

District 22 - Monthly Meeting Minutes May 2nd, 2010

Meeting Time: 4:30
Attendance: 38
Committee Members & Officers: 12/3
GSR's & Alternates: 24/1
Groups Represented: 25
Visitors: 1
March Minutes: Accepted by Tanya E., Brett K. seconded
5th Tradition-Concepts V: Read by Michelle B.

New GSR's & Alternates:

Jennifer J-GSR for Wed 6:30pm, Hope, Faith, Serenity-Women's Mtg
Dave E-GSR for Fri 7:00pm, Wander's 911, Men's Mtg

Welcome New GSR's-Happy to have you aboard

Visitor:

Fred B., D52, Area CPC Chair

Thank you for joining us today

Anniversaries:

Shawna L. 6mo., Tina R. 19yrs., Tanya E. 6yrs

WOW! How time flies-Happy Anniversary!!

D22 Fun Events:

ISCYPAA host committee is having their first "KICK OFF" potluck event at Lord's Park, **Sunday 5/30, 1pm**. Please bring a dish to pass! Lot's of food and fun. Our own Chris D., will be the event speaker. Show your support for ISCYPAA and remember we are hosting the 2011 State Conference. It is great to see all your enthusiasm. If you have any questions concerning this potluck event, contact Kyle @ 000-000-0000.

Phil Z. has an open invitation for anyone going to Founder's Day this year to stay at this family houses again. Founder's Day 75th Anniversary, **June 11-13, 2010**, Aakron, OH. The men have been confirmed to stay at one house and Phil is still in the process of confirming his sister's house for the women. Please call him @ 000-000-0000. Thank you Phil, last year everyone had a fantastic time and they were very grateful for your family generosity.

D22 Picnic, **Saturday, July 24th**, Wing Park. Mark your calendar!! Service work opportunities are available. It takes alot of work to put this event together! Please contact Eddie O. with any questions. 000-000-0000. The next committee planning meeting is Sunday, 6/6, 3pm @ St. Hugh's before district meeting.

Fox Valley Open, **Saturday, 6/5**. Flyers are available.

Alano Bingo and potluck, **Saturday, 5/15**. Please bring a dish to pass.

Alano Pig Roast and potluck, **Saturday 6/26**. Please bring a dish to pass. See flyers for more information.

Upcoming Event Reports:

2010 District 22 Picnic Planning Committee Notes - Revised

Date: Sunday, May 2, 2010

Location: St. Hugh of Lincoln

Time: 3:00PM – 4:30PM

This served as a working lunch meeting. Thanks to Eddie for providing (Pizza/Soda)

Report Summary:

We have identified all of the committee chairpersons and budgets. Next meeting is scheduled for June 6, 2010 @ 3:00PM (St. Hugh of Lincoln)

Eddie Olson opened the meeting @ 3:15PM and restated the Executive Oversight responsibilities, i.e., the chairperson; Eddie Olson, and co-chair; George Anne Roberts, supported by the secretary; Bryant Holt, who will take notes and distribute minutes to general committee chairs, and the treasurer; Patricia Moretti, who will receive, deposit and disburse funds in accordance to executive committee direction will act as oversight for subsequent working committees listed below:

Committee Reports:

· Set-up Committee: (Sheila Chair)

o Involves designing and posting signs. Purchasing trash bags. Some signs might still be available from last year.

· Clean-up Committee (Stephanie G. Chair)

o Involves coordinating clean-up shifts with crews to change trash bags, pick up cigarette butts throughout the day. Final clean-up at the end of event

· Food Committee: (Alex H. Chair) – Budget: \$633.00

o Involves checking prices, reserving grill, coordinating cooks

· Beverage Committee: Karin S./Kirk co-Chairs) – Budget: \$350.00

o Purchasing ice, soda and water. Also securing tubs and coolers. We need to locate small pools from last year.

· Coffee Committee: (Jared R. Chair) – Budget: \$70.00

o Secure coffee pots and purchase coffee, creamer and sugar

· Paper Products Committee: Ann V. Chair) – Budget: \$250.00

o Flatware, Plates, Cups, Napkins, etc. Previous paper products were donated, so we need to buy more.

