



January 2024

Steering Committee
Reports

Each Zone will have a meeting on Monday, February 12, 2024 at 7:00 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 January 2024

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I chaired the Steering Committee Meeting on January 3 and attended the following:

- Cooperation with the Professional Community 1-2-24
- Chester Zone Meeting 1-8-24
- Archives Meeting 1-9-24
- Treatment 1-15-24
- Unity 1-16-24
- Finance-1-17-24
- Special Events Meeting 1-29-24

There are exciting ways to have fun in AA. Share-a-Day is an event co-sponsored by Area 59 and SEPIA. It gives a great overview of the different types of service in AA. SAD takes place Saturday, February 10th, 10 am- 2pm, at the Tree of Life Church at 933 Baltimore Pike in Springfield.

The 2024 Round Up is coming soon! The dates are March 8-10 th and its back at the Grand Hotel in Cape May NJ. Register online at <https://store.aasepia.org/2024-round-up-registration-checkout> or call the SEPIA office 215-923-7900.

With gratitude,

Jay F.

Chairperson

Vice-Chairperson's Report from the month of January 2024

Vice Chair Report

January 2024

- **Share-A-Day** (SAD) 2024: (Feb 10th / 10a-2p / Tree of Life 933 Baltimore Pk)
Booked Venue ~ **Co-Chaired** the (virtual) Share-A-Day **Planning Meeting** ~ Sent out meeting notes ~ Held follow-up meeting with Claire who will be filling in for Curt at S-A-D. Four committees from SEPIA will do brief spiels : C.P.C., Interphones, P.I., and Unity. Other SEPIA committees have been invited to participate as moderator/facilitators - 3 are needed.
- Attended:
 - **Delaware County Zone Meeting** ~ **PI Committee Meeting** ~ **Unity Committee Meeting** ~ **Interphones' Training Meeting.**
- Reworded **Special Event's Unity pitch blurb** at the request of the Luke S - Unity Committee.
- **Round Up** 2024:
 - Site visit to the **Grand Hotel** in Cape May.
 - Weekly follow-up meetings with RU Director & Office Manager.
 - Banquet Speaker Selected (Director has secured Friday night speakers).
 - Ordered lapel pins, T-shirts, and hoodies.
 - Co-Chaired the RU Planning Meeting which was rescheduled, from 1/20 to 1/28 due to weather.

- Chaired the Special **Events Monthly** Meeting on 1/29/24
 - Filled in some of the volunteer slots that were vacant after the **RU** Planning meeting ~ contact VC or Office to sign up. Grand reservations are encouraging but RU registration and banquet sales are slow.
 - **Gratitude Breakfast** – two suggestions for further research - both in Delco:
 - Tecca – Newtown Square
 - McCall’s Golf Club (Upper Darby)
 - **Bingo** – tabled to post-Roundup.
 - **Next Meeting:** Monday, February 26 at 7:00 pm on Zoom

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.

Special Thanks to ALL (75) who attended and participated in the RU Planning meeting, those who wanted to be there but couldn’t, and those who signed up for commitments. Your willingness and enthusiasm to serve is a blessing to witness. **Much was accomplished, and we managed to have some fun too!!!** A round or two of applause for: **Fred S** for recording the meetings and chairpersons, the smile, the puns and so much more; **Glenn** for handling our meal, setting up & breaking down, taking on Hospitality Captain, and all around support, **Mamapalo** (our RU Director) for Co-Chairing with flair and finesse - great job!; **Fran and Nick** for registration, support and smiles, **Roland** for making coffee and helping with the breakdown, **Paul, Jay, Sharon and Kyle** for helping with set-up & breakdown and overall support, **Mike and Jessie** who wrote the topics on the boards, **Michelle** for taking notes, counting votes and making suggestions, **Joseph and Jim B** for picking & announcing the winning themes and chairpersons; **everyone who brought something** to put on the food table, the pizza platers, and to **GAIUH** without Whom none of us probably would be here. If you’re reading this and wondering where your name is, it goes in this space right here _____. Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!

Submitted by: Tiara T. ~ With much gratitude ~ January 30, 2024

SEPIA Office Report from the month of January 2024
Office Report for the Month January 2024

Preparation is underway for the 2024 Round-Up.

The office is focused on getting the new online registration procedure in order. Online registrations seems to be working well. You can also use mail in paper registrations or call the office and we can put your order in for you.

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.

Our new tax people have all the information they need and will get started doing our financial statement as well as Maguire and are doing our taxes as well.

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. W 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 January 18, 2024

SEPIA Finance Committee Meeting Minutes for January 18, 2024

Attendance: Stephanie W. (Treasurer), Greg B (Assistant Treasurer), Jay (Chair), 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 3 and Concept 3
- Reviewed Financial Reports: Monthly Income Statement (P&L), Year-to-Date I/S, Balance Sheet
 - **DECEMBER -- MONTHLY P&L**
 - Interest rate higher than expected from Franklin Mint
 - Made a little more money than expected in literature. Costs were lower. Question raised on Technology Budget. Budget numbers for office improvements and technology may be related to other months and/or different vendors. Timing of expenses explains a great deal of variance with monthly budgets.
 - **DECEMBER YTD – YEAR TO DATE P&L**
 - Contributions up; Lit sales down slightly. Total income higher than expected. Hard to predict committee expenditures—expenses are less than budgets. Offices expenses less than budget. Compensation budgets may be high.
 - **DECEMBER BALANCE SHEET**
 - Prudent reserve is Franklin Mint Money plus Money Market.
 - Questioned negative number in Undeposited Funds. Concern about high number in Accounts Payable. Accounts receivable and payable are probably timing differences with entering data.
 - **OFFICE MANAGER REPORT (Fran)**
 - Lot of work going on with Round-Up. Website for registration has improved over last year.
- **Other Business**
 - Reviewed the Prudent Reserve Calculator. About 11% higher than guidelines. Will report this to the steering committee.
 - Discussed simplified report and made recommendations. Full copies of the financials will be made available on the Finance Committee Website.
 - Important that Committees expense their budgets on service.
 - A couple of Unity Pitches coming up. Need Finance Committee Volunteers

Next Meeting will be February 15, 2024

Archives Committee Report from January 9, 2024

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Zoom meeting started at 7PM

10 members in attendance.

Meeting opened with Serenity Prayer. Read Tradition 3 and Concept 3.

Encouraged your Zones and Home Groups to:

- 1) Update their Home Group History.
- 2) If members have over 20 years, volunteer to have their experience recorded and shared with other members.

