

Welcome to all new and returning GSRs, DCMs, Committee members and guests! In an effort to make more time available for business and/or reports from all of you, your officers and committee chairs will make their reports in written form whenever possible.

- The first of two 2017 SENY-sponsored Joy of Service Workshops, this one hosted by Suffolk County, will be held on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, at the Hibernian Hall, 85 Grand Avenue, Massapequa, NY. The workshop will start at 9:00 AM, and will run until 2:00 PM. It will consist of several speaker panels and audience participation, all centering on current A.A. unity and service issues, as well as the General Conference theme of “Supporting Our Future”. There is no charge for attendance. Snacks, refreshments and a light lunch will be served. Please see Melissa J or myself if you can help out. Please plan to attend, it is well worth your time.
- Several of you have approached me about the possibility of starting a Concepts workshop in Suffolk County. I’m all for it! Please contact me at any time to see how we can get it rolling. Nassau holds one every other month, and I never miss it if I can help it. Remember, there are 36 Spiritual Principals in A.A., and our Concepts comprise twelve of them.
- The Unity Breakfast wrap-up will be given at our May 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- Summary of DCMC expenses through 3/31 are as follows: SENY Convention \$337 + NERAASA \$304 + Printing and Copying \$270 + Mileage and Other \$98 = \$1,009.
- Please note the number of vacancies we have for Committee Chairs – if not you, maybe someone from your group would like to get involved at this very special level of service? One of my responsibilities as DCMC is to give you whatever assistance you need with Committee work.
- And speaking of involvement: I need help from one or two people who have been around the county for a while. I have the draft of the Suffolk County Group Conscience in hand, created by five of our trusted servants several years ago; I am fine-tuning it for points either a) out of date or b) received subsequent to its original release, but I could use another set (or two) of experienced eyes. Please contact me if you are interested – I hope to present both the original document and the suggested changes to all of you at our June 16th meeting for discussion.
- The Traditions speaker list is now on the front burner. I will have an initial list for you at the May meeting: it will include your county officers and DCMs, but we are also looking for GSRs and others who are familiar with the Traditions, and who enjoy speaking about them. Seriously, what better group is there to provide Tradition Speakers than General Service?

In Love and Service,

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