

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

DISTRICT MEETING March 30, 2008

ATTENDANCE & MINUTES

Officers:

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

Committee Chairs:

Ed H	Men's Correction Chair
Beverly G	Alt Women's Correction Chair
Janet B	CPC/PI Chair
John O	Treatment Chair/Alt CPC Chair
Toni T	Intergroup Liaison
Greg H	Literature Chair

GSRs - Alt GSRs:

Gordon B	Alt GSR – ABC Group
Paula D	GSR – Attitude Adjustment Group
Janet B	Alt GSR – Attitude Adjustment Group
Julie P	Alt GSR – Brightspot Group
Dennis K	GSR – Dunnellon New Beginnings Big Book
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
Ruth M	Alt 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
Keith H	GSR – Resentment Group
Bill A	Alt GSR – Resentment Group
Debbie O	(Temp/filling in for Sherrie) GSR – Sober Sand Gnats
Nanci R	GSR – Women to Women
Gayle W	Alt GSR – Women's Friendship Group
Toni T	(Temp/filling in for Joan) GSR – Women's New Beginnings
Bill C	GSR – Won Rebos

Visitors:

Don G	Holder Way of Life
Martha G	Holder Way of Life
Rick T	Monday Night Men's Group
Marilyn B	Women to Women/NFAC Treasurer
Ann D	Rainbow Group
Maureen O	Friendship
Cindy P	Tuesday Night Floral City Group
Walter W	Sumter County

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

Secretary's Report – Tami E: Roll call. February 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 – Beverly G: I am pleased to share that my co-chair, Kathy G, is getting back up to speed. She will be contacting those on our volunteer list to schedule upcoming meetings. Meetings were held on March 5th and March 19th. Approximately 12 women attended. We have been working on Step One. In keeping with the spirit of Tradition 4, the women of the Citrus County Corrections Facility have named their Wednesday night meeting, "A New Beginning – One Day at a Time." Entry to the corrections facility is now through the main door instead of the sally port. Officer Tucker meets the volunteers at check in and also escorts them out at the end of the meeting. We are working on expanding the meeting to 4 times a month, once the Chaplin has come on board. This issue will be brought up at the volunteer dinner that will be held within the next few months. We are in need of volunteers who would like to carry the AA message to these women. If you have already filled out an application and have not received your badge, please call Beverly at 860-2422 or Kathy at 860-2875. Due to turnover with corrections personnel, applications have been lost or misplaced. We would also suggest that you resubmit your application as this may speed the process. Please make a copy of your application. We continue to encourage the women who are released to have an exit plan and to attend an AA meeting as soon as possible. If you can give a ride to one of these women or seek them out at a meeting, they would appreciate your willingness to extend your hand. The Hot Line has a list of numbers on file for calls for rides. If you are interested, please contact the Hot Line chairperson.

Men's Correction Report – Ed H: Three Men's meetings were held at the Citrus County Corrections Facility since the last district meeting held in February. All three were successful with no cancellations. Books are moving well, along with pamphlets. We have one more volunteer approved and he made his first meeting March 26th. There were approximately 22 inmates at his meeting and all went well. The committee now has seven active volunteers with three, possibly four applications pending. I had a meeting with the CCA Human Resources and there will be increased cooperation in getting our volunteer applications through the system in a timely manner.

There are no new developments as yet regarding the Corrections Chaplin's new status as liaison for the Corrections Volunteer program. I will be contacting our NFCC chair, Jim F. and will report at the next District

meeting in April.

Treatment – John O: Baycare – pamphlets & meeting schedules stocked.

Therapeutic Health Endeavors – Tom & I went in 3/18; AA 101 pamphlets & meeting schedules stocked.

The Centers – will be restocking pamphlets & meeting schedules Monday.

Marilyn reports Jay B and residents of treatment center extend heartfelt thanks to District 28 for literature that was received.

Intergroup – Toni T:

15 groups present

Hotline calls: 139 total; 97 AA; 14 Al Anon; 1 gay; 24 NA; 1 wet.

There will continue to be AA Intergroup sales table at monthly meetings with monthly specials.

Venues & details worked out for Gratitude Dinner & New Year's Eve Alkathon. More will be revealed.

November 9th, Gratitude Dinner – Our Lady of Fatima Church (Inverness) – dinner, dance.

December 31st, New Year's Eve Alkathon – First Lutheran Church (Inverness) – meetings, dance.

