

July 20th, 2025  
4:00 p.m., Jacob's Well

## **July Area Service Committee**

Next Area Meeting: August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 4:00 p.m., Jacob's Well AREA ELECTIONS

Moment of Silence: Yes

Serenity Prayer: Yes

12 Traditions: Amanda K.

12 Concepts: Emalynn R.

Service Prayer: Kristin P.

Welcome anyone new to Area: N/A

Welcome New Groups: N/A

Welcome New GSR's: Keiffer B. ( Recovery at 5<sup>th</sup> and Oak)

Any Questions from new GSR's or others: None

**New Groups:** None

**Open Positions:**None

Minutes approved: Yes

**Attendees:** (See attendance sheet)

**Attendees via Zoom:**

**Trusted Servant Reports:**

**Secretary Report:**

June minutes were emailed. Thanks for letting me serve!

-Kristin P.

**Treasurer Report:**

Hi. I'm an addict named Jen. Not much to report this month. I will need to order more checks before I hand over the books to the next treasurer. I will order those this month and report the cost at Area in August. Thank you for letting me serve.

### **Area Account**

<b><u>Starting Balance:</u></b>	<b>\$965.61</b>
<b><u>Income (Groups):</u></b>	<b>\$285.00</b>
<b><u>Income (Transfer):</u></b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

Lean on Me (Cadillac)	\$100.00
Never Alone	\$5.00
New Freedom (Cadillac)	\$50.00
Recovery @ 5/0	\$107.00
Recovery 1st	\$12.00
Rise & Recover	\$8.00
PR Speaker Meeting	\$3.00
<b><u>Expenses:</u></b>	<b>(\$324.76)</b>
Rent: Faith Reformed Church (Ck #1627)	(\$115.00)
The Copy Shop (Schedules) (Ck #1628)	(\$87.00)
Transfer to Lit for PR	(\$122.76)
<b><u>New Balance:</u></b>	<b>\$925.85</b>
Prudent Reserve	\$200.76

**For Calculation Purposes Only See Bank Statement Reconciliation Form**

<u>Outstanding Checks:</u>	\$2,093.54
1618: Sally S. - Zoom Minus Lit	\$76.00
1630: Threads - Retreat	\$980.60
1631: WSO - Lit	\$701.48
1632: Katy G. - Retreat	\$61.66
1633: WSO - Lit	\$273.80

**Activities Subcommittee**

Starting Balance:	\$200.00
Income:	\$0.00
Expenses:	(\$0.00)
Ending Balance:	\$200.00

**Retreat Subcommittee**

Starting Balance:	\$2,161.84
Income Total:	\$276.00
~Income Cash/Check:	\$276.00
~Income Venmo	\$0.00
Expenses:	(\$1,242.26)
Ck #1629 to Melissa W.	(\$200.00)
Ck #1630 to Threads	(\$980.60)
Ck #1632 to Katy G.	(\$61.66)
Ending Balance:	\$1,195.58

**Literature Subcommittee**

Starting Balance:	\$1,304.63
Income Total:	\$534.76
~Income Cash/Check:	\$412.00
~Income Transfer:	\$122.76
Expenses:	(\$975.28)
Ck #1631 - WSO	(\$701.48)
Ck #1633 - WSO	(\$273.80)
Ending Balance:	\$864.11

**RCM Report:**

Hello All,

I am filling in for Rob this area. After our last area I emailed out the current MRCNA guidelines as well as the new purposed MRCNA guidelines. I also attached a 'cheat sheet' that

outlined the changes made in the guidelines to review. I hope everyone had time to review this and I look forward to discussing it further in old business. Also, Region is meeting on August 3rd in Mesick at 6052 M-115. This is the address of a gas station, but the building we will meet in is behind the gas station. I'd like to make a budget request for a regional donation. With region being in our area and by the NWACNA, it would be a great opportunity to come check it out if you've never been to one! Thank you.

In loving service,  
Amanda K & Rob C

### **Web Servant Report:**

Hi all, addict named Megan and Emalyn,  
Our website has had some updates throughout the month of June and July including posting Area minutes, new event flyers from Subcommittees and home groups and keeping our event calendar at the bottom up to date. Our PR Secretary is a bit behind in minutes so as soon as I received those they will get posted ASAP. We have also been adding important Area Announcements to the top of the page as they arise. If your group has something you'd like added to that section please reach out to us and we will get your information added!

We have a handful of home groups that wanted their Group Conscience date and time listed on our homepage. GSR's please take this back to your groups and if interested please send us your GC day and time of the month and we will get yours added! This is a great way to attract new members to your home group and get them involved in home group service!

We've had some errors on the meeting lists that have been fixed. Please let me or Emalyn know ASAP if any of your meeting details change so we can edit it on the online schedule so it is ready for our next printing in September.

