

**General Assembly Western Area of Missouri Minutes**  
**January 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

*Due to equipment problems no recording was available for transcription of the Sunday Business Meeting.*

Cheri opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer. Jenny read Daily Reflections meditation for the day

Angie M. read the minutes from the September 2008 Assembly. There were no corrections. The minutes were accepted as read.

Steve P. gave the year end treasurer's report for 2008. The report was accepted as read.

Steve P. presented the proposed budget for 2009 complete with detailed expenditures for each of the committees. The budget was reviewed and several committees and officers reduced the amounts they were requesting for the next year to help reduce the projected deficit. Changes were made by Steve at the microphone and the revised budget was voted on. The budget was passed. Minority opinion was heard. No votes changed. The budget was passed. (A copy of the revised budget is included with the minutes.)

**OLD BUSINESS**

Motion by Cheri J. - once a budget item is approved expenditures made within that budget will not need subsequent approval from the assembly.

Discussion was held and the agenda item. A simple majority vote was taken and the motion passed. Minority opinion was heard and some votes changed. Another vote was taken and the motion passed.

Guideline changes were presented by John A. There was no discussion. A simple majority vote was taken and the motion passed. There was no minority opinion.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Motion by Steve P. - Add \$91 to SWRAASA Seed Money Contribution to raise event seed money from \$1500 to \$2500

Discussion was held on why SWRAASA was asking for the increase in seed money and how it would affect the Western Area when it was our turn to host the event if the increase was not approved. The other 10 areas in the Southwest region have already approved increasing their contributions to raise the SWRAASA seed money to \$2500. A simple majority vote was taken and the motion passed.

Minority opinion was given and no votes were changed.

**OTHER NEW BUSINESS -**

Motion by Rondell M - Motion to Donate \$500.00 to G.S.O. per Western Area Of Mo Guideline 1.6 E. Per the guidelines Section 1.1 paragraph G the GSRs voted to have this motion placed on the March agenda.

The Area Business Meeting was closed at 11:50 with the Lord's Prayer

*\*\* 156 people attended the January 2009 assembly*

**2009 Projected Budget**

<b>Income</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>	<b>4th</b>	<b>Total 2009</b>	<b>Est Budget 2009</b>
Assembly & Committee	\$ 826.49	\$ 632.34	\$ 752.42	\$ 724.00	\$ 2,935.25	\$ 2,935.25
Group Donations	\$2,717.44	\$ 3,039.26	\$ 2,585.86	\$ 3,632.30	\$11,974.86	\$ 11,974.86
Birthday & Special Conventions	\$ 157.00	\$ 128.00	\$ 94.00	\$ 153.00	\$ 532.00	\$ 532.00
District Donations	\$ 215.00	\$ 289.00	\$ 1,987.78	\$ 3,264.36	\$ 5,756.14	\$ 5,756.14
Archives-Permanent Home	\$ 107.00	\$ 14.00	\$ 88.00	\$ 38.00	\$ 247.00	\$ 247.00
Non Registered Groups	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Unused Area Funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 4,598.93</b>	<b>\$ 4,162.60</b>	<b>\$ 5,568.06</b>	<b>\$ 7,881.66</b>	<b>\$ 22,211.25</b>	<b>\$ 22,211.25</b>

<b>Expences</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>	<b>4th</b>	<b>Total 2009</b>	<b>Est Budget 2009</b>
General Service Conference	\$ 1,400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00
Delegate New York Expence	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Delegate Expence	\$ 486.36	\$ 451.64	\$ 78.60	\$ 1,110.20	\$ 2,126.80	\$ 2,126.80
Alt Delegate Expence	\$ 475.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 475.00	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,100.00
Chairperson Expence	\$ 232.00	\$ 232.00	\$ 232.00	\$ 232.00	\$ 928.00	\$ 928.00
Alt Chairperson Expence	\$ 25.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 25.00	\$ -	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00
Secretary Expence	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Alt Secretary Expence	\$ 18.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 72.00	\$ 72.00
Treasurer Expence	\$ 150.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Alt Treasurer Expence	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Archivist Expence	\$ -	\$ 115.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 765.00	\$ 765.00
Assembly Meeting Room	\$ 315.00	\$ 315.00	\$ 315.00	\$ 315.00	\$ 1,260.00	\$ 1,260.00
Assembly Hotel Rooms	\$ 851.50	\$ 806.00	\$ 930.00	\$ 1,116.00	\$ 3,703.50	\$ 3,703.50
Archives Committee	\$ 290.50	\$ 65.50	\$ 115.50	\$ 65.50	\$ 537.00	\$ 537.00
C.P.C. Committee	\$ 534.20	\$ 215.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 984.20	\$ 984.20
Corrections Committee	\$ 360.00	\$ 2,160.00	\$ 760.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 3,640.00	\$ 3,640.00
W.A. Convention	\$ 20.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 630.00	\$ 2,550.00	\$ 3,310.00	\$ 3,310.00
Grapevine Committee	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Literature Committee	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Public Info. Committee	\$ 700.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 730.00	\$ 730.00
Treatment Committee	\$ 412.00	\$ 562.00	\$ 1,062.00	\$ 412.00	\$ 2,448.00	\$ 2,448.00
Special Needs Committee	\$ 50.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 147.00	\$ 497.00	\$ 497.00
State Convention	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Archives Rent	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>\$ 29,261.50</b>	<b>\$ 29,261.50</b>

Total Income	<b>\$ 22,211.25</b>	Total Profit /Loss	<b>\$ (7,050.25)</b>
Total Expences	<b>\$ 29,261.50</b>	For 2009	

