

1/12/2021

AREA SERVICE MINUTES

ATTENDEES: Thomas – Area Chair, Jimmy – Area Vice Chair, Jessica – H&I Chair, Jesse – Technology Chair, Dana- Area Treasurer, Walter – PR Chair, Ray – RCM, Desiree – Area Secretary,

Meeting opened @ 7pm with **Serenity Prayer, Purpose of Area Service, 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts**

9 GSRS Present December's Minutes Accepted/Passed Reports Given By: **H&I Chair** – attached

PR Chair – attached

Technology Chair – attached

Area Treasurer – attached

10 GSRs Present

Area Chair announced nominations will be held tonight. Open commitments to be filled on Steering Committee: Area Treasurer, Policy Chair, Literature Management, Speaker Exchange, Homebound, Secretary & Technology Chair are all open and need to be filled. Please let people know these positions are open.

NOMINATIONS

Technology Chair – Jesse was renominated and accepted

Area Secretary – Julia was nominated and accepted nomination. Her qualifications are: 23 months clean, have 2 commitments, voluntarily working on Area Website (Technology Committee), has a sponsor & willingness to serve. Voted in by Acclamation.

Area Treasurer – No nominations

Policy Chair – No nominations

Literature Management – No nominations

Speaker Exchange – No nominations

Homebound Chair – No nominations

NEW BUSINESS

Men Working it out – Asked that flyer for upcoming Speaker Jam be put on Area Website.

Area Chair – Send to Technology for upload.

Area Vice Chair – Anniversaries – GSRs must come to Area to submit Anniversaries.

Area Chair – explained, pre-pandemic a sheet was put on the table at Area that GSRs/and or anyone who attended could write in Anniversaries. Any GSR/Group Representative or person who attends virtually can put in Anniversaries and we will then put them in the minutes.

Julia – made a motion to put Anniversaries on Website as soon as Anniversaries are put in at Area. Motion passed

PERSON	DATE	PLACE	TIME
Henry	Jan. 13, 2021	Step Up to Learn	7yrs.
Shanda K	Jan. 16, 2021	Carrying the Message	23yrs
Chris C	Jan. 18, 2021	Time to Live & Give	15yrs.
Cookie	Jan. 21, 2021	Not Just for Women Only	14yrs.
Jose	Jan. 23, 2021	6 Alive in Stapleton	30yrs.
Ruthie	Jan. 25, 2021	Time to Live & Give	5yrs.
Monica	Jan. 30, 2021	Carrying the Message	7yrs.
Bernard	Jan. 30, 2021	Carrying the Message	26yrs.
Louie	Jan. 29, 2021	Steps to Freedom	6yrs.
Monica R.	Feb 18, 2021	Not Just For Women Only	28 yrs
Pretty Joe	Feb 18, 2021	Not Just For Women Only	18 yrs
Julia	Feb 22, 2021	Time to Live & Give	2 yrs
Dana	Feb 26, 2021	Steps to Freedom	19yrs.

Cody	Feb 26, 2021	Steps to Freedom	1 yr
Jonathan C.	Feb 26, 2021	The Real Deal	4 yrs
Ellen P	Feb 26, 2021	The Real Deal	20 yrs

Meeting closed @ 7:56pm

Treasurer Report- January 12, 2021

Bank Balance as of 1/10/21 is \$ 9,523.96

Checks to be written to:

1. \$100 to GNYRSC- donation
2. \$139 to American Self Storage
3. \$29.98 to Jessie Zoom
4. \$513.15 (Insurance for 2021)
5. \$\$688.20 (Insurance for 2020)

Prudent Reserve (as per Ad-hoc Committee created last year) \$5,350 (2 months of expenses)

E&A set aside: \$2,000

Operating Expenses: ~~\$895.63~~ ****corrected \$703.63

We now have a Venmo account and you may now send contributions via Venmo @NAtreasurer. You can also use the Venmo account to pay for literature purchases.

Donations

Steps to Freedom:	\$ 110
Sunday 2:30:	\$ 61
Jayne C:	\$ 21 (via Venmo)
Eltingville @ 8:00	\$ 59 (via Venmo)
Back to Basics:	\$ 138 (via Venmo)
The Message is Hope:	\$ 192 (via Venmo)
<u>Step up to the Deck</u>	<u>\$ 111.50</u>

Total: \$ 692.50

Literature Orders

Personal order: \$20

Total for donations and literature for January: \$692.50

I am going to continue serving the AREA as treasurer until someone steps up or at the very least the pandemic ends.