We will also be adding a new PR hybrid graphic under the Virtual Meeting Resources section soon! They will be going hybrid each month going forward to open more communication with outlying meetings,

This past month the Co-Web Servant, Emalyn R. and I have been communicating and working together to keep the website up to date. We will be setting up a time this month for me to teach her some more tasks and help her continue to get more comfortable with our WordPress system.

That's all we've got for this month, remember it's OK to be clean!

Megan S. and Emalyn R.

NWMASCNA Webservant and Co-Webservant

### **Sub-Committee Reports:**

#### **Activities:**

Activities Chair was not in attendance.

#### **Literature:**

June starting balance: \$1304.63

June Income: \$534.76 (\$412.00 cash; \$122.76 transfer from Area to PR)

June Expenses: \$975.28  
Ending Expenses: \$864.11

Income Received on 7/20/25: \$628.25 (cash) + \$269.28 (ATS check) = \$897.53  
Total: \$1761.64

The Literature committee will be doing its annual inventory on August 11<sup>th</sup>. We will report the results of the inventory at the August Area meeting.

### **Public Relations:**

Hi Fellows,

Happy to report that PR is continuing to find new ways every month to carry our message of hope to those who need it the most! We as a subcommittee feel it's a privilege to be a small part in helping carry our NA message of recovery and helping plant seeds that hopefully grow into people finding our new way of life!

Also we as a subcommittee have decided to make the PR Subcommittee business meeting hybrid each month going forward! We believe with us being such a large Area this will allow for outlying meetings to attend to participate as well as give them a platform to communicate any needs they may have in regards to any needed PR efforts in their city. We will be using the same meeting ID and password on Zoom that we use currently for Area. There will be a PR hybrid graphic added under the virtual meeting resources section on the website soon!

We are excited to welcome some new trusted servant position holders to PR as of this month! After unfortunately having a few servants step down this past couple months we are excited to welcome John P. as PR Co-Chair, Tim C. as Community Outreach Coordinator and Josh B. as Co-Secretary! There's always a lot of work to be done in PR and having a full team is crucial to making sure all of our efforts are being carried out! Please announce at meetings that we are still in dire need of a Fellowship Development Coordinator as well as a Correctional Facilities Coordinator. If you or someone you know are interested in these positions please let me know!

I have touched base with Scott S. who has a connection at Jubilee house and is hopeful he can get the ball moving quickly to get our little library planted ASAP. As soon as I get more information about when that will happen I'll post it in the Area chat in case anyone would like to attend the simple "breaking ground/ribbon cutting" moment. I have money to turn in this month to the Area from our July 2025 PR Open Talk Meeting. Our 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition totaled a sum of \$33.76. After paying \$20.00 rent to Recovery First for the use of Jacobs Well we have a total of \$13.76 to turn into Area today. We had a total of 42 people attend the meeting which was awesome since it was a holiday and MRCNA weekend!

I do have one hefty literature budget request this month for the following things:

☐ 10 of each IP: Recovery and Relapse, Am I an Addict, Sponsorship, For the Newcomer, Welcome to NA, An

Intro to NA Meetings (For Community Outreach)

☐ 25 white booklets (for Community Outreach and Treatment)

☐ 1 How it Works and Why Hard Cover (for Community Outreach)

☐ 4 Step Working Guides (For Community Outreach and Treatment Meetings)

☐ 20 Basic Texts (4 hard cover for Community Outreach, 5 hard cover for Treatment Meetings, 6 soft cover for Jails and 5 soft cover to have on hand) for a grand total (including the 10% shipping) of \$393.91.

Thanks for letting me serve!  
Megan S.  
PR Chairperson

### **Retreat:**

We are two weeks away from NWACNA! YAY! I have flyers here for ordering sweatshirts. QR code is on flyer. Please take some back to the groups. I am returning a check made out to Threads in the amount of \$980.60. Asking for a new check made out to Threads for \$902.20. As this was miscommunicated. I also have an invoice for The Copy Shop for flyers & NWACNA 28 programs for \$129.45 We are all super excited for the retreat, our final meeting is next Sunday to finish up everything. The Cornhole tournament was good. Not a huge turnout, or big money maker as it was a fundraiser. But all in all it was a fun time.

Thank you for letting me serve,  
Jennifer V.

### **Group Reports:**

#### **Anonymous Group (absent)**

##### **Boardman Group**

GSR: Ashley C.

Average Attendance: 30

Area Donation: \$190

Open positions: Co-chair, we have willingness.

Group is going good. We are still looking into moving our meeting but it is TBD since we have not heard more from the Alano Club about rent. Dave T – reaching out to Salvation Army. Ricky talked with old meeting space available.

We bought 13 basic texts with our picnic donations and will be handing them out to newcomers who need them.

