

**AA DISTRICT 28 P.O. BOX 640914 BEVERLY HILLS, FL. 34464-0914**

**DISTRICT MEETING January 27, 2008**

**ATTENDANCE & MINUTES**

**Officers:**

Jim K	DCM
John R	Alt DCM
Beverly H	Treasurer
Tami E	Secretary

**Committee Chairs:**

Bob R	Alt Men's Correction Chair
Toni T	Intergroup Liaison
Greg H	Literature Chair
Rob P	Alt Treatment Chair

**GSRs - Alt GSRs:**

Paula D	GSR – Attitude Adjustment Group
Julie P	Alt GSR – Brightspot Group
Sandy H	GSR – Crystal River Group
Bill K	Alt GSR – Hernando Men's Group & It's In The Book Group
Dave K	GSR – High Noon Group
Pat H	GSR – Holder Way of Life
Mike W	Alt GSR – Holder Way of Life
Beverly H	GSR – Inverness Friday Night
Joe L	GSR – Inverness Monday Night
Greg H	GSR – Inverness Wednesday Night
Sandra E	GSR – Keep in Step Group
Scotty E	GSR – Last Chance Group
Chris W	GSR – Monday Night Men's Step
Julie P	GSR – Nightcap Group
Ed P	GSR – No Name Group
Sue Ann	GSR – Rainbow Group
Sherrie L	GSR – Sober Sand Gnats
Nanci R	GSR – Women to Women
Pauline H	GSR – Women's Friendship Group
Joan B	GSR – Women's New Beginnings
Steve H	Temporary Rep – Yulee Absolute Group

**Visitors:**

Don G	Holder Way of Life
Martha G	
Rick T	Monday Night Men's Group
Marilyn B	Women to Women/NFAC Treasurer

The meeting was opened by DCM Jim K, with the Serenity Prayer and the Declaration of Unity.

**Secretary's Report – Tami E:** Roll call. December minutes accepted. For corrections to minutes, please telephone, e-mail or bring them to me at the following month's district meeting. I have group change forms for any new GSRs, Alternate GSRs, or group changes that need to be made.

**Treasurer's Report – presented by Beverly H:** Report accepted. See attached report.

**Women's Corrections Report – Kathy G:** 2 meetings brought to jail in January. All went well. Anyone interested in volunteering for corrections meetings, please call Kathy G at 860-2875.

**Men's Correction Report – Ed H:** One Men's Corrections Meeting was held on January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Due to circumstances beyond anyone's control, the January 16<sup>th</sup> meeting had to be canceled.

A new volunteer has been approved by Citrus County Corrections bringing the committee number to six with two, possibly three more applicants pending. With eight to nine volunteers on the Corrections Committee we should have no problem fulfilling our commitment in carrying AA's message to the still suffering alcoholic in institutions.

A corrections workshop was held at our Area 14 Assembly on January 12<sup>th</sup>. Most of the meetings focused on ways of improving our continuing relationship with the Florida Department of Corrections through yearly meetings with FDC key personnel and Area 14 Corrections Committee and by increasing correspondence and the timely flow of information through the use of E-Mail.

Area 14 Corrections Committee chair, Jim F, is currently working with the Citrus County Corrections Chaplain to find the best approach in solving our current cancellation problem. The committee is committed to helping bridge the communication gap between District 28 Corrections Committee and CCA regarding any future meeting cancellations due to lack of department personnel, keeping in mind that we are guests.

The cancellation problem is not confined to Citrus County. A number of State Institutions have also canceled their evening meetings in response to a security issue. The NFCAA Corrections Committee is asking for "retired" persons to volunteer for AM meetings to offset the cancelled evening meetings and is also working with the lead Chaplain to explore other options.

Any one interested in volunteering for A.M. meetings in State Institutions, let me know. I will contact Jim F. for update information.

Looking forward to a successful 2008.

**Treatment – Rob P:** Baycare – rack has been pulled and all literature has stopped.

Therapeutic Health Endeavors – rack has been pulled out and literature has stopped.

The Centers – dropped off a rack and literature and a public service announcement video/audio.

**Intergroup – Toni T:**

Hotline calls: 101 total; 85 AA; 7 Al Anon; 2 Al Ateen; 7 NA.

New office inventory committee formed and working efficiently.

Events – entertainment chair – voted in unanimously under guidelines of traditions and bylaws to function.

Al L & Janet B will be two new trustees voted in at this meeting.

Thanks to Ed P for his service & welcome to Paula D, the new newsletter editor.

Office Max will print newsletter.

Amended bylaws will be prepared & passed out at next meeting.

Intergroup office phone number is 352-344-0290.

**Literature – Greg H:** Assembly minutes will be posted on the Area website. Get password from Jim, DCM, if you would like to access Area minutes. Work is being done on a pamphlet for AA & the Internet, and also a poster for school guidance counselors to help troubled young people to identify possible problems they face.

**CPC/Public Info – Janet B, presented by Paula D:** The Drug Coalition of Citrus County has a new executive director, Deborah Scott. Meetings will resume on March 13<sup>th</sup>. We have been invited to share their booth space at the Citrus County Fair. We will be able to place meeting schedules and free pamphlets, especially of interest to young people, on their tables and racks. Nature Coast Intergroup will man the booth from 2-6pm on Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>. Please stop by.

