

Opened with the Responsibility Statement

1) Service Sponsorship report-Adam S

The new DCMs, alt DCMs, GSRs & alt GSRs

2nd step-Caitlin-Women in the Spirit

2nd tradition-Liz-Girls Gone Mild

2nd concept-Dionne-Our Father's House

Daily Reflection, 2/15/2023-Joann-Young People in Recovery

2) OFFICER REPORTS

Registrar report -Bridgette F quorum-**y** or n (13 GSRs & DCMs, DCMC or alt, & a secretary)

Check if present

Archives____(not present)

CPC____(not present)

Corrections____

NYIG Liaison____

BIG Liaison__x__

PI____

Service Sponsorship__x__

Share A Day__x__

Co-chair____

Spiritual Breakfast____

Co-chair____

Treatment____

Web chair__x__

Email Administrator____

Secretary report-Jaye N-accepted **y** or n

Treasury report -Graeme Mc-accepted **y** or n

Alt DCMC report-Eddie D

Participated in January LISTS planning meeting as Brooklyn County Representative.

Venue has been secured, program and event flyer are being planned.

Motion was passed to asked Counties for a \$800 contribution

Next planning meeting will take place on Sunday February 26th at 6 PM.

DCMC report-Charlene B

- I've been working with Deborah to close out the past rotation. We went to storage & I got the keys to give to Bill H
- I have registered for both NERAASA & the SENY Convention. I'm excited to go to both.
- I took the van to Westchester Community College to the 1st 2023 assembly.
- I've been working with the web chair to update the website Cathy will have much more in her report.
- I have been in touch with the committee chairs to help them get started.
- I also attended to GSO conference hospitality planning meeting; I will be a guide to many of the events to be offered to the delegates' plus ones.
- The hybrid portion of the convention will be a modified agenda which will include the 6 main meetings as well as one meeting during each of the three topic workshops. These meetings will not be interactive as they will be streamed on a zoom webinar, with ASL translation. There will be Spanish translation at the six main meetings, virtually and in person, and there are Spanish speaking workshops during each Workshop time frame, in person.

Friday:

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM - Kick off Meeting & Welcome Meeting includes a play

Saturday:

8:45 AM - 5:00 PM – workshops all day

8:00 PM - 9:30 PM - Banquet Meeting & dance

Sunday:

Closing Meeting

Accommodations

Make your reservation to stay at the Westchester Marriott, on aaseny.org.

Reservations must be made by February 28th, 2023.

The next planning meeting is March 12 at 3pm See aaseny.org for more info

- The convention bus tickets are printed & ready to go. Please announce at your group's secretary break that E-tickets to the day bus can be purchased through Venmo or in person by emailing me at dcmc@brooklynnaa.org. The deluxe coach will leave on Saturday, March 25th from the Brooklyn Academy of Music at 7:30am sharp, returning about 5:45. Tickets are \$25 plus the cost of registration. I will do my best to get to groups or meet any of you to give you tickets to sell. I will send the flyers again to anyone that wants it. Please email and/or text it to your friends.

3) Old Business

Committee chairs still needed: no one stepped up

➤ Corrections

1. Coordinates correctional information with the GSO.
2. Keeps the Corrections Correspondence Service (CCS) list up to date and coordinates the "Bridging the Gap/Re- Entry" program.

Maintains the county email.

3. Goes to the SENY Corrections Committee meetings.
4. Works closely with other Correctional Facilities chairs.
5. Is familiar with the Corrections Workbook.
6. Cooperates with other area and local service committees.
8. Passes along communications and requests from AAWS/Grapevine of possible interest to the membership.
9. Early in the next rotation, works with the newly appointed corrections chair to pass along a basic knowledge of the service position.

Gives timely reports on activities at all BCGSM meetings

➤ Intergroup Liaison

1. Responsible for keeping communication lines open between BCGS and NYIG.
2. Goes to the InterGroups' quarterly meetings & forums .
3. Is the liaison between the InterGroups and the BCGS standing committee chairs for CPC, Corrections, Treatment, Accessibilities and PI.
4. Cooperates with other area and local service committees.
5. Passes along communications and requests from AAWS/Grapevine of possible interest to the membership.
6. Early in the next rotation works with the newly appointed successor InterGroup liaison chair to pass along a basic knowledge of the service position.
7. Maintains the county email.
8. Gives timely reports on activities at all BCGSM meetings

➤ Public Information (PI)

1. Is familiar with the PI workbook.

2. Goes to the area PI Committee meeting.
4. Gives timely reports on PI activities at all BCGSM meetings
5. Maintains a display for area PI functions.
6. Maintains a list of PI volunteers.
7. Coordinates PI activities with the GSO and local InterGroups.
8. Coordinates area PI workshops.
9. Works with SENY & GSO on media public service announcements (PSAs).
10. Cooperates with other area and local service committees.
11. Passes along communications and requests from AAWS/Grapevine of possible interest to the membership.
12. Early in the next rotation works with the newly appointed PI chair to pass on a basic knowledge of the service position.
13. Maintains the county email.

