DISTRICT 18 NEWS

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District 18 Business Meeting

Zoom online forum and Love Lutheran Church, Schodack

The next regular business meeting is scheduled for March 19th 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in person at Love Lutheran Church.

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Meeting Report February 19th 2025

ATTENDEES: Ginny P, Sean, Pam D, David P, Kevin Mc, Tom M Jeff A, David, Yev, Zac P, Elle, Vicky B

Anniversary's: Gayle G 38yrs Bob W 38 yrs

I. Meeting opened at 6:05p.m. with the statement of our Primary Purpose* and the Serenity Prayer
* As trusted servants of the AA fellowship and the groups of District 18, our primary purpose is to help the members of our district carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers. All our decisions are to be made according to group conscience and AA's Twelve Traditions.

II. The Seventh Tradition
Donations from groups and individuals to support District 18's recurring expenses can be sent to the district post office box or brought to the monthly business meeting. See the last page (before the attachment(s), for the post office box address.

III. GSR Group Reports
Surrender, Acceptance & Gratitude Group: Rick C, not present. No report.
Yankee Doodle Beginners' Group: Tom M: doing well, 12-13 people in person, 9 people virtually. Topics always on early sobriety.
Fresh Start Group: Jeff: Attendance is down, hoping to pick back up soon.
Outsiders Group: Mike C, not present. No report.
Soggy Tuesday Group: Craig: 10-15 people steady attendance, good meeting.
Nassau Tuesday Night Step Group: Bob O, meeting is doing good between 10 – 15 people.

Share at Noon Group: **Needs GSR.** No report.
Blue Teapot Big Book Group: Nicole P, not present. No report.
Nassau Wednesday Night Women's Group: Pam D: Good core group of 5 women, could use support. We have tea and chocolate
Wednesday Set Aside Group: Yev We had a group conscious to change the meeting to 1 hr. instead of 1hr and 15 min
Regular Wednesday Night Meeting [not] in Rensselaer: Kevin; Holding steady at 8-9 people, great cookies . **Needs support**
Hampton Manor Group: Lee:
Evening Meditation; Sean; Going well, a steady group of 4 people. We do a 1st step meeting if we have a newcomer.
Late Bloomers' Rule 62 Big Book Group: **Needs GSR.** No report.
New Lebanon Group: **Needs GSR.** No report.
Out to Lunch Bunch: **Needs GSR.** No report.
Friday Night Caring and Sharing Group: Lisa: 10-15 people, good meeting.
Near Noon Group: **Needs GSR.** Chris R
Hour of Power Group: Kerri B, not present. Temporarily closed.
Late Bloomers' Saturday Night Candlelight Group: Andrew, not present. No report.
Primary Purpose Group: **Needs GSR.** No report.
Light for Dark Places Group: David- new gsr –Doing well 10-12 people.
Caring And Sharing Group: Lisa C.
Castleton Carry the Message Group: no GSR Per Pam-could use support Average 5-6 people. Meeting is now at 6;00pm

IV. DCM – Mike: I'm stepping down as DCM, thank you for letting be of service.

V. ALTERNATE DCM – Open

VI. SECRETARY – Ginny P
   a. All is well
VII. TREASURER – Lee A
   a. See report
VIII. Web master: Vicky, I did it, i set up a very simple webpage. Thanks to Kevin for the meeting list to put on the website. The area got licenses for all the webpages and then edited it to put our info in it. Adress TBD.
IX. BRIDGING THE GAP – Desi- not present

X. CORRECTIONS – Tom: I checked with Cathleen to see if she needed any literature for the jail but she's all set right now.
XI. CPC/PI – open
XII. FUNCTIONS – Pam D.

a. Things are functioning until the spring fling dance, i will discuss more about the summer bash as we get closer..

XIII. Literature Kevin; I still have to get the big books before the dance, i will pass them of to someone else to bring there.

XIV. NEWSLETTER EDITOR – Bob O

a. Glad to be of service for district 18
b. **If you attend a meeting that doesn't have a GSR, please, please, please, print out the newsletter, take it to the meeting, and ask to have a business meeting to nominate a GSR.**
c. Please forward, print and hand out, or otherwise distribute the newsletter to groups and members in District 18.

