

Central Michigan Area 32
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GSR/DCM Meeting – Roscommon, MI.
September 7, 2008

CHAIR: Pauline N.

Pauline N. opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer and Responsibility Pledge.

SECRETARY: Sharon S., Email: secretary@cmia32.org

32 members signed up to receive cmia32 minutes by email. I will be taking them off "snail mail list this month. Thanks!

Roll Call: 65 Groups were represented at assembly.
2 New GSR's attended
1 GSR's attended for their second time.

The 9th Tradition was discussed by Jack R., and the 9th Concept was discussed by Roger C.

The 10th Tradition will be presented by DeLois, and the 10th Concept presented by Dave T., in Bay City, MI.

TREASURER: Kirk F.

see attached report current report accepted.

**Kirk will be sending digital copy of CMIA handbook to Theron (webmaster).*

**Kirk requests All committees let him know status of committee seed money, by next month's assembly.*

LITERATURE: Lyle T.

see attached report current report accepted.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Jim M., NEW Email: secretary@geneseecountyaa.org. current report accepted.

Number of members present: 7 **Reminder* - Finance Committee Begins at 9:30 am**

Bank statements for CMIA, DCM Treasury, and Literature were reviewed and discussed.

Beginning Balance: \$2,201.57

Normal monthly Expenses:-(\$1,920.23)

Solvent Treasury- no report.

Assembly Approved: \$200.00

Total Expenses: (\$2,120.23)

Ending balance: \$ 81.57

***Finance Committee recommendation to transfer \$500 from Literature Committee to CMIA General Fund Passed.
Groups that host CMIA32 must submit expense receipts.***

REGISTRAR: Adelia H., Email: registrar@cmia32.org

In August, I added three Groups to the database and changed the GSR for one Group. The change was in District 4. The new Groups are 2 in District 4 and one in District 28. I also changed individual data for 2 GSR's. As we gather email addresses, I will be adding that information to the AA database. So please, if you have email, be sure to get it to Sharon, our CMIA32 Secretary.

In Service,

Adelia H. – Record Keeper (Registrar).

FORUM: Adelia H.

The East Central Regional Forum, held every 2 years, is where the New York Central Office sends the officer's and people stationed in New York into our Area to explain their jobs, answer questions and promote AA Service Work. It is arguably the best gathering/workshop in AA in my humble opinion. Every Forum, CMIA sponsors as many people new to service as we can. At the last East Central Forum, held in 2007, in Illinois we sent 16 people. The next Forum will be held mid-November, 2009, in Kalamazoo, Michigan at the Radisson Hotel. If CMIA has never sponsored you, you are eligible to have most of your expenses paid by the Assembly. Just sign up at the door every time you attend CMIA.

Yours in Service,

Adelia H.

WEBSITE CHAIR: Raymond H.

Web Administrator: Theron B.

copied from correspondence received by CMIA secretary via email:

Good news. AA District 6 in Area 32 does have a website. The cmia32.org site now shows District 6 not having a site which it did not have until recently. I refer to the "Districts" section at cmia32.org. This need for the link was noted during the District 6 business meeting in Lansing on Tuesday. The website is www.aadistrict6.org, Email is info@aadistrict6.org. I am passing on the information hoping that the CMIA32 Website committee will make this link ASAP. Please confirm to Sandy C. what action is taken or for technical questions. I would appreciate being copied. The AAs in District 6 are doing fine service and are doing their best to grow AA service to their district. Linking their website to cmia32.org will be helpful. District 6 is located in a key location of the geography in Michigan and in time they can be a large help to Area 32 in providing AA services. Let's continue to help District 6 grow with and in Area 32. In service, grateful for District 6, and all in AA and for your service,

Art M.

reply

Congratulations to District 6 on their new web site! I really like the design; it is very clean and modern looking, and the HTML code is also very clean, well organized and modern – nice job! I've added links to the new site on the "Districts" page of the CMIA32 site, from both the Districts map and the text list of Districts. Let me know if you'd like the description changed or if there is anything else I can do to help. Yours in fellowship and service,
Theron, CMIA32 webmaster.

TREATMENT FACILITIES CHAIR: Cari C.; Alternate Chair: Tom T.

We had 5 members present, representing districts 2, 4, 8, and 12, and welcomed a guest from district 24. District 2 is working on setting up a new hotline. District 8 doing well "bridging the gap". Several of our committee members were able to attend the State Convention. Our display table helped us build our temporary contact list of AAs willing to help patients learning treatment get to their 1st outside AA meeting. We are very excited to be working with Areas 33 & 34 to create a state wide bridging the gap network. Signup sheets for our temporary contact program will be available next month in Bay City.

In Service, Cari C., TFC Chair

PUBLIC INFORMATION: Sean O'C.

We opened with the Serenity Prayer. 7 members were in attendance, representing districts 2, 4, 6, and 12. Sean reported on the PI booth at the State Convention and showed us the Membership Survey poster. We discussed trends and changes. The committee discussed an Anonymity break which occurred in Grand Blanc. Sean will email our anonymity information to the reporter, and District 12 will share information locally with its members and the press. We also discussed an upcoming program which will appear on A&E, which has been soliciting members of the recovery community. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Sean O., PI Chair

CPC COMMITTEE: Art M.

