

HOME GROUPS



NEWSLETTER - October 2019

My First Home Group

By: Linda A.

My first home group in NA was the Last Connection Group. When I came to Winchester, in May of 1992, I was dedicated and faithful member of this home group for 13 years and 8 months.

During this time, I found out that the Last Connection Group was and still is the oldest home group between Almost Heaven and Shenandoah Valley Area of NA. At the time in 1992, the Last Connection Group was a part of the Almost Heaven Area and in the year 1998, the Last Connection along with the several other home groups in Winchester, Front Royal and I believe Mount Jackson, formed and joined the Shenandoah Valley Area of NA.

While in the Last Connection, I learned from my predecessors, newcomers and friends, that even though I had a sponsor, was working the steps, doing service in NA, there is nothing as the **power** of a Home Group and I'm grateful to Bill M., Maria C., Jon Rose, Nigel B., Adele W. and countless others who shared their experience strength & hope in being a part of a home group.

There is no place like Home!!!

STEP TEN - "We continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it."

Step Ten tells us to keep looking at who we are. We ask ourselves, "Is what I'm doing okay?"

If it is, then we take pride in the way we acting. If not, we change our behavior. Step Ten keeps us in the right direction.

Throughout time, wise persons have told us to get to know ourselves. Step Ten helps us do this.

The Host Committee & Subcommittees of the

39th AVCNA

Need your help and participation!

Host: Nov. 9 & 2nd Sat. of every month, 10am-1pm, Benham Gallery Room, Handley Library, Winchester. (Still awaiting confirmation).

PreConvention: Oct. 19, 1pm-2:30pm Benham Gallery Room, Handley Library, Winchester.

Program: No information received.

Registration: Nov. 12 & every 2nd Tue. of the month, 7pm. St. Paul's on the Hill, Winchester.

Merchandise: No information received.

Arts & Graphics: No information received.

Entertainment: Oct. 29 & every 4th Tue. of the month, 8pm John Mann United Methodist Church, Winchester.

Additional Needs: Chair position vacant.

Hospitality: Nov. 2 & the 1st Sat. of every month, 5:30pm. Cafeteria Conference Room, Winchester Medical Center.

Convention Information: Chair position vacant.

Thank you to everyone providing information. Those who have not, please do so to Norman asap.

Norman C., Secretary, 39th AVCNA Host Committee

CELEBRATIONS

Oct 26, KIM S - 4 years at Fire Faith Fellowship, 9 pm.

Calendar of events:

Oct 19, 1 pm, AVCNA PreConvention Meeting, Benham Gallery Room, Handley Library, Winchester.

Oct 26, 8:30 - 9:30, Newsletter Subcommittee, after Experience Strength & Hope, Winchester Medical Center Cafeteria. (& the 4th Sat. of Every month.)

Oct 27, 5 pm, Public Relations Subcommittee, Happy Creek Coffee & Tea, 18 High Street, Front Royal.

Oct 29, 8 pm, AVCNA Entertainment Subcommittee, John Mann UMC.

Oct 30, 6 pm, Outreach Subcommittee, Throx Market Station, 1016 Millwood Pike, Winchester.

Nov 2, 5:30 pm, AVCNA Hospitality Subcommittee, Winchester Medical Center cafeteria conference room.

Nov 2, 7:30 pm, Special Events Subcommittee, Rivendell, Marsh Lane, White Post.

Nov 4, 7 pm, Hospitals & Institutions Subcommittee, 303 South Loudouns St., Winchester.

Nov 9, 10 am, AVCNA Host Committee Meeting, Benham Gallery Room, Handley Library, Winchester.

Nov 9, 6:30 pm, Area Service, Grace Community Church, 2333 Roosevelt Blvd., Winchester.

Experience, Strength and Hope

By Randy D.

We cannot remember when this home group started, but I know we were in the hospital in 1999, towards the end of that year. Originally we were on the ground floor in the conference room before they renovated the lower level. We used to be a speaker meeting with cassette tapes of speakers from all over. We eventually had to move to another conference room, beside the Subway Sandwich Shop. The hospital renovated again and finally they moved us to our current location, on the ground floor in the back of the Cafeteria. We started our bank account with Bank of Clarke County on May 1, 2000 and our PO Box mail account on May 8, 2007. We have had plenty of home group members and we have been down to one home group member keeping the doors open. Currently we have a tight home group and are all about carrying the message of NA. I love my home group. I really hate to miss it. The atmosphere of recovery exists within it. We follow a rotating format: step study, traditions study, literature study and as the spirit moves (candle light) along with and occasional 5th Saturday guest speaker. If you are hungry, we are right next to the cafeteria, Chick fil A and a Subway upstairs. We regularly donate funds to Shevana Area and World Services.

