

# **Central Michigan Intra-Area 32 Assembly Minutes**

**October 6<sup>th</sup> – District 8 – Brighton, MI**

2013 Remaining Schedule  
Dec 1<sup>st</sup> – Dist 24 – Vassar MI

**CHAIR, Joe G. : [chair@cmia32.org](mailto:chair@cmia32.org):**

Called the meeting to order at 1:12 p.m.; group recited The Serenity Prayer; Joe G. read The AA Preamble; the group recited The Responsibility Pledge.

**Thank you District 8 members for hosting us today!**

**SECRETARY, Kristan G.: [secretary@cmia32.org](mailto:secretary@cmia32.org):**

Roll Call: 103 In attendance; 46 guests; 52 GSRs; - 5 Alt. GSRs; 52 Groups  
4 GSRs at 1<sup>st</sup> visit to Assembly; 2 visiting for the second time

Chairman called for corrections to minutes from 8/4/2013. The following correction provided: None

Tradition 9 was discussed by Marc M.  
Concept 9 was discussed by Jeremiah S. and

Tradition 10 was discussed by Chris K.  
Concept 10 was discussed by Ed G.

For the next meeting in District 24, volunteers: Tradition 11 – Lori F.; Tradition 12 – Ted S.  
Concept 11 – Mike K.; Concept 12 – Jesse P.

**TREASURER, Lori F. [treasurer@cmia32.org](mailto:treasurer@cmia32.org)**

Report Approved (Report attached).

**FINANCE, Reported by Lori F. for Jessica R.: [finance@cmia32.org](mailto:finance@cmia32.org):** Report Approved (Report attached).

**REGISTRAR, Kate L. for Linda G.: [registrar@cmia32.org](mailto:registrar@cmia32.org):** Reported as follows. Group change/new group forms available today.

**Five past delegates were recognized.**

**DELEGATE, Pauline N.: [delegate@cmia32.org](mailto:delegate@cmia32.org):** Reported as follows: The DCM meeting was opened with the serenity prayer. Minutes were read and accepted as well as the treasurer report. In September I traveled to Lansing and Saline. From World Services Board meeting in September it was recommended that a soft cover abridged large print edition of Alcoholics Anonymous be produced in 2014. A well-received calendar feature was added to the Daily Reflections page on GSO's AA web site, allowing users to go back and forth by day and select a specific date. Fast approaching is the Forum to be held Nov. 16-17 in Fort Wayne IN. If interested in going, see Moe M. With sadness our area now has one dark district which is District 28/Alpena. We have no results in reaching out to District 28, but will keep on trying to get them shining bright again. There were 8 DCM's present. The districts are working on great workshop topics. Our next area meeting will be December 1 in Vassar at the high school. Hope to see you all there. Love and Service, Pauline Newas, Delegate 63/32.

**ALT. DELEGATE, Kirk F.: [altdelegate@cmia32.org](mailto:altdelegate@cmia32.org).** Reported as follows. Today we had 46 attendees. We discussed what GSR's do for their groups. We talked about portions of the structure of AA among them, the trustees, the General Services Conference. We discussed that AA is the vital link between his/her group and AA as a whole. We discussed a proposed GSR orientation guide. We briefly discussed floor procedures used at our assembly. Discussed the alternating business of the area; in even years we elect officers, committee chairs, delegate and alternate delegate. In the odd years we conduct an area inventory. We discussed the importance of the inventory. I ask GSR's and others to make copies of the inventory to hand out to the groups and return them as soon as possible to enable the Alternate Delegate to condense the responses and report the results to the assembly. (Copy of AREA INVENTORY questionnaire attached to electronic version of minutes and otherwise available on AREA web page [www.cmia32.org](http://www.cmia32.org)).

**ARCHIVIST, Jim D: District 6.** Reported as follows: We had a display at the Annual Dignitaries Dinner in Lansing Michigan. Over 250 people from all over the US. The stuff I display at each meeting belongs to the Archives Committee located in Holt, MI. Thank you all for your continued interest and support.

**ARCHIVES COMMITTEE, Theron B.: [Archives@cmia32.org](mailto:Archives@cmia32.org)** Reported as follows: Seven members present. Phil L.

