# Central Michigan Intra-Area

GSR/DCM Meeting, Saline Michigan December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm-Adjourned: 3:15 pm

CHAIR: Pauline N.

Pauline opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer. We all joined in reciting the Responsibility Pledge.

**SECRETARY**: Joe G.

Roll Call: 65 Groups; GSRs: 61; Alt. GSRs: 7; GSRs 2<sup>nd</sup> Visit: 10; Past Delegates & Trustees: 6

- 11<sup>th</sup> Tradition discussed by: Delois G.
- 11<sup>th</sup> Concept discussed by: Stanley P.
- 12<sup>th</sup> Tradition discussed by: Sandy
- 12<sup>th</sup> Concept discussed by: Mike K.

To be discussed in Corunna (February, 2010):

- 1st Tradition will be discussed by: Steve
- 1<sup>st</sup> Concept will be discussed by: Cari S.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Tradition will be discussed by: Greg O.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Concept will be discussed by: Dennis S.

### TREASURER: Shaun O.

Beginning Balance: \$5,896.60

Income: \$5,155.00 Subtotal: \$11,051.60 Expenses: \$3,358.69

Forum Fund Starting Balance: \$0.00

Approved Contribution: \$250.00

New Balance: \$250.00

Ending available Balance: \$7,692.91 Forum Fund: \$250.00

Total Checking: \$7,942.91

Solvent Treasury Account: \$3,500.00
Total CMIA General Fund Balance: \$11,442.91

**LITERATURE:** Ray H.

Beginning Balance: \$652.64 Tax: (Income) \$133.33 CMIA Correction: \$800.00 Sales: \$2,221.03 Total Income: \$3,416,71 Expenses: Mileage: \$79.20 Recovery Mint: \$106.02 Literature Order \$2,119.40 \$447.00 Grapevine: Refund: \$24.70 Total Expenses: \$2,776.32 Current Balance: \$1,293.03

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Ray H.

Beginning Balance: \$7,692.91 Standard Monthly Expenses: \$1,990.44 Committee Reimbursements: \$0.00 Officer Fuel Reimbursements \$80.00 Ending Balance: \$5,622.47

Committee Reimbursements that require

Area Assembly Approval: Correction: \$1,000.00 Final Ending Balance: \$4,172.47

**REGISTRAR:** Adelia H.: No report.

**FORUM:** Lori D. In attendance/ Lori F. and Orville T gave there experience of the Forum. Next year everyone will share there experience. All available funds were used.

**WEBSITE:** Kate L. Thank you District 4 for hosting. We opened with the Serenity Prayer.

Old Business: Discussed and we will be adding the concepts through a link to <u>aa.org</u> listing of the Concepts. We also discussed Districts utilizing extra space by possibly hosting District Websites. Let your webmaster know and if there is anyone interested please contact us through the website at: <u>www.cmia32.org</u>

New Business: Discussion on interest of putting Area meeting in recorded form or streaming meeting for those unable to attend. For the non-technical members of the program: You can help by letting us know if there are problems, or if the site is difficult to navigate. If you are having events in your Districts send us your fliers. We want to share with the newcomers that there are FUN things to do sober.

#### PUBLIC IMFORMATION: Delois G.

Districts: 6,8,10,12, &24 represented. We discussed our plans for CMIA Speaker list. First we discussed the format. The speakers will be organized by District. It will be a bifold pamphlet. If you have already signed up, please see Delois to verify your District number. Moe and Delois will be contacting speakers to verify information. Grant will prepare a draft for our next meeting. District 8 is hosting a free New Years Dance. District 12 has tickets available for their dance. District 24 is distributing literature to libraries, schools and professional contacts.

**CPC:** Steve R. Discussed what CPC does and does not do, as well as how CPC is working together with probation departments and clergy. Discussed new ideas to implement in our Districts. Exchanged contact information so information can be forwarded to those in attendance.