· Adult Games Committee: George Ann R./Wendy co-Chairs)

· Kids Games Committee (Jill Chair) – Budget: \$250.00

- Raffle Committee: (Patricia M. Chair) – Budget: \$N/A
 - o 50/50
- Entertainment Committee: (Brian B. Chair) – Budget: \$N/A
 - o Coordinate music and make announcements
- Guest Speakers Committee: Karin S. Chair)
 - o Coordinate AA speaker and Al-Anon Speaker

Anyone who would like to do service work for our district picnic, please call Eddie O. for all information: 000-000-0000.

Past Event Reports:

May 2, 2010

District 22 Answering Service Report

Re: Answering Service Workshop, April 22, 2010

Approximately 48 people attended the workshop. Special thanks went out to the district for their financial support; to the panelist (Marcia S, Andy R, Denise, Joe M, Amy L, Herbert L); to the skit contributors (Jody B, Dawn, Albert M, Curt, Kathleen, Cherie, Venus, Alanon and numerous others) and the luncheon chairs (Karin, Cherie, and Dawn).

Approximately 165.00 was spent on food. All printing was donated. Collections at the workshop were returned to D22 (\$72.03)

Booklets were provided to each attendee. GSR's still have the time to sign up members interested in serving on the Answering Service, and were asked to submit those names at the next District meeting June 6, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy G. and Jayne M.

Old Business:

Nothing to report.

New Business:

1. Attention GSR's: Please send your picnic donations to: Patricia M., 10881 Buck Dr., Huntley, IL 60142 or you can send the donations to our district mailing p.o box. Any questions, contact Patricia @ 000-000-0000.

DCM: *Chris D.*

DCM Report (May 2010)

Assembly motions for next assembly (June 19, 2010)

1. A motion by the Grapevine Committee to conduct a series of up to 24 workshops. Cost of these workshops is expected to be \$2500.
2. A motion by the Service Structure V Committee to obtain a one year \$200 subscription to Survey Monkey and receive the 20% NFP discount. The subscription can be used by all NIA entities.

3. A motion by the Report & Charter Committee to amend the Service Structure Guidelines to merge "Procedures for Hosting Area Committee Meetings" and Procedures for Hosting Area Assemblies" documents, and to create a new Reference Document for these events.

4. Request of the NIA Chairperson to declare the following positions open

- a. Alternate PI Chair
- b. Alt Literature
- c. Alt Corrections

5. Announcements of the resignation of NIA 20 Corrections Chair, Lenny K.

6. Announcement to divide District 20 (Spanish Speaking district) in two Linguistic districts. New district will be called District 79 and will include Spanish speaking members from the following districts:

- a. 70 Rockford and surrounding
- b. 71 DeKalb and surrounding
- c. 72 Freeport / Galena
- d. 73 Carroll County

And possibly the following districts:

1. 80 LaSalle Streator, Ottawa
2. 90 Quad Cities
3. 91 Galesburg, Knox County

ulnone Discussion of breakout standing committee breakout meetings at future committee meetings.

u8232 Humbly submitted

hris D.

22 DCM

DCMA: *Mike M.*

No report provided

Treasurer: *Tom M. / Phil Z.*

Phil Z/Alt Treasurer filled in for Tom. (Thank you). We are back in the **black**. Last month we had approximately 800.00 in donations. There was 33.00 in the D22 meeting basket. Phil also collected the 72.03 from the Answering Service workshop. It was nice to have you back Phil!!

Secretary: *Jody B.*

Hello D22,

Just a reminder, if there are any changes to meetings (GSR, Alt GSR, numbers, meeting name, meeting location, etc.) please contact me prior to the next district meeting. I will update all the GSO paperwork, then, Ben and I work together to make all the possible changes to the schedule *before* the new schedules are printed. It has been working GREAT! Thank you Ben and D22 GSR's!

East Regional Directories are in the process of being printed. (Yea, that's done).

I want to thank all you all for your committee and LCM reports. It would help me tremendously, if you would e-mail your report's to me when possible. I do not have Excel on my computer but I can open .pdf formats. (Thank you Tom).

Keep in mind.....Spring is here and summer is around the corner. Flyers are always distributed at meetings or located on the website. Take a look, we have lot's going on within

D22 and have fun at our sober events!!

Thank you for the opportunity for this service work.

