

January 19th, 2025
4:00 p.m., Jacob's Well

January Area Service Committee

Next Area Meeting: February 16th, 2025, 4:00 p.m, Jacob's Well

Moment of Silence: Yes
Serenity Prayer: Yes
12 Traditions: Emalyn R.
12 Concepts: Kieffer B.
Service Prayer: Tim C.
Welcome anyone new to Area: Danielle S., Ashley C.

New Groups:

Open Positions: RCMA

Minutes approved: Yes

Attendees: (See attendance sheet)

Trusted Servant Reports:

Secretary Report:

Minutes were emailed and approved. Thank you for letting me serve.
-Kristin P.

Treasure Report:

Hi. I'm an addict named Jen. The bank is showing we have \$0.79 more than I do. Due to circumstances happening in my personal life, I do not have the bandwidth to figure out where the discrepancy lies at this time. The good news is the bank thinks we have more money than I do. I will sort this out by the next Area meeting and let you know what I find out. Thank you for letting me serve.

Area Account

<u>NOVEMBER TO DECEMBER</u>

Starting Balance:	\$2,312.41
Income (Groups):	\$222.00
Income (Transfer):	\$0
Lean on Me Cadillac	\$75.00
Never Alone	\$10.00
New Attitudes Manistee	\$20.00
New Freedom Cadillac	\$50.00
Nu Way	\$10.00
Recovery First	\$10.00
Women in Recovery+	\$6.00
7th Tradition from PR Meeting	\$41.00
Expenses:	(\$316.20)
Rent: Faith Reformed Church (Ck #1582)	(\$115.00)
Hannah B. - CAR/CAT (Ck #1584)	(\$100.00)
PR Transfer to Literature	(\$101.20)
New Balance:	\$2,218.21
Prudent Reserve	\$200.71

For Calculation Purposes Only See Bank Statement Reconciliation Form

Outstanding Checks:	\$1,100.00
1567: BATA	\$300.00
1578: BATA	\$700.00
1584: Hannah B. - CAR/CAT	\$100.00

Activities Subcommittee

Starting Balance:	\$500.00
Income:	\$22.00
Expenses:	(\$25.00)
Ending Balance:	\$497.00

Retreat Subcommittee

Starting Balance:	\$2,000.00
Income Total:	\$0.00
~Income Cash:	\$0.00
~Income Venmo	\$0.00
Expenses:	\$0.00
Ending Balance:	\$2,000.00

Literature Subcommittee

Starting Balance:	\$848.40
Income Total:	\$790.20
~Income Cash/Check:	\$689.00
~Income Transfer:	\$101.20
Expenses:	(\$0)
Ending Balance:	\$1638.60

RCM Report:

No Region meeting in December.

Region will be Virtual FEBRUARY 2, 2025 @ 9:00 am @

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83201875742?pwd=WWtrSkNXYmNNcVhJWEszRGxGbFVUT0>

ID: 83201875742

Password: MZF1987

-Rob C.

Sub-Committee Reports:

Activities:

New Year's Eve event well great! There was between 15 and 45 people at any time during the event. (7th tradition-\$105, beverage sales-\$43, total \$147)

2/6 Super Bowl watch party tentative timing 6pm? Game starts at 6:30 - Chandra contacted Sally to see if the building next door to Jacob's well would be available for use that day. *Pending response from church*

Valentines Day Dance – February 15th 2025 6-8 pm at Church of the Nazarene. Flyers were brought to Area for GSR's to bring back to homegroups.

Cardboard Sled Challenge- March 1st 2025 3-5 pm at Grace Macdonald Park 133 E. Arbutus Lake Rd. Traverse City. Flyers were brought to Area for GSR's to bring back to homegroups.

St. Patty's Day Euchre Tournament in the works. Monthly movie nights in discussion, trying to secure a space.

Thank you for letting me serve.
Josh O.

Literature:

Average attendance: 2
Open Positions: None

We are requesting a reimbursement of \$21.13 for the cost of shipping back the books that were sent to us in error.

Previous Balance: \$1111.73
Expenses: 0
Income: \$224.02
New Balance: \$1335.75

Thank you for letting us serve.
Jen S./Adam N.

Public Relations:

Hi Fellows,

Happy New Year! I believe that this new year will open us up to so many more opportunities to reach the still sick and suffering addicts in our community. It will also allow for 365 new days to communicate to those that need us that NA is here, alive and well and waiting for them to walk through the doors when they are ready. I am looking forward to continuing our work as a subcommittee to further our PR efforts within our Northwestern Michigan Area.

The new January through March 2025 meeting lists should be available here at Area today for GSR's to take back to their groups. Please take what you think you'll need and leave the rest. We've found that some groups are taking a whole bunch that ultimately are getting tossed when the new ones come out and we've had to keep reprinting more later through the meeting list cycle for some groups that didn't attend area or didn't get enough. Please take what you need and if you find you need more the box of schedules are always available on the shelf at Jacobs Well for you to grab more in the future if you run out.

