

**DISTRICT
11**

**DUTCHESS
COUNTY**



**DISTRICT 11 ONLINE
SPECIALIZED
MEETINGS**



Alcoholics Anonymous
**OPEN SERVICE
POSITIONS**
**YOU CAN MAKE A
DIFFERENCE**



COVID RELIEF FUND
**DOES YOUR
HOMEGROUP NEED
HELP?**

AA NEWSLETTER



BUDGET APPROVED FOR COVID RELIEF

As a newcomer, someone once told me, “You don’t have to change much-just everything.” At first, I took that statement as a joke, but the seriousness in the AA’s face told me that there was no joking about what he had just said and my silly scoff turned into terror.

Registered groups
with a GSO
Meeting ID can
receive funds to
keep group afloat

This pandemic has affected us all in many ways and we have all had to reach into our toolbox and use all the principles and suggestions to make the necessary adjustments to stay sober and connected to AA. Most of us had to “change everything” again.

District 11 recognizes that these are trying times and has created a subcommittee to aid the groups who are having financial trouble but want to continue to carry the message.

Details are still being finalized but the overview of the purpose is such:

- A donation of \$1500 will be made to the General Service Office (GSO)
- A form will be created and put on the dutchessaa.org website
- AA groups within the District 11 boundary will be allowed to request funds for specific items that will help keep the meeting running and shall be reimbursed upon presenting a receipt

Currently, the subcommittee is ironing out specifics and looking at how to realize this very new task. If you are interested in attending the subcommittee meeting or would like more information, please attend the District 11 monthly meeting held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:15pm via Zoom.

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UNITY, RECOVERY & SERVICE

Who thought you could make a huge difference by showing up and helping a fellow alcoholic? Duh-every AA knows that from



Calling for submissions!

Help this newsletter burst with interesting stuff by dropping us a line!

Please email your content to newsletter@dutchess.org

A.A. Step 1

"We admitted we were powerless over alcohol-that our lives had become unmanageable."

Florida House...

A.A TRADITION 1

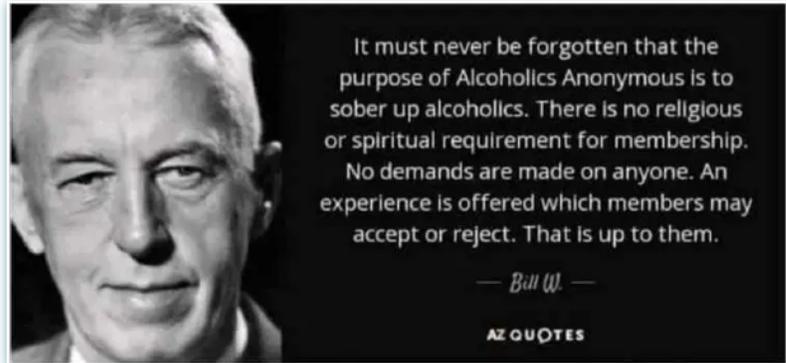
Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity.

A.A CONCEPT 1

Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.

personal experience. Do you recall the day that you surrendered? Are you grateful that you had a hotline to call to find a meeting or talk to another AA? Were you introduced to AA while incarcerated or in a rehabilitation facility? Did a pamphlet or AA literature find its way into your hands when you needed it the most? These are all examples of how important service outside of the homegroup are to those who are seeking help. Luckily, our District is full of opportunities to get involved and it doesn't mean you have to quit your job because of the time commitment. At most, you're looking at a few hours a month. Here is a list of all the open positions:

- Treasurer
- Answering Service
- Events Chair
- Accessibilities
- LCM of the East



Ask yourself, “Am I willing? Am I able?”

If you answered “yes” to both these questions, or have other questions about the positions then please attend our monthly District 11 meeting held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:15pm via Zoom.

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COMING SOON: DISTRICT 11 SPECIALIZED ONLINE MEETINGS- Fellowship from the comfort of your home

District 11 recently purchased their own Zoom account to primarily host their monthly business meetings. However, the package came with more bells and whistles than the average Zoom room, leaving our technology chair more than excited.

In the spirit of unity, recovery and service, the online meeting space could be used to host regular meetings with breakout rooms but



keeping in mind some of the elements that are missing at most online AA meetings. Some of the ideas that are floating around are creating a space to connect one alcoholic to another just like they might do at in-person meetings, helping newcomers find sponsors, and putting together recovery packages to be given away or picked up after the meeting. The online space could also be used to host workshops, panels and our annual Spiritual Breakfast traditionally scheduled in April.

Of course, with all these new initiatives, District 11 is really counting on the local AA community to get involved with participation, attendance and ideas. The hope is to help each other get through this insane period of time but as we all know what it takes to run a meeting or any event, it takes many hands willing to do the work to get it to all come together. If you are interested in participating, please attend our monthly District 11 meeting held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:15pm via Zoom.

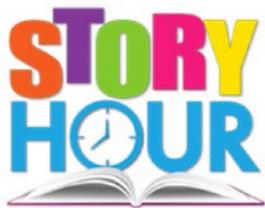
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UPCOMING EVENTS

AAGRAPEVINE

The International Journal of Alcoholics Anonymous

**VIRTUAL MONTHLY GRAPEVINE
READING & DISCUSSION**



Tuesdays
(second Tues. of each month)
7:00-8:00pm
(eastern)

Get in your PJs, your fluffy slippers, and cozy blanket, have your popcorn ready, and enjoy a bedtime story!



ZOOM ID: 834 1851 2300
PASSCODE: Grapevine
Please do not post to general public
Contact: grapevine@aaahmbny.org




GET EXCITED FOR SERVICE!

Please join us for a day of learning, fellowship, & sharing at the Area 48

2021 ORIENTATION DAY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17 | 9:30AM EST

If you are:

- new to service (welcome!)
- interested in learning more about service
- a service veteran with experience to share

you are welcome & encouraged to attend!

Zoom ID: 821 5776 6703 | Password: A48Orient
Visit www.aaahmbny.org for more info!

ESCPAA ADVISORY PRESENTS

Monthly NY State-wide YPAA Meeting

THIRD TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 8:30PM EST

SPEAKER MEETING FOLLOWED BY OPEN SHARING

GREAT WAY TO CONNECT WITH AA'S ACROSS THE STATE OUTSIDE OF BUSINESS MEETINGS!!

ZOOM MEETING ID:
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NERAASA 2021

February 26, 27 & 28, 2021
The virtual experience, a NERAASA like no other!

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Join the many who will make history at the first virtual **Northeast Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly.**

- ◆ Round Tables ◆ Panels ◆
- ◆ Northeast Regional Trustee Presentation ◆ Delegates' Highlights ◆
- ◆ Fun & Fellowship ◆

NERAASA 2021 will offer participation in English, Spanish, A.S.L. & C.C.

\$21.00
'21 NERAASA weekend!

All A.A. members are both welcome and encouraged to attend!

We are making history!



Questions: info@nerassa.org
Visit the NERAASA website [HERE](#)

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