**Delegate: Quinn G.** The 59TH General Service Conference Theme, April 25-May 2, 2009 is "Our Commitment to Carry AA's Message-Enthusiasm and Gratitude in Action". I have been selected to be on the Agenda conference Committee. All of my paperwork has been returned to NY My flight is booked. I have communicated with my Delegate Buddy from southern N.J. and the Agenda Committee Chairperson. Our Alternate delegate, Steve P., has a copy of my Agenda Conference materials as well as the Conference events packet. Preliminary Agenda items have been given to Area 39 Chairpersons, DCMs, and Past Delegates. Other Area Assembly handouts included an article/questionnaire on A.A. being fully self-supporting; and the 2009 Presentations Workshop Topics for the 2009 General Service Conference. DCMs are setting up District dates for the delegates Report-four are already confirmed. Any ideas, suggestions for The 2010 General Service Conference have to be sent to GSO before 01/15/10. Our Southwest Region contact person at GSO is Warren S. T he new general manager of the general Service Office is Phyllis H., past Pacific Regional Trustee. She is replacing Greg M. The new Chairperson of the General Service Board, effective May 2009, is Rev. Ward B. Ewing. The 2010 General Service Conference is moving to Rye, N.Y. 59 Delegates from 40 Countries attended the 20TH World Service Meeting in NY, NY October 26-30/08. Grapevine subscriptions will increase from \$20 to \$27 effective 07/01/09. LaVina will increase \$2. Grapevine finances for 9 months ending 09/30/08-Grapevine (\$95,000 loss) La Vina (\$56,000 loss). International Convention sites-2010-San Antonio; 2015-Atlanta; 2020-Detroit. Literature-Living Sober is now ASL, out in sign language. AA Comes of Age is now out in soft cover-\$7. I attended the following Area 39 Committee Meetings today-Literature, PI, WAMO Conv, and Grapevine. Thank you to the Chairpeople Kevin, Debbie, Merna, and Doug. Everyone had agendas, reports, Ideas sharing and projects! Also had remarks and handouts at the DCM and GSR meetings. Since the last Assembly I have attended District 7 October, December business meetings; SWRAASA (Southwest Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly) Oct. 10-12 in Eastern Missouri-Area 38-ST. Louis; helped staff an A.A. information booth at NCAADA Convention Oct. 24 in K.C.; and attended Western Area 39 Colors of Fall Convention Oct. 30-Nov. 1 in Branson, MO. I had a 1 1/2 hour conference call with our Southwest Region Trustee, Conley B., and 21 other Delegates/Alternate Delegates Nov. 5. Just a note on SWRAASA it is an event held every other year (even years) in one of our eleven Areas in the Southwest Region. It is for those AAs in this region to learn and share about the General Service structure at the Group, District, Area, and Conference levels. It is also to share information on the Trusted Servant Positions within that framework. I always learn more when I attend this event. 2010 is in Denver. I will be attending SWRDA (Southwest Region Delegates Assembly) Mar. 13-15/2009 in Oklahoma City, OK. This weekend helps the current eleven Area Delegates better prepare to go to Conference in N.Y. in April. My expenses-mailings-\$8.04; copies-\$42.00; purchase of SWRAASA tapes for Area Archives-\$45; upcoming Oklahoma CITY SWRDA expenses-\$25- banquet; 2 night hotel-\$75x2=150; mileage-.30/mile -716 miles roundtrip \$214.80 Total=\$484.84. Please let me know if there is any way I can be of service to you as your Delegate. Quinn Grose/Panel 59/area 39/Western Missouri Delegate.

**Alternate Delegate: Steve P.** We opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer. We had introductions and passed around sign in sheets. We had 14 DCM's present and 7 Alternate Delegates present. We had announcements and District 9 mentioned that their district is hosting Institutions Weekend. We handed out GSO contributions sheets. If your group would like to know how much GSO has received from your group, your DCM has that information. We talked about groups that were disbanded or no longer active to the DCM. I have the forms to fill out for group change of information. Please take some with you and we will try to get group information corrected. I also have new DCM forms available also please fill them out also. We had DCM orientation with Dave F., Norma M., and Rob Z. bringing presentation on the duties and responsibility of the DCM. I would like to thank Dave, Norma, and Rob for helping us out. We had questions and answer session, we had questions on how to get groups to donate and how to get them involved at the district level. We had DCM's worried and nervous (kind of like I am right now) whether or not that they would be able to do the DCM job properly for their district, we had votes of confidence from other DCM's for these DCM's. We had DCM reports, we then talked about workshops for 2009&2010. They said they would

be more than happy if I wanted to put together workshops for the DCM meeting then suggested that it would be better if they put together the workshops instead of me. It would be better experience if they get hands on for putting on workshops in their districts. After the meeting we had a volunteer to put on a workshop, thank you Jenny for that. I think she had a guilty conscience for coming in late. From my experience of being a DCM and an Area Officers I think we have an excellent set of DCM's and Alternate DCM's serving this area and your districts. My expenses for this quarter is \$157.16 for 2 nights for SWRDA in Oklahoma City March 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, and 15<sup>th</sup>, mileage of 593 miles at .32 for \$189.76 for a total of \$346.92 I would like to thank you for allowing me to serve as your Area 39 panel 59 Alternate Delegate Steve P.

**Chairperson: Cheri J.** During the last quarter I spent most of my time talking with some past chairs and past delegates seeking their advice on how to be a good chairperson for the area - surprisingly enough I didn't get any conflicting suggestions. Some of the suggestions I did receive were to read Robert's rules of order and then throw them away and then to study the service manual and the Western Area Guidelines. I added to that list of reading most of the minutes of the past 8 years of assembly minutes and past western area inventories going back 15 years. I was also in contact with the area officers and committee chairs, regional trustees and GSO discussing some ideas to improve the assembly during the next couple of years. Dave and I put together a list of items to go in the GSR packets that were passed out this morning. I would appreciate any feedback from the GSRs on what they thought of the packets, what might be added in the future and what needs to be deleted. I have also been assisting Andrea in completing a confidential mailing list for the area. That should be finished and ready to distribute at the March assembly. I attended the WAMO Convention in Branson in October as part of my responsibilities as the outgoing committee chair of Archives. I also had the privilege of speaking at the 24&7 group in Kansas City for their anniversary banquet. I was unable to attend SWRAASA this year because of my mother's health - but I have listened to the tapes and taken some notes. It was almost frustrating because there were times listening to the tapes that I really wanted to say something and couldn't. I was able to attend the district meetings in a few different districts and hope to get to visit more of the districts in the next quarter. I have also spoken with the ad-hoc guidelines committee and asked them to continue their work. I have listed three specific tasks for them. First is to review all the assembly minutes going back to 2000 and find any approved motions that did not ever get included into the guidelines and add them to the guidelines in the proper section. I also gave the committee the option of going back further than 2000 if they wanted. Secondly to reorganize the guidelines. Such as putting all the paragraphs concerning finance under a section called finance and all the paragraphs on motions and voting in one section instead of having them scattered throughout the document in various sections as they are now. And third, to clean up some of the language. Some of the wording is confusing - there are what my English teacher used to call run-on sentences that seem to circle around in themselves and end up making no sense. I have asked the committee to reword these areas of the guideline with shorter, clearer, more streamline language so everyone can know what is trying to be conveyed. I have also asked the committee to have this all completed and ready to present by the June 2009 assembly so that the GSRs can take it back to their groups for review and we can do a final discussion and vote and hopefully have a new revised set of guidelines by the end of the September 2009 assembly. One of the goals or hopes that I have for the next two years as an area is to have all the committee chairs and officers that are in place now complete their terms. I had expenses for the quarter for the GSR packets but am not asking for any reimbursement from the area. There was no provision in last year's finances for this project. It is my hope that if the GSRs find the packets a useful tool that financial provisions can be made to them for the next rotation.

