

**AA DISTRICT 28**  
**DISTRICT MEETING February 22,2009**  
**ATTENDANCE & MINUTES**

**Officers:**

Sue Ann A.	DCM
Hans N.	Alt DCM
Paula D.	Treasurer
Pat H.	Secretary

**Committee Chairs:**

Ed H	Men's Correction Chair <b>ABSENT</b>
Jackie D.	CPC
Julie P.	Intergroup Liaison
Greg H	Literature Chair / PI
John O	Treatment Chair/Alt CPC Chair <b>ABSENT</b>
Hans N.	Where & When Chair
Ann D.	Grapevine

**GSRs - Alt GSRs:**

Gordon B.	GSR-ABC Group
Rock P.	GSR-Bright Spot Group
Sandy H.	GSR-Crystal River Group
Pat H	GSR – Holder Way of Life
Beverly H	GSR – Inverness Friday Night
Greg H	GSR – Inverness Wednesday Night
Margaret M.	GSR- Keep In Step Group
Neil S	GSR– Last Chance Group
Julie P.	GSR - Night Cap Group
Ed P	GSR-No Name Group.
Tim K	GSR- Rainbow Group
Dee S.	GSR- Women To Women Group
Paula D.	GSR - Women's Friendship Group
Hans N.	Alt. GSR – Won Rebos Group

**Visitors:**

Christina B.	District 17 Secretary
Marilyn B	Women to Women/NFAC Alt. Chair

DCM Sue Ann A., with the Serenity Prayer and the Declaration of Unity, opened the meeting.

**Secretary's Report – Pat H. -** Roll call conducted. Jan. minute's changes asked for. NO changes requested. Accepted as given.

**Treasurer's Report Paula D.** Given, discussed, and accepted as given. See attached reports.

**Women's Corrections Report – Charmain I. -:** The month of February went well. The scheduled meetings were on Feb 4 and Feb 18. The Feb 4 meeting started late because of trouble with an inmate but was still very successful. Also on Feb 21 we had a training session with John Tucker at the Jail, 6 ladies including myself showed up. I also turned in 5 new applications to the jail waiting for approval.

My application along with one other finally got approval after being there couple months. As of now, I still only have 6 women Active and approved, 2 of which have been volunteering for many years and only want to go in every 3 months. Until I get the new women volunteers approved, we will still have to be on an every other Wednesday schedule.

For the following

**Men's Corrections Report – Ed H:** This month started the weekly Men's and Woman's AA meetings at the Citrus County Corrections Facility so even though there was one meeting cancellation due to a security problem, we still had two AA meetings with one more to follow this coming Wednesday, Feb, 25<sup>th</sup>. A good start in carrying AA's message of hope. Another volunteer has been approved bringing the total number in the Men's Corrections Committee to ten with three applications pending. We're looking good.

The team leaders all reported there were approximately 25 to 30 inmates at each meeting and the Big Book and literature moved well.

Looking forward to a successful year in carrying the AA message.

**Treatment – John O:** No report available. Greg H. did report he has been helping John with literature placement, at the various locations. Rock P. expressed interest in the chair position for treatment. Will get with Greg to discuss details of chairman position.

**Intergroup – Julie P.** There were 10 groups present at the meeting. The Hot Line had 53calls. Sandy H. was elected the Entertainment / Events coordinator. Julie P. was elected as the new Intergroup Liaison. A committee to review Book Store prices is still being formed.

**Literature/PI – Greg H:** In early February I was contacted by Janet B in regard of the coalition for a Substance Free Citrus County; needing volunteers to man the booths at this years county fair, .on February 14<sup>th</sup>.I meet with Deb S. It was an informal meeting. They are looking for bodies to fill time slots to hand out convention bags with their logo on them and literature. It sounded good at first but upon further thought our 6Th tradition states an AA group ought never endorse, finance or lend the AA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us from our primary purpose. And tradition 10 .AA has no opinion on outside issues; hence the AA name ought never be drawn into public controversy. So there for I'm declining to participate.

**CPC/- Jackie D** I have been updating several locations with the January schedules, while meeting each contact person. I am building a list of contacts complete with addresses, phone numbers and category type. There will be some rearranging of the current list because some were Public Information and will be passed on to Greg's committee.