The CPC meeting included discussion about how to form CPC committees, and other committee services. By presenting districts and meeting groups with an outline of purpose, benefit and structure of a committee and allow months for discussion about this and how it can be accomplished, helps to allow AAs to see how they can fit into the service. Without asking for a Chair or others to formally join in the service at that time and allowing some months of active discussion, AAs interested in a segment of the committee work or general service to be provided can discuss it in a more casual manner relating to whatever they feel would work for them. After a few months a list can be circulated for people to volunteer without final commitment. A Chair can then be asked to step forward knowing that there are AAs willing to join the committee in selected aspects of the service so that the Chair is not overwhelmed. For CPC service this allows AAs comfortable with correctional, treatment, clergy or other Professions to step forward to development that aspect of the service to make it work. A copy of the current proposed CPC committee for District 8 has been made available to those present at this meeting or otherwise requesting it for further discussion. This discussion will be continued at the October CMIA32 meeting. Other matters discussed included upcoming elections of officers for this committee.

In Service,

Art M., Chair, CPC for CMIA32,

ARCHIVES: Jim D.

Hi everyone. I am glad you are all here. I need you people in this program. CMIA started in March, 1951. We have been meeting monthly ever since. That's now 57 years. We hosted the Archives Committee at the State Convention in Midland, in August. South Eastern (Area 33), Central (Area 32), and Western (Area 34), all participated. I think we had a really complete display and a lot of memorabilia for people to look at. We had a lot of traffic and people seemed to enjoy it. Thank you for your continued interest and support.

Jim D. – Archivist, Area 32

CORRECTIONS: Chuck L.

11 members present. 7 districts represented: 4, 10, 12, 16, 22, and 26. Meeting called to order at 11:50am. Old business: \$300 was approved last month for this month's jail books, and \$200 has been approved for next month. Discussion: due to new bank fees, that amount to more than we take in monthly, Orville has suggested that we go with motion made that "Orville and John S. take charge of funds and find us best deal." Motion – 1st, Linda, 2nd, Bill, motion carried. Jail book sale at State Convention was a success, not as good as hoped, but still successful – final numbers, not in, yet. We discussed continued support of jail inmates. Stories of several cases mention that jail brings a bottom which makes inmates more willing to try, and even if it doesn't work the first time brings them back. Short discussion on materials going into jails, depends on security level. No further business. We closed with The Lord's Prayer. We adjourned 12:25pm.

Chuck L.

GRAPEVINE: Doug K.

We opened with the Serenity Prayer, and Responsibility statement. There were 3 in attendance. We talked about the Grapevine Skit at the Convention and how it was received with standing room only. Spiritual Awakening's CD, Volume 1 and 2, now available in Spanish. Sorry to hear about Andy T... God Bless, Doug K.

SPECIAL NEEDS: *no report – however, Jamie S. has graciously volunteered to chair committee beginning next month.*

GSR ORIENTATION: Mike K.

3 new GSR's attended. We discussed the duties of GSR, including all of the service opportunities and rewards with this position. We distributed Service Manual and Pamphlets of Interest, and coordinated info with Registrar & Secretary. In Service, Mike K., Alternate Delegate

CONVENTION COMMITTEE CHAIR: Dennis S.

2008 Michigan State Convention Report

Here are the registration totals from August 10, 2008. We are holding our final meeting today at CMIA, so the numbers might change slightly. We had 489 paid registrations. We committed to 98 ice cream socials, 102 Sunday breakfasts and 220 Saturday Banquets. We used 57.5 Gallons of coffee. We ended up with 182 room nights reserved for the Convention so Valley Plaza Resort deducted 4 room nights off our bill. We only had to pay for three room nights for our 5 invited Main Speakers (3/AA, 1/Al-Anon, and 1/Alateen.) Most of the people who attended the Convention know that our Friday night main speaker, Andy T. was unable to attend because he wasn't feeling well before he boarded his flight at the Boston Airport. After initial tests it was determined everything was fine. It is with a heavy heart that I need to inform everyone he passed away August 22, 2008, from a heart attack. In closing I just want to thank all our committee chair persons and volunteers who gave of themselves unselfishly to make our 56th Michigan State Convention a success.

Dennis S. – 2008 Michigan State Convention Chairperson

DELEGATE: Larry S.

(See attached report.)

Dates to remember: 36th Del., Past/Present

Feb. 13-15, 2009

Springfield, IL.

***Next Month CMIA: October 5, 2008, K of C, 360 S. River Rd. (M-13), Bay City, MI. – map enclosed.**

Business:

**2 cities left in running for International Convention, in 2020: Detroit, L.A.,*

**Larry Sanford is looking for a 1989 Conference Report.*

**Final Delegate 2008 Conference Report will be included on our website: cmia32.org*

**Proposal: "Commencing Feb., 2009, CMI32 will meet every other month", passed by assembly.*

**Mike K. delivered 100 copies of the "old" CMI32 handbook to all interested members.*

**Dennis S. noted correction to Aug, 2008 minutes, due to miscommunication of secretary: "as this task usually requires a minimum of 4,000 volunteers"- should not have been referred to the CMI32 handbook, but instead to an internet support process regarding the 2020 Convention. (sorry! Quick note taking!) ☺*

**Jesse P., Past Delegate, was elected to stand as potential Trustee, at Statewide, in October, 2008.*

**Last day to reserve Area/District "Local Forum" place/date for 2010, is 4-01-09.*

Theme Ideas for 2010 Convention, due by 12-19-08.

12 Step Workshop: October 4, 2008, 1pm – 4pm at Log Cabin in Bay City, MI.

2009 - AREA 32 - ASSEMBLIES:

January – no meeting	July – no meeting
February - Owosso – District 10	August - Alpena - District 28
March – no meeting	September – no meeting
April - Pinckney - District 8	October, *2008 - Bay City - District 22
May - no meeting	November, * 2008 - Flint - District 12
June - Roscommon – District 26	December, *2008 - Rives Junction – District 4