Please e-mail me at SIANAtreasurer1953@gmail.com with any questions.

In loving service,

Dana S.

SI Area NA

@NAtreasurer



RCM REPORT TO AREA JANUARY 12, 2021

REGIONAL ELECTIONS: BOB W VOTED IN AS PR CHAIR, RITCHIE VOTED IN AS H&I CHAIR, WAYNE T VOTED IN AS BOD MEMBER

VACANT POSITIONS AS REGION:

ASSISTANT TREASURER, ASSISTANT SECRETARY, HELPLINE CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIR

RSO REPORT: THE FIRST EDITION OF THE GNYRSO SALES OFFICE NEWSLETTER IS ATTACHED

DUE TO OUR MEETING SITUATION DUE TO THE PANDEMIC THERE HAVE BEEN QUESTIONS CONCERNING OUR INSURANCE. I HAVE ATTACHED A MEMO FROM THE RSO TREASURER EXPLAINING THE INSURANCE SITUATION

TWO DAY SPEAKER JAM-FUNDRAISER JANUARY 13 and 14 "ALL KINDS OF RELATIONSHIPS" BOTH DAYS 12 NOON TO 7 PM. ZOOM FLYER ATTACHED

UPCOMING REGIONAL EVENTS:

LOWER HUDSON VALLEY JANUARY 16, 2021 "WELLNESS AND HEALTH" 2PM ZOOM. FLYER ATTACHED

REGIONAL CONCERNS: REGIONAL MEETING: MARCH 13, 2021

REGIONAL DELEGATE REPORT: RD Team Proposal for GNYRSC Service-Learning Workgroup Workshops
The new RD team has discussed ways to foster unity within the GNYRSC and energize the fellowship's service efforts. One idea is to facilitate service workshops. Accordingly, the RD Team would like to gauge the interest of the GNYRSC Areas in having the RD Team (in coordination with the RSC Admin Committee and RSC Standing Committees) assist facilitating a group of representatives from each Area in putting on one to two hour learning workshops with service or sub-committee themes on a monthly or bi-monthly basis to share best practices and the joys of NA service. As a first step, we propose that each RCM discuss the idea with their Area's trusted servants to see if there is interest in putting on such service workshops. We have set out below a list of potential topics to consider. GSRs could be asked to prioritize the topics set out below by ranking them by number to give us a sense of what the fellowship may be interested in workshopping. Area trusted servants could also suggest topics that are not on the below list. Once RCMs have had a chance to discuss the idea with their Areas and provide feedback, we can plan next steps. List of Potential Topics - Group Service Positions (face to face meetings) - Virtual Meetings best practices - Model Group Policy - Hospital and Institutions a new way to carry the message - Public Relations our members views on dealing with public professionals - Area Trusted Servants - moving out to serve at Regional positions such as Chair, Treasurer, Committees such as H&I, Policy, Public Relations, Helpline, Convention Events & Activities etc. - The feeling of belonging - Understanding NA Service - Fulfilling our Vision - Traditions, traditions, traditions: is it really necessary - Electing our best members rather than our friends - Group unity our first tradition - The meaning of the NA symbol - Supporting our Regional Service Office and its functions - I'd like to do more in service who do I talk to? - Meeting list and the importance of groups being updated - Events & activities "let's put on clean events for us all to enjoy and fellowship - How to organize a poster drive including creating the words and design of a GNYRSCNA poster

TREASURERS REPORT:

Treasury - Opening Balance: \$14,970.90 - Checks written: \$9,131.10 - Donations: \$9,283.57 - Closing Balance: \$16,392.65 - Prudent Reserve: \$6,350 – 2000.00 reserved for AV Equipment- Over Reserve: \$8,042.65 - \$1000 for NAWS (ALREADY INCLUDED IN CHECKS WRITTEN)

MEETING LISTS: Areas are asked to review their unpublished meetings and republish those meetings that are temporarily closed to the TC format code.