Could you put the cost in so we know what to budget for?

John A. I think it's nice that you're willing to pay for those but I would suggest that you at least present the cost and let the area decide whether to reimburse you or not.

Cheri J. The packets we have 252 groups registered and I made packets for each total number of pages was 18,000 the total was right at \$401.00. Like I said there was nothing presented to the assembly it was just an idea I had and did.

Doug G. I make a motion that we accept your report as read and reimburse you the money you spent.

Motion passed unanimously.

**Alternate Chairperson: Dave H.** I want to thank you for allowing me to serve. We had a large group of GSR's and alternates in attendance at the GSR orientation meeting. We passed out packets containing the agenda, pamphlets (The AA Group & GSR), a map of the hotel that showed where all committee's were meeting, area guidelines and revised guidelines (recommended changes by the Ad-Hoc Committee), confidential contact list for Area 39 officers and AA guidelines for GSO on the committees of the area. We discussed the packet and answered questions. I talked about the importance of GSR's to attend committee meetings in the afternoon and take information back to their groups. Past delegates John A. and Rondell M. talked about the duties of the trustees. I hope in the next two years, our GSR's will be taking back to their groups more information about what is happening in Area 39. I also hope I can learn more about what is happening in the groups. I attended the literature, institution's weekend, WAMO Convention and Grapevine committee meetings. I have no expenses to report. Yours in service, Dave H.

**Secretary: Andrea M.** Was out ill. Expenses for the quarter. \$70 printing \$55 postage \$50 office supplies \$175.00 which is below her projected budget of \$250.

**Alternate Secretary: Angie M.** I typed the DCM, GSR, Committee and Chair reports and e-mailed them to Andrea M. to be compiled into the minutes. Forwarded agendas and minutes to the ones that requested them thru the WAMO website. I attended the DCM orientation, Corrections Committee, Treatment Committee, WAMO Website Committee, Webmasters Roundtable Committee, and the Area Officers meeting. I am happy to report that we have had good attendance at area assembly this weekend. Our attendance total was 156, of that 156 we had 3 from District 1, 11 from District 2, 13 from District 3, 6 from District 4, 14 from District 6, 23 from District 7, 4 from District 8, 13 from District 9, 2 from District 10, 13 from District 11, 7 from District 12, 5 from District 13, 19 from District 14, 7 from District 15, 5 from District 16, 4 from District 17 for a total of 149 and then we had 4 visitors and 3 Past Delegates for a total attendance of 156. My expenses for this quarter are 60 miles round trip at .30 per mile for a total of \$18.00 Thank you for Allowing me to serve as your Western Area 39 Alternate Secretary Angie M.

**Treasurer Report: Carl C.** I really have no report as Steve did most of the prep work as the outgoing treasurer and I have no expenses. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

**Archivist Report: Tom C.** During the period I maintained regular office hours from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays. I spent most of my time setting up the archives after the move to the front of the Central Office in K.C. We are continuing to arrange the files and set up the space to best display our artifacts. We received much help from Linda M. and Pat L. in helping to set up the files. I also worked on a proposed budget for 2009. I had no reimbursable expenses for the period. Tom C. Area Archivist.

**Bridge The Gap: Ryan K. Southern Co. Chair.** Old business discussion on the BTG Booklet- This booklet is a compiling of leaflets of existing BTG pamphlets explaining how to use and bridge in the area and how to use the WAMO website. The committee wishes to continue forward with revising and submitting the booklet to the assembly for approval. New business goals of BTG in 2009 Neal W. has agreed to update the coordinators confidential Area list by District BTG reps going to there district groups and returning in March with updated contacts. We as a committee need to pursue each district to have a BTG representative. To see that all individuals entering treatments and corrections are informed and given Bridge sheets in order to recover bridge home plans out to send over the WAMO website to get the newcomer a contact upon release. Discussion on how the BTG committee will sit a panel at Institutions Weekend.

**Correction Facilities Committee Summary: Jimmie F.** Opened with the serenity prayer and read the S.O.P. Janine read the minutes from Sept. M/2/P Larry, Treasurer spoke with area treasurer and we have no expenses since last Sept. Projected annual budget was submitted to Area Treasurer last Sept. We are host committee of IW 2009 the funding is inclusive in annual budget. M/2/ questions-discussion/P. BTG report given by Ryan K.(Southern Co-Chair) IW report given by Ryan K. ( District 9Host) IW and BTGWW fliers are here. CF chair spoke on need for AA's to become VIC's to carry AA's message into CF's. Mike - Lit. Rep. has some literature P-68, P-67 some P-66, and P-65. We haven't had any requests. CFC kits (18) order to have next assembly. M/2 vote 1 opposed minority

heard- no change of vote/ P. Char- Finance Ad- Hock Committee. Discussed direction we are going to work together on budget requests. This was discussed and Cheri WA chair came to clarify. Janine brought up 3.1 (E) of guidelines w/ current Ad-Hock finance way of doing business more clarification and discussion followed. CF Chair requests we take back and think about being a webmaster for the CFC. E-mail address to subscribe for CFC given. VIC's needed for Crossroads in Cameron. Goals- Try to get Big Books and Literature into all jails and institutions that will allow them into their facilities. Educate all 17 districts in what it takes to become a VIC's and carry the message to jails and institutions. The district reps can pass that to the groups. Reports handed in Adjourned.

**CPC Committee Report: Bender C.** Opened with Serenity Prayer, Declaration of Unity, self introductions, sign in, statement of purpose by Alt Chair Andy E. minutes read by Tyson R. Treasurer's report, Literature report. Old business workshop at WAMO Convention with PI. Contact the Missouri Bar NCADD in KC, National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Addiction. \$108.00 for mileage returned to the Area. New business develop a committee member list. Discuss election of CPC committee liaison for Special Needs, BTG, Institutions Weekend. MADCP 11<sup>th</sup> annual March 25-27 Tan Tar A resort. Literature - 2 - P74, \$224.20, Special projects MADCP at Tan Tar A resort \$100.00 District reports total requested amount \$324.20. Yours in Service Bender C. CPC Chair. [bender@yahoo.com](mailto:bender@yahoo.com).

**Finance Committee Report: Char P.** Finance Committee spent the afternoon meeting with each committee they are going to be responsible for in the future. We introduced our selves and offered to help with committee budgets throughout the next year. The finance committee met and discussed how we can be of the most use to the various committees budget and finance activities. The new committee knows we will have to make adjustments throughout the year. Our goal is to make the financial aspects of each committee to work smoothly. I want to introduce the rest of my committee and they will tell the group what committees they will be assisting. Char P. Finance Committee Chairperson.

