

**DISTRICT 28 Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
**January 29, 2012**

Officers/Chairs Present at Meeting:

DCM - Pat H.  
Alt DCM  
Treasurer - Char S.  
Secretary - Steve N  
Men's Corrections –Walter R.  
Women's corrections - Paige B.  
CPC/PI -  
Literature – Darral M  
Treatment - Willye M.  
NCI Liaison –  
Grapevine - Debra S.

GSR/Alt GSR and Visitors in Attendance

BIG BOOK 164 STUDY GROUP - John W, GSR  
CRYSTAL RIVER GROUP - Sandy H, GSR  
DUNNELLON NEW BEGINNINGS B.B. - Debra S, GSR  
FLORAL CITY GROUP - David N, GSR  
FLORAL CITY MEN'S GROUP- Darral M, GSR  
HIGH NOON GROUP - Mike W, GSR Paul B, Alt GSR  
HOLDER WAY OF LIFE - Don G, GSR  
INVERNESS WEDNESDAY NIGHT - John R, GSR  
KEEP IN STEP GROUP - Mary S, Alt GSR  
LAST CHANCE GROUP - Paige B, GSR  
MONDAY NIGHT MEN'S STEP - Rafael T, GSR  
RAINBOW GROUP - Steven N, GSR  
RESENTMENT GROUP - Willye M, GSR Alex H, Alt GSR  
SOBER SANDGNATS - Sherrie L, GSR  
WOMEN'S FRIENDSHIP GROUP - Genet R, GSR  
WON REBOS - Bruce P, GSR  
Visitors - John A.

Welcome by DCM

Pat H.. welcomed group and called meeting to order at 6:00 PM  
Serenity Prayer  
Declaration of Unity  
Responsibility Statement  
Recognition of New GSR's - Mike W., High Noon Group and Sherrie L., Sober Sand Gnats Group

Secretary: Roll Call and Report:

Roll call - 16 groups were represented.  
Minutes of December meeting. Moved to accept, seconded and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report - Char S.

Moved, seconded and passed to accept January Reports.  
See Attached Reports

7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Basket Passed

## STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

### Men's Corrections –Walter R.

On January 19<sup>th</sup> the CCA gave the corrections committee members a formal "Certificate of Appreciation". Also the CCA gave the corrections members and their guest an appreciation dinner at the Golden Coral in Inverness. We Thanked John Tucker & Acting Warden - Chris Howard for their generosity to us. The CCA has forced all corrections committee members to attend their annual orientation session, 10 of our members were in attendance & approved on Saturday Jan.7<sup>th</sup> & Saturday Jan.14<sup>th</sup> and January 21<sup>st</sup>. We had 1 new member, Richard S. that attended the orientation and was also approved to enter the jail for our AA meetings. This is the report for the month of January, 2012. Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> (CCA Cancelled) Dec.28<sup>th</sup> (22 Inmates Attended) Wed. Jan. 4<sup>th</sup> (16 Inmates Attended) Wed.11th (CCA Cancelled) Wed. 18<sup>th</sup> (19 Inmates Attended) Wed. 25th (CCA Cancelled) During the December & January meetings, (9) little big books & 8 donated grapevines & several Where & When's & other AA pamphlets were taken by the inmates for the month of January. If anyone is interested in becoming a corrections committee member and is able to attend the meetings inside the jail then please call me @352-489-2238 or 352- 895-6422 or email me @ [walter@citruspainting.com](mailto:walter@citruspainting.com) For information.

### Women's corrections - Paige B.

An appreciation dinner was held on the 19<sup>th</sup> of January at Golden Corral where, CCA presented certificates of appreciation to all 2011 volunteers. CCA hosted its annual volunteer orientation(s) on Saturday January 14 and on Saturday January 21. Three of the four newly approved women and seven CCA eligible female volunteers were able to attend. In total, ten women are now eligible to facilitate meetings at the jail. Currently, AA meetings for women are conducted on a semi-weekly basis creating only 26 commitments, if no issues leading to cancellation arise, annually. Our hope this year is to increase the meeting schedule to once weekly giving our volunteers ample opportunity to carry the message in this way.

### CPC/PI - John W for Janet B.

Most of the sites that I leave meeting schedules and other AA literature at were pretty well stocked. I did leave some at Citrus County Probation and at the West Central Driver Improvement School. Ernie P has been leaving schedules at the laundromat near Save-A-Lot and the one near Publix. At Citrus memorial I added a few to the rack mat the entrance to the auditorium where Share Club and other activities take place. In the emergency room seating area the plastic pamphlet holder we were slotted into last month was full of other info and our pink AA listings were back in the large NA rack that is full of their literature. I will definitely get a holder for us and put our card on it.