Gives timely reports on activities at all BCGSM meetings

➤ *Treatment Facilities (TF)*

1. Familiarity with the Treatment Facilities Workbook and the Treatment Facilities Binder.
2. Coordinates Bridging the Gap requests received by SENY email with counties and InterGroups, and follows up as appropriate to confirm that action has been taken.
3. Monitors Treatment Facilities email address and maintains communications within and without SENY. 4. Maintains the county email.
5. Works closely with all Bridging the Gap committees.
6. Goes to the SENY Treatment Facilities meetings.
7. Encourages Treatment Facilities participation and presentation at all county Share a Day events.
8. Attends all BCGSM meetings
9. Early in the next rotation works with the newly appointed Treatment Facilities chair to pass on a basic knowledge of the service position.

Gives timely reports on activities at all BCGSM meeting

➤ *Special Needs/Accessibilities*

1. Gain familiarity with the Accessibilities Workbook and other accessibilities service material provided by GSO.

2. Maintains the county email.
3. Using recommendations from the Accessibilities Committee, continue to improve methods to carry the AA message to alcoholics in the accessibilities community.
4. Forward communications and requests from AAWS/Grapevine of possible interest to the membership.
5. Support group accessibilities chairs and committees in their service activities.
6. Cooperate with other area service committees to carry the AA message.
8. Coordinate a periodic area accessibilities workshop.
9. Early in the next rotation, works with the newly appointed recording secretary to pass along a basic knowledge of the service position.
10. Gives timely reports on activities at all BCGSM meetings

➤ *Spiritual Breakfast*

Put together a team, co-chair, program chair, promotion chair & others as needed. Works with DCMC

Help to find a space

Negotiate an affordable contract that includes breakfast with vegetarian options, use of the space 2 hours prior to event & 1 hour post, works closely with the treasurer

Design flyers & tickets

Promote the event

Keep a detailed budget

Sell tickets

Plan a speaker program

Gives timely reports on activities at all BCGSM meetings

➤ *Website help-email administer*

Sets up, & maintains county emails for officers, committee chairs & DCMs

4) New Business

Create an *ad hoc* Accessibilities committee from Special Needs Committee to stay in line with the SENY Accessibilities Committee. Making a permanent change requires modifying the by-laws, which is something we can look at in the future. y__20__ n__0__ a__0__

In person GSM meetings, St Francis College is no longer an option as an in-person venue at this time, the insurance requirements are beyond our policy. We need to put together an ad hock team

to look for new in person venues for Share A Day, Spiritual Breakfast & county Adam, Cathy, Ronnie, Liz, Susan & me

5) Standing Committee reports

Archives-Bill H- No activity at this point

BIG Liaison-Joe L

Brooklyn Intergroup

1283 Prospect Ave., Brooklyn, NY (opened in July 2021)

Website – BIGAA.org, Helpline Tel Number - 718-851-3039, email info@BIGAA.org

- 1.– BIGAA is Rebuilding after COVID. The new rotation began Jan 1, 2023.
- 2.– We used to have the Dr. Bob B Q picnic at Ft. Tilden Park, a printed meeting guide, and in-person speaker exchanges. We are committed to restoring these things to Brooklyn.
- 3.– Treasury – In December, 2022 BIGAA ran a \$180 deficit. It has been a mixed bag. Some months are in the black, and others have significant deficits.
- 4.- We meet the 3rd Saturday of every month at 9:00AM (with a break for Summer) at our office – 1283 Prospect Ave. The meeting is hybrid.
- 5.- The Brooklyn Intergroup office is centrally located and next to the Fort Hamilton station of the F and G trains. Parking is manageable.
- 6.– Like other InterGroups, we provide various services including –
 - A – BIGAA Store: AA books, coins, pamphlets and all AA related material. Any orders of \$100 or more will be delivered to the group free of charge.
 - B - Telephone Help-line: We provide AA meeting and other information to those in need, their families, friends and medical professionals. Calls are answered live or are forwarded to volunteers. The system promotes anonymity and prevents callers from seeing the volunteers' telephone numbers.
 - C - Website: BIGAA.org Includes an accurate, detailed, user friendly meeting list. We share, with your group's permission, all meeting data with New York Intergroup and the "Chair App". We receive, update and post all group meeting information. Your group can access the back end of your page and make additions, changes, post events, etc The website also posts all of our business reports including our By-laws, all treasury reports and Secretary notes.
 - D – Institutions Committee: BIGAA provides Brooklyn detoxes and rehabs with meetings and literature. Our By-laws require cooperation with Brooklyn County and SENY to avoid duplication of services
 - E - Mailing List: We send regular emails with Brooklyn AA updates. To receive the emails see the simple sign up process at the bottom of our website.
- 7.– Brooklyn Intergroup needs financial support, and we need AA groups in Brooklyn to send representatives to our meetings. Every group should have a voice in the future of Brooklyn