**Grapevine Committee Report: Doug G.** I am excited and encouraged by the large participation of not only veterans of service but new people of service who showed up and were energetic and interested in grapevine. We exchanged a lot of good ideas and brought everyone up to speed on the goals we've been accomplishing throughout the Western Area by getting groups to sponsor subscriptions of Grapevine into public library's in their respective areas and getting Grapevines into jails and other correctional facilities, plus getting old issues into the public domain. I also took the Grapevine Table to the W.A. Convention in Branson and a district function in December with sales of \$460.00 which has been turned over to the Area Treasurer. Our projection goals for 2009 are to get all districts to participate in grapevine and to put on Grapevine workshops at Assembly and in Districts and Groups within the Western Area of Missouri. Yours In Service Doug G. Grapevine Chair.

**Institutions Weekend Report: Ryan K.** This year Institutions Weekend is being hosted by District 9 and the Institutions Weekend Committee is composed of the District 9 GSR's and District Chairs. Committee Chairs are myself Ryan K., Co- Chair David G. (Clinton Chapter VI), Secretary Roger W.(Warrensburg AA), Treasurer Rex Y. (Warsaw Truman Dam Group). Due to the extensive work in District 9 with Treatments and Corrections Facilities and Probation and Parole in BTG it was not difficult to put together a really good line up of professionals. (Flyer and Agenda Attached) The Flyer and Agenda was presented to the Western Area Institutions Committee and voted on and accepted as submitted, other than the last name of our IW Treasurer to be slimer so that the flyer can be placed on our Area website and sent to districts and groups. We have been to the partner committees Treatments and Corrections with our projected budget, while is much less than last years mostly due to the fact that we are making this a one day function instead of a 3 day function as it has been many of the previous years. Our budget is less than the projected budget of \$1,600.00 that's being submitted. I would itemize our budget and ask to reduce it although during all of the meetings today this was discussed and voted on and it was decided that we could just come in under budget instead of trying to make changes. This function should be a success as long as we in AA Service make it a success by supporting it. The cool thing about this function for those that attend is that they are able to participate in the function by asking questions to the wide variety of panels instead of being a spectator. We will be in the back of the room at the registration table for any questions, also we would

like everyone to sign and give your sobriety date in the Institutions Weekend Big Book. The Institutions Weekend Big Book will be traveling around the Area to groups to be signed.

**Literature Committee Report: Kevin L.** Western Area Literature Committee met today, opened with the serenity prayer approximately 12:35 we all introduced our selves, 18 people present, most were new to Assembly and Literature Committee we were pleased to see such a great turnout and so much interest in carrying the message through literature! We discussed purpose and goals of Literature Chairs and our committee. I handed out packets with information I received from Literature desk at GSO including guidelines, service material list, updates on current Literature projects and new material. Some info since first printing in 1939- 28,330,556 English language Big Books sold (through Dec.31, 2007) AA for the North American pamphlet is in final drafting with 15 new stories added, will be forwarded to 2009 GSO Conference final approval. Trustees literature committee will review and distribute. The revised pamphlet "The AA member - medications and other drugs" that may be forwarded to 2009 conference for approval. "2007 Membership survey" hot off the press with updated statistics on the make of AA membership. 3<sup>RD</sup> Edition Spanish Big Book is available with new stories. All Literature Chairs were encouraged to register with GSO to receive updated information and to register on the WAMO website for communication purposes. District Literature reports were given with most present, report just learning the job. Lots of enthusiasm though! We discussed revamping our display and Tony L. from district 12 volunteered to help me she is experienced cabinet maker. Charlotte C will be our Webmaster and update our committee page on WAMO Website. Quinn reported that there will be lots of discussion about being self- supporting vs. allowing book sales to make up the difference paying for group/ member services, etc. He also said that book and Literature prices are set to increase in the near future. I am turning in receipts for reimbursement of \$20.66 for copies. Yours In Service Kevin L. Literature Chair.

**Archives Committee: Pat L.** Pat L. Introduced herself and each member introduced them selves. Pat described many documents which GSO has available. Pat has checked on minutes in the archives from all the districts. She encouraged all of the districts to send copies of their district meeting minutes to the archives. Pat has office hours: office 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM Tues and Thursday at the archives in Kansas City. Richard, from We Are One in Kansas City said they have some group pictures going back 31 years. He asked if the archivist could protect them better and make copies of them. Request was made to convert tapes to disc. Cheri said if each person would do one tape we could do this in a year or so. Tom recommended we give the cassette tapes which are not needed in the archives to club houses. The committee agreed that this was a good idea. John requested Pat mail the report of the minutes she developed about which minutes they have on hand and mail it to the DCM's. Rondell and Pat will review the budget for the next year for the committee and see if there is anything that can be trimmed to help the area save money.

**Missouri State Convention Committee Report: Norma M.** Hi everybody! Once I again I would like to say what a privilege it is to be a part of the next couple of Mo. State Conventions and to be a part of and serve in Alcoholics Anonymous. The purpose of the Mo. State AA Convention shall be to join the Eastern and Western Area of Missouri in unity and provide a useful opportunity to share the AA experience in a broader way. Our goal is to increase participation and promote unity between the Western and Eastern Areas. We discussed way to obtain our goal. One idea to achieve our goal is to involve young peoples group by having a key speaker from (SMICYPAA) another idea is getting information to Central Office newsletters as well as District newsletters. We also have a link on the WAMO website to the Mo State Convention website that should be updated in the next couple of weeks. We also discussed some ideas to improve the agenda and registration I.D. badges. Our current bank balance is just below \$2,900.00. The next State Convention Committee is scheduled for January 25<sup>th</sup> 2009 at the Capital Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City. PLEASE, mark down the date of July 31<sup>st</sup> -August 2<sup>nd</sup> 2009 and make arrangements to attend this years Mo. State Convention. We will have registration forms available at the next Area Assembly. If transportation is an issue, there is some accessibility thru Amtrak and we will have more information available in the future.

I would like to Thank All that attended the committee meeting today and appreciate the support and input given. Thank You For Allowing Me to Serve Norma M. Mo. State Convention Committee Chair.