Need more volunteers for Intergroup office – 1 year of sobriety to qualify. Please contact Pat H. or Martha G., our trusted servants for more information on volunteering at Intergroup office.

Motion passed to move our store to smaller space, room 303 (to the right of the elevator) in June 2008.

Summer picnic details tabled until next month.

Intergroup office phone number is 352-344-0290.

Literature – Greg H: Letter from A.A. World Services, Inc. Subject; The 2008 Literature Catalog.

“Your friends at G.S.O. – especially those of us in the Publications Department – send you our best wishes.

Enclosed is the latest catalog, which includes all the Conference-approved literature and other service material produced on behalf of the Fellowship at Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc.

In this 2008 Catalog, we are offering the Third Edition of the Spanish Big Book. In the works for more than three years, this all-new edition includes an updated translation of the first 164 pages, plus 32 new recovery stories. It also contains 12 stories from the previous Spanish edition.

A.A. in Prison: Inmate to Inmate is revised and now includes a new assortment of stories designed to better reflect the experience of A.A. members who found their way to the Fellowship while in prison. In this catalog we are introducing DVD versions of many of our video offerings. Finally, among new items for sale are recently produced public service announcements.

Pricing in almost all cases remains the same, with a few modest price increases and a couple of cases where we have been able to reduce the cost of items. For instance, the Big Book on CD now costs \$55, down from \$85.

Shipping costs have not changed.

As always, we count on you for comments and suggestions to make our catalogs as easy to use as possible.”.

CPC/Public Info – Janet B: The usual locations were covered as well as Able Labor and the Value Inn. All of the establishments are helpful in stocking the meeting schedules.

John O and I worked at the Drug Coalition booth at the Citrus County Fair on March 18th. We stuffed the giveaway bags with Where and Whens and completely depleted our Joe and Alice comic books.

We thank those of you who stopped by and checked us out in our NEON LIME tee shirts.

A lady from Our Lady of Grace who visits nursing homes requested some copies of the pamphlet AA and the Older Alcoholic. I ordered these for her and will look into this segment of our population to carry the message to.

The next big event is the Hungry & Homeless Fair at the Crystal River First Baptist Church from 9am-3pm on

May 24th. I am in need of a few people to sit behind the table. No special skills are necessary. Everything is free. Thanks to donations and the use of the CPC & PI budgets, the table should be well stocked.

Alternate DCM – John R: No report



Old Business:

Delegates Report: For those of you who were not at the February District Meeting, Fred H – Area 14 Delegate – will be giving his Delegate’s Report on June 29th at 5:00 pm here at Holder, followed by our regularly scheduled District Meeting. Food and beverages will be served.

Box 459: Ten one-year subscriptions ordered by Treasurer as per passed motion.

New Website: Website for Area Minutes and confidential material is www.aanorthflorida.org/rule62/. User name is nfac. Password will be given out by DCM.

52nd Florida State Convention: 52nd Florida State convention will be held August 13-17, 2008. (See handout for reservation information and registration form.) www.52flstateconvention.com

New Business:

- **Workshop:** Fourth Step by the Book. See handout. May 31st. Our Lady of Fatima Church. 9:15am, breakfast and coffee. 10:00, workshop begins. Lunch provided. Bring notebook, 12 & 12, and Big Book.
- **Assembly:** Upcoming Assembly April 5 & 6. Saturday agenda for workshops and committees will be to discuss General Service agenda items. On Saturday evening a meeting will be held to inform our delegate of the group conscience of each of the committees and workshops. This is how our delegate gets his informed group conscience on the agenda items to be voted on at the General Service Conference in Manhattan.
Assembly continues on Sunday morning at 9:00 am. You have to be seated at the District 28 table at or before 9:00 am to ensure your vote. If you are not at the table you cannot vote.
- **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:

◆ The Twelve Concepts for World Service briefly stated: twelve related principles to help insure that various elements of the AA service structure remain responsive and responsible to those they serve. Last month we discussed Concepts One and Two.

Briefly stated:

Concept One: Final responsibility and ultimate authority for AA World Services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole fellowship (that’s you and me” and Services workers)

Concept Two: Delegation-Who gets appointed or elected to the entrusted service positions.

Concept Three: How things get done. We endow each element of World Service with a traditional right of decision. “The instructed delegate who cannot act on his own conscience in a final conference vote is not a trusted servant at all. He is just a messenger.”

- ◆ 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: April 27, 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.