



December 2023

**Steering Committee
Reports**

Each Zone will have a meeting on Monday, January 8, 2024 at 7 pm

For all Zone and Committee Zoom Information see the spreadsheet that is available on SEPIA's website.

Chairperson's Report from the month of December 2023

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I chaired the Steering Committee Meeting on December 6 and attended the following:

- Cooperation with the Professional Community 12-4-23
- Bucks Zone Meeting 12-11-23
- Archives Meeting 12-12-23
- Special Events Meeting 11-27-23

There are many ways to get involved with service in SEPIA. You can join attend any 12-step committee. Most meet via ZOOM and the info. can be found under calendar on www.aasepia.org. SEPIA is always looking for volunteers to assist our office. With the Round Up right around the corner help would be greatly appreciated. Please call Fran @ 215-923-7900.

With gratitude,
Jay F.
Chairperson

Vice-Chairperson's Report from the month of December 2023

Vice-Chairperson's Report from the month of December 2023

- Attended **Chester County Zone** meeting.
- Attended **PI Committee** Meeting.
- **Share-A-Day (SAD) 2024:**
 - Virtual planning meeting on January 7, 2024, from 11am – 1pm: Zoom ID # 830 9713 7768 : PC 953614. Fran mail chimp'd announcement. Flier on SEPIA website.
 - SAD event will be on Saturday, February 10, 2024 from 10am – 2pm at Tree of Life Church, 933 Baltimore Pike, Springfield, PA 19064.
- Chaired the **Special Events** Monthly Meeting on 12/28/23:
 - Voted on the logo for Round UP 2024 : 16 great designs. The winning design was submitted by Deidre DK (see graphic below). Heartfelt thanks to everyone who all who submitted their designs.
 - Voted on T-shirt colors : color chosen is Carolina Blue.
 - Coordinated Grand Hotel site visit for early January
 - **RU planning meeting** will be January 20, 2024 from 10:00am – 2:00pm at the Kroc Center, 4200 Wissahickon Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19129.
 - Ampro submitted the winning bid for apparel (T-shirt and pin printing) – thanks to all of the Vendors who
 - **Gratitude Breakfast** – venue suggestions have not been submitted yet. Members were asked to bring back possible sites in their areas for 2024.
 - **Bingo** – tabled to post-Roundup.
 - **Special Thanks to ALL who attended and participated in the meeting.** Your service is greatly appreciated! Super special thanks for Fred S for setting up and running the polls.
- Please see the Special Events' meeting minutes included in the Steering Committee Reports for more details on the above or feel free to contact me directly.



Submitted by:
Tiara T. 215-519-5424
With a grateful heart – YIS
December 29, 2023

SEPIA Office Report from the month of December 2023

Office Report for the Month December 2023

Preparation is underway for the 2024 Round-Up.

The office is focused on getting the new online registration procedure in order. Kevin working closely with web technician, Kerri, on getting the details correct and doing testing to ensure that it goes smoothly this year.

Paper registrations will be ready as soon as the pricing gets set for merchandise, registration, etc. We are almost there!! Special Events has picked the color of the apparel and the logo.

You can reserve rooms at the Grand Hotel now. Call the **hotel at 800 257 8550** and you must use the **code 656596 when making your reservation**. All reservations must be made by February 7 in order to get the discount.

We are continuing to delete rejected emails from our Mail Chimp email service and adding new email addresses of the IGR's and members that request to have the **Interviews** emailed to them. If you would like to be added to the list you can call or email the office and we will add your name to the list.

Please send in your meeting changes! If you know of a meeting that is no longer there please let us know. Newcomers are going to meetings listed on our meeting guide app and finding locked doors!! Even if it is not your meeting please let us know.... Responsibility Pledge...I (WE) am/are responsible... each and every one of us!! We are still getting 1-2 calls per week regarding meetings not being there as scheduled.

Zone Coordinators, please have new reps fill out the sheet that is attached to the IGR packets. I have distributed 25 packets to each Zone. Then send the white sheet to the office, take a picture and send it to me at Manager@aasepia.org. Whatever way you choose, please make sure the office gets a copy.

Any questions, please feel free to contact anyone at the SEPIA office at 215-923-7900. Thank you for your service!

Wishing everyone a very Happy, Blessed, and Prosperous New Year
Fran, Kevin, Kris, Candy, & Ryan

Treasurer's/Finance Committee Report from December 21, 2023

SEPIA Finance Committee Meeting Minutes for December 21, 2023

Attendance: Stephanie W. (Treasurer), Greg B (Assistant Treasurer), Fran G. (Manager), Kevin B. (Office), Paul D. (Chester), Jeff F (Montco), Ed B (Visitor)

Meeting opened at 7 pm with the Serenity Prayer and Introductions.

- Read and discussed Tradition 2 and Concept 2
- Reviewed Financial Reports: Monthly Income Statement (P&L), Year-to-Date I/S, Balance Sheet
 - NOVEMBER -- MONTHLY P&L
 - First month of the new year. Reviewed activity of the month.
 - Misc income of \$406 was Interest Income
 - Discussed postage charge for literature (expensed in one month but covers more than one month)
 - Discrepancies between actual and budget for office expenses and rent were discussed with appropriate rationale.
 - NOVEMBER YTD – YEAR TO DATE P&L
 - Same as Monthly P&L
 - NOVEMBER BALANCE SHEET
 - Prudent reserve is Franklin Mint Money plus Money Market.
 - Questioned negative number in Undeposited Funds. Looks like discrepancy with PayPal systems.
 - OFFICE MANAGER REPORT (Fran)
 - Lot of work going on with Round-Up & Share-a-Day
 - There was a question on accounting for designated donations in QuickBooks. May need to continue to account for this manually.
- Other Business
 - Greg presented a summary report of the financials that can be used for distribution. The group agreed to continue to work on this format.
 - Try to attend Unity Pitches if you can.

Next Meeting will be January 18, 2024

Archives Committee Report from December 12, 2023

Archives Committee Report from December 12, 2023

Zoom meeting started at 7PM

13 members in attendance.

Meeting opened with Serenity Prayer. Read Tradition 2 and Concept 2.

Zone Reports

- Montgomery County: Chris
 - 5 interviews to schedule
 - 1 Bill W with Story tapes, zone meeting went well. Chris is going to learn how to interview someone.
- Bucks: Alison
 - Couple long timer interviews scheduled, no DVD viewings scheduled. She has the necessary equipment, book, recorder and release forms.

- Philadelphia: Not present, both out with covid.
 - No report
- Chester: Jon
 - Nothing new to report, 2 interviews to be scheduled.
- Delaware: Jack
 - Alternate Joe needs to be replaced.
 - 2 interviews to be scheduled.
- Old Business: Part 1 of the 'Creation of Zones' was included in Interviews.
- New Business: None.
 - December 16, 4 members attended the in person Saturday Archives Workshop at the SEPIA office to become familiar with the archives collection as well as to learn how to use the recording equipment and conduct interviews.
- Closed with the Responsibility Pledge before 8:00 PM.