**P.I. Committee Report: Deb H.** Opened the meeting with a moment of silence and the serenity

prayer. Minutes were read by Debby W. and approved. Treasurer's report given by Loritha C. This quarter we are requesting #390.00 for WAMO website domain. Hosting for District registration fees. This amount is a portion of our yearly total expenses of \$730.00 which already has requested for and approved by the last assembly. Check to be made out to Cheri J. No other expenses were incurred. We had 26 attendees at our 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of 2009, I appreciate everyone's attendance and great ideas during our meeting. A special thank you to John A., Quinn G, and Rob Z our finance committee reps for their experience strength and hope they offered. District reports were read and will be included in the January Area minutes. We discussed how to subscribe to the WAMO website to ensure the line of communication open and to attempt to get more individuals involved in the Area and District levels. We discussed keeping in touch between assembly's concerning any projects that the committee is currently working on. Discussed interested P.I. people register on WAMO website. We had tons of ideas for projects to consider completing in 2009. Everyone should take these projects back to their groups because the P.I. committee will be deciding and voting on what those projects will be. I will report projects decided on during next assembly. Will work with CPC need to get with Bender C. and Jimmy B. for pamphlets. Projects ranged from getting Grapevine subscriptions into as many District Libraries as possible. To have Districts put one 12X12 and one Big Book in those Libraries for purposes of individuals to have access to that information. To attempt to get PSA's to T.V. stations and Radio stations so they can copy and run as much as they possibly can. They can not download PSA's from the WAMO website due to the type of tapes they need to be copied on in order to run. Some ideas from the committee had were to put their districts meeting information into truck stops, school counselors offices, laundry mat's, doctor's offices, public libraries, police departments and inform any individuals that you know in these types of areas that are aware you are in the program to get AA information out to the public. We plan to be effective and productive in projects and goals that we will vote in to accomplish during our next P.I. committee meeting. The committee has a positive vision to carry out and follow through on projects in order to utilize our committee to the best of our ability, to inform the public about Alcoholics in recovery. In order to assist the still suffering alcoholic God Bless Bill W., Dr. Bob, and those who came before us for all of their hard work. Thank you for allowing me to serve. Deb H. P.I. Committee Chair.

**Special Needs Committee Report: Jeannie H.** Meeting opened in the usual manner with 19 members present. Chairperson Jeannie H. requested \$36.68 for copies expense: PR packets, Flyers, Volunteer forms, Work Books, and other materials @ 429 copies. Orientation form Special Needs Work Book and Guidelines. Discussion Re: Special Needs e-mail for those interested, main goals coming up are to reach out to the still suffering alcoholic through workshops, presentations, at Districts and groups. Tracy A. elected by acclamation as new Secretary Treasurer. Articles have been placed in "Changing Times" (north) and "Serenity Press" (south) to also carry our message. Updated display will be taken to conventions and Institutions Weekend in May 2009. Budget was received for those new members as presented at the September assembly. To recap Expenses: turned into Area Treasurer. PR P14 @ 11pgs - 4 copies \$44. Flyers \$25 Typed Flyers \$30 Volunteer Forms \$10 Work Books @ 80 [pgs@4](#) copies \$320 Total \$429 Receipts total 444 copies @ \$37.96 Less 15 copies unrelated material @ 1.28 Balance \$36.68 Jeannie H. Special Needs Chair.

**Treatment Committee Report: Alexsus J.** Meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer. Statement of purpose was read. Secretary read minutes M/S/P. Treasurer gave report of last years expenses. Treatment Chair gave no report. Alt Chair gave a brief report, advised committee that she would like to have some workshops on various ideas. Guidelines, carrying the message etc...Literature report was given there are 3 Big Book and T.F. kit on hand. Institutions Weekend and BTG reports were given. WWBTGWW report was given. Brian D. from District 9 will be the Webmaster liaison for the committee. Discussed the proposed budget that was submitted for 2009. Addressed the needs for literature, will order 3 cases of Big Books, 2 cases of 12X12, and 10 P-69's, and 8 treatment kits. Discussed ideas for goals for the 2009-2010 treatment committee. Workshops, preparing a database of all covered facilities in the area. Meeting adjourned with the lords prayer. Respectfully Submitted Alexis J. Treatment Chair.

**WAMO Convention Committee Report: Merna L-E.** Convention committee meeting was attended by approximately 25 people. We began the meeting with introductions, then we with a recap of the

2008 convention given by Jenny D. and Dave H. Treasurer/ Registration. Thanks to the committee for a great convention. Dave H. reported that after expenses the convention's profit was \$2,543.36. We next had Chairman reports Dave H. Alt Chair and Larry M., P.I. resigned because of other area commitments. Julie E. gave the Secretary's report and minutes. The minutes were approved with one addendum that approximately 15 regis. Were given out for costume prizes. Julie E. will be contact to website committee. Larry M. outgoing P.I. sent a preliminary flyer and indicated his home group SOS, would likely make a donation to offset printing costs. There was no activity for the Treasurer or Hospitality. Doug G. recommended that we continue with the "Boom Box" format for entertainment. The committee voted to limit prizes to seven. We then took nominations for Alt. Jack Q. was nominated and accepted by acclamation. Next Tricia H. was nominated as P.I. Chair. There were no further nominations and she was accepted by acclamation. It was suggested that Jack Q. form a sub-committee for speaker selection. Tricia will contact John A. for recommendations for P.I. The committee was reminded that we are all members of the P.I. committee and keeping with our goal we need to reach out to the whole Area. We worked with the finance committee liaison and completed budget. We are requesting \$20.00 - copies, \$145.08 - Speaker room, for a total of \$165.08. Having no further business it was moved, seconded, and approved to adjourn. Respectfully Submitted Merna L-E. WAMO Convention Committee Chair.

**Area Website Committee: Duane B.** The Area Website Committee discussed our goal, to support the Area. Our webmaster reported that there were 156,651 hits on the website last year with an average hit time of 5-15 minutes. We decided that we would delete delegate reports older than one year. We had a very fertile discussion on areas we will look at over the next two years to improve the function of the website. We are going to make direct presentations to the GSR's and DCM's at the next assembly. Sincerely Duane B. Chairman Area Website Sub-committee.