Zone Reports

- Montgomery County: Chris
 - 5 interviews have been scheduled from November.
 - Possibly 3 more interviews to schedule.
 - 3 new meetings have been added to the County.
- Bucks: not in attendance
- Philadelphia: Devan
 - No news to report.
- Chester: Jon
 - 2 interviews scheduled from last month.
- Delaware: Howard/ Jack
 - 3 interviews for district to be scheduled.
 - 2 new interviews to schedule.
- Old Business: Awaiting Part 2 of the 'Creation of Zones' to be included in future Interviews.
- New Business: None.
 - Saturday Jan 20, Archives meeting at SEPIA office cancelled this month as the Round Up Planning meeting scheduled on same day and time.
 - Discussion about upcoming SAD – Rich will bring tri-fold to the event.
- Closed with the Responsibility Pledge before 8:00 PM.

CPC Committee Report from January 2, 2024

CPC Minutes January 2, 2024

Drexel Students

- Meeting is the 1st Monday of the month. This meeting was held on Zoom only.
- 15 people attended the meeting.
- Liaison's reports - 2 present
- Introductions of newcomers (name, homegroup, completed form?)
- Explained what the CPC is/ what volunteers do, eligibility and what newcomers can expect to do next. For more information go to this link: <https://www.aasepia.org/service-committees/cooperation-with-the-professional-community-overview/cooperation-with-the-professional-community-volunteers/>
- Two new people signed up for CPC.
- 36 students, from Drexel, were assigned for the month of January. 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 11/2 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.
- 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 has proven 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.
 - llic62@drexel.edu
 - cpcdirector@aasepia.org
 - cpcasstdirector@aasepia.org
 - Committee members should not ask students to provide reflection papers that they write about their experience escorting students were addressed.
 - The University has requested that we do not offer to contact students via text or telephone

New Business

- There is a CPC kit with a lot of useful information for CPC committees. Most of the information is available online. <https://www.aa.org/contents-cpc-kit-list>. It was noted that there is also information on the area59aa.org website.
- We discussed preparing a letter, with AA information, that members could take to their doctors.
- We discussed the Roundup, which will be March 8 to 10, at the Grand Hotel, in Cape May, NJ. CPC will have an information table during the Roundup. We will need committee members to volunteer to staff the table and provide information to attendees.
- The Human Resource Management Association (HRMA), of the Philadelphia area, is having an event on May 2, 2024. The cost for CPC to attend would be \$800. We will consider attending this.
- We should contact schools about making presentations to classes. Drexel is no longer interested in having CPC give presentations about AA, as we have done in the past.
- Some students, from schools that we don't normally escort to meetings, have contacted the SEPIA office in the past and asked how they could attend a meeting. Consider preparing a document that would make it easy for them to attend AA meetings.

Interphones Committee

Interphone/HUSSHH meets every other month. The last meeting was held on December 27, 2023 and the next meeting will take place on February 28, 2024.

Prison Committee Minutes from January 4, 2024

Prison Committee report Jan. 4, 2024

Opened with the Serenity Prayer.

Introductions were made around the room.

- Read Tradition 3 and Concept 3.
- Read Prison Committee Guidelines.

Prison Reports:

- Chester County Prison is back to having meetings. Got literature and books to the prison.
- Bucks, Philadelphia, MontCo and DelCo prisons all going well. Meetings are being filled by each county Zone.
- SCI Chester – Meetings are going well. Meetings are weekly and got books for the prison.
- SCI Phoenix – Meetings are being filled weekly. 4 additional names were sent in to get cleared; waiting for answer.
- FDC Philadelphia – Friday morning meetings at 10:00 AM are being filled weekly. Waiting on word for the new clearance date.

Temporary Contact:

- Is going well. We have plenty of names. Waiting for inmates to be released.

Pen Pal:

- Eryn is doing a great job and looking for someone to step up to be her assistant.

Round Up Workshop:

- Talked about Prison Committee doing a workshop for Round Up. Following up on February meeting.

Loving Service – Charlie K.

Public Information Committee Minutes from January 17, 2024

Public Information Committee

January 17th, 2024 Minutes

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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88258449206pwd=cWlPd2ZSUllvWHcwbndyeXA4SFAwUT09>

I. Open with Serenity Prayer, Welcome & Introductions

Sam H- PI Director, Deborah D - PI Asst Dir, Laura- Bucks liaison, Philip- Phila. liaison, Nick- Chester Co liaison, Meg- Del Co Alt. liason, PI Committee Members- Sam H, Mamapalo, Matt H, Jake W, Chris G, Jeff

II. Read Tradition 3

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Senior Outreach Campaign

- a. Information and packets will continue to be distributed at scheduled events.

2. Faith Leaders Campaign

- 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. Sam H (PI Member) wondered if we should ask the faith leaders if they would like beginner packets for people who discuss with them a desire to stop drinking or if they would also like a copy of the Big Book as a resource.

3. University Contact list

- a. This outreach is on hold as the committee has agreed to move onto other projects.

4. Lamar Billboard

- a. Will continue to advertise through the year. Will look into Septa advertising in addition to Lamar billboards. Jeff wondered if there's a way to measure any impact the ads might have in term of call volume to office and visits to SEPIA website. Sam H (director) will look into this.

5. Union Outreach

- a. Committee will reach out to local trade unions about how we can provide their workers with information about AA. Will look into health fairs, EAP programs etc.

6. Hospital Outreach

- a. Sam H (director) will reach out to CPC committee to see how this should best be approached.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

Wednesday, February 21st / 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 - publicinfopcz@aasepia.org
- Philadelphia Alternate: Open - publicinfopczaltliaison@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 Monday, January 29, 2024

Special Events Committee Meeting Minutes 1/29/24

Tiara opened at 7pm with the Serenity Prayer

27 attendees:

Aileen, Bonnie, Lorraine, Dave, Fran (Office Manager), Jay (Chairperson), Jimmy, Lynn (Assistant Prison Director), Mamapaula (Round Up Director), Mark, Maureen, Glen, Michelle (Assistant Secretary), Nick, Peggy, Kyle, Rachel (Archives Director), Shannon (Special Events Liaison for Delaware County), Steve (Special Events Liaison for Chester County), Sue (Alternate Liaison for Montgomery County), Eileen (Special Events Liaison for Montgomery County), Suzanne, Fred, Carmen, Tiara (Vice Chairperson), Sue, and Rich.

Anniversary: Peggy celebrated 9 years on January 19th.

Minutes were accepted from last month (Nick motioned to accept and Glenn seconded).

Tiara said the Round Up site visit was wonderful and all the apparel has been ordered.

The Round Up Planning meeting on the 28th went well. There were 75 attendees. There are still service positions available. Contact Fran, Mamapaula or Tiara for open positions/commitments. Kyle took Greeter Captain, Glen took Hospitality Captain.