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read the statement he drafted on behalf of the committee explaining the status and relationship of the Archivist and the Archives Committee. The statement was accepted unanimously. Theron B. reviewed revisions to the Archives Committee guidelines to clarify aspects of the Archivists role and reimbursement for expenses. The scanning project is continuing with group secretary notebooks from Brighton and Chesaning.

**CORRECTIONS, Sandy E. for Pete B. :** [corrections@cmia32.org](mailto:corrections@cmia32.org): Reported as follows: Statewide corrections workshop moved from Oct 19<sup>th</sup> to November 9<sup>th</sup> 2013. Statewide Corrections presence will be at MYCPAA. District 4 workshop scheduled for February 8, 2014. Discussed tri-fold information board for area meetings. Discussed workshop to possibly include: Volunteer forms, Do's & Don'ts with court system forms, make it Velcro or adjustable, ask Kenny Katz about his board. One kit and 1 workbook for Lori. Literature \$800/9 = \$88.00.

**COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY (CPC), Stanley P. for Sharon S. :** [cpc@cmia32.org](mailto:cpc@cmia32.org): Reported as follows: Seven in attendance. The committee talked about what CPC does and how CPC cooperate with the professional. In attendance was district 2 and district 8. CPC chair for district 8 read a CPC report for Livingston County District #8 AA's.

**FORUM, Donald "Moe" M. :** [Forum@cmia32.org](mailto:Forum@cmia32.org): Reported as follows: Forum upcoming November 15-17, 2013. No registration fee online at [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org). Located at HILTon Fort Wayne Convention Center, Fort Wayne Indiana, Rooms \$104+tax.

**GRAPEVINE, Ronald B. :** [grapevine@cmia32.org](mailto:grapevine@cmia32.org): No meeting or report this assembly.

**LITERATURE, Ray H. :** [literature@cmia32.org](mailto:literature@cmia32.org): Report approved (report attached).

**PUBLIC INFORMATION, Peter S. :** [pi@cmia32.org](mailto:pi@cmia32.org): Reported as follows: Attended by Henry, Debbie T, Paul K, Jody P, Pete S, Kim K, Karla K. Kim K gave overview on what PI Committee does. District 8 inquired about PSA's. District 4 to follow-up with high schools to make sure guidance offices have needed literature. District 2 is having trouble with outdated meeting directories at probation department. Pete to talk to contact some more about TV PSA's.

**SPECIAL NEEDS, Donald W. :** [specialneeds@cmia32.org](mailto:specialneeds@cmia32.org): Committee met – no report..

**LIAISON, Chris L : District 4:** No meeting or report this assembly.

**TREATMENT FACILITIES, Debbie G. (elected new chair this meeting):** [treatment@cmia32.org](mailto:treatment@cmia32.org): Reported as follows: Chair stepped down and alternate chair lead meeting. Nine in attendance with 4 visiting. Spent time getting to know each other and sharing out our Bridging the Gap in our own communities.

**WEBSITE, Ted S. website@cmia32.org:**

Committee met – reported as follows: There were nine attendees from Districts 4,6,8,12, and 26. Topics discussed were: A. The calendar of events on the website - No action taken at this time; B. Possible online registration for State Convention - No action taken at this time; C. Different types of AA meeting schedules on sites. - No action taken; D. Michigan State Convention posting on CMIA website. - Discussion, Motion by Chelsea from Dist 8 to post State Convention on site, 2nd by Donald from Dist 8, discussion, motion passed; E. Guidelines for websites discussed (Linking to other sites) Group agreed that links must be to AA sponsored functions and events.

**CONVENTION COMMITTEE, Mike K:** [website@cmia32.org](mailto:website@cmia32.org): Committee met – reported as follows: See CONVENTION link on area web page for convention updates, details, service opportunities, committee contact information. Next meeting in Howell, Sunday November 10 @ 10:00am.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Next area meeting will be hosted by District 24 / Vassar on Sunday, December 1, 2013. Flyer attached.
- [www.CMIA32.org](http://www.CMIA32.org) web page provides the address and directions to Area Assemblies
- Area INVENTORY available on [www.CMIA32.org](http://www.CMIA32.org)

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Debbie G. nominated / voted for TREATMENT FACILITY chair.