HELPLINE: 2932 CALLS IN 2020

END OF REPORT RAY A

Impossible Dream Publications

GNYRSO

SALES OFFICE NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the first edition of the RSO (Regional Service Office) newsletter! With this newsletter our goal is to communicate items of interest to the fellowship such as new literature and merchandise, events, etc. As some of you might know, our mission, as described in our by-laws is to "distribute periodicals, materials, and literature written or prepared by and for the Fellowship". The RSO is a non-profit corporation (who's members are the Regional committee members) and provide tax free financial advantages for the Region in the case of conventions and other fundraising activities.

While the RSO is a physical office at 154 Christopher St in New York City, during the pandemic we are closed for in store purchases. However, orders are being fulfilled which were placed on the website (<https://newyorkna.org>) or through area literature representatives.

We are planning to publish periodically and your feedback is welcome!

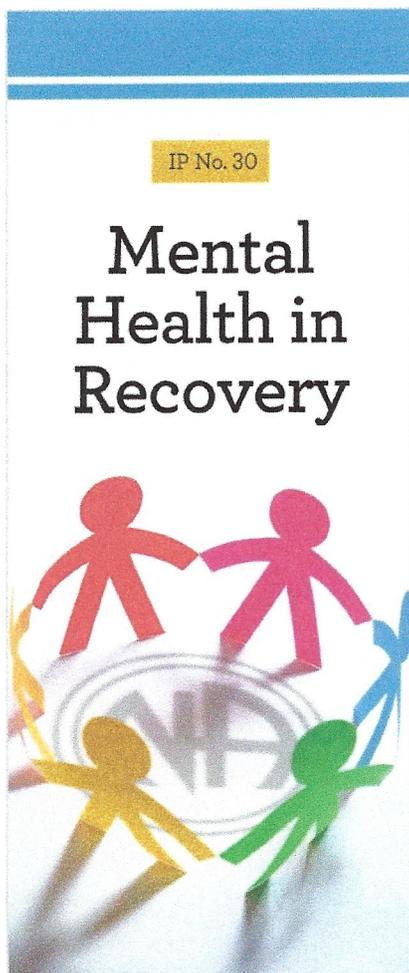
Email us at newsletter@newyorkna.org

WHAT'S NEW ?

IP No. 30

Mental Health In Recovery

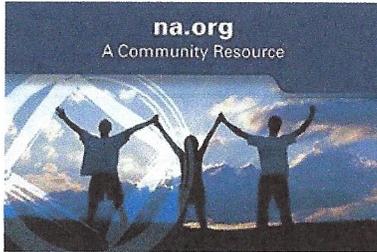
The Eighth Tradition in NA aptly illustrates that our focus is sharing a message of recovery from addiction. Addicts who have thoughts or concerns about their mental health may want to seek professional help. Some members have experienced that professional help aids them in facing a crisis outside of their recovery in NA; others may find that long-term therapy and medications are warranted. There are many additional options available to us; we research what we think may be best and discuss them with our sponsors and appropriate healthcare professionals. Our shared experience is captured well in Chapter Four of Living Clean: "When we use the tools available to us calling our sponsor and seeking the experience, strength, and hope of others, allowing our support group to support us, and turning to In Times of Illness and other NA literature—we are able to make decisions we can be comfortable with, and take action to do the next right thing." We are free to pursue our recovery from addiction in NA.



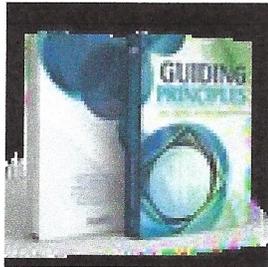
GNYRSO STORE ITEMS



Living Clean
The Journey Continues



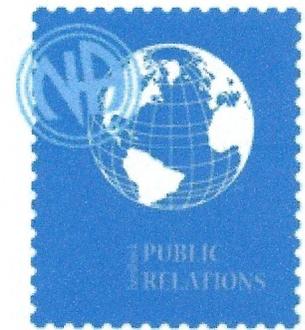
NA
A Community Resource
A Helpful Tool For Professionals



Guiding Principals
Traditions Workbook



Laser Etched Coins



Public Relations Handbook

See more Items and prices at: newyorkna.org

Save The Date



All Kinds Of Relationships



Unity & RSO Joint 2 Day Valentines Speaker Jam.

February 13th & 14th 2021



Noon to 8 pm



Impossible Dream II

Do to the Corona Virus we are still on hold for our next Regional Convention.

It is our hope that this horrible pandemic which has taken so many lives

Will soon come to an end so we can get back to some sense of normalcy.