Intergroup, and the opportunity to participate in serving the needs of AA in our great borough.

CPC-David U-SENY CPC committee is that we are planning to reach out to clergy and probation officers to ask if they want more information about Alcoholics Anonymous.

Share A Day-Elise-

Web chair-Cathy M

This website is for the use of GSRs, DCMs and General Service officers and committee chairs and members in Brooklyn.

We do have a prominently situated link to Brooklyn and New York InterGroups for alcoholics seeking a meeting in Brooklyn who are not yet familiar with the term "Intergroup".

I've also placed buttons above the content (below the heading and menu) to assist the alcoholics seeking recovery for the first time. I thought this was necessary because on mobile devices, the sidebar appears below the main content.

The website has four main areas: the header; the sidebar; the main content area; and the footer. The header, footer and sidebar appear on all pages, whether they are accessed from the main menu, from links in the sidebar, or links in the footer.

I removed the links to the districts that had been in the website in the past. They did not lead to active web pages. There were also some pages advertising bus tickets to past SENY conventions and a bus tickets sold out page. They were removed and we have an updated **Events** page that now contains info regarding the Bus to 2023 SENY Convention.

The **home** page is the calendar. You can filter what you're looking at using categories or tags. You can also adjust how you view the calendar. It appears in the "agenda" view, but you can also select a "day", "month" or "week" view. If you click on the little printer icon, you can print out the events listed on the current page.

If you wish to publicize a group anniversary, or a district meeting, or a workshop, send the pertinent info (including flyers) to webchair@brooklynnaa.org, and they will be posted on the calendar. I am also combing the SENY calendar for scheduled meetings of SENY standing and *ad hoc* committees. They will be appearing as the committees convene and select their meeting dates.

Brooklyn committee chairs are encouraged to attend their corresponding SENY committee meetings. Check the SENY calendar regularly as well.

About Brooklyn GS is the info that the DCMC considers to be crucial at any given moment. Right now it has the GSM schedule for the year; a list of committee chairs that need filling; and a copy of Brooklyn County's Bylaws, which should be reviewed and amended some time over the coming year.

The **Contacts** page lists the Brooklyn GS officers and Committee and Event chairs, followed by their [brooklynnaa.org](mailto:brooklyn@brooklynnaa.org) email addresses. I'd like to include first name and last initial, so that people can know who's who.

The **Resources** page contains links to AA literature and downloadable AA pamphlets and guidelines. There is also a map showing Brooklyn's districts.

The **7th Tradition** speaks for itself. It contains a button for Pay Pal (and credit cards), our Venmo and CashApp addresses and the mailing address for check contributions.

Links to SENY: You can click these buttons to quickly get to: the SENY Convention registration page (which includes downloadable flyers); an upcoming events page; and the SENY calendar. The SENY Tech and Communications committee put up the upcoming events page to get the new rotation rolling, and will be taking it down, once they get comfortable with maintaining the calendar which is done in concert with the SENY Agenda chair.

The Assembly and Cmte. Mtgs. button lists a schedule of all of SENY's assemblies and committee meetings for 2023. Along the side are links to County and YPAA calendars that are maintained on SENY's website. Brooklyn would be expected to list on the SENY Brooklyn calendar our county GSMs, Share-A-Day and Spiritual Breakfast at the very least. Workshops might also be listed.

Finally, the page accessed by the **Events** tab will be there until the SENY convention is over, and then it will be taken down. It will be replaced with similar pages for LISTS, Share-A-Day, and the Spiritual Breakfast when appropriate. Flyers and other information will be available for download on this page.

Now to the sidebar. At the top is "**Find a Meeting**" with links to Brooklyn and New York InterGroups. That is followed by a link to the **7th Tradition** page. These are followed by the

BrooklynAA mailing list. I cannot say whether this section is active or whether I should take this down. It is a matter I need to discuss with the registrar. That should be resolved by our next GSM.

