



## What does our Intergroup do?

The S.L.A.A. Greater Delaware Valley Intergroup (GDVI) covers the geographic areas of Eastern Pennsylvania, Central and Southern New Jersey, and the state of Delaware. Members of the fellowship are welcome to participate in all Intergroup committees & activities.

- Updating and disseminating regional Meeting Lists
- Stocking and distributing S.L.A.A. Literature locally
- Maintaining SLAADVI.ORG
- Offering an Information Line, 609-621-SLAA (7522)
- Providing a 24-hour Inspiration Line, 215-574-2120
- Providing a 24-hour Story Line, 215-574-2121
- Organizing multiple retreats
- Organizing S.L.A.A. social events
- Distributing monthly e-mailings of GDVI meeting minutes and GDVI's monthly newsletter: Headline News, as well as flyers about GDVI-sponsored activities and other S.L.A.A. recovery events
- Sending Delegates (local representatives) from GDVI to the Annual Business Meeting of world-wide Intergroups

## Who is the GDVI Board?

Lisa S. - Chair  
 John D. (PA) - Co-Chair  
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 Risa J. - Social Committee Co-Chair  
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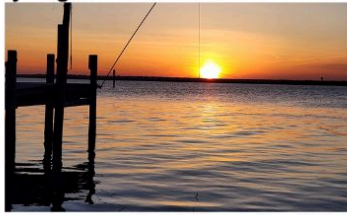
# HEADLINE NEWS

Greater Delaware Valley Intergroup (GDVI)  
**JUNE 2024**

## DID YOU KNOW?

### Another successful GDVI Retreat

What made this year's the annual women's S.L.A.A. step retreat so special? It was the first time Greater Delaware Valley Intergroup (GDVI) rented a fellowship house for a long weekend on Long Beach Island, New Jersey. Many attendees got to enjoy a beautiful sunset on the bay side shortly after arriving on Friday night.



The retreat was held from April 26 to the 28th with an extra day for fellowship till the 29th. I had previously attended the coed retreat and had a fantastic time. This time we were by the ocean and the bay, we did service by cooking our own breakfast and lunch as well as cleaning up. We did this while laughing and having a good time. I have attended several retreats in my recovery, but for some reason doing service made me not want to escape to my room because I didn't want to miss anything! We even had time to go to one of the nearby restaurants in town that sat eleven of us ladies on short notice for fellowship and a meal.

Being among women who are just trying to do the next right thing is so special. The retreat went far better than I had dreamed. Everyone was so positive and it met my goals and expectations. The sense of fellowship, acceptance and support was remarkable!

Ari F. and Lauren C., hosted a dynamic retreat filled with love, bonding and women who were vulnerable to share, be seen and heard. One guest said, "Ari puts on an elite program" and I second that having attended multiple GDVI retreats.

An S.L.A.A. group or S.L.A.A. as a whole ought never endorse, finance, or lend the S.L.A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, or prestige divert us from our primary purpose. - TRADITION 6

## What's in this issue

Another successful retreat. Meeting and a Meal Series. Inspiration Line 24 hours a day. Annual picnic in July; RSVP. Upcoming Events & Retreats. New Literature available for purchase. In person volunteers needed for August virtual ABM.

It was affordable and uniquely run. Ari and Lauren ran the retreat superbly with a format that had us reading, sharing on the steps and also rotating speakers. It could have been the ocean air or the small discussion groups, but it was very emotional sharing so deeply.

However, not once did I feel awkward or uncomfortable around these ladies. The facilitators always reminded us to recognize if we needed self-care to take it or if something was triggering, to seek out a fellow to talk to. I have been in S.L.A.A. for over two years now and it was a great way to practice the steps in my recovery. I will be back next year! Thank you.  
 ~ Colleen R., NY



## Meeting & Meal

The GDVI "Meeting & Meal" Series combines an S.L.A.A. Meeting and Fellowship Meal and can be a great way to encourage fellowship from meeting participants. Add your meeting

[www.slaadvi.org/mandm](http://www.slaadvi.org/mandm)

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**Monthly Intergroup: 7pm**  
**2nd Tuesdays**  
**JUNE 11 + JULY 9**  
**All are welcome**

Zoom Meeting ID: 987 6668 8215

Password: GDVI2021

Zoom dial in audio only: (646)558-8656

Audio access code: 06051431#



## 24 HOURS - 7 DAYS A WEEK INSPIRATION

The Inspiration Line & Story Line are 24/7 phone numbers with messages from our members sharing their experience, strength and hope

215-574-2120

Daily Inspiration Line  
WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!