Aileen asked if Coffee and Hospitality were the same commitment and the answer was no, Hospitality provides food/snacks and keeps it stocked and Coffee makes the coffee and keeps the area clean.

Carmen and Lorrein took Registration Commitments, Aileen took a Hospitality Commitment Peggy, Shannon and Sue took Greeter Commitments.

It was announced to the group that there is a Miscellaneous Volunteer List for those willing to help with whatever is necessary.

The 5K Run still needs volunteers and a Captain.

Rachel is the Ice Cream Social Captain, Carmen and Glenn volunteered for Friday night.

Mark volunteered to be a Banquet Ticket Checker and Miscellaneous Volunteer.

Andrea and Luke volunteered to help with the Dance.

Eileen and Mark will sell Dance tickets and water Friday night. Saturday night Andrea, Fran and Mark will help Saturday night.

Beach Suite needs captain, Chip and Glen volunteered.

Loading the truck at SEPIA 10am Thursday - Mark, Kevin, Glen and Fran

We need help loading the truck at the hotel on Sunday at noon and unloading at the SEPIA Office at 2pm

Envelope Stuffing - Fran said less paperwork will be going into envelopes this year, instead we'll put extras out on the table for people to take. The lanyards were put together last year so we should need less help with this than we needed last year. Jimmy will be helping.

Glen brought up 50/50 and Shannon volunteered to be 50/50 Captain. Kyle, Mark, Dave Lorein and Sharon will help sell 50/50's. We agreed to get all their phone numbers to Shannon.

Suzanne asked how many people registered so far for the Round Up? So far we only have 98 registered. The group was concerned that people may still not be aware that the Round Up is much earlier than usual and asked everyone to spread the word at any meetings you attend. Also go to different meetings and announce it!

Mamapaula brought up the idea of having a Smoking Captain who helps enforce smoking only in permitted areas but no one volunteered to do it so we agreed we would all kindly ask people to smoke in the proper area, which is the back of the hotel.

Jay said only 31 Banquet tickets sold and we need to sell a minimum of 250 for SEPIA to not be responsible for the cost.

Pre-registration is \$40 until February 29th and then the cost goes up to \$45.

Fran suggested making a new flyer.

Mark mentioned that Sharon (not present) suggested Tecca in Newtown Square for a possible Gratitude Breakfast venue.

Tiara put call into Golf Club in Upper Darby about holding the Gratitude Breakfast there.

Fran suggested making a list of previously used venues.

Steve asked about Share-a-Day and it will be held on **Saturday February 10th from 10am-2pm at Tree of Life Church (933 Baltimore Pike, Springfield PA 19064)**. The church asked us to park in the back or across the street in the other church's lot.

Glen motioned to close at 8:09.

Next meeting is February 26th.

Closed with the Responsibility Pledge

Treatment Facilities Committee Report from January 15, 2024

Treatment Committee Report

1/15/2024

Zoom ID: 881 4239 6509; Passcode: 805478

Attendees:

- David K., Committee Director
- Jerry S., Asst Director
- Jim, Delco Liaison
- Courtney B., Delco Asst Liaison
- Sean Q., Philadelphia Liaison
- Amanda Q., Phila. Asst Liaison
- James G., Bucks Liaison
- Shelby, Montco Liaison
- Tim M., Montco Asst Liaison
- Bobette, Chester Liaison
- Pierre, BTG Chester
- Don C., Asst BTG Phila.

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

James G – Reads Tradition 3

Sean – Reads Concept 3

Zone Reports:

- Bucks County – 29 commitments all filled / Literature distributed.
- Chester County – 52 commitments 42 filled.
- Delaware County – 53 commitments all filled.
- Montgomery County – 69 Commitments all filled.
- Philadelphia – 145 commitments all filled. Clean Slate facility removed for time being due to miscommunications for approval from the facility's directors.

BTG Reports:

- Bucks – No report.
- Chester – 11 actionable requests. Contacted Bowlin Green.
- Delco – No report.
- Montco – No report.
- Phila. – Reports of needed volunteers.

Old Business:

- Quarterly meetings. No more discussions on this topic

New Business:

- Sign up Genius. Discussion about Shelby presenting an overview on the workings of the system.
- Workshop for Round Up.
- Norristown State Hospital issue discussion.
- Staff of The Net in Phila. Reportingly not present at meetings.

Unity Committee Report from January 16, 2024

Unity Committee Meeting -Tuesday January 16,2024

Opening 7:00 PM Serenity Prayer

Mike Q./Unity Director, Jay/SEPIA Chair, Paul/Interphones, Tiara/Asst. Chair, Diana/Bucks Asst. Liaison, Bobette/ChesCo, Josh/DelCo, Shane/MontCo, Joseph/Phila. Liaison, Michael M /Asst. Phila. Liaison, Luke/Asst. Unity Director

Mike read the 3rd Tradition. Joseph read the 3rd Concept.

Old Business:

Discussion centered around general acceptance of changes to pitch language, existing pitch commitments, and new pitch commitments. Pending pitches include:

- Mon. 1/29, 7:30 PM – Manayunk Big Book, St. John the Baptist Church, 119 Rector Street, Phila.
- Tues. 1/30, 6:00 PM – Women of Grace, Newtown Presb. Church, 25 N. Chancellor St., Newtown PA
- Tues. 2/6, 8:00 PM – Aston Tuesday Night, Mount Hope Ch, 4020 Concord Road, Aston PA
- Sunday 2/18, 7:00 PM – Paoli, Great Valley Baptist, 945 W. Valley Forge Road
- Friday 2/23, NOON – North Wales Midday, St. Peter’s Lutheran, 211 S. Main Street, North Wales
- Tue 2/27, 7:00 PM – Kimberton Group, Centennial Evangelical Lutheran, 1330 Hare’s Hill Rd, Phoenixville
- Tue 3/5, 7:00PM – Rosetree Women, Reformation Lutheran Ch, 102 W. Rosetree Road, Media
 - 1/29 to end by 8:00 PM
 - 2/27 not to exceed 20 minutes.
 - Men are expected to depart after the pitches on 1/30 + 3/5; not to attend the women’s meetings.

New Business

The Unity picnic is Sunday 6/23 at Neshaminy State Park.

There will be a Unity workshop in the fall.

The Unity committee will be expected to make a brief “elevator pitch” at Share-a-Day.

There was discussion RE adding a skit to the Unity pitch, involving several attendees. L.S. mentioned having some difficulty conceptualizing it, due to inconsistent nature of attendees. Tabled for now.

The next Unity meeting will be on Tuesday 2/20 at 7:00 PM on Zoom.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89646192235?pwd=VTRHdXRnNjNKZmxHZXJPeTItaGZNUT09>

We closed at 7:33 PM with “The Declaration of Unity.”