**DCM Reports District #2: Wendell S.** Kirby called a special meeting to go over the Guideline recommendations and changes Sunday November 9<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm. Not all groups attended with old and newly elected GSR's. 510 group has been inactive group for several years now. We all have a better understanding of why the guidelines committee recommended changes or no action taken at this time. A big thanks to Cheri J. for her input with all the reasons behind each guideline. She was very knowledgeable with information why these needed to be changed. Hopefully each GSR took these back to their groups, for a better understanding. Now as voting members it is up to them to vote their groups conscience. Kirby tried to make sure we all had the best possible understanding so no one went to the assembly not knowing about the vote on the guidelines for this upcoming assembly. Every group that is a registered AA group of the Western Area of Missouri 39 I believe it is the responsibility of the GSR or Alternate GSR to make sure that every function that goes on in our area needs to be announced at group meetings so that anyone who wants to attend something outside of their home group can have a choice to do so. Not just say all other announcements are on the bulletin board, that doesn't pertain to this group. Get outside the box. We figured that a GSR and Alternate GSR orientation might help the newly elected individuals carry out their responsibilities as a group representative. What to expect when giving reports on the assembly floor from the microphone, and in the GSR sharing session. As well as the voting procedure and why it is so important that their groups voice be heard at the assembly. They are the elected servants that link AA to the District, and the Area Assemblies and also for the Delegate to perform their duties at the general service conference. I will have Mary and Ronnie give them their experiences as outgoing GSR's. Then we will also go over the duties and responsibilities of their new positions out of the service manual as defined. I am hoping to have more unity in our district these next couple of year. Starting with groups involvement in doing workshops that will include everyone in AA, and hopefully to have more individual participation in the committees that we already have going into outside entities. The 401 group has been instrumental these last couple of years keeping the treatment meetings going, as well as Sobriety & Beyond carrying the AA message to the clients at 7pm on Tuesday nights. We still have individuals from 401 Group, Sobriety & Beyond, and Savannah Bootstraps carrying a message into the Buchanan County Jail on Wednesday nights at 7:30pm. Two new individuals have volunteered to help with carrying the AA message behind the walls a big thank you Adam K. and Steve K. Janine and Esther are still going into the prison (WRDCC) on their rotation and Ronnie when he can 6:30pm on Wednesday nights

other than that not sure if the other meetings are being done out there. We are supposed to have individuals taking meetings into the Mental Health Ward at Heartland Hospital on Thursday nights at 7pm. When we first started out doing this we had more people than we knew what to do with. Now we are down to I think three that are still going and one being a new individual as well thank you Mike Mc. Here again we start stuff and then know one tells anyone that they quit going, because there is no communication to the District. So again AA gets a black eye, because we assume the meetings are being done and individuals stop going on a regular basis. Now we have another individual that has started taking an AA meeting into Salvation Army Shelter on Thursday nights at 6pm. Still have some questions on this one that I need to get checked out so that it doesn't go against traditions. From things that I have heard, it has to do with paper signing and getting money to attend these meetings from an outside source to pay for these classes. And some people say well we would like to be involved but we can not be around smoke, all these facilities are non-smoking so that should not be a problem if individuals really wanted to be carrying the message to the still suffering alcoholic, what other excuses are they going to use and outside issues. Principals before Personalities. We also have elected Adam K. as our District Grapevine Representative. He has already got things rolling in a positive way. He also has set up a drop box at the 401 Group where individuals can bring old issues of grapevines so they can be distributed out into the community, waiting rooms, doctors offices etc. Taking leads from people and other districts removing staples and sewing grapevines so that they can be taken into the hospital and also the jail meetings. Adam has finished getting (7) new grapevine subscriptions ordered (6) for the libraries and (1) for Missouri Western State University. Natasha P. from 401 group is there GVR. She is working with Adam to get this done. This is new all together since we have never had a grapevine representative before thank you John A. for your workshop. Groups donations are steady. District 2 in my opinion has a great deal of people willing to do their part in carrying the message to the still suffering alcoholic, but there is always need for more help. The ones involved are truly willing to give of themselves freely. In Service Wendell S. DCM.

**District #3: Jan M. DCM.** Meet on 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at 2:00pm at Liberty, Mo except for May for Mothers day 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday. 3 new GSR's at January meeting. Attendance at meetings has been up. A few more groups getting involved, we are going to have a Founders Day picnic June 12<sup>th</sup> at Liberty City park. Will have a flyer next Assembly. Goals for year 2009 Keep growing. Yours In Service Jan M. DCM Dist.3

**District #4: Lee S. DCM.** We had our district meeting January 11<sup>th</sup> at Marshall. There were 6 groups in attendance to show up. Out of 10 new officers took position and introduced their selves. We made plans for our picnic to be at the end of May either 17<sup>th</sup> or 31<sup>st</sup> depending on what day the park at Booneville has open for. Will have a guest speaker there and Barb B Que. I asked GSR's from the groups to set in committees for Area and had great turn out. I am looking forward to serving in 09/10 as DCM for District 4 Thanks Lee S.

**District #6: Michael O. DCM.** District 6 held first meeting this term January 4, 2009. 8 GSR's in attendance. District looking into placing Literature racks and Literature into Library's and Jails. District elected officers and chairs will assist DCM in visiting all 30 groups on a rotating basis. Northeast Group to host Sponsorship Workshop for District in May Still have opening for a P.I./CPC Chair all other Chairs and Alternates filled. Michael O. DCM.

**District #7: Jay M. DCM.** There are 19 AA Groups in District 7 Area 39 Southwest Region of Alcoholics Anonymous. Nine GSR's are actively involved in District 7 service. The district secretary mails agendas, minutes and other information monthly to all groups in the district. District meetings are held the third Sunday of every month, except for months when the area meets. Then we meet the second Sunday. The meetings are on a rotational basis so that all groups can host the district meeting. The district is self supporting and continues striving to be fully self supporting. We keep our groups informed, four times each year, about their contributions to the four AA service entities. Our treasury balance is \$1,424.90. District 7 continues to make progress with carrying the message. Year to date we have set up 38 workshops for the 2009-10 years. In January Pam K., represented a workshop on the Upside-Down Triangle. In February we will hold a workshop for our new GSR's. In August, the district completed review and discussion of the Area Guidelines Committee review/recommendations, which were voted on in October and accepted to follow the Ad-Hoc Committee

changes. A Group Inventory was completed; the district is working on the changes that were asked for buy the fellowship. In addition to the workshops, our committees are very busy. We have set up 10 service projects organized by committee chairs. On January 12<sup>th</sup> the Treatment & Corrections chair and members did a presentation with the Lee Summit courts probation and parole, the state of Mo. Probation & Parole is also wanting us to set up a presentation with them. Our district believes we can be an effective team in getting AA's vital message to the alcoholic who still suffers. Jay M. DCM.

