

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

Officers/Chairs Present at Meeting:

DCM - Pat H.
Alt DCM - (not present)
Treasurer - Char S.
Secretary - Steve N
Men's Corrections – Walter M.
Women's corrections - Paige B.
CPC/PI - Janet B.
Literature – (not present)
Treatment - Willye M.
NCI Liaison – Steve N
Grapevine - Debra S.

GSR/Alt GSR and Visitors in Attendance

ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT GROUP Janet B, Alt GSR
CRYSTAL RIVER GROUP Sandy H, GSR
DUNNELLON NEW BEGINNINGS B.B. Debra S, GSR
HIGH NOON GROUP Mike W, 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 Rick T, GSR
RAINBOW GROUP Steve N, GSR
RESENTMENT GROUP Willye M, GSR Alex H, Alt GSR
SOBER SANDGNATS Sherrie L, GSR
WOMEN'S FRIENDSHIP GROUP Genet R, GSR
Martha G, Visitor
Richard L, Visitor
Ernie P, Visitor

Welcome by DCM

Pat H.. welcomed group and called meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Serenity Prayer -

*God grant me the serenity
To accept the things I cannot change,
Courage to change the things I can,
And wisdom to know the difference*

Declaration of Unity

*This we owe to A.A.'s future:
To place our common welfare first;
To keep our fellowship united.
For on A.A. unity depend our lives,
And the lives of those to come.*

Responsibility Statement

I am Responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for

that: I am responsible.

Recognition of New GSR's - Rick T. will replace Rafael T. of the Monday Night Men's Step who has moved.

Secretary: Roll Call and Report:

Roll call - 13 groups were represented.

Minutes of March meeting. Moved to accept, seconded and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report - Char S.

Moved, seconded and passed to accept April Reports.

See Attached Reports

7th Tradition Basket Passed

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Men's Corrections – Walter R.

This is the report for the month of April, 2012. We have lost one of our most faithful members, Raphael T., due to his moving out of state. We are now seeking his replacement as Assistant Chairperson for the men's corrections committee. Mar.28th (25 Inmates Attended) April 4th (28 Inmates Attended) April 11th (CCA Cancelled) April 18th (23 Inmates Attended) April 25th (CCA Cancelled). During the April meetings, (10) little big books & 7 donated grapevines & several Where & When's & other AA pamphlets were taken by the inmates for the month of April. 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 For information.

Women's corrections - Paige B

The April 11 and 25 meetings were canceled by CCA. Hernando has commitments and not enough women so we may volunteer to help out there. We are also considering exploring Bridge the Gap.

Treatment - Willye M.

The centers are going fantastic ,we were included in the first ever family fun day , this was Saturday the 28 to include our CPC/PI Janet B, myself, and Al-anon were present for information/pamphlets to family and friends of the inpatient program at the Centers Lecanto. This will take place every three months. Also the meeting have been going so well and the clients are getting so much from THE A A. program. We are awaiting approval for open meeting one night a week for the clients inpatients and the youth in the aftercare program and other interested members of A.A. This is such an honor Thank you, in love and service.

CPC/PI - Janet B.

We are very well stocked at most of our sites with Where and Whens. Ernie P continues to take care of two Laundromats and he went to the VA in Beverly Hills. I checked our other sites adding some literature to the Share Club, County Probation and the Driver's Improvement School. There was a slight wrinkle at Citrus Memorial where someone took over our double rack and moved our literature to the NA rack. I made a quick switch back. I'll check to see if that worked.

I took a ride to Crystal River and the Sheriff's Sub-Station needed a few Where and Whens and I also left a stack in YANA's mailbox.

Literature – Darral M. not present - (No Report)

Grapevine – Debra S.

We need all groups to appoint and/or send me the name and contact information for Grape Vine Representative.

There is a Grapevine Sales contest in Area 14 from March 31 to October 13. The District with the most sales will receive a first edition Big Book for their District Archives.

NCI Liaison – Steve N

13 Groups were represented. John L, treasurer said that donations were down 40% from last year and that he was worried groups might think Intergroup no longer needed contributions now that the bookstore is closed. HOTLINE:-No HOTLINE report was available. Darral M. said that that Kate S. will answer the cell phone but at other times a message will give the hotline number. Sandy H. said that she had permission to use St. Benedicts, Crystal River from 1.30pm to 10pm on November 18th for the gratitude diner including set up and clean up. She started a volunteer and suggestion list and Intergroup agreed to make two Grapevine subscriptions available as prizes. Rick T. was elected new Vice Chairperson. Debra S. was elected new Trustee. The hotline was assigned to Dave B. The May meeting was set for the 20th and the November and December meetings will be combined into one meeting on December 2nd.