Website/Technology Committee Report from January 3, 2024

SEPIA WEBSITE/TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

January 3rd, 2024 Minutes

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

I. Introductions

Sam H – PI Director, Fran – Office Manager, Jay F – Chair, Deborah D – PI Asst Director, Hugh H – WT Member, Sam H – WT Member

II. Old Business

- Website Migration to WordPress
 - Website migration is going well. Registration for Roundup will be available in coming week or two.
- Consider changing WebTech committee so that it runs more efficiently.
 - Committee will continue to look into this over the coming months.

III. New Business/General Discussion

- None.

Close with I am Responsible.

Next Meeting & Contacts

Wednesday, February 7th / 5:30 PM / Via Zoom / Zoom ID: 840 2179 3007 / Password: 580960

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

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

Bucks County Zone Meeting Minutes from Monday, January 8, 2024

Bucks County Zone Minutes

January 8th, 2024

Lindsey called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Meeting was opened with the Serenity Prayer.

Tradition 3 portion of 12 Traditions pamphlet read.

Lindsey Highlighted the beauty of the 3rd Tradition and its power to override exclusivity on an individual basis.

Concept 3 portion of 12 Concepts pamphlet read.

We asked that the pamphlets be returned after use.

Lindsey advised representatives to sign up to receive emails with the monthly minutes.

Attendance:

Intergroup Reps: 28

Alternates without rep present: 5

Alternates with rep present: 6

Steering Committee members present: 4

No Guests

New Representatives:

- Drew - Newtown Gratitude
- Zach - Hope Group
- Donna - Buckingham Tuesday Morning Group
- Sean - Freedom through the steps
- Dom - Literature in Sobriety (8744 Clubhouse)
- Alex - Fallsington Group

Anniversaries:**Personal:**

- Terry - 1 Year January 3rd
- John - 9 Months Last Saturday

Homegroup:

- Langhorne Action 40th, January 30th Doors at 6 PM, Meeting at 7:30 PM
- Heard it Through the Grapevine, January 31st 7 PM speaker, food after the speaker.
- TBD February 28th, Food at 8, Meeting at 9.
- Sanctuary Group of Bensalem, January 30th, Doors at 6:30, Meeting at 7:30.

Director Reports:

Unity - Mike - Unity committee, known as the AA Traveling Roadshow, is having its annual picnic on Sunday, June 23rd, 2024.

Special Events - No Rep Present - A Logo has been chosen for the Roundup. Share a Day is February 10th from 10 AM to 2 PM in Springfield, more information on location to come. January 20th is the Roundup planning meeting at the Kroc center at 4200 Wissahickon Ave in Philadelphia, PA. A location is needed for the Gratitude Breakfast Treatments - Dave - Jamie needs an alternate Liaison; Marie is currently standing in until an alternate will step up. A continuing evaluation of the safety of the facilities continues. If anyone has any information or gathers any information during commitments regarding any safety concerns including facility staff absenteeism, let the Treatment committee know, so action can occur. Treatment literature is coming - some printing issues have caused a delay.

Archives - No Director Present

13Liaison Reports:

Zone Coordinator - Lindsey - Any meeting changes (time, location, operational status, zoom available, zoom passcodes) must be reported by calling the office or using the website to find contact information for the office manager. Interphones needs support, and treatment is doing very well in Bucks County filling all the commitments.

Archives - Bruce - Committee meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month on Zoom. Contact Alison with any group history to be submitted. The request for people with twenty or more years continuous sobriety continues. Archives is open on the 3rd Saturday of every month from 9 to 11 AM.

CPC - Chris (Alternate) - Cooperation with the professional community meets the 1st Monday of the month on Zoom, the committee helps police, medical, and other professionals understand what AA is and how it can help the people they encounter who may be Alcoholics or who are presently members of AA. Roger, the liaison not present. CPC escorts healthcare professionals to open meetings on Zoom. To become an escort, you must attend two CPC meetings and shadow an experienced member once. 1 year of continuous sobriety is recommended.

Finance - No Report

Interphones - No Report - Meets the last Wednesday of every other month on Zoom.

Public Information - Mike (Alternate) - PI hopes to provide information about AA to the still sick and suffering alcoholic. Meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month on Zoom. Looking into bringing information to Bucks County Hospitals - anyone who knows anyone who could be a potential contact, please let PI know. Looking also into providing information to trade unions. Intends to continue purchasing billboard space and hopes to expand to Septa, particularly at bus stops. Still working on Senior outreach and Religious outreach.

Special Events - No report

Unity - Pete - Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the Month on Zoom. The unity committee is looking for ways to spice up their unity pitches - suggestions welcome.

Prisons - Alex (Women's Liaison) - Zoom moved from 1:15 to 12. All 5 counties are currently running meetings. Federal Prison having orientation for the female meeting only. Pen pals needs volunteers.

Treatment - Jamie (Liaison) - Went to the Sepia office and had a good time. Be sure to mention the Bridging the Gap at your groups or meetings you attend. On facility commitments, staff members must be present at the meetings.

No new business

Next Meeting is February 12th.

A motion to close was given with a second. All were in favor, and we ended with the Responsibility Pledge.

Chester County Zone Meeting Minutes from Monday January 8, 2024

Chester County Intergroup Zone Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2024 @ 7PM

*Meeting was held via Zoom

Meeting Chairperson - Eileen

- New Intergroup Reps (IGRs) and Alternate Intergroup Reps (AIGRs):
 - Jim H - GAIUH West Chester 307 Club - jhaigney@cei-1.com - 484-678-7012
 - Tim D. - Change or Die Group - timcdoc@verizon.net - 484-354-4230
 - JT A. - Monday Night's Message - Jtisagirlscout@gmail.com - 610-999-1108
 - Jessica P. - AIGR Morning Miracles & Wake-Up - Jessica.allred87@gmail.com - 610-574-3003
 - Jeannie M - Step Sisters in Frazer - Jeanniemac57@yahoo.com - 484-354-8215
 - Mark H. - Friday Night Fortunes IGR - markhaa822021@gmail.com - 484-832-6586
 - Edward C. - Chesterbrook Monday Nighters - liver.pate@gmail.com - 714-801-1914
 - Rebecca - Brandwine Big Books - rebeccadaniels@gmail.com - 302-543-0229
 - Melanie P - Church Street Group IGR - peppel.melanie@gmail.com - 484-888-4503
 - Neal M. - Friday Night Fortunes Alt IGR - neal307club@gmail.com
 - Kathy P - Coatesville Message of Hope & Never Give Up - info already in.
 - Josh C - Rock Bottom Beginners - Ljoshcarr@gmail.com - 484-868-1125
 - Lauren - Acceptance Group - 267-987-4234 - lgirafalco@gmail.com
- All of the above will be added to our email list. If you do not receive emails with Meeting Minutes, Meeting Agendas, Treatment Sign-Ups, etc., please check your spam folder.
- There was a quick orientation for new IGRs immediately following the meeting.