215-574-2121

Weekly Inspiration Story Line



## BIG NEWS FOR GDVI

At the January monthly Intergroup meeting, it was decided that GDVI would host a co-work/co-service space for all ABM Virtual attendees. This will be held at the Daylesford Abbey in Paoli, PA.



Many tech requirements have been put in place to achieve a successful outcome. We are looking for volunteers available in person.

Wednesday, August 7  
Thursday, August 8  
Friday, August 9  
Saturday, August 10

Any hours you can contribute are appreciated. Please email [slaadvi.outreach@gmail.com](mailto:slaadvi.outreach@gmail.com) if you can be available on any of these dates.

This is beautiful opportunity to bring the fellows together who may want to conduct Fellowship business in person and for the local Intergroup to meet S.L.A.A. members from other areas.

Fellowship outings are being planned for Spring, Summer and Fall 2024!



Reach out to  
Wayne S. and Risa J.  
as they help coordinate

Baseball, Bowling, Yoga, Pizza party, Zoo, Aquarium trips...  
LET US KNOW  
[socialevents@slaadvi.org](mailto:socialevents@slaadvi.org)

## DON'T MISS THE ANNUAL PICNIC Saturday, July 20 12pm - 4pm



Grilling items, condiments & beverages will be provide by GDVI.

Please bring a favorite snack, appetizer, salad or dessert.

Partners, Spouses and Leashed pets welcome. Children under 5 welcome, older children not encouraged.

Bring lawn games, board games, musical instruments.

Location: Core Creek Park, 901 East Bridgetown Pike, Langhorne, PA, Dutchess Lane, Pavilion 7 is right on the lake.

Please RSVP (even if you are a "maybe" to help us prepare)

[slaadvi.org/gdvi-summer-picnic/](http://slaadvi.org/gdvi-summer-picnic/)

## IN PERSON MEETINGS

### New Monday Meetings

Lancaster, PA - 7pm

Metuchen, NJ - 7:30pm

meeting locations found at  
[slaadvi.org/meetings](http://slaadvi.org/meetings)

## NEW LITERATURE AND MORE



The Twelve Steps of S.L.A.A. in Plain Language is for anyone who may have reading challenges or may be put off by the length and complexity of the S.L.A.A. Basic Text. Perhaps their education was cut short, or perhaps English is their second language. Or a person may simply want to read a shorter, easier version. A digital download is available for \$3.50 or a printed booklet for \$4.40.



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## UPCOMING GDVI EVENTS

[slaadvi.org/activities](http://slaadvi.org/activities)

## SPEAKER CELEBRATIONS

TRENTON, NJ  
06.18.24

All are welcome to the 34 Year Anniversary Meeting. St. Michaels Episcopal Church, Trenton NJ. Food served 6:30pm sharp, followed by 2 speakers Wayne S. & Lindsey B.

## MEETING AND A MEAL



EASTON, PA

1st Sundays following the meeting. Restaurant choice rotates. RSVP requested.



LAFAYETTE HILL, PA

Sunday, Wednesday, Friday nights & Saturday afternoons following the meeting, fellows go out to a local restaurant. No RSVP needed.

FLEMINGTON, NJ

Tuesday June 25. Thai food. RSVP requested.

## S.L.A.A. RETREATS

### ANNUAL CO-ED RETREAT

06.28.24 to 06.30.24

Join us for workshops, speaker meetings, lots of fun and fellowship in-person in Paoli, PA. Registration closes on June 12th.

[www.slaadvi.org/retreat](http://www.slaadvi.org/retreat)

### ANNUAL CO-ED STEP RETREAT

09.06.24 to 09.08.24

Save the date. Registration opens mid July.

Financial aid available.

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