

December 15th, 2024
4:00 p.m., Jacob's Well

December Area Service Committee

Next Area Meeting: January 19th, 2025, 4:00 p.m. @ Jacob's Well

Moment of Silence: Yes
Serenity Prayer: Yes
12 Traditions: Kieffer B.
12 Concepts: Josh O.
Service Prayer: Sally S.
Welcome anyone new to Area:

New Groups:

Open Positions: Co-Treasurer, RCMA, Web Servant, Co-Web Servant

Minutes approved: Yes

Attendees: (See attendance sheet)

Trusted Servant Reports:

Secretary Report:

The secretary was unable to attend meeting, co-secretary Holly filled in.
-Kristin P.

Treasurer Report:

December 15, 2024 Treasurer's Report

Hi. I'm an addict named Jen. I am finally set up for online banking for the Area accounts. I noticed that my November report had one part that did not get entered correctly so I am providing the corrected report today. There was no error as far as what was reported to be in our account, etc., just numbers that got fat fingered in one spot. Thanks for letting me serve.

Area Account

<u>NOVEMBER TO DECEMBER</u>

<u>Starting Balance:</u>	\$1,863.44
<u>Income (Groups):</u>	\$20.00
<u>Income (Transfer):</u>	\$1,684.00
The Lie is Dead	\$10.00
Nu Way	\$10.00
Check from PR for left over funds from building the Little Library	\$83.65
<u>Expenses:</u>	(\$1,338.68)
Rent: Faith Reformed Church (Ck #1579)	(\$115.00)
Activities (Chandra A. for flyers) (Ck #1576)	(\$14.63)
Activities (Chandra A. for Friendsgiving) (Ck #1577)	(\$25.00)
BATA (Ck #1578)	(\$700.00)
PR Transfer to Literature	(\$66.55)
<u>New Balance:</u>	\$2,312.41
Prudent Reserve	\$200.68

For Calculation Purposes Only See Bank Statement Reconciliation Form

<u>Outstanding Checks:</u>	\$2,496.68
1567: BATA	\$300.00
1578: BATA	\$700.00
1580: WSO (Literature)	\$1,079.18
1581: West Bend Ins. Co.	\$417.50

Activities Subcommittee

Starting Balance:	\$2,184.00
Income:	\$0.00
Expenses:	(\$1,684.00)

Ending Balance:	\$500.00
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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:	\$1,122.18
Income Total:	\$805.40
~Income Cash/Check:	\$738.85
~Income Transfer:	\$66.55
Expenses:	(\$1,079.18)
Ending Balance:	\$848.40

RCM Report:

Hey family here is the report from Region on December 1st.

Treasurer:

For the month of October our income was \$1,856.92 and our expenses were \$22.97 and that

was for the phone line. For the month of November our income was \$126.29, and our expenses

were \$609.99 As of 11/26/2024 our total available amount is \$7,191.91

I'm going to send a copy of the interim CAR report in the email thread for everyone to view.

Region is looking for volunteers from areas to be a part of the phone lines. Please reach out to

Doug D. or Ann Marie if you are interested or have the willingness.
I didn't have a ton of time to go over the minutes from region so I'll write a more detailed report for the next area meeting.
In loving service Rob C

Sub-Committee Reports:

Activities:

Friendsgiving potluck turned out well. Overall 20-30 people the whole time coming and going. People brought their kiddos. Lots of laughs, ping pong. Mainly desserts were brought. 7th tradition - \$225.00

MRCNA murder mystery proposal discussion postponed. Non one from MRCNA was present for the meeting this month.

New Years Eve flyer posted, it's a go! Ask Area where the flyers posted to share at meetings. Josh suggested a budget request of \$25 (just to be safe). We have left over monsters from Halloween we can bring. Other than bring your own drinks- we could supply water. Character style potluck. 9pm after Jacob's well meeting – 12:30?

Josh would really like to bring more fellowshiping opportunities to the area – ideas tossed around – sledding, build your own sled contest at park near spider lake, movie nights at the well, hiking, ice skating, bowling, book exchange, more easy meet ups and gatherings.

Bob from Benzonia does ice fishing and mentioned he has the means to take people. Is there a way we could make this an activity? What would we need to make this happen?

-Josh O.

Literature:

Average attendance: 2

Any open positions: No, but we love help

There was an error when ordering the PR items this past month. Instead of ordering 10 PR Basics handbooks (2102B), 10 line numbered basic texts (1101LN) were ordered. We discovered the problem when the order arrived and have contacted NAWS. We can ship back the Line-Numbered Basic Texts and they will send us the PR Basics and issue us a credit for the difference. The Literature Sub Committee apologizes for the mix-up.

We received zero additional changes to the Literature Guidelines besides the one suggestion made at the November Area Meeting. We have brought the proposed amendments back for approval.