Anniversaries this month

- Jennie - 1/8 18 months
- Ann K - 12/29 11 years

Meeting Minutes

- Dec. 2023 meeting minutes were sent to all via email.
- Minutes were unanimously approved.

Attendance

- 49 total people in attendance
- 31 Voting IGRs
- 3 Voting Alternate IGRs
- 15 Non-Voting IGRs/AIGRs/Other Members

Concepts & Traditions

- Tradition 3 - *"The only requirement for A.A. membership is a desire to stop drinking."*
- Concept 3 - *"To ensure effective leadership, we should endow each element of AA – the conference, General Service Board and its service corporations, staffs, committees, and executives – with a traditional, 'Right of Decision.'"*

SEPIA Steering Committee Updates

SEPIA Chairperson, Jay F. - chair@aasepia.org

- Lots of info on aasepia.org - check it out.
- Round-Up 2024 will be at The Grand Hotel in Cape May March 8-10; a block of rooms are available at a special SEPIA rate. Call the Grand Hotel at 800-257-8550 or 609-884-5611. Must state discount rate group code: 656596; Single or double rooms: \$204 per night; Townhouses: \$333 per night. Accommodations vary for single king suites. Rooms are first come, first serve. Discounts only until February 29. Two-night minimum stay. Registration is now open. <https://aasepia.org/news/event-flyers>

Archives Director, Rachel C. - archivesdirector@aasepia.org

- Join us for the Archives committee meeting - meets the 3rd Saturday at 9am-11am (in person) and the 2nd Tuesday @ 7pm (on Zoom). Zoom Meeting ID: 832 4414 8913; Passcode: SEPIA
- Archives Committee collects, preserves & shares the history of the fellowship. Currently working on recording members with 20+ years of sobriety of their historical perspectives. Please encourage your home group members with 20+ years to contact Rachel (email above) or Jon, the CCZ Archives Liaison.

Assistant Treasurer, Greg B. - assistanttreasurer@aasepia.org - gobgolf214@gmail.com - 215.498.6190

- Join us for the Finance committee meeting - meets the 3rd Thursday of each month @ 7pm via Zoom. Meeting ID: 842 4075 5543; Passcode: SEPIA
- Finance committee is responsible for setting a budget for SEPIA, ensuring we have a prudent reserve (which is approx. 8-12 months of our operating expenses), and looking at incoming revenue and how to allocate it. Main sources of incoming revenue are: individual & group contributions, literature sales, and fundraisers SEPIA holds throughout the year.
- Recently put together a draft of SEPIA's revenue, expenses, and how we're doing with the budget and published it in Interviews which can be found here > <https://aasepia.org/news/news-interviews/>

Prison Director, Charlie K. - prisondirector@aasepia.org

- Join us for the Prison Committee meeting - meets the 1st Thursday of each month @ 7pm HYBRID. Zoom Meeting ID: 89745456774; Passcode: SEPIA
- Prison Committee ensures inmates of all 5 county prisons have access to meetings. Federal/State prisons - CSI & Phoenix - were recently cleared and started meetings again. So far, we have a list of members willing to volunteer to bring a meeting to the prisons but could always use more volunteers. ALL members need to be cleared prior to going and there is a form >
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1oNoGB9BcUmovWLxhJoHFC553hQCtHrXx/view?usp=sharing>
- PenPal program is up & running, and is run by Erin. She is currently looking for an assistant. If you are interested, please email etjele@gmail.com
- Will be holding a Big Book Prisoner Drive and a Workshop to share more about what the committee is doing.

District Announcements:

- **District 29 - Amy M.** - not in attendance
- **District 30 – Peg H.** - not in attendance
- **District 38 – Kathleen G.** - not in attendance
- **District 44 –Taylor S.** - not in attendance
- **District 56 – Nick** - no report to share

Chester County Zone Updates/Announcements

Archives: Jon

- Not able to attend but emailed the secretary this report: There is nothing new to share.

Bridging the Gap: Joe (subbing for Pierre)

- Helps connect patients in treatment facilities with an AA member so they have someone to take them to their 1st 3-5 meetings. In need of volunteers to present the Bridging the Gap program at RCA and Gaudenzia, as well as volunteers for escorting newly released treatment center patients to their 1st 3-5 meetings. Please contact Pierre if you are interested.

CPC: Jeanne

- In December, CPC committee members/volunteers escorted 36 Drexel students to AA zoom mtgs.; in January, escorted 30(ish) students. A presentation will be done with Temple 2nd-year Psychiatry Residents.

Finance: Paul

- Monthly Finance report - all group contributions are listed in Interviews and total approx. \$24K for the month of Nov.'23. Literature sales are approx. \$1700 for Nov. All info can be viewed in Interviews.

Interphones: Fred

- Interphones committee meets the 4th Wednesday of every other month @ 7pm via Zoom. Meeting ID: 822 1987 3872; Passcode: SEPIA. Met in December so the next meeting is in February.
- Always in need of volunteers to answer calls, especially evening, overnight & holiday hours. 1-Year of continuous sobriety needed to volunteer. If interested, please call the SEPIA office at 215-923-7900. Want (5) volunteers for every slot. Here are the slots that still need to be filled:
 - Monday 12AM - 9AM - 2 slots
 - Tuesday 12AM - 9AM - 2 slots / 5PM – 9PM – 1 slot
 - Wednesday 12AM - 9AM - 1 slot
 - Thursday 12AM - 9AM - 2 slots
 - Saturday 12AM - 9AM - 2 slots / 9PM - 12AM - 2 slots
 - Sunday 12AM - 9AM - 1 slot / 9PM - 12AM - 1 slot
 - Holidays: 5PM - 9PM – 4 slots; 9PM – 12AM – 2 slots; 12AM – 9AM – 5 slots
- Need an alternate Interphones Liaison.

Prisons: George

- The Prison Committee meets the 1st Thursday of each month @ 7pm HYBRID. Zoom Meeting ID: 89745456774; Passcode: SEPIA
- Guidelines for SEPIA AA Pen Pal 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. If you have friends who want to write letters, they are more than welcome to join and to reach out to me for guidelines and questions.
- Link to the Chester County Prison Clearance form; please pass to whomever is interested >https://drive.google.com/file/d/1vXXC58_kTk2Cr5j8ulum1HQiz6zP7Dm9/view?usp=drive_link
- Need an Alternate.

