MINUTES DISTRICT 10 (AREA 20) MONTHLY MEETING April 27, 2014 - ST. GILBERT'S CHURCH, GRAYSLAKE, IL

ATTENDANCE: 55

CALL TO ORDER: DCM, Mike M., called the meeting to order with a quiet time followed by the Serenity Prayer.

INTRODUCTION OF 1ST TIME ATTENDEES:

Tom H. GSR, Thursday 7:30 PM Road of Happy Destiny, Gurnee

Ray M. GSR, SH Sunday 6pm Sunseekers

Tim GSR, SH Monday thru Friday 7pm Miracles Happen

ANNIVERSARIES:

David I. April 6 (4 years)

Robin B. April 12 (6 years)

Jaci A. April 17 (28 months)

SECRETARY REPORT (Kim T., Mike B.) March 2014 meeting minutes emailed to GSRs, district committees and select Area representatives, and posted to district10nia.org website. Motion made by Kevin A. to accept the minutes, seconded by Steve B. Motion passed.

TREASURER REPORT (Earl N., Amy I.): April 2014 report was reviewed.

<u>April 2014</u>

Checking account balance \$2,996.36 Prudent Reserve \$2,000.00

Discussion topic: The 2014 NIA Spring Conference and Assembly was self-supporting with a surplus, therefore the District should decide how best to utilize the money for service. See this month's New Business for more information.

Motion to accept the April Treasury report made by Beau J., seconded by Steve K. Motion passed.

Reminders:

- Please fill out the new Check Request Form when seeking reimbursement, and submit along with your receipt/s. Forms will be available at the District meeting.
- Groups, please ensure that your group information is complete and accurate when sending your contributions to the District. Pre-printed contribution envelopes are available at the district meeting. When contributions are received, a new envelope is mailed to the group contact along with your receipt.

GENERAL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES (GSR) REPORTS:

- Les H., GSR Tues 7 PM Spiritual Kindergarten, Grayslake: Last Tuesday of the month is an open speaker meeting. April's speaker: Matt E.
- Sarah: ICYPAA Speaker Dance will be held at Serenity House on Saturday, June 28, 2014. Doors open at 6:30 PM, speaker begins at 7:00 PM. Dance after the speaker until 1:00 AM. Tickets are \$5.00 in advance, \$7.00 at the door. Donations and contributions from groups are welcome.
- Scott, GSR SH Monday 8:30pm group seeks to get registered with GSO. Scott to talk to Bob P., GSR Contact chair.
- Andrea H.: Soberfest Fun Raiser, Saturday, May 3, 2014 at McHenry Township Center. Dinner at 5:00 PM, speaker at 7:00 PM.
- Kim T, GSR Winners and Beginners, Wauconda (Dist. 11): Annual Anniversary Party will be held Saturday, May 17, 2014. Doors open at 5:00 PM, dinner starts at 5:30 PM, speaker starts at 7:00 PM. Speaker will be Larry S. This is a free, open, adult event.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 2014 Spring Conference and Spring Assembly report (Bob P.):
 - The 2014 Spring Assembly Conference was held March 28th 30th, 2014, at the Holiday Inn Conference Center in Gurnee, IL. Districts 10, 11, and 12 co-hosted the event. The Conference theme was, "Living in Ten, Eleven, and Twelve". Following are highlights of the summary. The full report is available by contacting Bob P.
 - The conference "break even analysis" was 600 registrants at \$20.00 apiece. The actual total number of registrants was 766. The walk-in rate was 49.5%. Al-Anon/Alateen participation was 14%.
 - The conference paid back Area 20's seed money. Due to an experienced overall committee, costs were kept low; because of this, the conference enjoyed a surplus, which was then shared with Al-Anon/Alateen in proportion with their conference attendance. The Program, Alcathon, Decorations, Entertainment, Hospitality, Printing, and Special Needs committees were all under budget.
 - From Bob: "This is one of the finest groups of people I have ever worked with. It was my pleasure to serve on this committee. During the course of this event, some challenges arose. This committee met every challenge with kindness and grace. All deadlines were met. I am grateful for the experience."
 - o Final Report (10 megabyte PDF file) is available by contacting Bob P.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Area Committee Meeting will be held Saturday, May 10, 2014. Mike M. to attend and provide a report in the May 2014 District 10 meeting.
- Earl N.: The 2014 NIA Spring Conference and Assembly was self-supporting with a surplus, therefore the District should decide how best to utilize the money for service. GSRs were asked to talk to their groups and collect ideas as to how the money can be best utilized. Earl suggested that the money can be put to use within District 10 by distributing funds to Corrections or Bridging the Gap; groups may wish to fund workshops. Please bring suggestions to the May 2014 District meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- District 10 & 12 Spring Breakfast will be held Sunday, May 18, 2014 at the Bonnie Brook Country Club in Waukegan. Breakfast starts at 9:00 AM. \$16 per person. More information to come. Terri from District 12 is chairing, and attended the April District 10 meeting to talk about the breakfast.
- Fall Breakfast (Andrea H): More details to come.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

DIRECTORY (Steve K., Scott E.): 500 copies of the Directory were printed for April. Please send changes to directory@district10nia.org at any time. The committee will make the changes in the printed copies as-needed.