**Grapevine – Ann D** The upcoming March issue will make history! The first ever **color issue** of AA Grapevine will be printed and will be bound *without staples!* Now our meeting in print can be there when

anyone, anywhere reaches out for help, including institutions where staples are not allowed. Bill W. introduced the 12 Traditions in 1946 through an AA Grapevine article titled "12 Suggested Points for AA Tradition". All articles printed in the AA Grapevine are General Service Conference approved. The AA Grapevine is entirely self-supporting through the sales of its magazine, books and sound recordings. The Grapevine will be 65 years old in June of this year.

**Alternate DCM:** DCM and Alt. DCM met and exchanged info re. Future duties. Complete Alt .DCM package was loaded onto his truck. The Where & When's are still in good supply and need not be reprinted for a while, See DCM to unlock safe where they are kept.



**Old Business** GSR's had been asked by DCM to bring suggestions from their group re: workshop topics for 2009. Only 2 groups provided possible topics. Women's Friendship would like a workshop on "The Wet Drunk". Crystal River Group wanted "The 12<sup>th</sup> Tradition". The DCM suggested a "Sponsorship Workshop". After much discussion regarding the Sponsorship workshop, it was decided that since an individual group was having a Sponsorship Workshop, it would be counter productive for District to sponsor the same workshop. The motion for the Sponsorship workshop was rescinded. Suggestion was made for a Service Fair, to be held when the Area Delegate comes to present his report. Will be discussed further at a future date.

**New Business** DCM requested that GSR's go back to their group and bring other suggestions to the March meeting re: other topics for workshops in 2009. Motion presented by Jackie D. discussed and voted on as stated: "Each Standing Committee Representative will have their individual table (booth) at each District Workshop in 2009. ***MOTION PASSED.***

**DCM Report – Sue Ann A.:**

I paid for the year and changed contact information at the post office.

Will renew the Box 459 this month.

Our Structure and Guidelines states under section V111 that we are to update the Advisory Actions annually, these consists all the past motions that were voted on. We will also print more copies of the Advisory Actions. Do not forget to call and make your reservations for the Nth Fl.Area Assembly for April Sat.4 and Sun.5. If there are any groups that cannot afford to pay for a room the District holds (2) rooms, call me at 352-533-3051. We the Committee Members and GSRs are here to do the work so to help the still suffering alcoholic by going to these Assemblies and always remember, "You the GSR that represents your Home Group have a vote. In St. Louis Bill W. and Dr. Bob gave the ultimate authority to the AA groups themselves.

Tradition 2 / Concept 2

Tradition 2....

For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group

conscience. This takes us to Concept 2.

Concept 2....

When, in 1955, the AA groups confirmed the permanent charter for their General Service Conference, they thereby delegated to the Conference complete authority for the active maintenance of our world services and thereby made the Conference—excepting for any change in the Twelve Traditions or in Article 12 of the Conference Charter—the actual voice and effective conscience for our whole Society...

It is self-evident that the thousands of AA groups and the thousands of AA members, scattered as they are all over the globe, cannot of themselves actually manage and conduct our manifold world services. The group conscience is out there among them, and so are the funds. The power of the groups and members to alter their world service structure and to criticize its operation is virtually supreme. They have all the final responsibility and authority that there is. The operations are really theirs; they really own it. This has been true ever since the groups took over from the founders and old-timers at St. Louis in 1955.

"In order to get effective action, the groups must delegate the actual operational authority to chosen service representatives who are fully empowered to speak and to act for them"

The group conscience of AA could not be heard unless a properly chosen Conference were fully trusted to speak for it respecting most matters of world service. Hence the principle of amply delegated authority and responsibility to "trusted servants" must be implicit from the top to the bottom of our active structure of service.

"This is the clear implication of AA's Tradition 2.

This material was taken from the A.A.s Service Manual.

- Special Reports

The 53rd Florida Convention to be held in Jacksonville in 2009...Hotel is already ½ full...so register early. There are other rooms available at other hotels close to the Convention site.

Meeting closed with Lord's Prayer.

**ATTENTION: Make your room reservations for the upcoming Assembly. The dates are April 3,4 & 5,2009. Paramount Hotel, Gainesville 352-377-4000. If you are a GSR without group funds call Sue Ann A., DCM, 533-3051. Two District Rooms are available on a first come first served basis.**

**Next District Business Meeting: March 29,2009 @ 6PM**

**ATTENTION: All rooms at the Paramount have been filled for April. Call the Paramount and they will give you names and phone numbers of other hotels in the area with available rooms. If you go to Area, on a regular basis, you can book your reservations for one year in advance.**

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