**ARCHIVES**: Jim D. We attended the Forum in Kalamazoo in November. Had a chance to share with Archivists from Cleveland, OH. Detroit and other Areas in the ECR. And there were almost 500 people at the Forum.

CORRECTIONS: William H. 22 persons in attendance. Districts represented: 10/ Treasury: Checking open Balance: \$444.85/Income (Jail Pail) \$41.00/ Expenses (Literature): \$200.00/ Savings: \$35.45 Problems in District 2: Too many facilities, too little money, problems with Dept of Corrections about soft versus hard cover books in jails and prisons. Bill to contact corrections to see if he can classify. Other Districts offering to share their money with District 2 when available. Discussion: Request of more pamphlets for teen agers (we explained that some are free), suggestions of more meetings within District, jail people to make sure everyone understands clearances, jail pails, formats & distributing of Literature for that Districts, availability of free Literature to inmates for them. Personal Requests: Old Grapevines for District 2.

**GRAPEVINE:** Sharon S. 10 members in attendance. Updated information about costs of Grapevine Magazine. We reviewed *A Rabbit Walks Into a Bar*, which is for sale for \$9.95 – 153 pages of best of jokes and cartoons from AA Grapevine along with entire chapter dedicated to our friend Victor E. We discussed opportunities for Grapevine Reps and passed on the new *Tradicions* 2CD set to Nacho to spread the message in the Spanish community. Grapevine website: <a href="www.grapevine.org">www.grapevine.org</a>. Remember, anyone can write their story and send it to the Grapevine for publication. Grapevine does not accept donations and is solely supported by magazine subscriptions and other items sold.

**SPECIAL NEEDS:** Felicia W. Meeting opened with Serenity Prayer. Eight members in attendance. New meeting formed in District 12 for hearing impaired. Saturdays at: 2:00-3:00 (Open meeting). Fliers from District Huron Valley Intergroup about Special Needs.

**TREATMENT FACILITIES:** Cari S. We had 6 in attendance. Started with the Serenity Prayer. We welcomed to newcomers to CMIA 32 with an overview of Treatment Facilities Committee purpose of bridging the gap between treatment and the rooms of AA. Work with Kairos Healthcare Center in Bridgeport will begin in January.

#### **MOTIONS:**

- \$1,000 for Corrections; APPROVED / \$450 FOR Mock Conference; APPROVED
- State Convention in 2011 to be in Lansing/August 12-14<sup>th</sup> 2011 APPROVED
- State Convention chairperson to be elected by Area Assembly APPROVED
- Jessie P Elected State Convention chair APPROVED by acclamation
- FINANCE COMMITTEE ELECTIONS ELECTED: Lyle T. / Cari S.

## **GSR Meeting Report for CMIA32**

Saline, December 6, 2009

Following the welcome and opening of this GSR meeting, a brief presentation was made about the importance of the GSR (General Service Representative) services to the AA group and the AA fellowship as a whole. The GSR "May Have The Most Important Job in AA" as is explained in brochure P-19, "G.S.R. General Service Representative". The link between the GSR and districts, the DCM for districts and Area service committees was discussed.

Dennis S., Past Delegate, Area 32, honored our meeting by sharing his experience in service at all levels of AA. Dennis spoke about the personal benefits and growth that continued learning about and performing service provide to those who are in service to AA. Dennis shared the importance about how the GSR should learn for his or her meeting group the resources in AA and suggestions for how the group is structured and functions and then Pass it On to their group.

Cari C., Chair, Treatment Committee for Area 32, spoke at about the spiritual nature of the services in AA and how meeting groups should be aware of the AA services that are available to the members of the groups. Cari then invited members to sit in at the Treatment Committee Services meeting following the GSR meeting.

Other topics presented included the facts about "Conference Approved" literature verses the mistaken belief that there is AA approved literature, suggested literature for meeting groups and meetings of conscience for meeting groups.

GSR's were invited to submit topics that they would like presented at future GSR meetings. The next meeting will be held in Corunna on February 7 at 10:00 -11:30 AM. All GSR's are invited to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

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