

AREA EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

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Medallion Night and Potluck: Last Monday of the month @ First United Methodist Church (915 E. 4th street). Show up at 7 if you are getting a medallion (1 year or more) meeting starts @ 7:30pm.

*Check updates monthly for changes or Zoom info



Monday Night Young People's Speaker Meeting: 3rd Monday each month.

Meeting Changes, Support, Service Opportunities

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RECOVERY IN ACTION
(newsletter@natucson.org)
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December/January

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A GSR's Responsibility to the Group

In NA, a GSR (Group Service Representative) is responsible to carry the group's conscience on Area matters back to their Area committee, and to serve as a liaison between the group and Area. In this way, the GSR is a trusted servant of the group. Because the GSR is instilled with this level of trust, it is important to elect a member who attends their homegroup regularly, has an understanding of the 12 steps and 12 traditions, and is willing to learn from more experienced members if necessary. In some less experienced groups, the role is reduced to delivering literature and announcing events, and the group suffers in turn. A GSR gives the group a voice, as well as a listening ear. If the GSR is not bringing Area matters to the group, its members may miss out on important information and changes to the ways business is conducted in their area that affect them directly. Most recently in our area, changes were made to the guidelines via an IDR (Idea Report) that dictate that area GSRs are now the sole voters for Area sub-committee chairs, meaning that individual members now vote at their homegroup level, or place a vote of confidence in their GSR, who is responsible both for communicating these types of changes to their group, and for carrying the group conscience forward at an area level. It is important that a GSR be willing to carry such information back to their homegroups, so that group's members can provide input on area matters via group conscience. By taking on this role, GSRs keep our service structure intact and allow addicts to have a voice in business matters at their area. — KM

GSRs from a Newcomer Perspective

As a Newcomer, I heard mention of a GSR and GSR reports after every meeting, but I had no actual idea what the function of a GSR was. And being like so many Newcomers, I was too shy and introverted to ask. For a long time, I thought the only duties of a GSR was to announce events, or more recently, in the time of COVID, to point people towards NATucson.org.

I have since come to learn, after reading Tradition 2 and with time in the program, that each individual home-group has a GSR and that GSR represents the “group conscious” at Area. I say “group conscious” because when the Group votes on important matters it should be based on their higher power’s will and spiritual principles, not just on mere opinions that are not based on spiritual principles for the Group.

I highly recommend every Newcomer takes the time and initiative to learn, not just about the GSR, but to learn about the structure and processes of NA as a whole, as you will truly understand what being a part of NA means. – ST

What Does A GSR Do

We've all heard GSR's announce activities, conventions, dances, and campouts at the end of meetings. We've probably heard the short version of the GSR report that goes simply "natucson.org." But that's not the most important part of a GSR's job.

A GSR represents the group at Area. They vote for the group on important matters. But it shouldn't just be their opinion of what they want. They should carry the group conscience in important matters. They are trusted to know when to make the call and when to take it back to the group.

Group conscience also isn't just the collective opinion of the group. Each member of the group invites their higher power to make their will known to them. They consider how other traditions come into play. Does this help or hurt NA unity? Does it affect other groups or NA as a whole? Etc.

Each individual homegroup member tells the GSR (most of the time at the monthly group business meeting) how they feel they should vote with their higher power's guidance. The GSR takes the collective answer to Area.

It is also important that newer GSR's receive guidance from one or more experienced homegroup members to learn how to do the job for the first couple of months. Thank you to the members who did this for me.

For more, read The Group booklet and Tradition 2 in our literature. - BG

Happy Birthday!

Proof that the program works!

- Ashley S - 12/14/2018
- Eddy M - 12/26/2017
- Chris P - 1/2/2017
- Christina P -1/2/2020
- David B - 1/3/1986
- Jake B - 1/6/2012
- Billy B - 1/7/2009
- Chris M - 1/8/2014
- Ed P - 1/28/1990
- Joseph R - 1/5/2013
- Kris S - 1/4/2018
- Lindsey S - 1/6/2009

We understand this is not a complete list of all celebrations in our Area. Congratulations to all who have today!!

If you have a clean date birthday of one or more years, please email it to Newsletter@natucson.org

Upcoming Events in and around AZ

NEXT MONTH’S TOPIC!

Step work commitments

Subcommittee Service

SEAZNA Area Service Committee
2 p.m. on 2nd Sunday of each Month
Streams in the Desert Lutheran Church
5360 E. Pima St. (west of Craycroft)
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Activities Subcommittee
Contact activities@natucson.org

Hospitals & Institutions Subcommittee
12:30 p.m., Second Sunday of the month
Streams in the Desert Lutheran Church
5360 E. Pima St. (west of Craycroft)
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Mt. Lemmon Bash Subcommittee
Contactbash@natucson.org

Newsletter Subcommittee
Contact newsletter@natucson.org

Outreach Subcommittee
Contact outreach@natucson.org for more information.

Phoneline Subcommittee
Contact phoneline@natucson.org

Public Relations Subcommittee
Meeting held on line, contact pr@natucson.org for details