CPC Committee Report from December 4, 2023

CPC Minutes December 4, 2023

Number of Attendees: 23

Attendees to fill out this form:

- https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Ex_M_V4xxaAwUFNvVQue-U9LISTEwWYbwDIEjY1Oe60/edit
- Meeting is the 1st Monday of the month. Hybrid. SEPIA office and Zoom.
- 23 people at the meeting including online.
- Liaison's reports - 4 present
- Introductions of newcomers (name, homegroup, did you complete the form?) *post form link in chat.
- Explain what the CPC is/ what volunteers do, eligibility and what newcomers can expect to do next.
- 4 new people signed up for CPC.
- 36 students, from Drexel, were assigned for the month of October. All were escorted to meetings.
- Students have access to ALL reading materials. The AA suggested readings (The Drs Opinion, How It Works, AA Preamble) are provided on their FPC1 course page. Do not suggest anything additional unless the student asks for it. When we "suggest" additional literature/videos, etc we actually put Drexel Medical School's accreditation at risk. They are allotted 1 1/2 hours for this entire process, including readings. Their administration must account for every minute of work they assign and can lose their accreditation if they exceed certain time restrictions. This also applies to our pre and post meeting. Meet for no more than 15 minutes before and after the AA meeting.
- cpcasstdirector@aasepia.org
- If the students have questions post-meeting and/or the volunteer sends out something they requested, that's OK. Lorie suggests if there's anything that you feel is an important reference – post meeting - she's happy to post that as well – as a 'Post meeting reference'.
- If the students don't respond when the escort reaches out to them, the escort needs to let Lorie, Mike and Steve know. It proved to be very helpful and alleviates scrambling at the end of the month.
 - Escorts need to make sure to copy Lorie Cannon, Steve and Mike on ALL correspondence.
 - llc62@drexel.edu

- cpdirector@aasepia.org
- cpcasstdirector@aasepia.org
- Reflection papers that students write about their experience escorting students were addressed. One of the students felt they were being pushed to submit their reflection paper. It was decided, going forward, we will no longer ask for the reflection papers. Instead, we will create a couple of questions, on their website, the student has the option to answer, regarding the information contained in their reflection paper. They will also have the option to submit the full paper with their personal information redacted.
- It was brought up that there is a flyer for the SEPIA CPC committee. This will be sent to the committee members on the Email list.
- HR Summit was discussed. This is a recurring workshop where Human Resource representatives share best practices. Alcoholics Anonymous could participate. Questions were brought up about having to pay for this service, attraction versus promotion, anonymity and the possible perception that AA is endorsing HR Summit. We voted not to participate in this.

Interphones Committee Minutes from December 27, 2023

Interphones Meeting Minutes – December 27, 2023

Paul opened the meeting at 7PM with the Serenity Prayer

Introductions of attendees – 17 people in attendance, including Director (Paul) and Assistant Director (Sharon)

Two new members were in attendance.

There was a need to block a phone number from Maryland due to inappropriate conversations. If anyone experiences a similar situation, please notify Paul, Sharon or the SEPIA Office (Fran).

Paul opened the meeting for questions.

There are currently 14 open time slots which were put in the chat.

Interphones is in need of volunteers to fill these open slots and several open Holiday time slots.

Thank you to all who are currently assisting in answering the phones.

The meeting was closed at 7:33PM with the Responsibility Pledge.

Next meeting is scheduled for February 28, 2024 at 7PM on zoom.

Sharon will send out the meeting reminder for February's meeting.

Prison Committee Minutes from December 7, 2023

Prison Committee report December 7, 2023

Chair: Charlie K.

Attendees – 14

Opened with the Serenity Prayer.

Introductions were made.

- Read Tradition 2 and Concept 2
- Read Prison Committee bylaws

Zone Reports:

Bucks County – Going good, men’s and women’s.

Philadelphia County – Going good; need to update badges for 2024.

Chester County – Getting ready to start meetings January 2024.

Montgomery County – Going well at prison; Bldg 51 & Bldg 10 good.

Delaware County – Couple of misses in November; all others good.

State and FDC:

SCI Chester – Meetings are going good. Couple more got cleared and we sent books and literature.

SCI Phoenix – Meetings going well. 1 miss in November. Also possible a day meeting is going to start.

FDC Philadelphia – Meeting going good Friday morning at 10:00. Possibility of an orientation for new volunteers in Jan-Feb.

Temporary contact – Going good. We have a nice list of people willing to escort.

Pen Pal – Going great. Eryn is doing a great job and she is looking for someone to step up and learn the process.

New Business:

None noted.

Closed with the Responsibility Pledge.

Public Information Committee Minutes from December 20, 2023

Public Information Committee

December 20th, 2023 Minutes

Wednesday, December 20th/ 7:00 PM / Via Zoom / Zoom ID: 882 5844 9206 / Password:

SEPIA <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88258449206pwd=cWlPd2ZSUllvWHcvbndyeXA4SFAwUT09>

I. Open with Serenity Prayer, Welcome & Introductions

Sam H- PI Director, Deborah D - PI Asst Dir, Tiara T. - Vice Chair, Michael C- Bucks Asst Liaison, Daniel R (Rocky)- Delco Liaison, Sarah K – Mont Co Liaison, PI Committee Members- Mamapalo, Chris G, Matt H, Monica, Jake W

II. Read Tradition 2

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Senior Outreach Campaign: Sam H
 - a. Information and packets will continue to be distributed.
2. Faith Leaders Campaign: Sam H
 - a. We are continuing to utilize the Clergy pamphlet in packets. We will use the new Faith Leaders pamphlet, which is more inclusive, when it becomes available.
3. University Contact list: Sam H (PI Director)

- a. Review the 'Educator' e-flyer here. Will discuss further on how to best reach out to universities, talk about sending "We Can Help" flyers and other similar items.
4. Lamar Billboard - Billboards week of October 18, 2023
 - a. Will look into another billboard campaign in the 5-county area, potentially as soon as January.
5. State Senators and Representatives
 - a. Continue to discuss best practices and how we can utilize the generated list. Put on hold to focus on hospital outreach initiative.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Union Outreach Campaign
 - a. Sam will make a list of unions in the 5 county area and come back next month.
2. Hospital Outreach
 - a. Sarah brought up reaching out to hospitals in 5 county area. PI members will bring back list of hospitals in the county they were assigned. Will talk further details on outreach next month.

Next Meeting & Contacts

Wednesday, January 17th/ 7:00 PM / Via Zoom / Zoom ID: 882 5844 9206 / Password: SEPIA

Sam H., Director of Public Information, publicinfodirector@aasepia.org

– please send any photos of your home group for the Google Business Profile page.

