19-East Central Regional Form, Independence, OH**
- **December 14-District Meeting Nativity Church door #4**
- **December 16- Area Committee Meeting, Reiter Center, Three Lakes.**

This list will be updated monthly. Let me know of any additions at mike.nuckles@twc.com ODAAT Friends!

DCM – Mike – Hello all! It is an honor to address this body of trusted servants as your DCM. First, I would like to acknowledge Lauren P for her tireless service and leadership for the good of AA, District 1 and the still suffering alcoholic. On June 10th I traveled to Iron River, Michigan with (Miller) Bill D to attend an Area 74 sharing session on the importance and benefits of service work in sobriety. Those who were gathered had seriously good programs behind them. Enough said there. On June 23-25 I attended the East Central Regional Conference in South Bend, Indiana. The theme of the conference was “A Seat for Everyone”, and how appropriate that was for what we are going through as a Fellowship. At the Countdown, sobriety ranged from 51 years to 11 days. It was truly “sobering” to see a room full of AA success stories truly practice the theme of the Conference. I learn so much at these events, mainly in the areas of humility and to be a better listener. I plan on representing District 1 at the Fall Conference in Eau Claire in September and with your blessings, at the East Central Regional Forum in Independence, Ohio in November. Many blessings and another sober 24 is wished for one and all.

Secretary – Donna Y. – **July Minutes were voted on and approved.**

Treasurer – Paul K – *Voted on and approved.* August 8, 2023

Starting Balance –	\$8,271.21
Deposits	
Sisters in Sobriety	\$ 16.00
Early Risers	\$163.00
Cash – District 01 Meeting Donation	\$ 19.00
*** Serenity Now	<u>\$100.00</u>
Total	\$298.00

*** Funds earmarked for Speaker Meeting Expenses July 15-16, 2023

Disbursements	
Mike Nuckles – Office Supplies	\$ 72.09
GSO NY Donation Speaker Mtg.	\$ 75.00
Speaker Meeting Hotel Room	<u>\$117.50</u>
Total	\$ 264.59

	Bank Balance	\$8,304.62
(Beginning Balance + Deposits - Disbursements)		
Less Prudent Reserve	\$1,300.00	
	Net Available Funds	\$7,004.62

Website/Newsletter report – Doug – Website – Nothing new to report.

Newsletter/Meeting list

I manage the list of meetings that appear on the “Meeting App”. This past month I ran into a glitch. I updated the location for (1) meeting. I was able to somehow change the location for 9 other meetings somehow. It was easily fixed, but did cause some confusion. I have received input on (2) separate issues from members. I really appreciate the feedback. I want the website to work correctly and reflect the group I serve.

Grapevine – Sherry W. – New Grapevine was all about being the alcoholic and being in the military.

Corrections – Bruce K. – *No written Report*

Bridging the Gap – Tim T. *No written report.*

William - Hotline: The hotline transfer is going smoothly. I found a fill-in for the transfer process while I was out of state, which also went smoothly. I have had a conversation with the District Treasurer to get the call volume list report to you on a monthly basis, Thank you for your time.

Archives – Jeff E – *No written report*

Corrections – Female position – Open Position

CPC – Open Position

District Events – Open Position

Accessibilities – Open Position

OLD BUSINESS

❖ Open District Positions:

- Events Chair
- CPC
- Women’s Correction
- Accessibilities

NEW BUSINESS

- ❖ 12 Step opportunity at All Season's Transition House – Would like to bring in a Men's AA Meeting for this Facility-men's half-way house. Contact Randy at randy@weallriseaarc.org.
- ❖ Use to District 01 Funds – discussion was started but voted to Table until September Meeting due to low attendance.

Motion to Close @ 7:25.
Close with Lord's Prayer

Steps and Traditions

The Traditions are designed to keep the GROUP from destroying itself; the Steps are designed to keep US from destroying OURSELVES!

Step 9

Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.

Good judgment, a careful sense of timing, courage, and prudence— these are the qualities we shall need when we take Step Nine.