Public Information: Nick - publicinfocczl@aasepia.org

- PI Committee meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month @ 7pm via zoom. Meeting ID: 882 5844 9206; Passcode: SEPIA
- Informs the public who we are, what we do, and how to find us.
- Currently distributing info to senior centers & to clergy, running billboards, establishing contact with various universities, and attending Expos and Health Fairs. Clarification - these are health fairs & community-centered events, and not political events.
- For our Google Business page, IGR’s are asked/encouraged to send photos of your meeting space without people to Sam H. publicinfodirector@aasepia.org or Fran our SEPIA office manager. Please also go to the SEPIA website and Meeting App to ensure your Homegroup’s meeting info is correct.

Special Events: Steve Mc.

- The “party planners” of SEPIA
- Round-Up Planning Meeting is January 20th from 10am-2pm at the Kroc Center, 4200 Wissahickon Ave., Philadelphia, PA. Doors open at 9:30am, lunch is at noon.
- Share-A-Day is February 10th from 10am-2pm @ Tree of Life Church, Springfield, PA (Delco). Look for more info at aasepia.org.

Treatment: Bobette - (610) 304-5697 - Bobettefisk@gmail.com

- February Treatment google schedule went out today via email. If you didn't get it, email Bobette. Commitments go very quickly so sign-up asap.
- If you sign-up for a treatment commitment, you are responsible for finding homegroup members to go. ****IMPORTANT** – In the event you or the person you originally asked cannot go for whatever reason, you are responsible for finding a replacement.

Unity: OPEN POSITION

Chester Co. PENNSCYPAA (Pennsylvania State Conference of Young People in AA) Bid Committee - Nick M.

- This committee is not just for young people, but young at heart & young in recovery with room to grow.
- It meets the first Sunday of every month @ 10:00am on zoom. All the zoom info is in our flyer: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1kdDboDrmdTcT76_6_37Buu3lZcsgoYF8/view?usp=sharing
- Jan 20 - Chesco Bid "8th Annual Spaghetti and Speaker" 6:30pm: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1fVUIshsNDiUtPmaYVlstpONptrPn_lw6/view?usp=sharing
- Jan 27th - Harrisburg Pancake Breakfast - 9:00 am: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1wL3-tarpKb6nR703RURzB5lRoR6X0Fxl/view?usp=sharing>
- Feb 3rd - Lehigh Valley Sober SOUPer Bowl Party 3:00pm: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1uJ_iFToCBpkFTTrKhTNctD3Ffufou0Bo/view?usp=sharing
- Feb 10th - Delaware Young People in AA Spaghetti Dinner 5:00pm: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1SEO7gymFj_jjO3cSnor8Pzy9ZOiS1E2i/view?usp=sharing
- Feb 17th - Williamsport Love of AA Dinner Dance 6:00pm: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1j9EyBsVNPg1l3ELSQ5tdR2g_smORt3mx/view?usp=sharing
- May 31st - June 2nd, 2024 - PENNSCYPAA XXXV @ Eastern University, St. David's PA. Pre-Register here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeU-p8azZ26-sfaluZlKxACLsYY-Rb1vDjM5mcOHR5K_LY0Q/viewform?fbclid=IwAR1dYEKCR5D0wbe2s-pPdnqpHTBogZogxxB59Kip0FEutt6Be6yshYHic

Old Business:

- Still in need of a Unity Liaison and Alternates for positions, so if you know anyone who is interested in getting into service, please let Eileen (CCZ Chairperson) know.

New Business:

- Melanie P expressed interest in the Interphones Alternate.

Meeting Closed at 8:17pm with the *Responsibility Statement*.

Our next meeting is Monday February 12, 2024 at 7pm (2nd Monday of each Month) via Zoom.

Delaware County Zone Meeting Minutes from Monday, January 8, 2024

January County Zone Meeting

Minutes – January 2024

Opening:

Open the meeting at 7:05 PM

Serenity Prayer

Tradition 1

Previous minutes presented for review and approval.

Attendance:Voting Representatives:

- IGRs: 35
- Alt w/o rep: 2

Other Attendees:

- Alt. w/rep: 5
- SC Members: 3
- District Reps: 5
- Guests: 1

Zone Coordinator's Report

- Zone Coordinator shared information from the steering committee meeting.
- The 2024 Round Up 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.
- February 7, 2024 - Planning meeting for 2024 Round Up on Zoom
- February 10, 2024 - 10 AM - 2 PM - Tree of Life Share Day
 - IGRs and GSRs invited to share together.

Alt Zone Coordinator's Report

- No new report

New Business:

- New Mirmont Sunday morning meeting vote
 - Parameters of the proposed meeting
 - Sunday 9 AM, speakers age 40+ with 10+ years of continuous sobriety.
 - Eligible to vote: 35 IGR reps and 2 Alternates without a rep present.
 - 27 NO - 8 YES - 2 abstained.
 - Result of vote: NO new meeting with the parameters as specified.

Liaison & Steering Committee Reports:ARCHIVES (Jack; Alternate - Joe)

- Contact phone number for Archives liaison Jack: 445-236-3613
- Please contact Jack if you need to update your group's history.

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

- One new AA volunteer added this month.
- Same report.
 - AA volunteers must have 1 year of continuous sobriety to be an escort.
 - Most meetings 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 new report

INTERPHONES (Maryanne; Alternate OPEN)

- Volunteers needed for interphone and HUSSHH
- Interphones Training
 - 1/27/2024 - call/email Fran for information on training.

PRISONS (Blaine; Alternate - Brooke)

- 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.
 - Interested in Pen Pals? Email Erin J - etjele@gmail.com

February Commitments @ GW Hill:

Women – Mondays @ 7:30

2/5 - Pam - New Life

2/12 - Kathy - Newtown Square

2/19 - Austin - Saturday Night Alive

2/26 - Renee - Rosetree Women

Men – Fridays @ 7:30

2/2 - Parke - God As I Understand Him

2/9 - Chris - Aston Looking Good

2/16 - Eric - EHG

2/23 - Mike - Brookhaven

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

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

SPECIAL EVENTS (Shannon R. - Alternate OPEN)

- Dave T. nominated Shannon R. to replace his liaison position as the Special Events coordinator.
- Shannon R. was voted in as the Special Liason's coordinator.

UNITY (Josh G.; Alternate OPEN)

- 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. 484-845-8652

Bridging the Gap (Hank A.)