The last section on the sidebar contains our BCGSM **minutes** and **Brooklyn Junctions**. At the very top of the current year is the Draft copy of the previous GSM minutes that are to be approved at the current GSM. Once approved, they will show up under the appropriate meeting date, and a draft copy of the now most recent meeting will be posted for review. This obviates the need to pass out paper copies, since we are conducting our GSMs online for now.

There are some dates (even a year) for which I don't have minutes. If anyone has either a paper or machine-readable copy of unposted minutes, let me know (webchair@brooklynaa.org.)

In the footer, the left-hand column contains all the published pages of the website. The pages labeled "Website" and "Web Guidelines" are accessed only through links in the the footer.

The center column has links to AA's website, SENY's website, and various other websites. NYCYPAA used to be on this list, but it appears that some rehab facility bought the domain name. Whoever takes over the website at the next rotation, I'd recommend they inspect these links to see if they appear to be what they say they are, or if they appear up to date. I have some doubts about the currentness of the Russian language website, but for now I'm letting it stay in the footer.

I urge all of you to visit brooklynaa.org. It is tailored for Brooklyn's General Service trusted servants and loaded with useful information!

6) DCM reports

405-reaching out to unrepresented groups, will have a district meeting soon

410-all positions filled, district meeting 2nd Wednesday of the month, Le M

The Cluster-having a movie afternoon March 11th from 1pm to 4pm, district meeting same day

403-trying to get back up to post covid representation, will have a movie afternoon March 11 from 1-4pm

7) GSR reports-no GSR reports

Motion to close

Second

Closed with Responsibility Statement

TREASURER REPORT FROM 01/1/23 - 03/30/23				
AA BROOKLYN COUNTY GENERAL SERVICE				
BEGINNING BALANCE		\$13,531.10		
DEPOSITS				
Group Donations (Paypal \$170-\$5.89 = \$164.11)	1/1/23	\$164.11		
Group Donations (Paypal \$222.92-\$6.93 = \$215.99)	1//5/23	\$215.99		
Group Donations (Paypal \$20-\$1.07 = \$18.93)	1/5/23	\$18.93		
Group Donations (Paypal \$75-\$2.66 = \$72.34)	1/16/23	\$72.34		
Group Donations Checks	1/17/23	\$1,025.60		
County Meeting 7th tradition (Paypal \$59.00-\$4.19=\$54.81)	1/18/23	\$54.81		
Group Donations (Paypal \$42-\$1.70 = \$40.30)	1/30/23	\$40.30		
Group Donations Checks	2/1/23	\$150.00		
Group Donations Checks	2/1/23	\$ 200.00		
Group Donations (Paypal \$80-\$2.80 = \$77.20)	2/3/23	\$ 77.20		
Group Donations Venmo	2/7/23	\$ 110.00		
Individual Donations Venmo	2/7/23	\$ 7.00		
SENY Bus ticket	2/7/23	\$ 25.00		
SENY Bus tickets (Paypal \$125-\$4.10 = \$120.90)	2/11/23	\$ 120.90		
Group Donation Check	2/14/23			\$40.87
Bank Deposit	2/7/23	\$ 0.01		
Total		\$2,282.19		\$40.87
PAYMENTS				
Storage Unit	1/3/23	\$185.96	Debit	
Storage Unit	2/3/23	\$185.96	Debit	
Storage Unit	3/3/23		Debit	-\$185.96
Website	1/1/23	\$150.00		
UPS PO BOX	3/31/23			-\$230.00
Insurance	2/11/23		Check 1338	-\$460.00
Zoom	1/12/23	\$153.51		
SENY Convention Coach/Bus (Deposit)	1/24/23	\$309.77		
SENY Convention Coach/Bus (Balance)	3/1/23			-\$1,180.23
LIST (Conference Long Island Spirituality Through Service)	3/1/23			-\$800.00
NERASA Hotel reimbusement (deposit)	1/28/23	\$79.20	Debit	
NERASA Hotel reimbusement	2/23/23			-\$294.20
SENY Convention Tickets printing	2/6/223	\$20.91	Debit	
SENY Convention Flyer printing	2/6/223	\$6.80	Debit	
SENY Assembly Van	2/11/23		Check 1336	-\$500.00
Boost Mobile	2/11/23	\$26.68	Debit	
Boost Mobile	3/11/23		Debit	-\$26.68
Total		\$1,118.79		\$3,677.07
CLOSING BALANCE		\$14,694.50		\$2,472.80
Prudent Reserve		\$2,500.00		\$12,221.70
		\$12,194.50		\$9,721.70
Pay pal total income \$793.92- Paypal fees \$29.34 = \$764.58				