Previous Balance: \$1501.01

Expenses (\$1079.18)

Income: \$689.00

New Balance: \$1111.73

Jen B./Adam N.

Public Relations:

Hi Fellows,

We have a lot of good stuff happening in PR currently! We have a couple new positions filled in the past couple months, we welcomed Michelle A as Fellowship Development, Gil U. as Secretary and Sally S. as Phone Line Coordinator! We have a great team this year, working hard to find new ways to reach the still sick and suffering addict. We still have the positions of Meeting List Coordinator and Co-Secretary open, which are both great first experiences to get your feet wet in PR. Co-Secretary has a minimum clean time requirement of 3 months, Meeting List Coordinator has a clean time of at least 6 months. Come get involved in PR and help us carry the message that there's a better way to live! As reported last month we have our updated PR guidelines today to bring to the area for approval, I have printed copies to distribute so we can review them in new business today. We are working on getting the ER packets and Law enforcement packets ready so we can pass those out in the community. For these we have a budget request of \$101.20 for the purchase literature. A total of 400 IP's (100 Welcome to NA, 100 Intro to NA meetings, 100 Am I an Addict? And 100 For the Newcomer). This will give us a total of 20 facility envelopes with 5 smaller envelopes inside that can be given directly to addicts that will include these 4 IP's, a phone numbers list, a meeting schedule and a letter to the addict.

We have also brought back the practice of clearing fellows as H&I trusted servants to take meetings into facilities as a committee immediately prior to the start of the PR Subcommittee meeting. If you know anyone interested in being cleared through PR to take these meetings into a facility please send them to the PR Subcommittee meeting in January! We are in need of women to help take meetings into Phoenix, spread the word! We are also working on scheduling our first H&I Workshop/Training event of the year that will be happening after the New Year. We will be looking for fellows who have or are currently doing this type of service to participate and possibly speak at the event. Let me know if you're interested!

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

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

Megan S.

PR Chairperson

Retreat:

Average Attendance: 5

Open Positions: Co-Chair, Hospitality

We haven't done much yet as a committee – we have done elections, fundraising ideas. Co-chair open, Hospitality open. Name the Retreat boxes are out. Meet again on Sunday December 22, 2024.

Thank you for letting me serve,

Jennifer V.

Group Reports:

Name of Group: Boardman

GSR: Dean

Average Attendance: 40-45

Open Positions: Co-GSR

Donation to Area: 0

How is the group going: Fantastic, Consistent.

Decisions on subjects presented to the group: Yes to both guidelines and budget.

Name of Group: Just for Today – Irons

GSR: Bob W.

Average Attendance: 3

Donation to Area: 0

Open Positions: 4 positions

How is the group going: Been low in numbers, but step work getting done, newcomer has been the most important person.

Decisions on subjects presented to the group: We have no objection to the web-servant/co-webservant proposal. We agree on literature guidelines. We would like the trusted servants to be able to review and give input to guideline changes. We would like to see a simple breakdown on new guidelines.

Subjects brought to area from the group: Could use support.

Name of Group: Lean on Me – Cadillac

GSR: John P.

Average attendance: 10-15

Donation to Area: 75.00
Any open positions: NO
How is the group going: Awesome
Decisions on subjects presented to the group: None
Subjects brought the Area from the group: None

Name of Group: Living in Harmony
GSR or Alternate: Dean A.
Average Attendance: 3-8
Donation to Area: 0
Any open positions: most co-positions
How is the group going: quickly growing and structuring.
Decisions on subjects presented to the group: yes – guidelines and budget.
Subjects brought to Area from the group: None

Name of Group: Lost Dreams Awaken Group – Brethren
GSR: Bob W.
Average Attendance: 4
Donation to Area: 0
Any open positions: 4 positions
How is the group going: Been low in numbers, but step work getting done, newcomer has been the most important person.
Decisions on subjects presented to the group: We have no objection to the web-servant/co-webservant proposal. We agree on literature guidelines. We would like the trusted servants to be able to review and give input to guideline changes. We would like to see a simple breakdown on new guidelines.
Subjects brought to area from the group: Could use support.

Name of Group: Never Alone
GSR or Alternate: Adam N.
Average Attendance: 6
Donation to Area: 10.00
Any open positions: Not really
How is the group going: Same Same
Decisions on subjects presented to the group: Yes to budget and guidelines
Subjects brought to Area from the group: none

Name of Group: New Attitudes Group – Manistee
GSR or Alternate: Jim C.
Average Attendance: 6
Donation to Area: 20.00
Any open Positions: Yes
How is the group going: The group is doing well. Attendance is down but who does attend is carrying the message of hope and promise of freedom.

