District 15 GSR August 19, 2024 Meeting Minutes

7 pm at St. Nicholas Episcopal Church, Elk Grove Village

- DCM call to order with a guiet time followed by the <u>Serenity Prayer</u>
- Alt. DCM GSR Preamble
- Read Traditions 1, 2, 9, and 12
- Read Concepts 1 and 12
- Introductions New GSR's and other attendees- Sign in sheet misplaced. Usual attendees as the previous months.
- Did anyone have an Anniversary in the past month- Mary Beth H. on August 5- 22 years
- 7th Tradition

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Approval of the July 2024 meeting minutes- Motion/Seconded/Passed
- 2. Summer Picnic Re- Cap (Dan B)-
 - Thank you to all who came out to support the picnic in new location/new month
 - About 60 people attended
 - Food/beverages were excellent & plentiful
 - Music & commentary by DJ Mark was superb.
 - The Grove set-up worked well with shade trees & additional canopies
 - Volunteers were awesome helping in all areas- set-up, raffles, clean up
 - The weather was unfortunately very hot & humid
 - Some people were unable to find the picnic area even with signs. Need more signs in future
 - This picnic was 2 weeks after the District 13 picnic. Possible picnic fatique/vacations etc
 - Per Ella D. in November of 2024 the calendar opens to schedule/reserve a Grove at Busse Woods
 - As of today the picnic came out with \$300 after costs
 - Dan B. suggested to not have picnic next year
 - Re-Visit picnic for 2025 at next month's meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

- **1. Treasurer's Report: (Scott J)-** All looks good & on budget.
- **2. Website: Update: (Dan K)-** Up to date with new events. Send any new additions to Dan K.
- 3. 85th All Chicago Open on September 28, 2024— 6:30 pm Harris Theater, Millennium Park

Our District's turn in the matrix to elect a speaker to send as 1 of 2 Speakers 4 Candidates were nominated by meeting groups:

- 1) Cigar Brian
- 2) Tom S.
- 3) Christine S.
- 4) Val W.
- Those in attendance wrote their choice for ACO speaker of 4 nominees on a piece of paper, folded it & placed in a basket. The names were read & tallied. 10 of 16 votes were for Val W.
- Val W. voted as speaker from District 15 for ACO 2024
- No alternate speaker was chosen
 - **4. Fall Workshop-** Still have not had any meetings or persons step forward to organize. Dan B. said possibly he might be able to facilitate in late Fall or Winter 2025. Table discussion until next month's meeting.
 - **Thanksgiving Alcathon-** Ella D. to compose/print out flyers. Ted F. & Dan B. to chair this event. \$400 budget approved earlier in the year.
 - **6. Christmas Alcathon-** Lisa S. & Dan B. to chair this event
 - 7. AA Literature Cart & AA medallions/coins at St. Nicholas
 - In need of replacement coordinator as Cindy G. passed away suddenly this summer in EGV house fire
 - Karen H. will ask her group if they might be able to fulfill this commitment
 - Re-visit at Sept monthly meeting
 - 8. Next Chicago Area Service Meeting (CASA)- Saturday September 21, 2024
 - 9. Reminder of other Events:
 - A. 2024 Illinois State Conference August 23-25 Springfield, IL
 - **B.** Do you Remember Picnic Sat Sept 28th 2024 Tyler Woods, Elgin
 - C. 2025 AA International Convention July 3-6 2025 Vancouver, BC
 - 10. Next D15 Meeting: Monday September 16, 2024 AT 7:00 PM

 *** ALL ARE WELCOME ***
 - 11. Called the meeting to close at 8:00 pm

^{**}Thank you to Sharon B. (GSR) for taking notes in Mary Beth H's absence**