### Literature – Darral M.

Pointed out e-book literature available at [aa.org/grapevine.org](http://aa.org/grapevine.org) on flyer provided by Debra S,

### Treatment - Willye M.

Meetings are going as planned at the Centers. Since they so like the meeting, they have asked we bring another meeting in on Sundays as well. Bridge the Gap is being put in place with locations, contacts and meeting list for each youth as they are released from treatment. Since there are 14 youth and we are only able to supply six pocket Big Books and five Living Sobers at a cost of \$47.97 we can't have a meeting and study of the literature due to the fact there is not enough literature for each group I am asking to increase the budget for treatment to \$200.

### Grapevine – Debra S.

See attached e-book flyer handed out by Debra

NCI Liaison – Debra S. for Beverly H

Dave B. reported that he is continuing to make the website more compatible with newer software applications

A motion was made to close the bookstore. The motion was passed with a vote of ten for, one against and two abstentions.

Alt DCM Report - Paula D.

It is my privilege and pleasure to serve as your Alt . DCM

### **District**

#### **Where and When's**

The Where and When's have been ordered. I am waiting to hear that they are completed.

If there are any changes that need to be made, please let me know.

### **Area Assembly**

#### **January 2012 Assembly**

I went to the January 2012 Area Assembly. I attended the literature and Grapevine workshops, DCM workshop and financial committee.

#### **Room Reservations**

The cut off time to be eligible for the block room rate is 30 days before each assembly. You can make your reservation online. The dates for the upcoming Assemblies are March 30-April 1, July 13-15, and October 12-14, 2012.

The district has 2 rooms reserved for GSR's for groups that do not have funds to send their GSR to assembly, please let me know if you will be needing one of these rooms

**Thank you for allowing me to serve.**

DCM Report - Pat H.

I attended the Area Assembly in St. Augustine on Jan. 13-15<sup>th</sup>. I am pleased to report that we had 13 people representing District 28. I want to thank Debra, Steve, Don, Raphael, Genet, Sherry, Bruce, Paige, Lina, Connie, Paula and last but not least "Mrs. Bruce" for taking the time out of your lives to join me. It was both an informative and enjoyable assembly.

The main topic on Sunday morning was the election of a Treasurer to finish out this year. We were told there were nine applicants for the position and to plan on an hour plus for the election alone. What a pleasant surprise when it turned out to be only one person running for the position. It was doubly nice that the person was Connie D. (from District 28). Needless to say the election took less than ten minutes.

There were 329 attendees registered on Saturday, and 202 voting members on Sunday morning. The Area secretary is reassessing how to get the minutes to folks. Snail mail vs. e-mail.

The meeting location for next year has changed from the present location to the Marriott in Lake Mary.

We were told that the DCM's would be receiving the new password for the protected portion of the Area's website within the next few days. I still have not received that information. I have e-mailed the webmaster and as soon as I get the password I will send it to our secretary who will notify you all. A motion to implement a plan to pay for coffee used at each assembly was made with much discussion following. At the present time we are costing the Area 11.2% of the budget per quarter for coffee. We consume 18 gallons of coffee over the weekend at a cost of \$1800.00. The motion was tabled and will be up again at the April Assembly. DON'T miss this one. YIS

Old Business - None

New Business -

It was moved, seconded and passed to increase the treatment budget from \$50 to \$200.

It was moved and seconded to change the structure and guidelines to include alternate chairs for assembly expense at the chairs request in the chairs absence. Tabled until next meeting since it alters structures and guidelines.

#### Announcements

Pat H asked we think about the workshops we would like to give this year. Jay B of Ocala is willing to give a fourth step workshop if asked. We need to get with groups and provide topics for workshops.

See attached flyer for Cocoa Beach 22nd Spring Conference.

#### Concepts/ Tradition

##### **Tradition One**

##### **Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity.**

Am I in my group a healing, mending, integrating person, or am I divisive? What about gossip and taking other members' inventories?

Am I a peacemaker? Or do I, with pious preludes such as "just for the sake of discussion," plunge into argument?

Am I gentle with those who rub me the wrong way, or am I abrasive?

Do I make competitive AA remarks, such as comparing one group with another or contrasting AA in one place with AA in another?

Do I put down some AA activities as if I were superior for not participating in this or that aspect of AA?

Am I informed about AA as a whole? Do I support, in every way I can, AA as a whole, or just the parts I understand and approve of?

Am I as considerate of AA members as I want them to be of me?

Do I spout platitudes about love while indulging in and secretly justifying behavior that bristles with hostility?

Do I go to enough AA meetings or read enough AA literature to really keep in touch?

Do I share with AA all of me, the bad and the good, accepting as well as giving the help of fellowship?

##### **Concept I: Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.**

Does our group have a general service representative (G.S.R.)? Do we feel that our home group is part of A.A. as a whole and do our group's decisions and actions reflect that?

Do we hold regular group conscience meetings encouraging everyone to participate?

Do we pass that conscience on to the district, area, or the local intergroup? meetings?

Is the "collective conscience" of Alcoholics Anonymous at work in my home group?

In my area?

Where do we fit in the upside-down triangle of A.A.?

Are we willing to do what it takes to insure that our democracy of world service will work under all conditions?

Closing---Lord's Prayer -