Central Michigan Intra Area GSR/DCM Meeting, Alpena, Michigan

August 2nd, 2009

CHAIR: Pauline N

Pauline opened the meeting at 1:00 pm with the Serenity Prayer. We all joined in reciting the Responsibility Pledge.

SECRETARY: Joe G.

Roll Call: 43 Groups / GSRs: 43 / Alt. GSRs: 6 / GSRs returning for 2nd visit: 5 / 0 New GSRs Past Delegates: 6 / Guests Signed In: 16

The 7^{th} Tradition was discussed by Greg O. / The 7^{th} Concept was discussed by: Jesse P. The 8^{th} Tradition was discussed by: Lori F. / The 8^{th} Concept was discussed by: Sandy C. *The 9^{th} Tradition will be discussed by: Jan F. / *The 9^{th} Concept will be discussed by: Jim W. *The 10^{th} Tradition will be discussed by: Sharon S. / *The 10^{th} Concept will be discussed by: Moe M. *To Be Discussed in Bay City

TREASURER: Shaun O. Beginning Balance: \$5919.47/ Income: \$3313.16/ Sub total: \$9232.63 Expenses: \$3640.12/Forum Fund: Starting Balance: \$2000/Approved Contribution: \$500/Current Balance: \$2500/Ending Available Balance: \$5952.91/Forum Fund: \$2500/Total Checking: \$8092.51 Solvent Treasury Account: \$3000/CMIA GENERAL FUND BALANCE: \$11,092.51

LITERATURE: Raymond H. Starting Balance: \$576.04/Cash 2@Door: (Not Given) Tax: (Income): \$221.30/Total Income: \$5017.31/Expenses: Milaeage@.45: 404 miles=\$181.80/ Total Expenses: \$4246.90/Ending Balance: \$1316.45

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Raymond H. Beginning Balance: \$5592.51/Standard Monthly Expenses: \$1737.68/ Committee Reimbursements: \$98.69/Officer Fuel Expenses: \$370.68/Ending Expenses Balance: \$3385.46/ Committee Requests that require Area Assembly Approval: Corrections: \$800(approved) Inventory Mailout (Alt. Delegate) \$250 (Approved)/Final Ending Balance: \$2335.46

REGISTRAR: Adelia H. World Services will not be publishing a Directory this year. Registrar needs to contact Michael L from Northville and John K. from Cass City to adjust a couple items. Work is in progress to provide a Area Directory, assistance from a computer person is needed. Will check with Theron and Art.

FORUM FUND: Lori D. We are down to the wire for sponsorship to the forum. CMIA 32 will be sending 20 people. If you are eligible to go per Area Assembly guidelines. Please decide if you are going and contact Lori. Roommates will be decided in Bay City. All new GSRs please sign up for Forum. Please put your contact information on the sign up sheet. (Located at Registration)

WEBSITE: Kate L.: 4 persons attended/Discussed meetings for persons attending Area Assembly in cities such as Alpena, to Brighton, Skidway Lake, Adrian, ideas for Area to reach meetings there while visiting. Area Assembly minutes will now be available in an anonymous version for downloading, printing or saving to your computer at www.cmia32.org If there are events for us to post in your District please send a digital file of your flier so we can share the Happy Joyous and Free with the newcomers. Many people have asked about District web sites. We merely link to their web site, we do not maintain District web sites.

PUBLIC INFORMATION: Delois G.

10 persons attended. Visitors from Area 33, District 10, 24, and 6. Discussed the speaker list that is being created, this will be extended until October. List will be updated every 6 months. District 12 PI committee will be attending health fair Aug. 4th. District 28 raised an issue about making requirements of courts making requirements AA members. He was referred to CPC committee. And given a AA pamphlet which

list what AA is and is not. Dist. 24 is donating books to libraries and treatment facilities. Dist. 6 is continuing meeting outreach. We will solicit funds to prepare packets for newcomers to the committee.

CPA: Steve R. Committee members agreed to send 3 letters or meet with 3 people professionals per month between now and 2009 CMIA. We will hold each other accountable. Sample letter will be mailed to each District OPC chair.

ARCHIVES: Jim D. We are putting together a CMIA history booklet to take to the Int. Convention in San Antonio in 2010.

