

"But we aren't a glum lot. If newcomers could see no joy or fun in our existence, they wouldn't want it."

District 2 Business Meeting
Thursday March 12, 2015, 7:00pm
St. John's Episcopal Church, 146 1st St., Troy, NY 12180

Open with a moment of silence for each to use as they wish.

Declaration of Unity:

This we owe to AA's future-
To place our common welfare first;
To keep our fellowship united,
For on AA unity, depends our lives
And the lives of those to come.

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.

Step 3: Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we *understood Him.*

Tradition 3: The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking.

Tradition 3 Checklist:

- ✓ In my mind, do I prejudge some new AA members as losers?
- ✓ Is there some kind of alcoholic whom I privately do not want in my AA group?
- ✓ Do I set myself up as a judge of whether a newcomer is sincere or phony?
- ✓ Do I let language, religion (or lack of it), race, education, age, or other such things interfere with my carrying the message?
- ✓ Am I over impressed by a celebrity? By a doctor, a clergyman, and ex-convict? Or can I just treat this new member simply and naturally as one more sick human, like the rest of us?
- ✓ When someone turns up at AA needing information or help (even if he can't ask for it aloud), does it really matter to me what he does for a living? Where he lives? What his domestic arrangements are? Whether he had been to AA before? What his other problems are?

Concept 2: To insure effective leadership, we should endow each element of A.A. -- the Conference, the General Service Board and its service corporations, staffs, committees, and executives -- with a traditional "Right of Decision."

Introductions and group reports from committee chairs:

'14 Secretary:	Marne H.	'13 SN (Special Needs):	Bill M
'14 Treasurer:	Dawn P.	'13 Alt Treasurer:	Hans R
'13 Records:	Karen M	'14 Corrections (Men)	Rich L
'14 Archives:	Valerie S.	'14 BTG (Bridging the Gap)	Janice P
'12 Corrections (Women):	OPEN	'14 Treatment:	Connie W
'13 Newsletter Editor	Kathy C.	'13 Alt Treatment:	Joe P
'14 LCM (Local Committee Member):	Terry B.	'13 Samaritan MICA:	Kevin B
'14 Cluster Rep:	Gary B.	'14 Grapevine:	OPEN
'15 Alt DCM/Functions:	Mike D.	'14 Coffee Maker	Stephanie G.
'13 CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community):	OPEN	'14 CDCO Rep	Bill A.
'13 PI (Public Information):	Laura B	'14 DCM	Joe F.
'13 YPAA:	Marne H.		

Old Business:

- Service Opportunities still available
- Newsletter suggestions
- Picnic committee

New Business:

- February's Meeting Minutes – Marne H.
- Treasurer's report – Dawn P.
- DCM Report – Joe F.
- Alt DCM Report- Mike D.
- Special Guest Linda A. – HMB Area Newsletter Editor - Discussion regarding upcoming N.E.R.F. and Hospitality Service Volunteer needed
- Delegate's Questionnaire
- Chairperson Reports

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

- District 2 Upcoming Business Meetings** - St John's Episcopal Church, 146 1st St, Troy at 7 pm – 4/9, 5/14, and 6/11
- CDCO Business Meetings** - 575 Broadway, Suite 130, Menands, NY 12204 at 7 pm - 3/17, 4/21, 5/19, and 6/16
- YPAA Karaoke**, March 14, 2015 Meeting at 2pm Karaoke 3pm-6pm, New Covenant Presbyterian Church, 916 Western Ave, Albany NY
- Fellowship Day**, March 14, 2015, H.V. Cluster District 15, Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church, 90 Route 32, New Paltz, NY
- District 18 Spring Fling Dance**, May 8, 2015, Meeting at 8pm Dance 9pm-12am East Greenbush reformed Church, Hays Road, East Greenbush
- NERF (North East Regional Forum)**, May 29 - 31, 2015, Albany Marriot