We are still working assembling our ER/Law Enforcement packets and they will hopefully be ready for distribution in February. Thank you to the Literature Subcommittee for always filling our large PR orders quickly! We are working on creating a collective google sheets list of facilities and institutions that we think would most benefit from having these on hand to give out to addicts. If you have any specific locations you'd like to share with us that you think could benefit please let me know! Please note that this is separate from our annual poster drive; these are being created to distribute solely to emergency medical facilities and law enforcement agencies that are commonly coming into contact with addicts still actively struggling with using.

We have also set a date and location for our upcoming PR Learning Day event! It will be held on March 8, 2025 from 4-6pm at Jacobs Well. This event will be focused on service in institutions- specifically taking meetings into Treatment Facilities and Jails/Prisons. We will be having members who have served in this capacity share their experiences and how it has benefited their recovery, along with learning the Do's and Don'ts of this type of service. Fellows who are interested in serving in this way can be cleared through PR right there at the event! Flyers for the event will be coming soon! We would like to make a budget request of \$100.00 for the purchase of food (pizza) to be served at this event. If approved please write the check out to Sally S.

We have also been getting great feedback from the treatment centers on the benefits of having NA meetings brought into their facilities. At each location we have phone numbers lists, IP's and other introductory NA literature available for clients to take with them after

the meeting. We would like to make a budget request in the amount of \$17.60 (\$0.80x20=\$16.00 plus 10% shipping) to be transferred to the Literature Subcommittee for the purchase of 20 copies of the Little White Booklet as those have been depleted from our NA treatment binders at Dakoske, Phoenix and Detox.

I think that's all I have for this month!

Don't forget, it's OK to be clean! Thanks for letting me serve!

Megan S.

PR Chairperson

Retreat:

Average attendance: 6

Chair: Jenn V.

Open Positions: Co-Chair

Minute to Win it Game Night/Pick Retreat Name Fundraiser (nacho bar) - February 8th, 6:00 p.m., Jacob's Well

Working on other fundraising ideas such as the talent show.

Budget request: \$400 for food at fundraiser

Budget report: \$2000 beginning balance, \$70 -after NWACNA merch

Final Balance: \$2070.00

ADHOC:

Hey Family! I have had a few members show interest in joining the ADHOC committee. We have set a date and will be meeting on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m. on the 5th and Oak. If the Web Servant could add this to the website and GSR's could announce this at groups that would be greatly appreciated. Our first meeting will be on February 8th.

Thank you for allowing me to serve!

Josh O.

Group Reports:

Name of Group: Boardman

GSR: Ashley C

Average Attendance: 40

Donation to Area: \$192

Open Positions: None

How is the group going: Great!

Decisions on subjects presented to the group: Regional draft guidelines- Boardman will look on the website individually and submit their suggestions.

Subjects brought to Area from the group: None

Name of Group: Just for Today (Irons)

GSR: Bob W.

Average Attendance: 1

Donation to Area: 0

Open Positions: All positions

How is the group going: Not great.

Decisions on subjects presented to the group: None

Subjects brought to Area from the group: None

Name of Group: Lean on Me (Cadillac)

GSR: John P.

Average Attendance: 6-10

Donation to Area: 0

Open Positions: None

How is the group going: Awesome

Decisions on subjects presented to the group: None

Subjects brought to Area from the group: None

Name of Group: Living in Harmony (Kalkaska)

GSR: Danielle S.

Average Attendance: 6

Donation to Area: \$14.00

Open Positions: Alternate GSR

How is the group going: Really well, it's growing. We've had new members add us as their homegroup. Great energy and really positive group. Currently voting on service members in the group.

Decisions on subjects presented to the group: None

Subjects brought to Area from the group: None

Name of Group: Lost Dreams Awaken (Brethren)

GSR: Bob W.

Average Attendance: 1

Donation to Area: 0

Open Positions: All positions

How is the group going: Not good.

Decisions on subjects presented to the group: None

Subjects brought to Area from the group: None

Name of Group: Never Alone

GSR: Adam N.

Average Attendance: 5-6

Donation to Area: \$5.00

How is the group going: It's going.

Decisions on subjects brought to the group: None

Subjects brought to Area from the group: None

Name of Group: New Attitudes (Manistee)

GSR: Jim C.

Average Attendance: 6

Donation to Area: None

How is the group going: The group is doing well even though our attendance is down slightly. We meet 2 nights a week, Wednesday and Sunday at 7:00 pm at First Congregational Church (no affiliation) in Manistee. Our group conscience is on the 3rd Wednesday of every other month unless needed monthly. This month we were 2 strong due to illness with the other leaders of the group.

Decisions on subjects brought to the group: Excited to know that Area offers a hybrid option and won't have to drive to Traverse City in a blizzard to attend. We submitted suggestions for the Regional Guidelines to Rob C. last month.

Subjects brought to Area from the group: None

Name of Group: New Freedom (Cadillac)

GSR: John P.

Average Attendance: 12-18

Donation to Area: \$25.00

Open Positions: None

How is the group going: Great

Decisions on subjects brought to the group: None

Subjects brought to Area from the group: None

Name of Group: NU Way in Recovery (Wellston)

GSR: Bob W.

