

AA DISTRICT 28
DISTRICT MEETING March 28, 2010
ATTENDANCE & MINUTES

Officers:

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

Committee Chairs:

Al M.	Men's Correction Chair
Charmaine I.	Women's Correction Chair
Rock P.	Treatment Chair
Julie P.	Intergroup Liaison
Jackie D.	CPC Chair
Ann D.	Grapevine Chair

GSRs - Alt GSRs:

Rock P.	GSR- Bright Spot Group
Sandy H.	GSR- Crystal River Group
Pat H.	GSR- Holder Way of Life Group
Beverly H.	GSR- Inverness Friday Night Group
D' A.	GSR- Keep in Step Group
Al M.	GSR- Last Chance Group
Rafael T.	GSR- Monday Night Men's Step Group
Rick T.	Alt. GSR- Monday Night Men's Step Group
Julie P.	GSR- Night Cap Group
George K.	GSR- Rainbow Group
Tom M.	Alt. GSR- Rainbow Group
Ben R.	GSR- Sober Sandgnats Group
Paula D.	GSR- Women's Friendship Group
Toni T.	GSR- Women's New Beginnings Group
John C.	GSR- Yulee Beginners Meeting

Visitors:

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

Secretary's Report – Pat H. - Roll call conducted. Feb... minute's accepted as given.

Treasurer's Report Paula D. Treasurer's report for Feb..... accepted.

New GSR's welcomed.

Women's Corrections Report – Charmain I: Women's corrections had two scheduled meetings for the month of March. They were both successful. Each meeting had about 12 – 20 girls in attendance. Of course still waiting on approvals from the jail. We could definitely really use them.

Men's Corrections Report - Al Our corrections meetings went as scheduled; four meetings for the month. Attendance is robust, averaging about 16-22 inmates per meeting. John Tucker is back as the C.O. in charge. The inmate's participation & involvement has been outstanding. One can tell that they are glad to have us there. Some of them told me that we were becoming like family. There will be 2 training sessions in April. We are only required to attend one session. I will have the exact dates shortly. I am still perusing Cypress Creek Juvenile facility. Hopefully we will get a meeting there someday. Our literature goes quickly and I am planning to get more. John Tucker has assured me that he would try to get new volunteers approved in a timelier manner. Overall we are in good shape.

Treatment – Rock P... All is well at the Drug Court and T.H.E. The centers are well stocked with literature.

. Intergroup – Julie P There were 8 groups represented at the Intergroup March meeting. The \$2500.00 dollars donated by the Women's International conference will be transferred to a Money Market account. The Hot Line had a total of 152 calls. For a full report, please see the website.

Literature/PI – Greg H. No report.

CPC/- Jackie D. On Tuesday 3/23 I represented AA at a job fair at Inverness Library for the state corrections department, per their request. This would've been Greg's gig, but he had to work. Various people took AA literature, including other vendors: WCFL Driver Improvement; Rick invited me to speak at one of his classes. Again, this is PI so I gave him Greg's number. CC Community Services; would still like our PI committee to contact Ginger. DOC rep from Bushnell who wanted a resource in Citrus County for their inmates who'll be coming up here when released; I referred her to our websites and to our area CPC chairperson and explained the Bridging the Gap program to her. DOC will be inviting 'us' back in June for their next job fair. Hopefully someone from PI can attend that one, and it'll probably be 10am-noon again. I purchased a flash drive and put all the CPC info on it, including the power point presentation, for the next CPC chairperson. On Friday 3/26 I spoke to the staff at the state corrections department's Inverness location. I brought my CPC literature rack and information on anonymity and closed meetings. I explained a lot of information in a short amount of time, and fielded some good questions. A probation officer asked how he'd know if someone went to a meeting or not. I told him that sometimes offenders have a sheet they get signed, or he could ask them what the topic was and what happened at the meeting. It was a fun assignment! I had asked my Higher Power to speak through me, and I was very impressed with the outcome.

Grapevine – Ann. . No Report.

Alternate DCM. – No report.



DCM-SUE ANN: Deadlines for Directories

In order to be included in the 2010 Regional Directories, Group updates made via Fellowship New Vision (FNV) Should be completed by May 7th, 2010.

Hard copy updates should be received at the G.S.O.

Records department no later than April 23rd, 2010 to be Included.

Conference of Alcoholics

Anonymous in the U.S. and Canada will meet at the Hilton Rye Town, Rye, New York, April 18-24. The theme Will be “Practicing A.A.’s Principles—the Pathway To Unity.”

Areas were formed to facilitate representation at the First General Service Conference, which was created to Entrust Alcoholics Anonymous to its members. “It [Ensures] that the full voice of A.A. will be heard. . . .” (The A.A. Service Manual, p. S15) And, with the creation Of areas, came the creation of delegates to represent Those areas.

As Bill W. wrote, “. . . an A.A.

Service is anything whatever that helps us to reach a fellow Sufferer—ranging all the way from the Twelfth Step Itself . . . to A.A.’s General Service Office. . . . The sum total

Of all these services is our Third Legacy of Service . . . and [They] are utterly vital to our existence and growth.” (The A.A. Service Manual, p. S1)

Tradition Three

The only requirement for AA membership is a desire to stop drinking.

In my mind, do I prejudge some new AA members as losers?

Is there some kind of alcoholic whom I privately do not want in my AA group?

Do I set myself up as a judge of whether a newcomer is sincere or phony?

Do I let language, religion (or lack of it); race, education, age, or other such things interfere with my carrying the message?

Am I over impressed by a celebrity? By a doctor, a clergyman, an ex-convict? Or can I just treat this new member simply and naturally as one more sick human, like the rest of us?

When someone turns up at AA needing information or help (even if he can't ask for it aloud), does it really matter to me what he does for a living? Where he lives? What his domestic arrangements are? Whether he had been to AA before? What his other problems are?

Concept III: To insure effective leadership, we should endow each element of A.A. — the Conference, the General Service Board and its service corporations, Staffs, committees, and executives—with a traditional “Right of Decision.”

- **Do we understand what is meant by the “Right of Decision”? Do we grant it at all? Levels of service or do we “instruct”?**
- **Do we trust our trusted servants — G.S.R., D.C.M., area delegate, the Conference itself?**

OLD BUSINESS: 1.. Motion to change Structures & Guidelines on page 5 of S. & G., section 3 (Budget & Financial Structure) made and PASSED. This was necessary to change the presentation of the proposed budget from December to November and voted on in December. 2. The secretary will make the necessary change to the Structure & Guidelines.

NEW BUSINESS: 1. District will invite Intergroup to participate in our next workshop. The Intergroup liaison will take this request back to Intergroup.

The meeting was closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

THE DISTRICT SECRETARY WILL BE GONE THE MONTHS OF JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST 2010. SHE WILL BE VOLUNTEERING AT THE WILSON HOUSE IN VERMONT FOR THOSE THREE MONTHS. ANYONE INTERESTED IN SERVING AS SECRETARY THOSE THREE MONTHS SHOULD PLEASE CONTACT PAT HADEN AT (352) 464-0727 OR SUE ANN ALLEN, DCM AT (352) 533-3051.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON April 25, 2010 @ 6:00 P.M.

PLEASE LET THE SECRETARY KNOW OF ANY CHANGES THAT NEED TO BE MADE TO THE RESOURCE PAGE!!!!

ATTENTION: Make your room reservations for the upcoming Assembly. The dates are July 9, 10, & 11, 2010 at the Paramount Hotel, Gainesville 352-377-4000.

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

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