XV. RECORDS; Elle- I've been cleaning up the records of D18, there are some groups i don't know about and am looking to find info'

XVI. TREATMENT – Barb

All is well

Webmaster Vicky – Im happy to report i have the address for the district, it is district 18.nenyaa.org.I also added a plug in to help with minutes, finance reports and minutes. I'm requesting that the secretary gives me a hard copy of the meeting minutes for the website. Kevin says not to post peoples emails as they will be taken down.

XVII. CDCO LIAISON – Trish M

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b.
c. Volunteers are needed at the Central Office. Please contact Allan D or Trish McB.
d. All Area events are updated on the website, **aaalbanyny.org**.
e. All CDCO reports are posted at **aaalbanyny.org**.

XVIII. OLD BUSSINESS Jeff; Dance , we should start making plans about getting food ,drinks for the dance.I will figure out how much things will cost by putting it into grub hub. Zac; i wanted to know if district 18 wanted to do a spiritual cohost for the spring dance. A spiritual cohost is where the group offers to spread the word about the dance and to be on the flyer as a spiritual cohost. Because we are an intergroup, we can take donations from districts if they would like to donate. Pam, we already have the flyer out, Yev makes a motion to spiritual cohost and Kevin seconds. Jeff, the reason we decided to cohost the event was because we needed extra bodies and younger people to come to d18 to volunteer. I think its a good idea, voting unanimous. Kevin, how about we do it for the summer bash instead of the spring fling? Zac like the idea, if that's the case CRAYPAA would like to cohost, this would be a spiritual cohost not a financial. Elle makes amotion to to donate 100$ to CDCO and 100$ to CRAYPPA annually.

XIX. NEW BUSINESS

XX. Vicky would like to amend the motion to only donate to CRAPAAS BUDGET and not CDCO. Eric thinks we should wait for the treasurer, Kevin motions to table it to next month's meeting.

XXI. Meeting closes at 7:01

Closed with a moment of silence for the still sick and suffering alcoholic,
followed by the AA Responsibility Pledge:
"*I am responsible when anyone, anywhere reaches out for help.*
I want the Hand of AA always to be there and for that I am responsible."

Group treasurers and members: Your donations help keep AA alive in your district and our Area 48 and support the work of the Capital District Central Office (CDCO) and the General Service Office (GSO). Please consider donating.

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Please visit the Capital District Central office (CDCO) to purchase AA books and pamphlets as well as month and year medallions. The CDCO office hours and monthly reports are on their website: **aaalbanyny.org**.

The district 18 24/7 hotline number is 518-463-0906.

If you are interested in service, consider one of these life-enriching positions:

ACCESSIBILITY CHAIR
BRIDGING THE GAP CHAIR
WEBSITE CHAIR
GSR (back up to seven groups need a GSR)

DISTRICT 18 GROUPS	START DATE
Blue Teapot Group	11/01/2011
Caring and Sharing Group	07/01/1985
Castleton Carry the Message	01/09/1992
Fresh Start Group	03/01/1987
Hampton Manor BB	02/19/2004
Hour of Power	03/05/2011
Late Bloomers BB	02/02/1989
Late Bloomers Candlelight	02/04/1989
Light for Dark Places Group	11/01/1980
Nassau Step Mtg.	09/12/1989
Near Noon Group	04/05/2008
New Lebanon Group	09/06/1977
Original Clinton Heights Group	02/27/1975
Out to Lunch Bunch	01/01/1998
Primary Purpose Group	03/17/2013
Rensselaer Wed. Night Grp	05/30/1973
Set Aside Group	03/26/2014
Share at Noon Group	03/13/2000
Soggy Tuesday Group	03/02/1990
Surrender Acceptance Group	04/06/2015
The Outsiders Group	01/04/2021
Nassau Wed. Women's Grp	07/13/1991
Yankee Doodle Group	03/01/1987 (?)