

Serenity Weekend Update

Our “Time to Celebrate” at our Area Serenity Weekend in September went well. The topics for the weekend came from our new daily reader “A little Time for myself” and the 70th Anniversary of The Forum. The attending members were asked to take time before leaving the camp on Sunday to write down their thoughts regarding their stay and I was able to leave with some of the opinions. I also sent out a survey and received 10 comments/suggestions to 3 questions: What did they enjoy, what would they suggest as any changes and ideas for future Serenity weekends.

The outcome of those questions is that everyone enjoyed having the buzz sessions, they liked the topics of the meetings and members also enjoyed having time to enjoy the beautiful weather we had. Some would like to see the fireside meeting have a comeback, however, that is all decided on mother nature every year!

There was a total of 31 Package A, 6 package B and 7 package C with a total of 44 members that registered. I have asked the camp (at Manson) to place us on their calendar for 2025 and they were happy to do that. I feel there needs to be some discussion whether we still want to have an Area Serenity Weekend, keep it at 2 nights or do the members think it is time for another activity for the Area to present for fellowship? Our count for those that attend this weekend has been steadily going down, which even the camp has noticed. Please contact your District Reps and share your thoughts and ideas.

Thank you to the districts and members that stepped up to hold the meetings. It takes time and effort to pull some of those meetings off. Thank you to our speakers, Dawn, and Mary, and a thank you to Carolyn for creating a great Trivia game for us to learn from and enjoy Saturday night.

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