John Young, facilitator of the Hunger & Homeless Coalition has saved a space for us at their mini health fair to be held May 24<sup>th</sup>, at the First Baptist Church of Crystal River. As you know, all our books are given away and we would be so grateful for any donations that groups or individuals would care to make.

Kudos to Ken Melton, community affairs editor, who promised me inclusion of AA info in the new chronicle publication, ♥ Our Home Citrus.com. He more than delivered – check out pages 54 & 55 and also a special notation in the index beside support groups states Alcoholics Anonymous. Thank you so much. We also continue our weekly listing in the Citrus County Chronicle.

**Alternate DCM – John R:** New Where and Whens. If you have any changes to group (place, time, format) please e-mail the changes to me, so I have a record of it and that will make it easier for me to keep Where and Whens updated.



### **Old Business:**

Yulee Absolute Group – Subject matter in question was group's relation to AA. DCM accompanied by Rock P, GSR from Brighspot Group, attended a meeting at the Yulee Group. Found no violation of Tradition Four or any other Traditions. AA's primary purpose is being served. Yulee Absolute Group found to be a functioning AA Group.

### **New Business:**

- Proposed Budget for 2008 – **Motion passed to accept 2008** budget
- Quick Books – Under present software, Excel, spreadsheets are difficult to learn, difficult to open or to send attachments to the novice computer user. Before I took this position, I did not know what an attachment was. I am sure that there are many people like me that are intimidated and might be afraid to take a service position like Treasurer or Secretary at the District level. People who have recently served as Treasurer have been bookkeepers or accountants but we may not be so blessed in the future. Quick Books, as I understand it, is much more user-friendly for the novice. Our Treasurer, Beverly H, reports that she will learn Quick Books and will be able to have our February report using Quick Books. I had the opportunity to purchase the Quick Book software for \$125.00. This same program retails for over \$300.00. This program is highly portable, and will be easy to learn by future Treasurers, regardless of their computer skills. Though I did not receive prior approval, this purchase was too good to pass up. I

hope you will agree with me that this was a good move. **Motion passed to reimburse Jim, DCM, for purchase of Quick Books software.**

- NFAC New Area Website – created for confidential material for AA members only. Website is [www.aanorthflorida.org/rule62](http://www.aanorthflorida.org/rule62). The DCM will be given a password that changes every six months. This password will then be given to the GSRs. Please contact me for the current user ID and password. The Resource Page will not be available on the website. But it will be a part of the mailed Area minutes.
- Group Change Forms/New Groups - if you are a new GSR and need a new GSR packet, please notify Jim K

### **DCM Report – Jim K:**

- ◆ Area Assembly (January 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>) – On Sunday’s business meeting, we had the best turnout ever; 17 voting members were present. Our District also had the most GSRs for any district attending the assembly, and we are by no means the largest district. Attending GSRs were Pat H, Shirley J, Beverly H, Paula D, Nanci R, Joan B, Greg H, Dave K, Scotty E, Sandra H, Julie P, John R, Sherrie L, Sandra E, Gayle W, and SueAnn A. District 28 is blessed that we have so many members that have the time and willingness to serve.
- ◆ NFAC website received contact from Denmark. They needed help in forming an Area Conference. Our Area 14 replied with the help they needed. Denmark later replied thanking Area 14. I personally found it remarkable that our Area 14 had the opportunity, expertise, and willingness to serve on the global level.
- ◆ If any group would like me to visit their group and give a DCM Report, please call me at 352-746-3115.
- ◆ I would like to remind the groups to send Area Contributions to Marilyn B. (see contribution page)
- ◆ Are you getting your paperwork processed correctly at the Area level (i.e.: New GSR packets, Box 459, etc)? If not, advise me and I can go through proper channels and help to resolve the problem.

Meeting closed with Lord’s Prayer.

**ATTENTION: Make your room reservations for the upcoming Assembly. The dates are April 4-6, 2008. Paramount Hotel, Gainesville 352-377-4000. If you are a GSR without group funds call Jimmy K., DCM, 746-3115. Two District Rooms are available on a first come first served basis.**

**Next District Business Meeting: February 24, 2007 6:00pm**

**Future Area Assemblies: April 4-6, 2008. July 11-13, 2008. October 3-5, 2008. There is a 30-day cut-off for registration at the hotel. Make your reservations early.**

**Contributions to District 28:  
Make Checks Payable to District 28  
Acknowledgements are the treasurer's report**

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P.O. Box 640914  
Beverly Hills FL 34464-0914**

**Contributions to Area 14:  
Make checks payable to NFACAA**

**NFAC  
Attn: Marilyn B  
6035 E Tudor St  
Inverness FL 34452**

**Contributions to General Service:  
Make checks payable to General Service Board**

**General Service Board  
P.O. Box 459  
Grand Central Station N.Y.  
10164-0371**

**Contributions to Intergroup:  
Make checks payable to Nature Coast Intergroup**

**Nature Coast Intergroup  
111 W Main Street - Suite 308  
Inverness FL 34450**

**Please see that all contribution checks include: Area Number, District Number, Group Name & Group Number. *Sample Number from GSO 14-28-654321***

**Attention:  
Please remove District 28 Resource Page from  
Minutes and Financial Report before posting at  
your meeting place. Thank you.**