DCM Report District 41 / March 20th / 2013



St. Patricks Day Party / Dance

The first AA social event in quite a while was a great success. Over 100 people in attendance, including both halfway houses, and almost \$200 was raised to be used for the next event, to be determined. Thanks to everyone who was involved and participated.

Day of Sharing - DCM Meetup

I will be meeting with Dean (DCM from District 17) at the Getaway Weekend April 5th-7th to hash out Day of Sharing responsibilities, goals, and next steps. Todd from District 43 and Michelle from District 44 have expressed interest in participating and Dean and I will be determining what tasks need to be fulfilled, then filling those roles with AA's from all four districts.

Mini Conference (Getaway Weekend), April 5-7

The Comfort Inn hosting the conference is almost out of reservations so if you are planning on attending be sure to book your room sooner rather than later. It's still \$85 per night and that includes breakfast. I've been asked to speak and answer questions there on the topic of the 11th Tradition and how it relates to Social Media on the internet. If you were on the fence about going and needed an extra reason to go to the getaway weekend, there it is - come and support me as I attempt to avoid having a public-speaking induced panic attack.

Group Inventory Sheets

It was suggested to me to find a Group Inventory Sheet for use with my home group - I have printed out a number of them and suggest reading it over and sharing it with your home group. It's a simple exercise, with questions geared towards finding the areas that can be improved upon, and should be done in the group conscience meeting.

GSR Stuff

Email List: Everyone who signed up to receive the minutes and other materials via email, my apologies for not getting that out to you until today. The 1st Quarterly Area 60 meeting minutes have still not been released, but this month's district minutes will go out as soon as they are prepared.

GSR Reports for Groups: I'm happy to report that a number of groups have successfully added a dedicated GSR report to their chairperson or secretary format for their meetings. There has been some initial confusion over what to report but it seems that it is settling into a nice rhythm and a lot more people know more about service than last month. It's a great start and I'd like to especially thank Heuston and Frazier for taking the lead in implementing this in the East Hills Group and the Hard Knocks Group, and Natalie for continuing the excellent GSR reporting passed down from Bob S. for the Longtimers Group. If anyone would like to know more about how the GSR Report can be done talk to one of those four or to me.

Non-AA Readings: I was asked by Heuston if a certain non-AA approved prayer could be included in the format for their meeting. After asking and digging a bit the answer is that basically anything can be included in the group's readings or format of the meeting so long as it is approved by the group conscience and follows the fourth tradition: Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or AA as a whole.