



Area 59

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA
GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY
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Group Information Sheets

Group Information sheets for each group in your District have been included in your folder. GSO is printing AA Directories this year. It isn't too late to have information included in the AA Directory.

A group is listed as "Unknown" if it does not have a meeting location or if there is no contact person. Please try to check and see if these groups exist. If not let me know and I will ask GSO to change their status to Inactive.

New Group, Group Change and District Change Forms

- Four ways to submit changes:
 - Scan the form and Email it to me: officer-at-large@area59aa.org
 - Bring it to the next Area meeting.
 - Type your contact information in an Email and send it to me.
 - Mail it to me at:
309 East Knowles Avenue
Glenolden, PA 19036
- When I process a form I will send an Email back to the person who sent me that form, along with the DCM for that District. I will either tell them that the information has been input or ask for further clarification.
- Please include the six digit Group Number. (There are three zeros in front of the numbers, which are there as a place holder.) If you don't know the number give the name of the facility where the group meets and the address.
- GSR's usually get their packs two weeks after the forms are submitted.
- There is a 30 day waiting period between when a new group is input and when it is recognized by GSO.

Travel Log

03/14/14	District 58 Meeting	Frackville, PA
03/15/14	Lancaster Hand of AA	Lancaster, PA
03/22/14	Serious Business Group Workshop	Chester Springs, PA
03/29/14	EPGSA / NEPAIG Share-A-Day	Moosic, PA
04/01/14	District 30 Meeting	Downingtown, PA
04/05/14	District 45 Workshop	York, PA
04/12/14	SEPIA Roundup	Cape May, NJ
04/13/14	Pre Conference Sharing Session	Lebanon, PA
04/19/14	District 41 and 61 Workshop	East Stroudsburg, PA
04/26/14	Hanover Intergroup Breakfast	Hanover, PA
05/10/14	DCR / Mini Assembly I	Allentown, PA
05/13/14	Pre Area Meeting	Glenside, PA
05/17/14	EPGSA / Lancaster Intergroup Share-A-Day	Willow Street, PA
05/24/14	Practice These Principles Picnic	Bloomsburg, PA
05/28/14	District 32 Meeting	Springfield, PA
06/01/14	DCR / Mini Assembly II	Philadelphia, PA
06/08/14	3Q14 Area Meeting	Schuylkill Haven, PA

Thank you to all of the Districts who submit their minutes and for invitations to District events.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve S

Area 59, Panel 63 Officer-At-Large

Group Status Codes

New Indicates a new group record has been added to the database by the Area Registrar and its status has not been changed to “Pending Active” by the Records department staff. The status change occurs the business day following the database entry, and review. If the New Group form has no anomalies or omissions of information the record is updated to “Pending Active”.

Pending Active Indicates a group that was recently added to the database is in the 30 day pending period which is assigned to all newly added groups. Once the 30-day pending period has elapsed the status will change to Active.

Active The Group’s record indicates that it is active when it has a primary mail contact on record along with meeting information.

Pending Inactive The Records department is processing a request to inactivate a group. If the record in the database has a contact’s name, a letter is sent to verify the request to inactivate is genuine. If there is no contact on the record the groups status is changed to inactive immediately.

Inactive The Records department has received and verified information that a group has disbanded or is not currently meeting.

Merged Two groups have decided to join and become one group. The Records department receives the information as to which group will remain the active, who will be the GSR, and the meeting place, days and times. Then the records are combined and cross referenced. The active group will show a status of active and the merged group will show the status of merged. The merged group can request to be unmerged at anytime by contacting the Records department and providing updated contact, meeting place and meeting time information.

Unknown A group is still active; however their group record at the GSO does not have a GSR or Primary mail contact attached to it; which indicates there is no one receiving the group’s mail. Anyone in the group can volunteer to receive the group’s mail it does not need to be a GSR. Also a group can become “Unknown” when the GSO receives returned mail and is unable to confirm a new mailing address.

Incomplete Indicates a new group record was added to the database without all of the information necessary to show up on the Records departments’ daily “New Group” report. The status remains incomplete until the registrar receives the remaining required information from the group or when the Registrar queries the database for “Incomplete” groups and reaches out update and completes the record. Until then the “New Group” remains in limbo.

With Staff Indicates there is a question about information on a New Group form that requires one of the A.A. Staff members to review the form and reach out to the new group’s contact for clarification. It usually has to do with the way a group is named. Should there be any questions about the information on a new group form, it will be referred to an A.A. staff member for further review/resolution. In these cases the 30 day “Pending-Active” period will not begin until the outstanding questions have been answered. The status would be changed from “New” to “With Staff” and will remain until there is an answer to whatever question has arisen during the New Group review process. At that time the status would be updated to “Pending Active”.