Deborah D., Assistant Director of Public Information publicinfoasstdirector@aasepia.org

PI Zone Liaisons & Alternate Liaisons:

- Bucks: Laura A- publicinfobcz@aasepia.org
- Bucks Alternate: Michael C - publicinfobczal@aasepia.org
- Chester: Nick M - publicinfocczl@aasepia.org
- Chester: Open Position - publicinfocczal@aasepia.org
- Delaware: Rocky R - publicinfodczl@aasepia.org
- Delaware Alternate: Meg O'B - publicinfodczal@aasepia.org
- Montgomery: Sarah K - publicinfomcz@aasepia.org
- Montgomery Alternate: Open - publicinfomczaltliaison@aasepia.org
- Philadelphia: Phillip K - publicinfopcza@aasepia.org
- Philadelphia Alternate: Open - publicinfopczaaltliaison@aasepia.org

Contents of Public Information Workbook Kit https://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/f-65w_PI_Kit.pdf

Special Events Committee Report from Sunday December 28, 2023

Special Events Meeting Minutes 12/28/23

Tiara opened with the Serenity Prayer at 7pm

30 Attendees (Bonnie, Bonnie, Bebe, Rich, Elaine, Eileen-Mont. Co. Special Events Liaison, Eric, Fran-Office Manager, Jay-Chair, Jimmy, Lorraine, Dave, Lynn-Asst. Prison Director, Mamapalo, Mark, Maureen, Morgan, Nick, Peggy, Kyle-Philly Special Events Liaison, Sharon-Asst Interphones Director, Steve-Chester Special Events Liaison, Steve, Sue-Mont Co Alt Special Events Liaison, Susan, Andrea, Fred, Sue,Suzanne,Mike, Kevin, Steve, Tiara, Michelle-Asst Secretary

Anniversaries

- Bonnie celebrated 11 years on 10/8

- Nick celebrated 24 years on 12/24

- Morgan celebrated 1 year, 8 months and 7 days

Agenda Correction brought up by Suzanne - Next Special Events meeting is January 29th.

16 Logo designs submitted by 11 members.

Fred shared initial poll where members can vote for their top 3 logo choices.

Bonnie explained her logo submission.

Tiara thanked everyone who submitted designs and warned that the winning design may need to be slightly altered/adjusted for printing.

Winning bid for the apparel order was announced by Tiara. Ampro will be supplying apparel again this year and honoring last years prices. They were the cheapest bid. The pins will be larger this year.

Gratitude breakfast venue search received no feedback/suggestions in December so please spread the word that we would like possible venue suggestions.

Sharon asked what the maximum price per plate is allotted to? Tiara needs to check previous years and get back to Sharon later.

Second poll was conducted by Fred with the top 3 designs and the winner was #10 and had 16 votes.

Share-a-Day Planning will be held on Zoom on January 7th from 11am-1pm.

Zoom ID: 83097137768

Password: 953614

Share-a-Day will be February 10th from 10am-2pm.

We have a possible location but site visit is necessary.

Mamapalo accepted the Round Up Director Position

Round Up Planning Meeting will be January 20th from 10am-2pm at the Kroc Center (4200 Wissahickon Ave, Philadelphia) Doors open at 9:30am, lunch at noon. Fran asked if the Kroc Center brought the price down? Tiara answered yes, by 50% and said St. John Neumann did not have the date available. Kroc Center assured the space will be opened up larger than normal to accommodate everyone.

3rd poll shared by Fred to vote on colors for shirts for the Round Up. There were 8 color choices (Carolina Blue, Maroon, Military Green, Royal, Navy, Forest Green, Dark Chocolate, and Orange). The top three choices were Carolina Blue, Navy and Orange. The winner was Carolina Blue.

Bingo tabled until after the Round Up.

Jimmy made a motion to "Read a Tradition during each Special Events Meeting." Motion was seconded. Poll was given and 12 were in favor and 14 opposed so it did not carry. Minority opinion given by Sharon and Mamapalo but nobody wanted to change their vote.

Nick made a motion to close at 7:57 and Dave seconded. We closed with the Responsibility Pledge.

Treatment Facilities Committee Report from December 18, 2023

Treatment Committee Report

12/18/2023

Zoom ID: 881 4239 6509, Passcode: 805478

Attendees:

David K. Committee Director
Jerry S. Asst Director
Courtney B. Delco asst liaison
Sean Q. Philadelphia liaison
Amanda Q. Phila. Asst liaison
James G. Bucks liaison
Shelby Montco liaison
Pierre BTG Chester
Glenn S. BTG phila.

Meeting Open with Serenity Prayer followed by Introductions and the welcome of all new committee members for this rotation.

Sean– Reads Tradition 2

David – Reads Concept 2

Zone Reports:

Bucks County – 48 Commitments all filled – Lit is being distributed as requested – James G willing to get involved as BTG liaison.

Chester County – No show/ no report for treatment.

Delaware County – 57 commitments all filled- Mirmont additional meetings will be up for vote next month.

Montgomery County – 69 Commitments 68 filled – vote for 2 changes with current commitments – multiple reports of “no shows” at certain facilities.

Philadelphia – 47 commitments (mix of single and monthly total of 160) all filled – vote passed to add 2 new facilities Clean Slate and Snyder House.

BTG Reports:

Pierre – Looking to pitch to new facility Bolin Grin.

Glenn – Reported more volunteers needed especially women – Presentation at Belmont – Malvern presentation will be scheduled – assistant liaison position filled.

Old Business:

A few people that did not make the mandatory in person meeting requested a vote on the topic. Being as none were present; the floor was open for discussion on the matter. All participants were agreed on the importunacy of face-to-face meetings. Thoughts of others were discussed and although people live in different situations, the quarterly in person meetings coupled with the hybrid zoom meetings the rest of the year, was thought to be fair. After all, we in the Treatment committee expect our members to show up upwards of 400 times a month, in person, to all the facilities around the five zones. Four times a year in person didn't seem to be too much. This was the group conscience and so no motion was put on the floor for a new vote.

Emails were discussed.

New Business:

Discussion on job description and expectations for the committee members. Making sure new members know the requirements to avoid any surprises i.e. In person meetings quarterly. Some new members reported that the belief was they never had to show up at the office.

Budget. We were under assumption our literature that was ordered was taken out of the budget at time of placement. Needed discussion with finance committee.

The task of having all the zones using the same method of handling the commitments brought discussion about sign up genius. Shelby in Montco is using her personal account (cost of approximately \$200 a year). This brings a lot of questions in other areas of SEPIA.

1. Can Shelby be reimbursed for the subscription?
2. Can SEPIA set up a subscription to allow all the liaisons to use?
3. Should Shelby attempt to add the others to her subscription?
4. What to do in the interim?

Unity Committee Report from December 19, 2023

SEPIA Unity Committee Meeting –December 19 2023

Opening 7:00PM – Serenity Prayer

In attendance:

Mike Q – Unity Director

Pete - Bucks zone liaison

Shane -Montco zone liaison

Diana - Montco alternate liaison

Josh - Delco zone liaison

Paul - Interphones director

Jay -Oreland beginners minister of propaganda /SEPIA chair

Luke S - Asst Unity director

Mike read Tradition 2

Paul read Concept 2

Old Business:

Upcoming pitches:

Manayunk Big Book Monday 1/22 7:30 PM

St. John the Baptist Church

119 Rector Street

Phila, PA

Women of Grace Tuesday 1/30 6:00 PM

Newtown Presbyterian Church

25 N. Chancellor Street

Newtown, PA

Paoli Group of Devon: pending their selection of a date

The group agreed that the three rough drafts submitted as committee re-writes were in the spirit of the November discussion. Luke agreed to commence with the work or rewriting the entire Unity pitch.

New Business:

None

Next Unity meeting : Tuesday January 16 7:00 PM on Zoom.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89646192235?pwd=VTRHdXRnNjNKZmxHZXJPeTItaGZNUOT09>

Closing – 7:30 pm with the Unity Pledge.