Decision on subjects presented to the group: Regional Guidelines- input submitted by GSR
Yes on both guidelines.
Subjects brought to Area from the group: None

Name of Group: New Freedom
GSR: John P.
Average Attendance: 10-14
Donation to Area: 50.00
Any open positions: No
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: NU Way in Recovery Group – Wellston
GSR or Alternate: Bob W.
Average Attendance: 3
Donation to Area: 10.00
Any Open Positions: 4 positions
How is the group going: Been low in numbers, but step work getting done, newcomer has been the most important person.
Decisions on subjects presented to the group: We have no objection to the web-servant/co-web-servant proposal. We agree on literature guidelines. We would like the trusted servants to be able to review and give input to guideline changes. We would like to see a simple breakdown on new guidelines.
Subjects brought to area from the group: Could use support.

Name of Group: Recovery 1st
GSR or alternate: Sally S. and Dave M.
Average Attendance: 10-15 day meetings & 50 Night Meetings
Donation to Area: 10.00
Any open positions: No
How is the group going: Great. Meetings are big! Going through a 'shit ton' of key tags!
Holiday Marathon Meeting is coming up! We are asking HG's to bring a dish to pass.
Individuals as well if they can! We are still looking for chair people. Meeting at 8:00 pm and Speaker at midnight.
Decision on subjects presented to the group: Region Guidelines-no issues yet. Budget-yes.
Web-servant guidelines-yes.
Subjects brought to Area from the group: New coffee maker! Woo-hoo!

Name of Group: Recovery at 5/0
GSR or Alternate: Kieffer B.
Average Attendance: 20
Donation to Area: 0
Any open positions: No

How is the group going: The group is going well.

Decisions on subjects presented to the group: We have not discussed the region guidelines. We as a group do not approve or agree with the regional budget. We do suggest region does a regional group inventory and survey about the importance of prudence and why all areas haven't been attending region? Also suggest limiting the amount of appearances and regional events.

Subjects brought to Area from the group: none

Name of Group: Rise and Recover

Alternate: Tim C.

Average Attendance: 8

Donation to Area: 0

Any open positions: Co-treasurer and Co-Secretary

How is the group going: Attendance has been down lately. Breakfast is still being served.

GSR is recovering from a broken ankle. Pastor Rick will be retiring at the end of this year.

Decisions on subjects presented to the group: Ok on guideline changes making web-servant and co-web servant an Area position. We abstain from regional guidelines.

Subjects brought to the Area from the group: None

Name of Group: Rock'n Recovery – Kingsley

Alternate: Jennifer V.

Average Attendance: 10

Donation to Area : 0

How is the group going: Good

Decisions on subjects presented to the group: none

Subjects brought to the Area from the group: none

Name of Group: Women in Recovery +

GSR or Alternate: Open (Megan S. proxy)

Average Attendance: 11.5

Donation to Area: 6.00

Any open Positions: GSR

How is the group going: Attendance is increasing, getting more willingness for chairs and trusted servants.

Decisions on subjects presented to the group: Regional Guidelines-abstain

Area Updated guidelines-approved

Subjects brought to the Area from the group: None

Budget Request:

- PR **\$101.20** (400 IP's – 100 Welcome to NA, 100 Intro to NA, 100 Am I an Addict?, 100 For the Newcomer) -**Approved**
- Activities **\$25.00** for New Years Eve Event – **Approved**
- CAR CAT Workshop **\$100** (Chicken Tacos – Hannah) **Approved**

Old Business:

- Web Servant and Co-Web Servant Guidelines and positions were approved by the groups to move to Area. Tim C. and John volunteered to provide computers to allow Area to be zoom accessible.
- Literature Guidelines- Jen B. shared corrections
- Question 7 Area Inventory – Create new Adhoc Committee to create more comprehensive guidelines. Josh O. was elected as Adhoc Committee Chair.
- Region Guidelines – Guidelines Draft will be on the the website under AREA announcements for input from the groups. Input communicated to Rob by January Area meeting will be added to the revision tracker.

New Business:

- CAR CAT (Conference Agenda Report, Conference Approval Track) – Interim World Service Conference Report Workshop – January 18th, 3:00-5:00 p.m., Jacob's Well. A member from each homegroup is encouraged to attend to vote on motions, all are welcome. Flier on website.
- Area Inventory Item #7- How completely does the Area provide opportunities for communication about committee concerns to the local members and groups?
 - Continue to post subcommittee minutes and post or send area minutes out earlier.

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.
- Women to chair meetings at Pheonix, Contact Dean A.
- H&I workshop speakers, contact Megan S.

- 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.
- Any interest in being part of the Adhoc committee please reach out to Josh O.
- Region is looking for volunteers from areas to be a part of the phone lines. Please reach out to Doug D. or Ann Marie if you are interested or have the willingness.
- CAR CAT workshop January 18th 3:00 p.m. @ Jacob's Well (see flyer on website)

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

Close

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