



# Greater Rochester Area AIS Service Center

## AUGUST 2021

### EVENTS

#### **AIS Monthly Meetings 2021, 10:00 a.m.**

##### **Upcoming Meetings:**

September 11 meeting will be hybrid at Faith Lutheran Church, 2546 Browncroft Blvd.  
Electronic sign-in on website

Link to AIS Rochester meeting minutes:  
<http://aisrochester.org/minutes.html>.

Link to upcoming Anniversary meetings:  
<http://aisrochester.org/anniversaries.html>.

**AIS Rochester website is updated daily with information on local, district, and world service information. Please see the website often!**

#### **Newcomer Packets**

We continue to receive requests for Newcomer Packets; 16 were mailed in July, and so far, eight in August.

#### **AIS purchasing Zoom Account**

AIS will purchase a Zoom account for virtual groups to use, following AIS guidelines. This augments the sharing of accounts by districts or members with accounts. To discuss use of this account, call AIS or email [webcommittee@aisrochester.org](mailto:webcommittee@aisrochester.org).

#### **Healing Hearts Beginners Meeting**

The Healing Hearts Beginners Meeting meets on Saturdays at 11:30 via Zoom. Click on the link in [aisrochester.org](http://aisrochester.org) to attend.

#### **In-Person Meetings Resuming**

The Friday night Al-Anon meeting at Nicholas Noyes Memorial Hospital has restarted. It is at 7 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room, 111 Clara Barton St. in Dansville.

The 11:30 Saturday morning meeting, Simple Beginnings, has resumed at a new location; Irondequoit United Church of Christ, 644 Titus Ave. We welcome all and would like to see more people attend.

### **Vice Chair Report**

Hi Everyone,

I hope you are all having a good summer and I look forward to seeing many of you at our hybrid meeting on September 11. November is fast approaching and the following two-year positions are open:

- AIS Chairperson
- Secretary
- Book Depot Chairperson
- Volunteer Coordinator for the Service Center
- Finance Chairperson
- Intergroup Rep

This month I would like to focus on two of the available positions: Secretary and Volunteer Coordinator for the Service Center.

**Secretary:** Basically keeps us organized.

- The Secretary sends out the officers and coordinators' reports, the minutes, and the agenda, a week prior to our monthly meetings.
- Takes minutes of AIS meetings.
- Maintains an up-to-date sign in sheet with contacts for members.
- Reads the report of any absent Officer.
- Reads only the section of the minutes of the previous AIS meeting pertaining to a new policy decision.

**Volunteer Coordinator for the Service Center:**

- Oversees the operations of the Service Center.
- Schedules and arranges training for the volunteers to answer the telephone and assists with operation of the AIS office during working hours. Maintains and has available a list of these volunteers' names and phone numbers at the service center.

Please consider one of these service positions, we will work with you along the way. Contact me if you have questions at [vicechair@aisrochester.org](mailto:vicechair@aisrochester.org).



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### **Outreach Update**

The New Beginner Meeting, Healing Hearts, is attracting some newcomers but we need all the groups to mention it and support it with your presence. It is a weekend meeting catering to the working person who can't make the Wednesday meeting.

Our team of volunteers goes to Norris Clinic every week to talk about Al-Anon to the clients and we are being very well received. Some volunteers go once, twice or three times a month. We work with your schedules. We are always in need of new volunteers so we can continue to talk to other Recovery centers when they open up. September seems to be the goal for some of them and we would like a roster of volunteers to be ready to carry the message of a new life of serenity. Your program will grow quickly when you volunteer for service.

Our outreach to FLACRA (Finger Lakes Area Counseling and Recovery Agency) is humming along with Pat H.'s guiding hand and a new group of enthusiastic volunteers.

Jennifer House - a half-way home for women reentering the community, will be starting in September. We have been invited to present Al-Anon to the residents once a month instead of every other month. Anyone interested in joining us please call the office at 585-288-0540 and leave a message. We'd love to hear your ideas on how to "carry the message" of Al-Anon.

### **Finance Note**

Due to Covid, book sales, collections and donations have been affected in this new normal. Individual donations from members and groups continue. Thanks to all who gave.

### **Book Depot**

Books can be ordered through the AIS website for pickup or delivery. See the website for hours the office is open.