Website/Technology Committee Report from December 6, 2023

SEPIA WEBSITE/TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

December 6th, 2023 Agenda

Wednesday, December 5th/ 5:30 PM / Via Zoom / Zoom ID: 840 2179 3007 / Password: 580960

I. Introductions

Sam H – PI Director, Fran – Office Manager, Kevin B – WT Member, Jay F – Chair, Deborah D– Asst PI Director, Hugh H – WT Member, Eileen – Chester Co Zone Coordinator, Sam H – WT Member

- Website Migration to WordPress

Work is progressing, Kerri is doing a great job. Continuing to work on registration for 2024 Round Up. Kevin showed us the new Round up page for the website, it will be tight but registration will be ready by early January.

- Consider changing WebTech committee so that it runs more efficiently.

No discussion.

- Status of SEPENNA Emails.

No discussion.

III. New Business/General Discussion

- None.

Close with I am Responsible.

Next Meeting & Contacts

Wednesday, January 3rd/ 5:30 PM / Via Zoom / Zoom ID: 840 2179 3007 / Password: 580960

Steve S., Public Information Director, publicinfoasstdirector@aasepia.org

Sam H. Public Information Assistant Director publicinfoasstdirector@aasepia.org

Bucks County Zone Meeting Minutes from Monday, December 11, 2023

Bucks County Zone Meeting

December 11th 2023

Lindsey called meeting to order at 7 pm.

Opened with the Serenity Prayer.

Read Tradition 2.

Read Concept 2.

Jim read last month's minutes.

Attendance:

Intergroup Reps: 30

Alternates without rep present: 7

Alternates with rep present: 4

Steering Committee: 0

Guests: 4

Total: 45

New Representatives:

- Helen- Alcoholics Onluy
- Sam- Young Bucks
- Dave- Why Me?
- Eileen- Tru Center
- Bruce- First Call
- Stephanie- Ivyland Womens Step
- Kate- Newtown Starting Over
- Valerie- Just For Today
- Justin- Sunrisers

Anniversaries:Personal:

- Bruce - 6 Months
- Sam - 9 Months
- Chris - 2 Years
- Pete - 2 Years
- Lynn - 6 Years

Home Group:

- Heard It Through The Grapevine - 31 Years
- First Call - 11 Years January 7th

Guest reports:**TBD: Jay – Chairperson**

- Brought interview packets.
- 12 step committees need our help, No strings attached.
- December 24th deadline to submit artwork for the upcoming Round Up.
- New store at AASepia.org.

TBD: Lynn - Assistant Director of Prisons

- Bucks may be adding another womens meeting.
- Delco and Montco are being filled weekly.
- Philadelphia needs help.
- SCI Chester and SCI Phoenix are doing well.
- Philadelphia federal prison wants to bring meetings.
- Sign up for PenPal - email Erin at Etjele@gmail.com

Liaison Reports:**Lindsey Zone Coordinator:**

- Interviews being sent to all intergroup reps.
- Public information is using clergy pamphlets up then will switch to faith packets.
- Unity is updating its pitch.
- Webtech is migrating to a new website, ETA unknown.
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Allison - Archives:

- Meets the 2ndTuesday of every month.
- Need group histories – you can find the form on the S.E.P.I.A. website.
- One copy goes to S.E.P.I.A.; other copies go into zone committee meeting binders.

- Also need old timer's testimonies - over 20 years of continuous sobriety.
- HG's can request a member of the Archives Committee to come to their HG and play a DVD about how AA came to Philly – about 22 minutes long.
- Preservation Work meets the third Saturday of every month at the S.E.P.I.A. office.

Chris - CPC:

- Meets the 1stMonday of the month on Zoom.
- The committee helps police, medical, and other professionals understand what A.A. is and how it can help their clients.
- Volunteers needed to escort health care professionals to open meetings – all currently on Zoom.
- To become a CPC representative, you must attend a meeting and then shadow an experienced member.
- 1 year of continuous sobriety is recommended, but not required.
- 25 volunteers in total, 13 of which are new.
- No longer asking for feedback from the professionals.
- HR conference asked AA to attend, AA voted NO.

Justin Alt Zone Coordinator - Finance:

- Meets the 3rdThursday of the month on Zoom.
- Finance is responsible for overseeing 7th tradition contributions.
- Fran needs to complete bank reconciliation.
- Literature inventory looks right now.
- Account payable numbers are high.

Greg - Interphones:

- Meets the last Wednesday of every other month – the next meeting is _____.
- Volunteers answer phones when the S.E.P.I.A. office is closed.
- HUSSHH meets on Zoom the third Tuesday of every month.
- Need many volunteers.
- Holiday shifts need to be filled.

Mike - Public Information:

- The committee is meant to provide information about AA to the still sick and suffering alcoholic.
- Meets the 3rdWednesday of every month on Zoom.
- We have a Google Business Profile page – we need photos of home group's meeting spaces to add to the website - keep in mind that it is important to avoid photos of people (it's an anonymous program) and anything that may lend affiliation to an outside enterprise (e.g. crosses, bibles, business names, etc.) You can email photos directly to publicinfodirector@aasepia.org.
- Want to help spread awareness for AA? Go to <https://aasepia.org/docs/199/aa-rack-card.pdf> to obtain Rack Cards, which provide immediate access to the S.E.P.I.A. website as well as a number to call to speak with another alcoholic directly. These cards are great to place in literature racks, on bulletin boards (with permission), and to give to newcomers.
- Public service announcements airing on radio stations.
- Need information on Universities - where racks are needed and can be placed.
- Still trying to get pamphlets out to faith based places and seniors.

Jim - Special Events:

- Meets the last Monday of every month on Zoom.
- Round Up theme this year will be "164 At The Shore."
- Everything else on hold due to Round Up planning.

- Selecting artwork for Round Up this month.

Pete - Unity:

- Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month on Zoom
- Committee members go around to home groups and discuss 12th step service positions with the intent of getting members excited and more involved in-service work.

Courtney - Male Liaison - Prisons:

- There are 3 prisons in Bucks County: 3 male and 1 female.
- Committee members ensure all guidelines are followed, according to each facility's specifications.
- Each facility has different clearance requirements. However, there are no conditions to join the prison committee!
- Meets the 1st Thursday of every month.
- Lynn said everything already.

Jamie - Treatment:

- Receives warm welcome from Marie.
- Going to Sepia office on 12/18.
- Trying to reach out to more facilities for more commitments.
- New process expedites commitment process at IGR

Old Business:

- WILL ALWAYS BE THE PREVIOUS MONTH'S NEW BUSINESS

New Business:

- Jeff steps up as alternate finance liaison.
- Morgan steps up as alternate special events liaison.
- Pete steps up to Unity liaison.
- Chris steps up as alternate unity liaison.
- YPAA liberty bid for ecypaa party New Years Eve 8pm at Uhranian League.
- Next meeting is January 8th.