Average Attendance: 3

Donation to Area: 0

Open Positions: All positions

How is the group going: Good, but need support.

Decisions on subjects presented to the group: None

Subjects brought to the Area from the group: None

Name of Group: Recovery First

GSR: Sally S.

Average Attendance: 15 (day meetings) & 45 (night meetings)

Donation to Area: 0

Open Positions: Co-Secretary

How is the group going: Good! Great turnout for the holiday marathon party! Thanks to everyone! Donations welcome for the group (TP, paper towel, coffee, creamer, cleaning products). Please remember – No vaping/smoking and no pets at Jacob's Well.

Decisions on subjects presented to the group: None

Subjects brought to the Area from the group: None

Name of Group: Recovery at 5/O

GSR: Kieffer B.

Average Attendance: 15

Donation to Area: 0

Open Positions: Co-Secretary

How is the group going: The group is thriving. We revised the format and discussed different ideas to implement different types of meetings.

Decisions on subjects presented to the group: None

Subjects brought to the Area from the group: None

Name of Group: Rise and Recover

GSR: Tim C.

Average Attendance: 8 & 1 on zoom

Donation to Area: \$100

Open Positions: GSR-A, Co-Treasurer, Co-Secretary

How is the group going: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:00 am at Church of the Nazarene.

The group is doing okay. Attendance is down. We have a new GSR – Tim C. Church Pastor retired, and they are looking for a new one.

Decisions on subjects brought to the group: Regional Guidelines – abstain.

Subjects brought to the Area from the group: We would like it mentioned on the schedule that breakfast is served at the meeting. (Megan S. will make sure to include on the next printing of schedules)

Name of Group: Rock'n Recovery

GSR: Matt R.

Average Attendance: 15

Donation to Area: 0

Open Positions: None

How is the group going: Group is going well. Steady attendance. Reading through the basic text cover to cover.

Decisions on subjects brought to the group: None

Subjects brought to Area from the group: None

Name of Group: Women in Recovery +

GSR or Alternate: Jen S. as proxy

Average Attendance: 11.5

Donation to Area: \$14.00

Open Positions: GSR

How is the group going: Going well – always good to have more attendance.

Decisions on subjects brought to the group: None

Subjects brought to the Area from the group: None

Budget Request:

- Region Donation – **\$200 (approved)**
- Activities **\$500** for Valentines Day Dance **(approved)**
- Literature **\$21.13** – Cost of shipping back books that were sent in error. **(approved)**
- PR **\$100** – Food for H&I event. **(approved)**
- PR **\$17.60** – Transfer to Literature for little white booklets. **(approved)**
- Retreat **\$400** – Fundraiser Food **(approved)**

Old Business:

- Region Guidelines – Homegroups send input to Rob C.
- The Interim World Service Report Workshop held on 1/18/25 went great! 14 addicts attended to learn more and gave feedback on decisions that are being held at the world level. Thank you, Hannah B., for making tacos! Over 6 home groups were present. If anyone would like more info, please contact Sally S. or Rob C. You can also visit www.na.org/conference and click on the Interim report link.

New Business:

- Open Positions – Co-Treasurer, RCMA, Web Servant, Co-Web Servant
 - Co-Treasurer – Kieffer B. has the willingness, Area voted, **Kieffer B. is the new Co-Treasurer.**
 - Web Servant – Megan S. has willingness, Area voted, **Megan S. is the new Web servant.**
 - Co- Web Servant – Emalyn R. has the willingness, Area voted, **Emalyn R. is the new Co-Web Servant.**
- AREA Inventory Question 10 – What is the Area's experience with trusted service?
 - Conduct more workshops – Workshop to educate GSR's and create literature on meeting etiquette.
 - Mentoring and teaching new members

- Foster Unity by having questions and answer session or list of topics we cover before area meeting. **(Tabled for February)**
- Hotspot or Wifi for Area use and cabinet with lock to store zoom equipment. **(tabled for February)**
- Behavior at meetings concern – Discussion of workshop to educate the groups, creating literature, how do we get the literature we already have to the groups and how to educate, include this information in the H&I workshop, I.P. study groups. **(Tabled for February)**

Subjects to take to the groups:

- Literature requests should be done at the monthly Literature meeting, on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 3 pm. Literature is not able to always be available for literature requests outside of the Literature meeting.
- Need women to chair meetings at the treatment center, contact Megan S.
- PR Learning Day Event- March 8, 2025 from 4-6pm at Jacobs Well.
- Recovery at 5/0 has created a photo album of fellow addicts who have passed, if you have photos you would like to add to the album, contact Kieffer or Casey.
- Valentines Day Dance – February 15th 2025 6-8 pm at Church of the Nazarene
- Cardboard Sled Challenge- March 1st 2025 3-5 pm at Grace Macdonald Park 133 E. Arbutus Lake Rd. Traverse City.

Next Meeting: February 16th, 2025 4:00 p.m. @ Jacob's Well

Close

Thank you for letting me serve.
Kristin P., Area Secretary