Jody B.
D22 Secretary

LCM Reports:

Chuck A.- Discussion of two new meetings at EAC. A monthly "Open Speaker" meeting and a monthly "Couples in Recovery" meeting. Both are planning on meeting Friday nights. I have a new cell phone number 000-000-0000.
Submitted by~Chuck Anderson

Dawn E.- Out of the 13 meetings I've been assigned, 6 GSR's are in attendance today. I have been able to attend 2 of these meetings in the last month. I'm working towards attending all these meetings in 2010. If anyone knows of any of my assigned meetings needing assistance, please let me know and I will reach out to that meeting.
Thank you~Dawn E.

Mike M, Joe M, Ron S,-Not present

Committee Reports
Answering Service: *Wendy G.*

Month of April TTL calls 83. See the following breakdown:

First Time Caller		22
Need Detox Treatment	1	
Wants to talk to someone in AA		12
Alanon person, wants help	2	
Hung-up, caller hung up		1
Meetings. Wants directions/locations	14	
Meetings, Needs a ride		25
Meetings, Needs Spanish meeting	0	
Needs a sponsor	3	
Wants web-site	2	
Suicidal		0
Wrong number	0	
WCB Later	1	
Other	0	

Submitted by
Wendy G.

Archives: *Mike G.*
No report provided

C.P.C.: *Kristy M and Ebby R..*

Fred B. our Area CPC Chair who is from D52 joined us today. Both Fred and Kristy expressed the passion to "Pass the word to Professionals". Kristy will be distributing AA at a Glance brochures to doctor offices and police stations. The next committee meeting for CPC is on May 1st. Please contact Kristy or Ebby for more information if you are interested being on the CPC committee. Fred stressed the point that we cannot do this alone. Your support and service work is much appreciated.

Correctional Facilities: *Nathan B.*

Greeting,

u8232 My deepest apologies for the lack of a written report last month. The Corrections

Chair in your District has character defects of both busyness and laziness....go figure... now on with the report.

March:

All accepted applicants successfully completed training and briefing from the Kane County Sheriff's Office in early/mid March. Those members were given identification and marked clothing to wear on the inside. Members were also instructed on the facility Code of Conduct and possible consequences of non compliance.

March also marked the Pre-General Service Conference which was represented by District 22. During the Conference, the subcommittee moved to mark all literature given out by AA to inmates, volunteers, and facility representatives to notify individuals of all legal binding documents which may need to be agreed upon before volunteers may proceed attend meetings. Obtained, too, was the contact information for the Corrections Representatives in both Districts 62 (Yorkville, Sandwich, Oswego, Plano) and 64 (Aurora). Both Districts have towns within the borders of Kane County. At the time of the next enrollment period, individuals within those locations will be get involved with the work. District 22 was also proactive in sharing all information obtained with the Corrections Officers in District 61(St.Charles, Geneva, Batavia). The relationship between the districts has been a valuable tool in continuing with this work.

April:

There was change in leadership in Corrections. Chair Albert M. stepped down in his role as Corrections Chair. He will be missed and his service was greatly appreciated. Chris D. nominated me (Nathan B) to take assume the role of Corrections Chair. I accepted and the committee approved the decision. Andy R. stood for the position of Co-Chair. The committee then voted its approval. Welcome aboard Andy!!

On April 12th, a meeting of all approved volunteers was held at the Kane County Prison. Veteran volunteers as well as the newly approved members met for a meeting of all volunteers. I was not able to attend this meeting, however, I do have a very detailed description to share. The below piece is taken from Laurie C's report to District 61:

On April 12th Lory C., Sue V., Susan P., John M., and Greg A. met with Bill Woods and a large gathering of new volunteers. There were nine (9) new men and five (5) new women volunteers who were welcomed.

For some background on the men's involvement it should be noted that we visit 7 different PODs which a letter designated A, B&E, H&N, and J&O. Each volunteer has an assigned pod (or pod pair). This is done to try and maintain some continuity in meeting with inmates and establishing rapport within a pod. However, to insure coverage of all 7 pods at times it is necessary to visit a pod other than the one assigned. This is to insure coverage of all pods and making meetings available for all at times when there may be a

shortage of volunteers. The women only have one pod, making their coverage and continuity much easier.

Some high lights of the April 12th meeting included:

Veteran volunteers giving new members an idea of how the meetings are run.

New volunteers were informed that they will be teamed with the veterans. No one will be asked to go out of their comfort zone to visit a pod alone until they feel ready for such a move.