Motion to close at 7:53

Closed with I Am Responsible

Chester County Zone Meeting Minutes from Monday December 11, 2023

SEPIA: Chester County Zone Meeting Minutes

December 11, 2023

*Meeting was held via Zoom

Meeting Chairperson - Eileen (Zone Coordinator)

- New Intergroup Reps (IGRs):
 - Kate D. - Devon Saturday Morning St. Luke's (IGR)
 - Christina S. - Women Seek Serenity (IGR)
 - Jeanne P. - Malvern Morning Miracles (IGR)
 - Jill - Morning Day Miracles (IGR)
 - Fred T - Church Street Group (AIGR)
 - LeeAnn A - Friday Night Fortunes (AIGR)

- There was a quick orientation for new IGRs immediately following the meeting.

Anniversaries this month

- Deb D. 12/24 - 10 years
- Dave C. 11/22 - 4 years
- Matt C. - 31 years

Meeting Minutes - November 2023 meeting minutes were sent to all via email. No corrections were made. Minutes were unanimously approved.

Attendance

- 49 total people in attendance
- 25 Voting IGRs + 2 Voting AIGRs
- 22 Non-voting Members/Visitors

Concepts & Traditions

- Tradition Two: "For our group purpose, there is but one ultimate authority; a loving God as He may express Himself in our group consciences. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern."
- Concept Two: "The General Service Conference of AA has become, for nearly every practical purpose, the active voice and the effective conscience of our whole society in its world affairs."

Open CC Zone Service Positions: Liaison/Coordinator for Bridging the Gap, Finance Committee, Interphones, Special Events, Women's Prison; Alternate Coordinator for ALL positions.

SEPIA Steering Committee Updates

Treasurer > Stephanie W.

- Committee is working on finalizing figures to send to new accountant to help prepare the tax forms for AA.
- The Finance Committee helps determine budgets for committees and determines how to best allocate funds received from 7th Tradition donations.
- Finance committee meets the 3rd Thursday of each month @ 7pm via Zoom. Meeting ID: 842 4075 5543; Passcode: SEPIA

Public Information Assistant Director: Deb D

- Currently the committee is looking to distribute AA info to schools/universities and in the community. Previously focused on senior centers and religious centers. Other ideas include distributing AA info at **health fair** events, on a FB page, on billboards (currently have 5 so would like to increase this).
- PI committee meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month @ 7pm via Zoom. Meeting ID: 882 5844 9206; Passcode: SEPIA

SEPIA Vice-Chair > Tiara T.

- Special Events Updates:
 - Theme for Round-Up is "164 At the Shore". The Logo contest is happening. If interested in submitting your ideas, submit ASAP. Planning meeting will be in early January (date TBD).
- Share-A-Day is quickly approaching in January. FLYER will be posted on SEPIA website
- Special Events committee will meet on December 28th @ 7pm via Zoom. Meeting ID: 834 2923 8954; Passcode: 797795

SEPIA Office Manager > Fran G.

- Busy sending mail for upcoming events and posting flyers & registrations on SEPIA website. Keep checking the website.

- A block of rooms at The Grand Hotel of Cape May for Round-Up is now available at a rate of \$204/night (plus taxes/fees) for a Standard Room. To make a reservation, call 1-800-257-8550 and use BLOCK CODE: 656596. Online booking is not available; you must call to make a reservation. Rooms sell out very quickly so be sure to book early.
- Please continue to double-check your Homegroup meeting info on the Meeting App to ensure it is correct and submit corrections.

District Announcements:

- District 29 - Amy M. NOT PRESENT
- District 30 – Peg H. NOT PRESENT
- District 38 – Kathleen G. NOT PRESENT
- District 44 –Taylor S. District GSR’s please attend meetings which are the 3rd Thursday @ 7pm on zoom - Zoom ID: 995 8210 0022 Passcode: 527764. Contact Tim R. District 44 DCM: BillsFriendTim@gmail.com for zoom info.
- District 56 – Nick P. Midday Miracles hosting Holiday Alcahons happening on 12/24, 12/25, 12/31, 1/1. Flyer: https://drive.google.com/file/d/19MR67A8fBrt3FyHLtUwYNLb9qGUHT1hM/view?usp=drive_link
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Chester County Zone Updates/Announcements

Archives: Jon

- The Archives committee is meeting this Tuesday 12/12/23 on Zoom and this Saturday in person at the SEPIA office to review video footage.
- Still looking for members who have 20+ years of sobriety to be recorded.

Bridging the Gap: OPEN

- Helps connect patients in treatment facilities with an AA member so they have someone to take them to their 1st 3-5 meetings.

Chester Co. PENNSCYPAA Bid Committee: Syd/Nick

- This committee is looking for support...not just for young in age, but young at heart.
- December 16th - Montco Host Committee Cookie Bake-off: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1AAfbEhjJtgBDZbi7yCx7ypeFqI5DGjVg/view?usp=drive_link
- December 17th- York bid committee Bingo: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/10jxI3C8z0h9CVCf0SXql7htx94JFGxq5/view?usp=sharing>
- 8th Annual Spaghetti and Speaker” - https://drive.google.com/file/d/1fVUIshsNDiUtPmaYVlstpONptrPn_lw6/view?usp=sharing
- Chesco Bid meets the 1st Sunday of every month @ 10:00am on zoom. All the info is in our flier: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1kdDboDrmdTcT76_6_37Buu3lZcsgoYF8/view?usp=sharing

CPC: Jeanne

- Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) helps to carry the message of recovery outside the rooms of A.A. Most of the work we do for SEPIA involves escorting medical students to open AA meetings that are held online. 1-year of sobriety is required to escort students. The committee holds a hybrid meeting on the first Monday of every month at 7pm. At these meetings we review a list of the opportunities for service and assign volunteers to escort students. People who are new to the committee will attend at least one meeting with an experienced member. The new member will learn how to contact the students and how to run the meetings.
- Last month we escorted 36 Drexel students to open AA meetings. The students are generally very excited about the meetings and gain a much better picture of what we do and how we can help them with their work.
- There are other types of work that we could be doing as a committee, and we welcome any ideas that people have to help us more effectively carry the message.

Finance: OPEN

Interphones: Fred

- If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the SEPIA office for time slots which need to be filled. If you have at least 1-year of continuous sobriety, you can help carry the A.A. message at a certain time each week. Callers will not be given your phone number and you are 1 of 5 others during the time slot.
- Chester County Zone is in need of an Interphones Liaison/Coordinator which meets the last Wednesday of even months (ie. Feb/Apr/Jun/Aug/Oct/Dec) @ 7pm via Zoom. Meeting ID: 822 1987 3872; Passcode: SEPIA

Prisons - Men & Women: George

- Meetings will start back up in January. Still need both men & women to volunteer to bring meetings to the prisons and the PenPal program.
- If you would consider taking a commitment / meeting to the prison / writing an anonymous letter to a prisoner, please do the following:
 - a. For a Prison Commitment you need to have 1 year of continuous sobriety and complete the attached clearance form - https://drive.google.com/file/d/1-QWSiCtKv8MMxpJlj_TKNRtzb2IYwV7/view?usp=sharing. Return it to CCZPCORD@GMAIL.COM with a copy of your Drivers License that will be submitted for clearance. Once cleared, you will be notified & scheduled for meetings.
 - b. For the SEPIA AA PenPal program:
 1. Do not use your name or indicate your location; at the bottom of the letter sign “a grateful alcoholic” or “an AA member,” something generic.
 2. Write whatever you like related to your recovery, strength and hope. You can discuss any recovery topic.
 3. It can be as short or long as you like.
 4. Don’t indicate gender at all, please.
 5. Email any letters you have to etjele@gmail.com by end of the day on Sunday each week. A reminder for letters is sent out each Thursday 6.
 6. If you have friends who want to write letters, they are more than welcome to join and to reach out to George for guidelines and questions.
- The Prison Committee meets the 1st Thursday of each month @ 7pm HYBRID. Zoom Meeting ID: 89745456774; Passcode: SEPIA

Public Information: Nick - publicinfocczl@aasepia.org

- Homegroups are asked to send a photo of their space (no people) to help AA’s Google Business Page. Photos can be emailed to Sam H. publicinfodirector@aasepia.org or Fran our SEPIA office manager

Special Events: OPEN

Treatment: Bobette (610-304-5697)

- Please be sure that when signing up, you include your phone number so Bobette can send you a text reminder and if needed, you can let her know should you not be able to fulfill your commitment.
- January Treatment sign-up is attached. Still have a few openings.