Delegate is handling MYCPAA letters of support.  
August 2014 open for CMIA32 Area Assembly host.

### MOTIONS:

It is requested of the Convention committee to approve in the assembly minutes including officer signatures approval for Tracy G., Treasurer for the 2014 62nd State Convention permission to use Area 32 Sales Tax ID for the purpose of opening and maintaining a business bank account for said convention. Motion carried – MOTION APPROVED.

Assembly closed at 2:50pm with the Lord's prayer

CMIA 32 LITERATURE				
DATE	DESCRIPTION	RECEIVE	PAYMENT	ACCOUNT BALANCE
		<i>Balance brought forward</i>		\$2,035.51
08/04/13	CMIA LITERATURE SALE TAXABLE	\$1,257.50		\$3,293.01
08/04/13	CMIA CORRECTION	\$800.00		\$4,093.01
08/04/13	SALE TAXS	\$75.00		\$4,168.01
06/01/13	SERVICE FEE		\$2.00	\$4,166.01
07/01/13	SERVICE FEE		\$2.00	\$4,164.01
09/24/13	A A WORLD SERVICES		\$1,990.40	\$2,173.61
09/25/13	A A WORLD SERVICES	\$59.20		\$2,232.81
09/29/13	MICHIGAN TAXS		\$127.57	\$2,105.24
09/29/13	MICHIGAN TAXS		\$146.45	\$1,958.79
08/06/13	UPS STIRE		\$66.70	\$1,892.09
10/05/13	BRIGATON .43 @ 100.2		\$43.09	\$1,849.00
		\$2,191.70	\$2,378.21	

Central Michigan Intra-Area 32  
Treasurer's Report  
August-September 2013  
District 8-Brighton

**Beginning Available Balance:**

**4,294.85**

**Income:**

1. 7 <sup>th</sup> Tradition	81.36
2. GSO Coffee Pot	44.90
3. Reimbursement from District 2	95.91
4. Group Contributions	2857.56
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>3079.73</b>

1. Archives Committee	100.00
2. Corrections Committee	800.00
3. Registrar Expense	49.50
4. Secretary Expense	240.12
5. Treasurer Expense	45.71
6. Chairperson Expense	23.68
7. Forum Fund	at cap
8. GSO Coffee Pot	44.90
9. DCM Committee	1,000.00
10. Host Fee-District 8	700.00
11. District 2 Reimburse for Host Fees	79.00
12. State of Michigan Corporation Fee	20.00
13. Kirk Faupel-Alternate Delegate Expenses	241.51
14. Jim Dyer-Reimburse for State Convention Expense	300.88

**Total Expense:**

**3,645.30**

**Ending Available Balance**

**\$3,729.28**

Forum Fund	2,750.00 (cap)
Checking Account Balance	3,729.28
Solvent Treasury	3,500.00 (cap)
Area 32 General Fund	9,979.28

# Finance Committee Report 10-6-13

Submitted by: Lori Field - acting chairperson  
due to Finance Committee Chairperson's absence.

Beginning Available Balance: \$3,729.28

Standard Monthly Expenses: \$2,275.18

Committee Reimbursements: 0

Officer Fuel Reimbursements: \$234.77

Committee Requests \$800.00

TOTAL EXPENSES \$3,309.95

ENDING BALANCE \$419.33

Committee Requests for the Body:

\$800.00 for corrections committee

Other Business

Forum Fund Dispersal of \$3000.00 For  
upcomming Forum in November

In Service,



Lori Field  
Area 32 Treasurer.



**CMIA 32**

**WINTER MEETING**

**BRING YOUR SPONSOR!**

**BRING YOUR SPONSEE!**

**BRING YOURSELF!**

**WHEN:** December ~~8~~<sup>1</sup><sup>TH</sup> 9:00am – 2:30 pm

**WHERE:** Vassar High School, 220 Athletic Street, Vassar

**WHAT:** The CMIA 32 Meeting Hosted By TAUC/District 24

**Schedule**

9:00 - Coffee and Doughnuts  
9:30 – 10:30 Finance Committee  
10:00 – 11:30 GSR Meeting  
10:30 – 11:30 DCM Meeting  
11:30 – 12:30 Standing Committees  
12:30 – 1:00 Lunch  
1:00 – 2:30 General Assembly Meeting

Open Meeting, all are welcome to attend.