##### **Clean and Free Ludington (absent)**

##### **Clean in the County Benzonia (absent)**

##### **Growth Through Recovery (absent)**

##### **Just for Today Irons**

GSR: Bob

Area Donation: \$5.00

Average Attendance: 4-6

Open Positions: All

We need support. We want to do second annual barbeque with a speaker.

**Lean on Me Cadillac**

GSR: John P.

Average Attendance: 10-15

Area Donation: \$25.00

The group is growing.

**Living Free Kaleva (absent)****Living in Harmony Kalkaska**

GSR: Michelle A.

Average Attendance: 5-6

Open Positions: Co-secretary, Co-GSR, Co-treasurer

Group is going really well. Very positive and some great people working their recovery with passion.

**Lost Dreams Awaken Brethren**

GSR: Bob

Average Attendance: 2-3

Area Donation: \$5.00

Open Positions: All

The group is not going good, needs support.

**Never Alone**

GSR: Adam

Average Attendance: 4-5

Area Donation: \$5.00

The group is going okay.

**New Attitudes Manistee**

GSR: Jim C.

Average Attendance: 10

Area Donation: \$40.00

Group is doing well. We want to remind all that our 8<sup>th</sup> annual beach potluck is coming up next month, August 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will have a speaker meeting and bonfire.

**New Freedom Cadillac**

GSR: John

Average Attendance: 15-20

Area Donation: \$100

The group is going great.

**NU Way in Recovery Wellston**

GSR: Bob

Average Attendance: 3-6

Area Donation: \$5.00

Open Positions: All but GSR and Co-GSR

Group is doing good, could use some outside support, people with clean time.

Want to focus more on the basic text, maybe we start reading supporting text connected to the NA meditation. Tabling ideas for writing guidelines.

### **Recovery at 5<sup>th</sup>/Oak**

GSR: Kieffer B.

Average Attendance: 20

Open Positions: Co-GSR

The group is going good. Jus had elections. We have Co-GSR.

### **Recovery First(absent)**

### **Rise and Recover (absent)**

### **Rock'n Recovery Kingsley**

GSR: Matt R.

Average Attendance: 15

Group is going good. Air Foundation campout coming up this weekend. 7/25-7/27.

### **Search for Serenity Ludington (Absent)**

### **Women in Recovery+**

GSR Proxy: Megan S.

GSR: Leah S.

Average Attendance: 9.5

Looking for Co-chairs. We are holding elections in September!

Getting a plan together for our campout on August 22-24<sup>th</sup>. I brought flyers! To sign up contact Melissa W. or sign up on the sheet at the meeting. Some meals will be provided.

### **Budget Request:**

- Region Donation – **\$200 Approved**
- PR – Community Outreach Literature **\$169.51 Approved**
- Food for MRCNA Elections - **\$75 Approved**
- Food for Area Elections - **\$100 Approved**
- **Food for Region Meeting - \$50 Approved**

### **Old Business:**

- Area and MRCNA Elections August 19<sup>th</sup> –
  - Area will provide coffee and donuts for the MRCNA elections. Jen S. will pickup the donuts and coffee from Meijer and set up before the MRCNA elections. Jen will pay out of pocket and be reimbursed. **\$75**
  - Area Elections - Casey will pick up sandwich trays from Costco and use leftover money for chips or sweet treats. **\$150**
- Region in Mesick- Amanda K. will pick up breakfast items for the August Region meeting in Mesick. **\$50**
- MRCNA Guidelines –



- 1. Document Structure and Style – All approve
- 2. Meeting Format – Does hybrid meeting fall into the term “virtual meetings”. Not allowing virtual meetings may decrease attendance at Region.
- 3. Position Re-election – The group doesn’t agree with the position re-election guidelines. The group agrees with service position rotations but not having these strict guidelines.
- 4. Clean Time Requirements – The group agrees with these guidelines.
- 5. Voting Requirements –
- 6. Financial Management – Three bids for major purchases may be a hinderance for some purchases.
- 7. Reporting and Documentation – These updated guidelines will be helpful for hand-over of positions after elections.
- 8. Subcommittees – The group agrees with these guidelines.
- 9. Inclusivity- The group agrees.
- 10. Geneal Tone- Not in favor of the tone.

**New Business:**

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**Subjects to take to the groups:**

- Please remember if your group or subcommittee is holding an event or has a flyer to disperse it needs to go through the Area Web Servant (Megan S.) first for approval before being shared, posted and distributed.
- August 23<sup>rd</sup> 6 pm, Manistee Annual Speaker Meeting and Potluck
- Women in Recovery+ Campout – August 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> Contact Melissa W.
- MRCNA Elections are August 17<sup>th</sup> at 11 am, Jacobs Well
- Area Elections are August 17<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm, Jacobs Well
- Rock N Recovery Campout July 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> at The Air Foundation

**Open Share**

**Close**

Thank you for letting me serve.

Kristin P., Area Secretary