Alt DCM Report - Paula D.

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

District - Where and Whens - The Where and Whens have been reordered, so we'll be in good shape for now awhile. If there are any changes that need to be made, please let me know.

Workshop - I would say that our 7th Tradition workshop was a great success. We had about 30 in attendance. A lot of good information was presented on how Money and Spirituality mix. There was also great participation by those who attended. Thank you to everyone who helped out.

Invitation to participate in Health Fair - Citrus Memorial Hospital is having a Health Fair on Tues. May 22nd at the Lutheran Church (9a- 1p).

Area Assembly - 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 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. I will need to cancel them by July 7th.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

DCM Report - Pat H.

First of all I want to thank Genet, Paige, Sandy, Sherrie, Debra, Raphael, Paula, Steve, and Don for attending the Area business meeting on April 1st. That gave us a total of 9 voting members. Strange, but we've had 9 voting members at the last two assemblies. Anybody interested in being number 10 in July?

There were a total of 276 in attendance for the weekend, with 182 voting members on Sunday.

I want to remind you that District 13 will be having their Founder's Day celebration on June 16, 2012 in Hernando county. It is being held at the Methodist Church in Brooksville. District 28 has been invited to attend. We will be sending out more information as we receive it.

The 7th Tradition workshop was a great success. We had 36 people attend.

My "thanks" to the workshop committee for a job well done.

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Old Business - None

New Business -

It was moved, seconded and passed unanimously that The May meeting was set for the May 20th and the November and December meetings will be combined into one meeting on December 2nd

Pat H. noted that we need a topic for the fall workshop and said we need to decide that topic during the May meeting

Willye suggested we set a date for next year with Polly P, as she was filling up her calendar quickly. The consensus of the group was that Pat H. should email her and set a date.

GSR Workshop Sharing - The consensus of the GSR's who attended was that we were better prepared to vote than in the past thanks primarily to the efforts of Marilyn B. when she shared with us, the delegate's, sharing evening that went until after 10:00 PM and the "speed dating" visits to committee chair tables. Additionally Debra S pointed out that she had learned that if every member of AA contributed \$7.91 a year to GSO that AA would be totally self-supporting at that level.

Announcements

Area Delegate Report - will be given in Brooksville to the Hernando District and our District at a joint meeting at the Brooksville Methodist Church.

District Archives - With the passing of Beverly H. a home with air conditioning is needed to store the district archives. See Pat H. if you have a spare room.

Candidates for Next Panel - Officers who are elected need to be nominated at the October Meeting and voted upon at the December 2nd meeting. Committee chairs who are appointed should also make their interest known.

Hernando County Founders Dinner June 16, 2012 at 4 PM

16th Annual National Archives Workshop Passing it On October 4 -7, 2012 Cocoa Beach, FL (See attached flyer)

Nature Coast Intergroup Gratitude Dinner - November 18, 2012 at St Benedicts Parish Hall

Concepts/ Tradition

Tradition Four: Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or AA as a whole.

Do I insist that there are only a few right ways of doing things in AA?

Does my group always consider the welfare of the rest of AA? Of nearby groups? Of Loners in Alaska?

Of Internationalists miles from port? Of a group in Rome or El Salvador?

Do I put down other members' behavior when it is different from mine, or do I learn from it?

Do I always bear in mind that, to those outsiders who know I am in AA, I may to some extent represent our entire beloved Fellowship?

Am I willing to help a newcomer go to any lengths-his lengths, not mine-to stay sober?

Do I share my knowledge of AA tools with other members who may not have heard of them?

Concept IV: At all responsible levels, we ought to maintain a traditional "Right of Participation," allowing a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge.

· Do we understand the spiritual principles underlying the "Right of Participation"?

· What does "in reasonable proportion" mean? Do we understand when it is? appropriate for A.A. paid staff to have a vote at the General Service Conference or in our local service structure?

· Do we expect that, because we are A.A. members, we should be allowed to vote at any group, even if we are not active members of that group?

Closing---Lord's Prayer A motion to adjourn was made seconded and passed at 6:45 PM. Pat H led the closing with the Lord's prayer.