

NAMI Shoreline's focus has been on reaching out to providers of care, including families, professionals, and this year to policy makers as well.

This last year, we have offered the following:

Sponsored 2 Support Groups -- one on the second Tuesday and one on the fourth Wednesday of each month. Attendance varied from 3 to 12 people. We suspended the Tuesday group for July and August, and both groups in December.

F2F class in the Fall -- 14 out of 16 finished the class

We sponsored Divinna Schmitt's Collaborative Problem Solving classes (some of the same materials used in NAMI Basics) in October, February, and April with 12 to 14 students per class.

We sponsored Ann Nelson to go to the NAMI National Convention in Washington DC where she made contacts to publish her lived experience artwork. She has also worked on Perspectives, but due to her illness, she has not brought that to conclusion. Shoreline continues to support her.

Jeanne and Dan were involved in the marketing and support of MindMap in New Haven. This fall, Shoreline Affiliate will reach out to the Branford School District (which is in our catchment area) this Fall with education regarding MindMap and NAMI services.

Jeanne and Dan were invited a third time by Professor David Ross to give the NAMI point-of-view to his psychiatric intern seminar at Yale's school of medicine, which we did in January. There were about 12 residents in psychiatry, six guests, and three professionals in attendance.

We also spoke at the Madison Congregational church and made available brochures of NAMI programs and services in May.

Jeanne held a "mental health" day at her school (Old Saybrook High) making available brochures and personal experience to teachers and students. She met and spoke to at least 50 people.

We purchased a portable digital projector to use in our various classes and support groups, which gives us greater flexibility in offering materials (such as feature and educational films) and also finding presentation venues not having projection equipment.

Our Walk teams raised over \$3000 for NAMI CT in May.

Two of our members have been trained to lead Peer to Peer groups. The plan is to offer at least one group, co-lead by them, starting in the Fall.