ANSWERING SERVICE (Robin B., Bridget M.): Robin is updating the District's Information pages for Ansercall, our answering service provider, to ensure the information is up-to-date. This information includes: instructions as to how calls should be monitored, phone lists for various other districts, meeting location phone numbers, phone numbers for programs dealing with problems other than alcohol, and District 10 service committee chairperson phone numbers.

Answering Service Calls, April 2014

	Apr		Apr		Apr
Total Calls	<u>64</u>	General Info	0	Solicitor	1
Meeting Info	26	Treatment Facility Info	0	Hang-up No one there (1), Lost connection (2) Bad connection (1)	4
12-Step	9	Halfway House Info	0	Will call back	1
Wrong Number	1	Alanon	1	Website	5
Other Districts	9	Spanish	0	NA (1), Will have daughter call back (1)	

TREATMENT (Keith F., Nick L.): Telephoning treatment facilities in Lake County to confirm that they have District 10 contact cards with our answering service telephone number, in stock. Gateway Friday 7pm meeting needs women to attend.

PUBLIC INFORMATION (Tom M.; Mike L.): The Committee continues to meet monthly with the "Cooperating with Professional Community" and "Facilities" chairpersons (Rick S. and Jim L. / Nick L.). They are in process of restocking the card holders and business cards that are being distributed by GSRs to police departments, treatment facilities and AA meeting locations.

COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY (CPC) (Rick S., Jim L.): The list of facilities that can be "adopted" by groups to ensure contact cards remain in stock, is now available. The Committee requests that groups adopt a location, which entails keeping the location stocked with materials and answering basic questions about AA. GSRs were asked to sign up for a location that their group would adopt, with discussion and agreement from their groups that they would adopt this particular location. Directories are also being stocked at funeral homes.

GRAPEVINE (Mark D., Alt. position OPEN): This month's Grapevine topic: Special Needs, Finding Your Way. GSRs, talk about the Grapevine in your meetings. Consider donating a Grapevine subscription to a treatment facility.

LITERATURE (Mark G., Kevin A.): Newcomer packets are available for 80 cents apiece. Contact Mark G. or Kevin A. to order.

CORRECTIONS (Steve G., Gillian M.): The jail meetings need your support. 2 new volunteers were recently approved. The Committee is discussing adding a literature rack stocked with AA pamphlets to the jail facility.

NEWSLETTER (Jay D., Jaci A.): Seeking submissions. Next deadline for submissions: May 21, 2014.

ARCHIVES (Steve B., Alt. position OPEN): No report

SPECIAL NEEDS (Pete B., Lisa B.): Special Needs packets are available for GSRs to take to their meetings.

WEBSITE (Tim M., Bob M.): GSRs, if your group is hosting an event, the Website Committee can post your event flyer on the District 10 website. Please email an electronic copy of the flyer to website@district10nia.org. The Committee is updating the online meeting directory.

EVENTS (Andrea H., Jody S.): Thank you to outgoing Events chair Gloria P. for all your hard work!

GSR CONTACT (Bob P., Beau J.): New group registration and change forms are available.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Alternate DCM (Chuck D.): Present, but no report.

DCM (Mike M.): Mike is inquiring about obtaining our own key to the St. Gilbert's facility to ensure access on agreed-upon District meeting days. If a key will not be provided, the District may want to evaluate options for other facilities to host the monthly District meeting and preceding Traditions meeting.

DISTRICT 10 ROSTER 2013 - 2015 (OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS):

District Committee Member (DCM): Mike M.

Secretary: Kim T.

Treasurer: Earl N.

Directory: Steve K.

Alternate DCM: Chuck D.

Alternate Secretary: Mike B.

Alternate Treasurer: Amy I.

Alternate Directory: Scott E.

Answering Service: Robin B. Alternate Answering Service: Bridget M. Treatment Facilities: Keith F. Alternate Treatment Facilities: Nick L.

Archives: Steve B. Alternate Archives: OPEN Cooperation with Professional Community (CPC): Rick S. Alternate CPC: Jim L.

Corrections: Steve G.

Events: Andrea H.

Grapevine: Mark D.

GSR Contact: Bob P.

Literature: Mark G.

Alternate Corrections: Gillian M.

Alternate Events: Jody S.

Alternate Grapevine: OPEN

Alternate GSR Contact: Beau J.

Alternate Literature: Kevin A.

Newsletter (Conscious Contact): Jay D. Alternate Newsletter: Jaci A. Public Information: Tom M. Alternate Public Information: Mike L.

Special Needs: Pete B.

Website: Tim M.

Alternate Special Needs: Lisa B.

Alternate Website: Bob M.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

NEXT MEETING: May 25, 2014 at **St. Gilbert's Church, Grayslake, IL.** The Traditions meeting will begin at 5:30 PM. The District meeting will begin at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Kimberly T., Secretary District 10, Area 20