Unity: OPEN

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

- Fred T. volunteered to serve as Chester County Zone Interphones Liaison/Coordinator. All voting members unanimously approved.

- Paul D. volunteered to serve as Chester County Zone Finance Liaison/Coordinator. All voting members unanimously approved.

Meeting Closed at 8:30pm with the Responsibility Statement.

Our next meeting is Monday January 8, 2024 at 7pm (2nd Monday of each Month) via Zoom.

Delaware County Zone Meeting Minutes from Monday December 11, 2023

Delaware County Zone Meeting

Minutes – December 2023

Opening:

Open the meeting at 7:00 PM

Serenity Prayer

Tradition 12

Previous minutes presented for review and approval

Attendance:

Voting Representatives:

- IGRs: 34
- Alt w/o rep: 2

Other Attendees:

- Alt. w/rep: 2
- SC Members: 3
- District Reps: 0
- Guests: 0
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Zone Coordinator's Report

- Zone Coordinator shared information from the steering committee meeting.
 - All zone rep attended liaison meetings!
- The 2024 RoundUp will be March 8 – 10 at The Grand Hotel, Cape May.
 - Theme: 164 @ the Shore.
 - Registration open online.
 - Discount code: 656596.
 - Call the Grand directly to book a room.
- Media Alkathon
 - 3p Christmas Eve - 3p Christmas Day.
 - Meetings begin at 4p and continue every other hour until 10p.
 - Meetings every hour from 10p - 3p (break for breakfast 8-9am).

Alt Zone Coordinator's Report

- Not present

New Business:

Liaison & Steering Committee Reports:

ARCHIVES (Jack; Alternate - Joe)

- No NEW report
- Standard Overview Report:
- Still looking for members with >20 years to please consider sharing their story.

- Groups please make sure your history are up to date with the SEPIA office.
- Your Group History should be shared with the Zone, the SEPIA Office and Area 59 – they do not necessarily cross-share the information received.

COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY (Todd; Alternate - Pez)

- 36 Drexel Students escorted to AA last month; AA volunteers needed.
- STEERING COMMITTEE – Steve
 - AA volunteers must have 1 year of continuous sobriety to be an escort.
 - Most meeting are done online.
 - College student picks the day/time.
 - AA member meets the student 15 minutes before the meeting to talk about AA.
 - And, 15 minutes after the meeting to discuss comments/questions from the student.

FINANCE (Jack B.; Alternate OPEN)

- No report
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INTERPHONES (Maryanne; Alternate OPEN)

- Mostly volunteers are needed for the 12a-9p shifts.
- Call Fran if interested in volunteering for interphones.
- Volunteers are needed for HUSH too.
 - take a meeting to homebound AA members.
- STEERING COMMITTEE – Sharon
 - 14 open time slots for interphones.
 - AA volunteers must have 1 year of continuous sobriety to be an escort.
 - Holiday slots needed too.
 - Handbook and training provided before you begin taking calls.
 - You can volunteer for multiple slots, but they must be the same time frames on different days.

PRISONS (Blaine; Alternate - Brooke)

- Both the liaison and alternate were not present.
- STEERING COMMITTEE – Lynn
 - Contact Chaplain Dunn 5 business days before
 - (610) 361-3200 x546 dunnc.delaware@pa.us
 - If you take a commitment, please make sure that the clearance paperwork has been filed.
 - Cannot be on paper.
 - Federal Clearance takes 4 months.
 - Interested in Pen Pals? Email Erin J - etjele@gmail.com
 - Discussion Phase for a Temporary Contact Prison Sponsor Program

December Commitments @ GW Hill:

Women – Mondays @ 7:30

1/1 - Kathy - Newtown Square

1/8 - Shannon - Swarthmore Big Book

1/15 - Renee - Rosetree Women

1/22 - Kathy - Newtown Square

1/29 - Albert - First Things First

Men – Fridays @ 7:30

1/5 - Jim L - New Beginnings

1/12 - Parke - God As I Understand Him

1/19 - Jack - Springfield Monday

1/26 - Albert - First Things First

PUBLIC INFORMATION/WEB TECH (Rocky; Alternate - Meg B.)

- No NEW report.
- Radio announcements being broadcast.
- We Can Help flier mentioned.

SPECIAL EVENTS (Dave T.; Alternate - Shannon)

- Liaison not present; alternate gave the comment.
- When booking for the 2024 RoundUp just mention that you are with Intergroup (no code needed)

UNITY (Josh G.; Alternate - ?)

- Traveling Road Show wants to come to your homegroup to share with other members how they can get involved and what each committee does.
 - Ask your homegroup at the business meeting for the Unity team to come to your meeting.
- Questions or comments - just ask Josh G.

Bridging the Gap (Hank A.)

- AA members explain the Bridging the Gap program to patients during an AA meeting.
- Patients are paired with an AA member upon discharge.
 - BTG pairs same gender people with those in their area (also tries to keep pairs close in age).
- AA women desperately needed to bring the BTG presentation into the women's meetings.
 - 2x/month (biweekly) you choose the day

TREATMENT (Jim L.; Courtney, Alternate)

- December Host Commitments:
 - Mirmont Tuesday: Safe Harbor
 - Mirmont Friday: Media Beginners
 - Mirmont Saturday: Neighborhood
 - Harwood House: First Things First
 - Keystone Monday: God As We Understand Him / EHG
 - Keystone Wednesday: Aston Tuesday Night / SWAN
 - Keystone Friday: The Jig is Up / Rosetree Women
- **PLEASE BE MINDFUL THAT IF YOU TAKE A COMMITMENT, SOMEONE MUST SHOW UP!**
 - If you cannot keep a meeting or host commitment, contact Blaine as soon as possible.

Zone Coordinator's Report:

- Mirmont - request for NEW meeting
 - 9:30 AM on Sundays.
 - 10+ years of continuous sobriety to speak.
 - Age 40+ years old.
- Ask your homegroups and we will vote in January.

ZC closed the meeting at 8:30 pm with the Responsibility Pledge.