This is a Non-Smoking Facility

Please, no smoking on the grounds!



# Central Michigan Intra Area - Inventory

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Hello,

By way of explanation, our area assembly takes a self-inventory or "how goes it" every two years. The bi-annual inventory is used to both confirm that the assembly is serving the Fellowship to your satisfaction, and just as importantly, to consider the areas and practices which the assembly might consider changing or modifying. Any member is at liberty to complete an inventory questionnaire; however, the questionnaire is specifically directed to the individual General Service Representatives and the meeting groups in the central Michigan service area.

At CMIA we have a tradition of taking an area inventory in the years ending in odd numbers, e.g., 2013, 2015, etc. And we nominate and elect committee service chairs, officers, and our delegate and alternate delegate in the even-numbered years (2014, 2016, etc.). The process is intended to help keep the assembly as a whole serving the groups and districts in a manner that meets their needs. From time to time we must make changes to better serve our groups and our districts. This inventory will guide the assembly in knowing what we're doing right and where we might look to improve.

The CMIA alternate delegate distributes the inventory and collects and collates the inventory for a report to the assembly on the results. Please make copies of the inventory and distribute the copies to groups in your service area. It is important that the responses be legibly printed for easy reading. Also important is that the responses be completed and returned at your earliest convenience. In recent years a report on the inventory has occurred at our December meeting. The reality may be that a report is given at our first assembly in February. If necessary use additional sheets of paper to convey your thoughts.

1. Is CMIA carrying the AA message and of service effectively to the groups and to the districts? What do you see that the assembly could do to improve carrying the message?
2. Have you attended the GSR orientation meetings? As a result of your attendance do you have a better understanding of the A.A. structure (i.e., groups, districts, area, the General Service Conference etc)? In your opinion, what information should be added to the orientation that would benefit new GSRs?
3. How can CMIA better assist you, your district, or in your group duties?
4. Has attending CMIA provided you with an understanding of the Mock Conference, the East Central Regional Forum, State conventions, and other functions of A.A. beyond your group or district?
5. Do you attend area assemblies on a regular basis? Why do you attend the assembly, or, why have you stopped attending?
6. Are you a member of one of the area committees? Is that committee helping to carry the message?
7. In your opinion, do we choose our officers, committee chairs, delegate and alternate delegate with care?
8. Does the Central Michigan Intra Area assembly use its time in the most efficient most effective way possible between 09:30 and 3:00 p.m.? What, if anything needs to change at or about the assembly to make the assembly more productive, more attractive?





9. Does our assembly participation represent a good cross-section of the Fellowship? What should the assembly consider adding, modifying, or eliminating to make service at our area assembly more attractive?
10. Are you attending area assemblies regularly? Why?
11. If you have attended an assembly once but you no longer attend, was it the assembly itself you found unattractive or something else?
12. What, if you could change one thing, should the assembly consider changing to make attendance at the assembly more attractive?
13. Is there something in this inventory on which you would like to comment?

**PLEASE WRITE LEGIBLY AND RETURN YOUR ANSWERS TO:**

**U.S.P.S. Mail: Kirk Faupel P.O. Box 283 Saline, Michigan 48176-0283**

**—OR—**

**E-mail: [altdelegate@cmia32.org](mailto:altdelegate@cmia32.org)**

**Please call if you believe I can be of assistance: 734.429.4218**

Please keep in mind that this or any inventory are words on a page; nothing automatically changes as a function of this inventory. The inventory, once completed, will be summarized and announced at an upcoming assembly.

If you want specific changes to take effect, then the assembly itself decides whether to change, alter, amend, or delete current practices. Thank you for filling out the inventory.

The inventory is just the beginning. To effect a change, you or some other member of the assembly should make the suggested change in the form of a motion to be brought before the assembly for discussion and a vote.

As in Step 3, making a decision is only a part of the equation. We must take action to effect a change.