THURSDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S MEETING May 9, 2007

This is a Group History for the Thursday Night Women's Meeting.

The group was started in 2005. We had our first meeting on May 12th at the First Wested Methodist Church 601 Market St, Williamsport. We still hold our weekly meeting there on the 3rd floor at 7:30pm.

Some of the Women who started this group and were at the first meeting were: Gail C. Candy, Barbie, Barb L. and Hazel.

The group was started because these women and others like them felt the need for a meeting that would address the needs of women in recovery.

The format of the meeting is varied depending on which Thursday in month it is. The first Thursday is topic meeting, the second is a speaker meeting, the third is a Grapevine meeting (which we just added), and the fourth is a step meeting. If there is a fifth Thursday in the month it is chairperson choice.

We have not changed the name of the meeting nor has any group split off from our group. The membership numbers has stayed fairly constant but we do see different faces. What I would call the core group has been there from the beginning and makes most meetings.

We have not encountered too many problems thus far. As with any group it may not be for everyone. Every woman in AA does not come to the meeting.

I think our group is unique in that it addresses issues about alcohol from the female perspective.

THURSDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S MEETING 2022 Revison

Thursday Night Women's Meeting revised 2022

We are still meeting at the 1st United Methodist Church; however we are currently meeting at the main church building at 604 Market Street, better known as "The Fountain" Church (as there is a beautiful fountain adjacent to the entry doors).

We had been meeting in the smaller room to the left of the entrance, with maybe 7-12 consistent attendees. However, we started really growing in the past 2-3 years prior to covid Spring 2020. The tables that were put together in a rectangular fashion were full of women and often we had to pull additional chairs that were stacked in the corner and group them on the far side of the room to accommodate everyone. We were probably averaging 2 dozen women a week.

Prior to covid, we had discussed the option of moving the meeting out into the big room, but home group members decided we liked the closeness and the intimate feeling the other room provided. We decided if the time came that we could no longer accommodate everyone then we would move into the larger area.

We continued having ZOOM meetings during covid, and voted to come back into the church Apr 2021 with the church's approval. There were some who were not ready for onsite meetings; we tried to have online & on site meetings simultaneously and the majority felt that it was too disjointed.

We are currently in the main area with an average of 20-25 grateful women each week. We are still following the same format from when this meeting started in 2005. We were also able to celebrate our 15 year anniversary since coming back to onsite meetings.

Current officers: GSR: Anna A. Asst. GSR: Nikki C Treasurer: Janine B.S.

In Service, Janine