**District #8: Stacy M. DCM.** There are about 50 meetings in District 8 Southwest Region of Alcoholics Anonymous. We have 7 GSR's that are active with District 8 service work. We are working on the rest. We meet the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of every month and rotate between Sunrise Serenity in Sunrise Beach and Dry Dock in Osage Beach. We meet at 5:30pm. We have most of our Committee Chair positions filled, with the exception of our Secretary who just resigned at our last meeting. So we are looking for a qualified, experienced, willing Secretary! We do not have any alternate positions filled at this time, except for the DCM position. As you can tell we are having a really hard time getting people to step up to do service work. It seems like it is always the same people, just rotating positions. Our donations have been down as well, but we hope coming spring those will pick up. Financially the district is doing ok. All the groups around the district are seeing new people coming into the rooms; we have been selling a lot of Big Books. Our district 8 Newcomer meeting that we have on Thursday evenings at Dry Dock is well attended, usually around 40 in attendance that includes the men from Cedar Ridge Treatment Center. I would like to mention to everyone that I brought flyers with me for our Circle of Unity Conference, held at the lake March 27,28,& 29, 2009. The title of the Conference this year is "You Are Not Alone Anymore" Thank you very much. Yours in Service Stacy M. DCM.

**District #9: Roger W. DCM.** District 9 is hosting Institutions Weekend to be held Saturday May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009. The district continues with its mission of carrying the message to the Treatment Centers, Jails, and Penitentiary's in our District as well as O.C.C in Fordland Mo. We are in strong financial condition and do purchase Literature Racks and P-69 packets to fill them when groups request. Meetings are held 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday monthly using the round robin approach. If you plan to attend contact me for location. At [rogerw705@yahoo.com](mailto:rogerw705@yahoo.com) Yours In Service Roger W. DCM.

**District #11: Mark S. DCM.** We have anew group starting. Information to follow. Sac-Osage has become active in service, they elected a GSR and are getting P.I. information out. We had low attendance at last district meeting. I'm trying to go to a different group in the district to encourage more attendance. We will be electing an Alternate DCM at the next meeting with new election guidelines. Thank you Mark S. DCM.

**District #13: Carla M. DCM.** We had our monthly District meeting last Monday, we voted to have 6 district meetings a year due to lack of participation. We are hoping this will entice more interest in service. A lot of participation in part of our district from the Mt. Vernon area, The Southern meetings were a no show. I will continue my support in visiting all the meetings. We are planning our location of new district meetings for the next year. We are still struggling as a district to get reputable members in voted. I am so grateful for the support of our Alternate Ron P. and our new Secretary Hannah. I believe we are off to a fantastic start. In Service Carla M. DCM.

**District #14: David F. DCM.** Things in our district are going great. We've had the largest attendance recently in years. Our focus has been on education, as well as problem solving. Communication to groups and committees has been outstanding. Donations have improved, which is outstanding in today's economy. Our unity appears to be strong. It is really fun to be a part of. Yours In Service David F. DCM.

**District #15: Jenny D. DCM.** Last weekend we had our district meeting in Buffalo. There were 20 people in attendance eleven GSR reports were given. There are 18 registered groups in our district. We are carrying the message to a Correction / Treatment Center in Fordland. We currently have all our positions filled except Literature. We are considering combining our Grapevine and Literature. One person has gathered all the police department and sheriffs department and are in the process of sending all our current groups information for the district for there use. We are also getting current information out to probation and parole. There was much talk about how to become an active district. We have people who are willing to stand up to the plate and take on projects to help carry the message of AA out to the community and the still suffering Alcoholic. Goals finding out what groups

want, become a active district in carrying the message, Workshops and speakers. Thank You Yours  
In Service Jenny D. DCM.

### **GSR Reports**

**District # 1: Maryville Wednesday Nite Group Becky Mc.** Wednesday Nite Group continues to meet on Wednesday night at 6pm with an average of 15-25 people attending. Meetings consist of a chosen topic and discussion. Business meetings take place on 1-10-09 with approval of funds for GSR to go to Area Assembly. We also had discussion of assembling newcomers packets to hand out to all newcomers. These packets will consist of a List of Meeting Times, Temporary Sponsor List, Call List, a Big Book and we are currently taking an inventory of Literatures that may be appropriate to include. Discussion also take place concerning a chili supper with a speaker to take place in the near future. Both the packets and the chili supper will be voted on at the next business meeting in February. Respectfully Submitted Becky Mc. GSR.

**Atchison County Wild Bunch: Ashley S.** We have recently combined the Rockport Fire House Group and the Tarkio Wild Bunch Group in to the Atchison County Wild Bunch, we meet on Thursday at the Rockport Fire House at 8pm and at the Atchison County Health Center in Tarkio at 7pm on Fridays. We have had quite a few newcomers lately. I feel we are doing well. Ashley S. GSR.

**District # 2 Accent On Sobriety: Linda B.** Group attendance is steady. Donations are being made on a regular basis. We have a 12 step workshop every Saturday night at 7pm except 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month. 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month is open Speakers meeting. We host an open house once a month for the local treatment center clients. Good food and good fellowship. Respectfully Submitted Linda B. GSR.

**401 Group: Erica D. B.** The 401 Group is doing well, we have twenty-one meetings a week which we recently changed all but four of these meetings to closed meetings with singleness of purpose being our main concern. We also added a 9am morning meetings on Wednesday to the schedule. At this business meeting we also made a few changes to our meeting topics. The group also made the decision to go with the guideline recommendation changes. Contributions are down a little as well as attendance at a few of the meetings. We are still making our quarterly contributions. There are currently three workshops in the process over the next few months. One of which will be a Grapevine Workshop with help from our District GVR. The only concern that I have to bring to the Area at this time would be more of a question. Why is it that an individual cannot purchase Literature even for our basic text online through GSO or Central Office? One can download PDF files or call Central Office however this may create an issue when purchasing by credit card or being of special needs. Thank you for your time. Yours in Service Erica D.B. GSR.

**Sober Skirts Group: Janine B.** Our group meets once weekly Tuesday 7pm. Last week we had 20 women in attendance, new to long timers. We plan to get more organized regarding group business meetings on a regular basis. Our group continues to observe the 7<sup>th</sup> tradition at all levels of service structure/ entities (rent) to church, contributions to District, Area, K.C.C.O., GSO and for GSR to go to Area Assembly. Goal to get more group members involved in service structures. We currently have a GSR and Treasurer, others do volunteer in corrections and carry AA's message into treatment, out patient, and drug court. Janine B. GSR.

**Sobriety & Beyond: Duane V.** We have had steady growth, with a few newcomers and some are sticking around. Our group had went over the guideline changes with several questions. Also the District held a guideline workshop which Cheri J. went over every guideline change in depth, which was very informative. District held a workshop for incoming GSR's. This was very helpful knowing the responsibilities. In Service Duane V. GSR.

**District # 3 Chapter V-Claycomo: Marcheta M.** Group anniversary March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009. 6-7p dinner Bar B Que provided if weather permits 7-9 AA speaker - Ala non speaker. Flyers are in the works. Problem with cross talk being disruptive this is not newcomers doing this action. Sponsorship is poorly represented. Going to stop treatment every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday monthly. Respectfully Marcheta M. GSR.