After we have made the list of people we have harmed, have reflected carefully upon each instance, and have tried to possess ourselves of the right attitude in which to proceed, we will see that the making of direct amends divides those we should approach into several classes. There will be those who ought to be dealt with just as soon as we become reasonably confident that we can maintain our sobriety. There will be those to whom we can make only partial restitution, lest complete disclosures do them or others more harm than good. There will be other cases where action ought to be deferred, and still others in which by the very nature of the situation we shall never be able to make direct personal contact at all.

- **Alcoholics Anonymous 12 Steps and 12 Traditions pg. 83**

[12 Steps and 12 Traditions - Alcoholics Anonymous](#)

Tradition 9

AA, as such, ought never to be organized, but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those we serve.

When Tradition Nine was first written, it said that "Alcoholics Anonymous needs the least possible organization."
In years since then, we have changed our minds about that.
Today, we are able to say with assurance that Alcoholics

Anonymous— A.A. as a whole— should never be organized at all. Then, in seeming contradiction, we proceed to create special service boards and committees which in themselves are organized. How, then, can we have an unorganized movement which can and does create a service organization for itself? Scanning this puzzler, people say, “What do they mean, no organization?”

Well, let's see. Did anyone ever hear of a nation, a church, a political party, even a benevolent association that had no membership rules? Did anyone ever hear of a society which couldn't somehow discipline its members and enforce obedience to necessary rules and regulations? Doesn't nearly every society on earth give authority to some of its members to impose obedience upon the rest and to punish or expel offenders? Therefore, every nation, in fact every form of society, has to be a government administered by human beings. Power to direct or govern is the essence of organization everywhere.

Yet Alcoholics Anonymous is an exception. It does not conform to this pattern. Neither its General Service Conference, its Foundation Board,* nor the humblest group committee can issue a single directive to an A.A. member and make it stick, let alone mete out any punishment. We've tried it lots of times, but utter failure is always the result. Groups have tried to expel members, but the banished have come back to sit in the meeting place, saying, “This is life for us; you can't keep us out.” Committees have instructed many an A.A. to stop working on a chronic backslider, only to be told: “How I do my Twelfth Step work is my business. Who are you to judge?” This doesn't mean an A.A. won't take advice or suggestions from more experienced members, but he surely won't take orders. Who is more unpopular than the oldtimer A.A., full of wisdom, who moves to another area and tries to tell the group there how to run its business? He and all like him who “view with alarm for the good of A.A.” meet the most stubborn resistance or, worse still, laughter.

- **Alcoholics Anonymous 12 Steps and 12 Traditions pg. 172,173**

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Meeting Guide App

Meeting Guide is a free-of-charge meeting finder app.

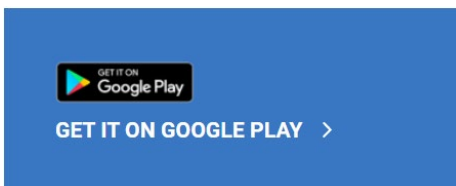
The app helps people find A.A. meetings and resources near them. A.A. service entities provide the meeting data for the app. Meeting Guide is available for iOS and Android smartphones.

About Meeting Guide

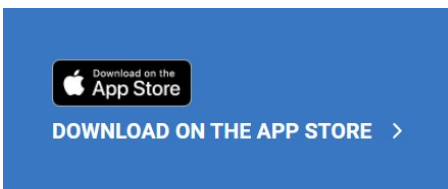
Meeting Guide syncs with area, district, intergroup/central offices and international general service office websites, relaying meeting information from more than 400 A.A. service entities directly to the app. Over 100,000 weekly meetings are currently listed, and the information is refreshed twice daily.

Meeting Guide features

- Listing of both in-person and online meetings
- A default view that provides a list of meetings showing time, location and meeting name
- A meeting detail view that offers extra information such as meeting format and any notes provided by the group
- A search function to find meetings by location or keyword
- A daily quote feature lets users read from "Daily Reflections"
- Multiple access points that make finding local A.A. contact information easy
- A news feature with the latest from the General Service Office and Grapevine



<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=org.meetingguide>



<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/meeting-guide/id1042822181>

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