Literature discussion and the plan to include additional BB's, 12 x 12's, Inmate-to-Inmate, and Daily Reflections into the "Pod" literature cabinet. The plan is to have maintain an inventory of 15 Big Book in each pod and replenish as necessary if they are handed out to individual detainees.

John R. the Northern Illinois Alternate Correction Facilities Committee Chair was present and is to be a visitor to Kane County Corrections on a monthly basis when available. I believe he lent valuable insight into AA's role within corrections facilities.

New volunteers were given their badges and blue shirts and given the go ahead for volunteer attendance to the Monday Night, April 19th meeting.

Some high lights of the April 19th meeting:

Two (2) additional men volunteers were welcomed who have had previous experience in correction facilities. This now brings the men's volunteer count to 29.

Many of the new volunteers from last week showed up to attend their very first meeting only to be denied access (along with the veterans) do to "conditions within the correction facility". However, happy to say this past Monday night meeting on the 26th we had a turnout of 7 new volunteers.

Thank you Lory!!

Note:

It has been discussed that the District 22 will assume the responsibility of monitoring the literature stocked at the Kane County Facility. We will work the Area Corrections to try to keep the rack properly stocked. 100 white schedules without numbers have been requested to Ben to be printed for next month meeting.

Thank you for the support.

Love and Fellowship

Corrections.

Directories: *Ben W.*

100 white directories have been requested to be printed for Corrections. These are the schedules that are printed without names and numbers.

Grapevine: *John S.*

May Grapevine Report

Just a reminder that the Grapevine "'AA's Meeting in Print" is always available to subscribe to. You can do this by either filling out a subscription form found inside the monthly publication, or, go to: www.aagrapevine.org or by phone 800-631-6025.

We would like to encourage all groups in D22 to subscribe to our monthly magazine. Extra copies are always available, please see myself, or my Co-Chair Barb W. There is an interesting article in May's edition on being Restored to Insanity. This is about a member who has become somewhat lapse in his program and how quickly the old thinking and actions return. I highly recommend reading this month's issue.

Respectfully Submitted,

John S.
D22 Grapevine Representative

Literature: *Nancy D.*

Nothing to report this month.

Nancy D
D22 Literature Chair

Public Information: *Alex H.*

PI Commitee Report 5/2/2010
Chair-Alex H.
Co-Chair-Mike M.

We took packets with AA information to 5 high schools in our district for Alcohol Awareness Week: Larkin, Elgin, Dundee Crown, Hampshire and South Elgin.

In the packets included the following AA conference approved literature:

Information on Alcoholics Anonymous
Where Do I Go From Here?
AA at a Glance

A Message to Teenagers
Too Young?

We also took information to Renz Center for the Parents Awareness Forum held at Ellis Middle School, which took place on April 29, 2010 between 6:30pm-8:30pm in Elgin.

D22 PI Committee has a new display. If anyone needs this display for use, it is located at St. Hugh's. (Great job PI Comm. It looks great!)

Submitted by:
Alex H.

Special Needs: *Sue L*
DISTRICT 22
May 2,2010

REPORT TO DISTRICT

Committee: Special Needs
Chair: Sue L.
Alternate Chair: Shawna L.

Committee Accomplishments and Current Projects:

Continue to bring meetings to Asta Care Center every Saturday.

Continue to bring regular weekly meeting to homebound member on Friday evenings.

Shawna L. attended the Special Needs Workshop hosted by district 20 on April 17th.
She brought back a wealth of great information to our committee. Thank you
Shawna!

No literature or materials purchased.

Committee Request for Support:

Support for meeting at Asta Care Center at 2pm every Saturday . Address: 134 N.
McClellan Blvd., Elgin. Please pick up information flyer with map and bring a few
to your meetings. Thank you.

Support for member home meeting every Friday at 6pm. We need women to support
this meeting. Contact Shawna or Sue. Thank you to all the women who continue

to help with this meeting.

New perspective, ideas and support are always needed for the Special Needs Committee. Please contact Sue L. or Shawna L. for info on our next meeting. Feel free to just stop in and see what we're working on. As always, thank you for your participation and consideration of support.

Respectfully Submitted by District 22 Special Needs Chair:

Sue L.

Date: May 2, 2010

Website: *Larry S.*

District 22
Webmaster
May 2, 2010

Larry is happily in Hawaii.

Thank you everyone for ALL your service work!
******The next district meeting will be held June 6th, at 4:30pm******
Respectfully Submitted by Jody B. - District Secretary -