- No new report

TREATMENT (Jim L.; Courtney, Alternate)

Treatment Facilities

Mirmont - Tuesday 7:30pm
Mirmont - Friday 7:30pm
Mirmont - Saturday 1:00pm
Harwood House - Sunday 9:30am
Keystone Center - Monday - Men's - 7:30pm
Keystone Center - Monday - Women's - 7:30pm
Keystone Center - Wednesday - Men's - 7:30pm
Keystone Center - Wednesday - Women's - 7:30pm
Keystone Center - Friday - Men's - 7:30pm
Keystone Center - Friday - Women's - 7:30pm

Host Group

Joe-Media Beginner's
Kelly-MYP
Albert-FTF
Steve-Neighborhood
Bobbo-Back to Basics
Eric-EHG
Matt-Aston Tuesday Night
Kathy-Newtown Square Group
Kidany-Chester Prospect
MaryAnn-SWAN

PLEASE BE MINDFUL THAT IF YOU TAKE A COMMITMENT, SOMEONE MUST SHOW UP!

- If you cannot keep a meeting or host commitment, contact Jim L. (610-803-8140) or Courtney B. (267-444-9064) as soon as possible.

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

Next Meeting:

Monday, February 12th, 2023 @ 7:00 pm
HMB Ukrainian Church
900 Fairview Rd.
Swarthmore, PA 19081

Respectfully submitted by
Renee C., Zone Secretary
484-832-9091

Montgomery Zone Meeting Report from Monday, January 8, 2024

MONTGOMERY COUNTY ZONE MINUTES

Monday, January 8, 2024

Held at Sanctuary United Methodist Church

- **ATTENDANCE:**
 - Total = 50
 - 40 IGR's
 - 10 AIGR's
 - Visitors = 3
- Bryan opened the meeting at 7pm with the Serenity Prayer.
- New IGR's present:
 - New IGR's
 - Dan – AA for Dummies, John – Nova - As Bill Sees It, Sue – Norristown, Mike – First Step Valley Forge, Karl – Oreland beginners, Julian – Flourtown Beginners, Brandon – Steps We Took, Steven – Harleysville Happy Hour, John – First Step Valley Forge, John - Black Horse Group Plymouth Meeting
 - Alternate IGR's
 - Bill – Simple at 7 Flourtown
 - Anniversaries:
 - Bill – 8 years, Joe – 1 year
- Reading of Tradition 3

- Reading of Concept 3
- 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.

VISITOR'S REPORTS:

- SEPIA Steering Committee Secretary - Jon R.
 - Everything he shared is in the steering committee report.
 - Left copies on the back table for anyone who wanted to review them.
 - Share-a-day
 - Sat February 10, 2024
 - 10 am -2 pm
 - Tree of Life church Springfield
 - (lunch included)
 - Roundup Planning Meeting Jan 20 – Kroc Center Wissahickon Ave.
 - Next Gratitude breakfast
 - Need location that can hold 300-400 people.
 - Looking for suggestions
 - Roundup logo has been approved – Present on the Flyer on the SEPIA website.
 - Hotel and SEPIA registration are separate things.
 - Call hotel to book room;
 - 1-800-257-8550 access code for special rate 656596
 - The Grand Hotel Cape May, NJ –
 - Register on SEPIA website or paper registration as part of flyer.
 - If a meeting has changed and you become aware, call SEPIA so they can update it for visitors and newcomers on the app.
- Asst Dir. Unity – Luke S.
 - We go around to the 5-county area and talk about what service opportunities are available.
 - About 30-minute pitch to your homegroup.
 - Improving delivery so it is not the same dry format.
- Asst Dir. Interphones – Sharon B.
 - Training available
 - 13 open positions among various time slots.
 - Bryan will issue timeslots with minutes.
 - Need 1-year continuous sobriety.
 - There are 5 people needed per time slot (so if 1st person doesn't answer it goes to next person, etc).
 - Can take multiple slots but it has to be the same time.
 - Need volunteers for HUSSHH program.

LIAISONS REPORTS:

- **Finance/Treasury – Liaison: Jeff F. (Meets 3rd Thursday, Zoom,7:00 pm)**
 - Look at money in and out and push the steering committee to spend.
 - Overspent last month budget at \$36k.
 - \$288,000 in prudent reserves
 - Broken down \$24k/month.
 - Looking for people to get involved and spend more money to carry the message.
 - Aaron M – Chalfont meeting offers for Alternate Finance. See New Business.

- **Public Information – Sarah K. (Alternate Needed, meets 3rd Wednesday. Zoom, 7pm)**
 - Not Present.
 - Bryan gave some update from Steering Committee in Chair report below.

- **Archives – Chris C. (Alternate needed/meets 2nd Tues of the month/Zoom)**
 - Archives is the history of AA.
 - 92 meetings established in Montgomery County.
 - Looking for long timers of 20 years plus to interview.
 - 11 interviews – in all 5 counties are in queue for the month of January.
 - SEPIA’s website, there is an icon in NOV interviews to see the interviews for the last month.
 - A brief history of AA for viewing at your home group if you want a DVD showing.
 - Group history forms for new meetings are available for groups that aren’t represented in Binder.

- **Cooperating with Professionals Committee (CPC) – Christy M. (meet 1st Monday at 7:00 p.m., Hybrid)**
 - Escorting Drexel Medical Students to in person meetings.
 - They escort medical students to Zoom meetings – taking Drexel students on Zoom now.
 - They do in-person meetings at other times during the year.
 - 36 students from Drexel students participated last month.
 - 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.

- **Interphones – Warren (meets 4th Wednesday, every other month via Zoom).**
 - 13 slots are still available.
 - go to SEPIA.org and apply or attend the next meeting.
 - 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 M. (meets 3rd 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 this month in Montgomery County in January
 - Manayunk Big Book - Jan 22, 2024 @ 7:30
 - Newtown Women of Grace – Jan 30, 2024 @ 6:00
 - We’re working on changing the pitches to make them more interesting when coming to your home group.

- **Prison – Rick (meets 1st 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 Drivers 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
 - Need a background check and orientation in order to be able to speak.
 - Women’s Lockup in Eagleville
 - Tuesday 7:30 pm
 - Need a background check and orientation in order to be able to speak.
 - Need help filling commitment at Building 10 tomorrow night at 7.
 - Pen Pal Program – needs alternate for Erin.

- **Special Events: Eileen (meets 4th Monday of the month ZOOM, 7:00 p.m.)**
 - Not Present
 - Jon R – Secretary for SEPIA Visitors Report handled relevant Special Events discussion.

- **District – Liz District 24**
 - Meet first Wednesday of every month at St. Mariam’s Church.
 - Looking for Spanish Interpreters.
 - Paid
 - Feb 10, 2024 Share-a -day
 - Change of AA Literature – Talk to you GSR at your homegroup about 5 important points.
 - More about changes to how they happen, rather than to Bill W.’s writing.
 - 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)**
 - CPC - HR Summit - was voted down 11-10 due to the cost of \$5000.
 - Prisons - Chester County prison opened up Jan 2nd - Now, all 5 county prisons are up and going well.
 - PI - Discussing about outreach to labor/trade unions (teachers union as well).
 - 5 billboards going to be renewed at same cost.
 - Checking on budget for advertising with SEPTA.

