

Friday Night Recovery Group

The first meeting of this group was held on October 14th, 2005 in a little room upstairs, at the Bethany United Methodist Church, in Hughesville.

Early members and founders include: Harry M., Harvey G. and Dale L.

Through the first year heat was scarce to the meeting. But many attended heat or not. It was created out of need. It has drawn interest from Hughesville, Muncy and Montoursville, and all rural areas surrounding Hughesville.

The meeting had five or six members to start and has grown to include 18 to 20 members who attend weekly. Topics include: discussion, grapevine, step meetings, and daily reflections. It meets on Friday night at 7pm. All are welcome.

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REQUEST FOR GROUP HISTORY

"Whenever a society or civilization perishes there is always one condition present: they forgot where they came from." – Carl Sandberg

Current Group Name FRIDAY NIGHT RECOVERY Group Number _____
District 48

1. When was your group started? OCT. 14, 2005
2. Who were the early members who started this group? HARRY M., HARVEY G., BUTCH H., DALE L., RON S. & JESS C.
3. Why was the group started? (Did it begin because of a split from the parent group? Was it because of some unresolved dispute among members? Was it because there was a need for a different type of meeting in your area?)
Describe: THE MEETING STARTED WITH A RESENTMENT AND A DONATED COFFEE POT, MORE DETAILS ON BACK
4. Where were the first meetings held? How often did the group meet? Where does the group meet now? VERY TINY ROOM UPSTAIRS IN THE CHURCH, DO TO GROWTH, THEY ALLOW US TO USE BASEMENT CLASSROOM
EVERY FRIDAY AT 7:00
5. What kinds of meetings were held? Have there been changes in the type of meeting your group holds? MEETING HAS HAD VARYING TOPICS SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN 2005
6. Have any groups split off from your group? NO
7. Has the group changed its name over the years? If so, why? NO
8. Has membership grown/changed over the years? Has the group added additional weekly meetings? NO ADDITIONAL GROUPS BUT IT HAS DEF. GROWN FROM 5 OR 6 TO @ 20 WEEKLY
9. Did the group encounter any special challenges or growing pains? (These can be anything from changes in meeting place, meeting format, personality conflicts, too many or too few in attendance, those with problems other than alcohol, etc.)
10. Are there any amusing stories or anecdotes about your group's beginnings and subsequent growth? (Sometimes these incidents give the group its unique flavor, and set it apart as special for us.)

These questions are guidelines for a Group History. Please compile our group's information on a separate sheet(s) of white paper suitable for permanent archives records. Give your group history to your DCM who will forward the original to the Area Archivist for the Area Archives. You should retain copies for your group's and District records.

BACK IN 2005 IN FIRST 3 MOS. OF MY SOBERITY,
I ASKED MY SPONSOR AT THAT TIME IF I COULD
START A MEETING, HIS RESPONSE WAS, "NO YOU
CANT, BUT HE COULD," FIRST RESENTMENT TOWARDS
ANOTHER MEMBER FOR ME THAT I CAN NOW
RECOGNIZE, BY SEPTEMBER OF THAT YEAR
I HAD NEW SPONSOR, ONE OF THE FIRST
THINGS I REMEMBER DISCUSSING WITH HIM,
WAS MY IDEA OF A MEETING, HIS WORDS
WERE, "ALL YOU REALLY NEED IS A PLACE TO
HAVE ONE". SO I WOULD GO TO OTHER
MEETINGS EXTRA EARLY, COPY THERE
FORMAT AND FRIDAY NIGHT RECOVERY
GROUP STARTED THAT WAY, MY CHILDREN
WENT TO PRE-SCHOOL IN THAT SAME
CHURCH ON THE CORNER OF 2ND &
ACADEMY ST. BEFORE FIRST MEETING,
WENT UP IN MAIN PART OF CHURCH, GOT
ON MY KNEE'S AND SAID THIS PRAYER. "GOD IF THIS
MEETING IS TO BE, PLEASE HELP IT BE - HARRY M.