Next Meeting:

Monday, January 8th, 2023 @ 7:00 pm
HMB Ukrainian Church
900 Fairview Rd.
Swarthmore, PA 19081

Respectfully submitted by
Renee C., Zone Secretary

Montgomery Zone Meeting Report from Monday, December 11, 2023

MONTGOMERY COUNTY ZONE MINUTES

Monday, December 11, 2023

Held at Sanctuary United Methodist Church

7pm - 8:06pm

- ATTENDANCE:
 - Total = 40
 - 30 IGR's
 - 10 AIGR's
 - Visitors = 4
- Bryan opened the meeting at 7pm with the Serenity Prayer
- New IGR's present:
 - new IGR's
 - Alan – Bryn Athen, Tim – Bryn Athyn, Kevin – Flourtown beginners, mike Flourtown 6, frank – expect a miracle, john – north Wales midday Alt., Austin – Narberth Midday
 - Alternate IGR's
 - Jim- Flourtown simple at seven Flourtown, Jim – Eye Openers, Pete – Expect a Miracle
- Reading of Tradition 2
- Reading of Concept 2
- Anniversaries:
 - Time - 18 months
- Moment for sharing if anyone needs to share any pressing needs or feels like they need a drink
- Secretary's Report of previous month's meeting minutes; Minutes Accepted.
- Vote for New times for 2 commitments – Shelby
 - Norristown State Building 1; moving from Wednesday at 7pm to Thursday at 7pm
 - Voted in Unanimously
 - Valley Forge Medical Center Change to end time 830pm to 7pm for both Thursday and Saturday
 - Voted in Unanimously

VISITOR'S REPORTS:

- CPC Director – Mike H
 - Work with the professional community that will come in contact with someone who has an alcohol problem so that they can refer them to AA if the person is open to it. They currently work with Drexel Medical students. cpdirector@aasepia.org
- Assistant Prison – Charlie
 - Chester County prisons would like to open up for meetings starting Jan 1st. We sent them books and literature. The other counties are going to start having clearances to get other people in there to do meetings. Pen Pals for the prisoners. Prison committee meets on the first Thursday
 - Erin – Pen Pal Program
 - Each week we reach out to about 40 people and ask them to get letters. The letters are sent to people behind bars by the 5 county liaisons. We send out 3-5 letters a week. Letters can be as long or short as they wish on any topic AA related. Gender Neutral language is necessary for the prisons. Looking for liaison for Pen Pal Coordinator.
 - Assistant Treatment – Jerry S.

- Try to deal with safety of our members in treatment facilities. If you see anything that is a safety risk let us know so we can get it fixed. Trying to get calendars together with each treatment centers. We are re-vetting facilities if there are or have been safety concerns

LIAISONS REPORTS:

- **Finance/Treasury – Liaison: Jeff F. (Meets 3 rd Thursday, Zoom,7:00 pm)**
 - Need alternate for the new year.
 - Looking for people to get involved and spend more money to carry the message.
 - Contributions are welcome for GSO, we do not get money from SEPIA.
 - Literature spending is 18% above budget.
 - Spending on website to get it standardize to google standards.
 - Zone spent 69% of budget for 2023.
 - Salaries are 3% below budget.
 - Committees are starting to spend more money.
 - Plans in process for the next round up
 - Budgets are moving along well re: revenues and expenses.
- **Public Information –**
- **Archives – Chris C. (Alternate needed/meets 2nd Tues of the month/Zoom)**
 - Looking for assistant liaison.
 - 92 meetings established in Montgomery County.
 - Looking for long timers of 20 years plus to interview.
 - 5 interviews for the month of November and December coming up.
 - SEPIA’s website, ICON for NOV interviews to see the interviews for the last month.
 - A brief history of AA for viewing at your home group if they want a DVD showing.
- **Cooperating with Professionals Committee – Christy M. (meet 1st Monday at 7:00 p.m., Hybrid)**
 - Need Assistant Liasian.
 - Escorting PCOM students to in person meetings.
 - They escort medical students to meetings – taking Drexel students on Zoom now. They do in person meetings at other times during the year.
 - Can meet with students for a virtual or in-person meeting.
 - To escort you need one year sobriety, attend two CPC meetings, shadow one time, then you can escort to the meeting, answer questions, talk after the meeting.
 - Looking for other opportunities to get the message to other professional environments.
- **Interphones – Warren (Alternate needed/meets 4th Wednesday, every other month via Zoom).**
 - Matt S. from Daily Progress at Mt. Carmel would like to be considered for alternate.
 - 25 shifts still available, five people per shift – to get on committee – go to SEPIA.org and apply or attend the next meeting.
 - New liaison for district and new assistant liaison Paul.
 - The person calling will not have your name or phone number.
 - Updated manual available – 17 pages.
 - Download handbook from SEPIA website under interphones icon.
- **Unity – Shane need Alternate (meets 3 rd Tuesday Zoom)**
 - Go out to different meeting and give out information about all the service opportunities available.
 - They will come to your homegroup and give a presentation re: service opportunities.
 - Pitch set up soon in Montgomery County in January.
 - Manayunk

- Newtown
 - We're working on changing the pitches to make them more interesting when coming to your home group.
- **Prison – Denny – Need Alternate (meets 1 st Thursday Zoom 6:00p Zoom)**
 - Montgomery County Correctional Facility – must be cleared to go, one clearance held - two commitments presently: one man, one woman. Denny has the clearance list – please let him know if you are available to take a commitment.
 - Forensic lock up in Norristown (just need Driver's License)
 - Building 51 (men and women)
 - Thursday 7:00 pm
 - Building 10 (attendees are men only)
 - Tuesday 7:00 pm
 - Men's Lock up in Eagleville
 - Monday 7:30 pm
 - Women's Lockup in Eagleville
 - Tuesday 7:30 pm
- **Special Events: Eileen (meets 4 th Monday of the month ZOOM, 7:00 p.m.)**
 - Made a little over \$5,000 at the gratitude breakfast in October.
 - Roundup 3/8 – 3/10 at the Grand Hotel in Cape May.
 - slogan/theme: 164 at the shore.
 - Logo contest is open. December 23rd is when the designs are due.
 - In the process of getting pricing for t-shirt.
 - There is not yet a date for the roundup planning commitment.
 - Code 656596 to get a reduced rate at the grand hotel.
 - Bingo has been put on hold until after the round up and if they decide to have it will be in May or June.
 - Place for next year gratitude breakfast that will hold 300 people. Get information to Eileen to start looking into.
- **District – Liz District 24**
 - Meet first Wednesday of every month at St. Mariam's Church.
 - Feb 10, 2023 Share-a -day.
 - NERAASA is coming up in Hershey, PA Feb 23 – 25 at the Hershey Lodge.
 - District 24 is brainstorming event ideas for the spring.
 - Grapevines is available on an app now.
 - Change of AA Literature – Talk to you GSR at your homegroup about 5 important points.
 - If you need someone to come to your homegroup to help you get reps there is a visitation liaison to discuss the importance of a GSR.
- **Chairperson's Report, Bryan M. (need alternate)**
 - Alternates needed for many positions.
- **Treatment Facilities – Shelby**
 - Norristown Hospital, Valley Forge Medical Center, and Horsham Clinic has been reporting a lot of no shows on commitments.
 - Please see your emails for information about the facilities and you can also contact Shelby with questions.
 - Due your due diligence and remind your homegroup members when they take commitments. If you are unable to fill a commitment last minute email Shelby ShelbyH0808@gmail.com.
 - Horsham Clinic Unit 2B commitments are currently being held at their Building 4 Unit 7.