CORRECTIONS: William H.

12 Attended/6 Districts: 6/ Literature Allocation:\$800; \$133.33 per District/ NY called about a person getting out of jail in Howell Michigan Bill H also called area and passed the information on. Convention: Book donations& jail pail books were split between the districts money from Area 32's portion about \$220 to be put in account. New jail meetings in Hillsdale, volunteers are needed. Paul M. in Jackson will be doing a workshop in Parnell prison, date yet to be set. Item for State Conv.'s recognition for corrections donations. (Books or pails) Possibly a sticker for their badges (?) Jail Pail: Bill H. asked for permission to pass jail in correction meetings. Approved. Although money will be kept for corrections, money will be reported to treasurer for records. Women's Correctional facility in Washtenaw County moved to Huron Valley facility. 2 meetings are up and running. Need 2 more Washtenaw County Jail will soon be starting meetings. Women volunteers are needed.

GRAPEVINE: Sharon S. 4 attended/Learned we are allowed \$50 in seed money, to use for committee service. We have old pamphlets and info. Which have had prices changes sine they was available. Grapevine will be contacted to update information. Committee wished to purchase a 50 pk. Of grapevine magazines, in the old pamphlet prices, which is \$40. Chair will verify this and attend next finance committee meeting in Bay City to submit a request.

SPECIAL NEEDS: Felicia W. 4 attended/discussed the need to keep members homes and hospice facilities, etc, to have special needs members contact them, and arrange to have meetings brought to them, or give rides. Discussed the best way to carry the message to local school districts so students can be referred to AA if needed. Dist. 12 will be sending out info. To different treatment facilities and recovery groups o Special Needs. Contact was made at Soberfest. Need more cooperation from area's to put out the word out that Special Needs is available.

TREATMENT FACILITIES: Carrie J. The Ongoing business of the committee to carry the message to the AA message to the suffering alcoholic is going well, However we can do more! Please join us at Area Assembly to see how you can help. Suggestions or requests can be directed to the chairperson Cari S. at the E Mail or Phone number listed here.

MOTIONS: \$250 to Alt. Delegate Art M. for printing costs for Area Inventory (Approved) Meeting adjourned at: 2:53 pm.

- The GSR meeting in Alpena included presentations and discussions about how meeting groups and their GSR's can best Pass it On, the Welcome to CMIA32 by Pauline N., Chair of Area 32
- Presentation about Group Spirituality by Jesse P., Past Delegate, what it is, how it is gained and grown
- Presentation by Joe G., Secretary of CMIA32 about how and why to receive CMIA32 meeting reports by Email or US Postal Service.
- Presentation about resource materials for meeting groups and individual AAs by Kirk F. who will also share where this material can be obtained in MI and importance of it to groups and individuals. A copy of the newly published 2009 AA GSO supplied catalogue of AA Conference Approved Materials was distributed to all present along with a state map with office locations noted to obtain AA resources.
- Brief presentations were made about keeping meeting group information up-todate with the AA GSO by updating information with the CMIA32 Registrar, Dee H. at registrar@cmia32.org.
- A reminder was made about the October CMIA32 meeting to be held in Bay City. CMIA32 is responsible to the districts and meeting groups within the 14 districts of Area 32. GSR's are among the voting members at CMIA32 that decide matters of policy and expenditure requiring area approval.
- GSR's were encouraged to invite CMIA32 officers, Past and Present Delegates and others from within the area and region to speak at district or local group meetings. Topics suggested are as their "Experience, Strength and Hope" in AA and in service.
- The new form for the CMIA32 INVENTORY was presented and distributed to all
 in attendance who were encouraged to deliver copies to their meeting groups and
 district GSR's and officers. The importance of sending back comments and
 suggestions with boxes checked where questions are provided with multiple
 answers was explained.

The GSR meeting started promptly at 10:00 AM and ended at 11:30 AM closing with the Lords Prayer.

Suggestions for future topics and GSR meeting structure are welcome. Please send all suggestions or requests for local assistance to districts to Art M., <u>Altdelegate@cmia32.org</u>

In service, Art M., GSR Meeting Leader and Alt. Delegate, Panel 59, Area 32