We thank you for your patients and we employ you to be safe, stay safe, wash your hands and wear your face mask at all times, .

Truly Yours In Service.

January 9, 2021

To: RCM's GNYRSC,

From: GNYRSO – Eddie W. – Treasurer

At the Request of the Heart of Long Island Area I have been in touch with our insurance agents to confirm that we are receiving the best deal possible for our insurance coverage.

They advised that a very limited number of Insurance Companies are even willing to write the liability coverage we need for our meetings. The Insurance Agency checked with a number of Insurer's and they have been unable to find one who is willing to write our coverage for less than we are currently paying. Please see the reply from our Insurance Agent following:

“In a few cases we have been able to write accounts with Harleysville, however their pricing is the same or higher than Philadelphia Insurance.”

In addition, due to the fact that we have had our policy for quite some time and have a very low claim rate we are afforded a much lower premium, per group, than other Regions. Please find a direct statement from our Insurance Agency:

“If you break down the cost per each group, it is less expensive than what they charge for Northern California Regional. There the groups are charged around \$25-\$30.”

I have attached a memo I distributed to all RCM's in July 2020 advising the Area's about what was planned for the 2020/2021 Insurance.

I trust the concerns raised by the HOLI Area have been answered in this memo.

[July 2020 Memo to RCM's:](#)

[TO: All RCM's](#)

[From: GNYRSO BOD](#)

[July 7, 2020](#)

[RE: Insurance coverage 2020-2021](#)

[Due to the current conditions caused by the Coronavirus \(Covid-19\) we will be using the same Meeting count from 2019 -2020 as the basis for the 2020-2021 Insurance Policy.](#)

There have been a number of questions from groups and Area's as to why we continue to pay the insurance costs when so many meetings are not meeting physically. Should we not pay the premium on the current policy it will be cancelled and leave all meetings without liability coverage. Many have also asked why, when we return to normal, can't we just apply for a new policy? While this could be done our current policy is very favorably priced for the coverage received. The current annual cost per group is \$ 18.60, which equates to under \$.40 per week. It would not be possible to receive this rate on a new policy, as all insurance rates on new policies will increase dramatically due to the current environment.

Our insurance broker has advised us that there is no coverage for Covis-19. In addition they have also advised us that meetings held in the open are covered (parks, athletic fields, etc.). These meetings require an insurance certificate so please apply to the GNYRSO for one. Please note that if there are any types of sports they are not covered. The policy is intended to cover meetings only. You will also need to check the CDC guidelines in order to know what is required by each city and state.

Many of our venues also require that the insurance certificate be renewed each year. Please check with your meeting place and if required apply to the GNYRSO for a new certificate. There is a form on our WEB site that can be completed and sent to RSO@newyorkna.org or Insurance@newyorkna.org.



E&A OF LOWER HUDSON VALLEY AREA PRESENTS:

WELLNESS & HEALTH (LC PG.97)

Spiritual Stretch for ALL levels followed by the Just For Today
reading & dedicated silent meditation

Open event, everyone welcome!

Join us at 2:00pm EST
Saturday, January 16, 2021
Zoom ID: 661-802-4399
Password: 050426

Suggested Donation: \$5.00
Via Venmo/ Zelle: glcmt2010@gmail.com

The Unity Committee & GNYRSO

presents

All Kinds of Relationships

A 2-DAY SPEAKER JAM - FUNDRAISER

VALENTINE'S WEEKEND

SAT, FEBRUARY 13, 2021

"RELATIONSHIPS CAN BE..."

- 12pm - Accepting Each Other As We Are
- 1pm - Learning To Love Me
- 2pm - Dealing With Regrets
- 3pm - The Courage To Trust
- 4pm - Is Getting Intimate Important To You?
- 5pm - Integrity & Intimacy
- 6pm - Letting Go Is Hard But Staying Is Damaging
- 7pm - Relationships Can Be A Painful Area

SUN, FEBRUARY 14, 2021

"WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT?"

- 12pm - A Message Of Hope
- 1pm - The Best Version Of Us
- 2pm - Fantasy Vs Reality
- 3pm - Loving Her, Thinking Of Him**
- 4pm - Loving You, Losing Me
- 5pm - Love Under New Management
- 6pm - Freedom Through Forgiveness
- 7pm - What's Love Got To Do With It?



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