- It is a little hidden but you will see it there.
- Stay tuned to emails in case this changes back to the original 2B location.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Alternate Positions available for Finance, PI, Archives, CPC, Interphones, Chair, and secretary.
- Jacquelyn R Voted in as Secretary – unanimous.
- Sue F for Assistant Special Events – unanimous.
- Diana F Unity assistant liaison – unanimous.
- Tim M Assistant treatment liaison– unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Vote for Matt S as Alternate Interphones.
 - Unanimous.
- Vote for Jim C for alternate CPC.
 - Unanimous.

Closed meeting at 8:06 p.m. with “I am Responsible” – I am responsible when anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am responsible.”

- Next Montgomery County Zone Meeting will be held in-person at the Sanctuary United Methodist 1346 East Prospect Avenue, North Wales on Monday, January 8, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

Minutes taken by Jacquelyn R – Secretary

Philadelphia Zone Meeting Report from Monday, December 11, 2023

Philadelphia Zone Intergroup Meeting Notes
[December 11th, 2023]

OPENED meeting at 7pm with the Serenity Prayer

Spencer reads Tradition 2, Sam reads Concept 2
Dave makes amends to the group

ZONE COORDINATORS REPORT (Maggie)

Thank you all for being flexible with our temporary meeting spot for tonight and happy December!

- The Round Up is approaching on March 8th-10th 2024, please call 800 257 8550 and use code 656596 to reserve a room at The Grand Hotel in Cape May. More info from Special Events Committee.
- If you are interested in volunteering for interphones and have a year of continuous sobriety, please call the office and speak with Fran.
- We have a few positions open on our various committees, we try to fill this before getting started.
 - David volunteers to be CPC liaison.
 - Finance still needs an alt. Liaison- will revisit in January.
 - Tony volunteers to be Young Peoples Alt. Liaison.
 - Molly volunteers to be Alt. Secretary.
 - Jake volunteers to do set-up.
 - Andrea volunteers to be PI Alt.
- There was a vote last month to begin numbers earlier, Maggie asks the floor if we could begin with the Treatment Committee’s Report to get this started. Motion **PASSES!**

Treatment Facilities Report:

- 47 commitments this month including 2 new locations.

- Vote on Clean Slate 3380 Memphis St in Port Richmond (Mon, Tues, Wed 5:30pm, flexible on time). **PASSES**
- Vote on Snyder house at 1425 Snyder Ave (1st and 3rd Monday, every wed, every Fri 6:30). **PASSES**
- Numbers begin at 7:29

Visitors from Steering Committee – Introduce

- Rachel from Archives
 - Meets tomorrow Tuesday 12/12 on Zoom. Gives us the Archives Report, see below.
- Sam from Public Information
 - Meets 3rd Wednesday of the month on Zoom 7pm. Also gives us the PI Committee Report. See below.
- Michelle as Alt. Secretary
 - Says hi; more to come in the new year.
- Dave from Treatment Facilities
 - Philly has filled all commitments for the last 4 months! Reevaluating different facilities to ensure AA safety in the coming year.
- Mike from Unity
 - Will travel to your home group and give a 20 min presentation about service opportunities. Meet on Zoom 3rd Tues 7pm.

New IGRs. – Introduce themselves

- Will, Chestnut Hill BB IGR
- Tony, Early Night Out IGR
- Rob, Mayfair IGR
- Dana B, Night Owl IGR

Anniversaries- Personal, then Group

- Andrea, 11 years
- Sober Sisters, Tues Dec 16th 7pm
- Step Sisters at 2044 Fairmount, Christmas Day 10am-12pm, open to all
- Anniversary Group at 4021 Walnut, December 21st 5:30-7pm

Attendance: 43

Secretary's Report (Kat, just happy to be here)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Bridging the Gap Committee Report (Glen)
 - Connects folks coming out of treatment with folks in their area, meet them at the meeting and make some introductions.
 - One year minimum sobriety req.
 - Don volunteers to be Alt. Liaison.
- Archives Committee Report (Rachel from Steering)
 - Archives also meets in person on the 3rd sat of the month, 9-11am, at SEPIA office (1903 S Broad St) to go through the documents.
 - Records history of folks with 20+ years, email archivesdirector@aasepia.org to get connected.
- Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) Committee Report (Melody)
 - One year min sobriety to escort medical professionals to open meetings.
 - To train to escort medical professionals, attend CPC meeting 1st Monday of the month 7pm.

- Finance Committee Report
 - Still needs a liaison, we will try again next month.
- Interphones/HUSSHH Committee Report (Joe)
 - Will bring flyers with signup info next month.
 - Interphones needs a lot of volunteers, especially 12am-9am. Minimum one year sobriety. Requires training via Zoom.
 - HUSSHH needs volunteers. Minimum one year and must travel with another person.
 - Last wed of the month 7pm on Zoom
 - interphonesdirector@aasepia.org
- Prison and Temporary Contact Committee Report (Shane)
 - Takes meetings into prisons. Philly has a federal detention center downtown and requires in person training. Give Shane your info to get in touch with them.
 - Pen Pal program is well. They get sent out Sundays and are looking for an assistant.
 - Email a pen pal letter to etjele@gmail.com and it will be sent anonymously to an inmate.
 - National corrections conference- CA has been doing a sponsorship program for inmates, we are gauging interest in trying something similar.
- Public Information (PI) Committee Report (Sam)
 - Distributing pamphlets to senior facilities.
 - Faith leaders and the clergy packets.
 - If you want these packets to distribute to sr centers/ churches, etc., call email Fran manager@aasepia.org and she will mail you packets to distribute.
 - They're looking for any ins at any colleges as well as labor and trade unions- reach out to Sam publicinfodirector@aasepia.org
 - There are tear-off flyers available to distribute/ post on boards.
- Special Events Committee Report (Dave)
 - Round up March 8-10 "164 At the Shore"
 - Running a \$150 prize logo contest: submit a logo by Dec 23rd.
 - Make reservations by calling 800 257 8550 and use code 656596.
 - Need a facility for next Unity breakfast that is centrally located and can hold 300+ people.
 - Next meeting 12/28 7pm.
 - There is a kerfuffle in the meeting about not knowing the cost of rooms, but this timeline is normal.
- Unity Committee Report
 - None present :(
- Young People Committee Report (Dwayne)
 - NYE party: Ukrainian league in Fairmount.
 - PA state conference: May 31st-June 2nd at Eastern University.
 - International conference YPAA: July 4th-7th in Austin TX.
 - ECYPAA Conference in NY: have only raised 25% of their funds for their convention, are asking for 7th tradition donations.
 - phillypaa@gmail.com to get connected/ for more info.
 - New YP meeting Sundays at 3pm at hope on Girard, "never too young."

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- Maggie: There is no pizza. We need funds for pizza. Do we care enough about pizza to take the steps to raise funds for it? It was around \$120 per month. The room does not feel strongly about pizza, no motion.
- Motion to close 8:20pm, passes!

NEXT MEETING: Monday January 8th, 2023
CLOSED with "I Am Responsible"