- **Treatment Facilities – Shelby**
 - Please see your emails for information about the facilities and you can also contact Shelby with questions via e-mail.
 - Give feedback about facility issues immediately if you can’t get into a facility.
 - Do your due diligence and remind your homegroup members when they take commitments. If you are unable to fill a commitment last minute email Shelby.
 - Reminder of the change in Norristown building 1 is now Thursday not Wednesday.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Vote for new times for 2 commitments –
 - Norristown State Building 1; moving from Wednesday at 7pm to Thursday at 7pm.
 - Unanimous
 - Valley Forge Medical Center Change to end time 830pm to 7pm for both Thursday and Saturday.
 - Unanimous
 - Vote for Matt S as Alternate Interphones
 - Unanimous
 - Vote for Jim C for alternate CPC
 - Unanimous
 - Alternate Liaison positions opened for Finance, PI, Archives, Chair, and Secretary.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Aaron M. – Chalfont – Alternate Liaison Finance
 - Unanimous
- Robert K – Recovery by the Book Royersford –Alternate Liaison Archives
 - Unanimous
- **Alternates still Needed – Public Information, Chairperson, Secretary.**

Closed meeting at 8:11 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, February 12, 2024, 7:00 p.m.**

Minutes taken by Jacquelyn R – Secretary

Philadelphia Zone Meeting Report from Monday, January 8, 2023

Philadelphia Zone Intergroup Meeting Notes
[January 8th, 2024]

*Opened meeting at 7pm with the Serenity Prayer

*Sam reads Tradition 3, Jim read Concept 3

**ZONE COORDINATORS REPORT* (Pat):

-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.

-If you are interested in volunteering for interphones and have a year of continuous sobriety, please call the office and speak with Fran.

-Before we begin tonight we need to fill our Finance liaison commitment. No volunteers, we'll circle back.

-Share-a-day will be Feb. 10th from 10-2pm at the Tree of Life, there is a flier on the Sepia website.

-Jan 20th @ Kroc Center Round Up Planning from 10-2.

- Treatment Facilities Report: (Shawn)
 - Clean Slate meetings are “off” for the time being.
 - Meetings at the VA will start at 7pm moving forward, we do a quick vote to check-passes.
 - Fairmount meetings are at 7:30pm, were previously 7pm
 - The group discusses some issues that have come up with various commitments.

Visitors from Steering Committee – Introduce

-Lynn from Prisons

- Chester and Montco are doing well, PIC is going well- meetings are on Saturdays 1-2
- You need a badge to take meetings to prisons, call Honesburg Prison to set that up
- Penpal needs an assistant
- Prisons will be doing a roundup workshop, utilizing folks previously incarcerated
- 8779dialaa: temporary contact
- Hybrid meeting 1st Thursday of each month at 7pm

-Paul from Interphones

- Interphones has 23 openings!!!!!!
- Every day 12am-9am
- Thursd 5pm-9pm
- Eeekends, holidays
- HUSSH only has 13 people in the 5 county area! They NEED volunteers
- Meets last wednesday of the month on even months zoom 7pm
- Call Intergroup office to get signed up

-Jerry from Treatment

- Goal for 2024: integrate signup genius to streamline the H+I commitment process on the backend
- All commitments are getting filled in all 5 zones, wahoo!

- New IGRs. – Introduce themselves (name and last initial, Group name, IGR or ALT IGR)
 - Tina, north Philly
 - Mike, Vernon Park in Germantown
 - Mary K, Franklinton
 - Rob, 1020 S Penn
 - Reggie C, Fishtown young mens
 - Amy, South Philly
 - Tony, ENO
 - Glen, Northeast group
- Anniversaries? Personal, then Group
 - Joe, 39 years
 - Misha, 3 years
 - Joseph, 3years
 - Jake, 15years
 - Mike, 10 years
 - Parkside, 74 years on March 2nd
 - Chestnut Hill BB
 - Turning Point, 11th and Master
- Attendance
 - 47
- Secretary's Report
 - Nothing to report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Bridging the Gap Committee Report (Glen)
 - Connects folks in treatment with people in their zip code- meet them at a meeting, introduce them to people.
 - Need Volunteers, especially in North and West Philly
- Archives Committee Report (Devan)
 - Meet 2nd Tuesday on zoom 7pm
 - Taking recordings of folks with over 25 years
- Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) Committee Report
 - None present :(

- Finance Committee Report
 - None present :(
 - Meets 3rd Thursday on zoom 7pm
- Interphones/HUSSHH Committee Report (Hank)
 - See Paul's report.
 - Trainings on zoom last Wed of each month, 1 year sobriety requirement.
- Prison and Temporary Contact Committee Report (Misha)
 - Prisons have had staffing issues, call ahead to be sure the meeting is happening.
 - If interested in taking meetings to the federal prison, give Lynn/ Shane/ Misha your contact info.
- Public Information (PI) Committee Report (Phillip)
 - Meets 3rd Monday 7pm on zoom.
 - Continuing to distribute packets to clergy and senior centers.
 - Campaign to distribute info at colleges, looking for contacts at universities.
 - Ways you can help PI:
 - Check sepia website for correct meeting dates/times.
 - We can help flyers on sepia website- distribute in your community.
 - Send anonymous photos of meeting places to Sam, helps the algorithm drive google traffic.
- Special Events Committee Report (David)
 - Round Up flyers are out! Contain discount code, hotel info, etc.
 - Round Up meeting at the Kroc Center on Jan 20th 10-2,
 - Logo contest was a success! There will be blue t-shirts, etc for sale with said logo on them
 - Looking for a venue for gratitude breakfast 2024 that is centrally located and holds 300+
 - Share a day: Area 59 and sepia put together a service workshop day
 - NERAASA is in Hershey PA 2/22-25
- Unity Committee Report (Joseph)
 - If you'd like a traveling roadshow about AA service at your homegroup, email unitydirector@aasepia.org
 - Annual Picnic in Neshaminy sometime in June, details tbd
 - Working on changing the Unity pitch to be more fun and timely
- Young People Committee Report
 - Alt present, no report :(

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- Someone makes a motion to return to first come first serve, motion fails
- Tory makes a point that the number system should be clarified at the beginning of each meeting for new folks, the room agrees. We vote, motion passes!
- Motion to close 8:21, passes

NEXT MEETING: Monday February 12th, 2024
 CLOSE with "I Am Responsible"