**Excel Springs AA Group: Pam S.** Group has dwindled and recovered for 6-25/30 members we have 11 active meetings a week Monday - Saturday 8pm, Saturday 1pm womens meeting, and just recently started an earlier meeting Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday except 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday which is business meeting at 7pm. Sunday meetings are sobriety birthday celebrations and coin night at 6pm.

Friday and Sunday are open meetings. We have treatment center in town which a member visits 2-3 times a month on Monday and patients seem grateful to have our humble group to share with. We have several members more than willing to sponsor and do 12<sup>th</sup> step work. Our group suffered a financial speed bump a few years ago with low participation, but the dedicated elders kept the doors open. We now have reached our prudent fund goal since the membership has grown. We keep the hall supplied with Literature and anything new the group needs. We have opened the hall for surrounding groups poker run and Christmas and New Years Day. We had a holiday pot luck December 14<sup>th</sup> and a picnic in the spring at a beautiful local county park. We haven't had a GSR for several years. I am very humble and take great pride in representing Excel. Spgs. AA Group. Our physical location is 208 S. Street. And mailing address is P.O. Box 517 Excel Sprgs. 64024. Central Office has Mike O. and Clint R. as contact names and phone numbers. Our hall has signed the contract for another 5 years at that location. Sincerely Pam S. GSR.

**Liberty Group: Gerry B.** Group is constantly growing and attendance is good on a regular basis. All group elections were held and positions were filled. Liberty held there 35<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration on November 22<sup>nd</sup>. We had dinner, speaker (Harold- Dayton Ohio) raffle, sobriety countdown and dance. Fun was had by all. Liberty has added new carpet and a new pa system both were in need of replacing. We took a group inventory in early December with very good results and a discussion meeting on how to improve the small problems that we had. Liberty held their annual Alco thon from 8pm December till mid-night January 1<sup>st</sup>. Many area groups and speakers were present for a lot of good fellowship and food. AA group access check list is complete. Gerry B. GSR.

**Park Hill Group: Shannon A.** We had our anniversary it went great. The hall was open for the holidays. We have gone to separating the Business meeting and the Group Conscious meeting. The business meeting is basically for reports and our group conscious takes place quarterly in place of a speaker meeting with a pot luck before. It is working well attendance at these meetings is 80-90 people. We added 2 newcomer meetings to be held in back room during regular meeting as well. At last group conscious meeting there was discussion about remodeling hall to make more room for all newcomers. We have coming. It was shot down because of the concern of signing a 10 year lease with the land lord to pay for it and no guarantee that the group will continue to grow. Currently we have a 3 year lease with 2 years left so it was more in form of finding a new place probably with same land lord that is bigger. Our meetings currently average 30-40 people a meeting. Gratefully In Service Shannon A. GSR.

**North Oak Group: Tom Schnabel** North Oak continues to be a very viable group with approximately 150 members. Activities : men's and women's softball, bowling teams, Spring and fall fish and golf trip to lake of the Ozarks (men), shopping trip to lake of the Ozarks (women) , 4 meetings a day 10, 12, 6 and 8 plus added a new 7:30am on Monday and Wednesday. Buffet, DJ, Speaker on thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years open 24 hours, continued support for SATOP and correctional meetings. Finances have held steady with a 3 month prudent reserve. New committee heads were elected December 22<sup>nd</sup>. Submitted Tom Schnabel GSR.

**District # 4 Santa Fe Trails Group: Danny L.** The group is doing good and attendance is improving. Good attendance also from Valley Hope meetings are held to our primary purpose. Bill M. is taking a meeting to Booneville Valley Hope every Wednesday night at 6:00pm. Danny L. GSR.

**Sweet Springs Group: Lewis B.** Our group has about 10 members and we get a lot of visitors. We contribute regularly to District, Area, Central Office, and GSO. We are handicap accessible and smoke free. Meeting on Tuesday nights at 8pm. We travel to outside meetings regularly our road trip this month is to Riverside in Jefferson City we like to go to Circle of Unity Conference in March, State Convention in July, Western Area Convention in October. We take in all Area Assemblies. Lewis B. GSR.

**Slater AA Group:** 3 core members, meeting financial responsibilities, Jim B., Herby S. Meet on Thursdays at 8pm, Last Thursday open anniversary Basement of Catholic Church.

**District # 6 We Are One: Richard H.** We Are One is getting their bills paid, we've had some new members sign up. We Are One still carries the message to various treatment centers such as KCCC, Ren Community House, and some corrections institutions such as KCCRC, Municipal Corrections Institution, and Jackson County Jail. We Are One participated in Paseo Alco Thon during the holiday

season as well as joining the Liberty Group over the New Year Season. Some members of our group attended the Share Group Alco Thon over the New Years Day. We had a Spaghetti dinner fundraiser in October that was not very financially successful but shared some good information from AA history from KC Group #1 and Archives from K.C. Central Office. Grateful to serve Richard H. GSR.

**New Fellowship: Jerry M.** Kansas City Mo. 5931 Swope Parkway, William B. carries the message to Rescue Mission 15<sup>th</sup> and Cherrie St. Special Needs Marcus B. and Elijah T. carries the message to Rock Hill Nursing Home. Elijah T. and Walter C. carries the message to Summit Nursing Home. New Fellowship had its 28<sup>th</sup> year anniversary on 10-18-08, Birthdays Gregg C. 10 plus years, Walter C. 9 years, Elijah T. 29 years Jerry M. Alt. GSR.

**24 & 7 Group: Jim B.** Membership: 50, Meetings: Monday - Sunday, Noon and 6pm every day. Group is growing. Celebrated 14<sup>th</sup> anniversary November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Guest Speaker Cheri J. incoming WAMO Chair. All meetings based on AA approved Literature only. Financially stable, negotiating extension of lease of current location. Emphasize sponsorship, newcomers are staying. Monthly Celebrants Speaker meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month. Pot luck at 6:00pm, Speakers at 7:00pm, Business meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month, 7:00pm, immediately following regular AA meeting. Respectfully Submitted Jim B. GSR.

**Live and Let Live: Brian H.** Our attendance continues to fluctuate month to month. We are currently meeting our expenses, barely, but funds are tight. We recently held elections and have several new trusted servants, as well as some old-timers stepping in to fill gaps where needed. We also participated in Paseo Group's Alkathon. Our landlord has informed us that our building is being converted to loft apartments, so our lease will not be renewed. Therefore, we will be moving this summer. We are starting the search for possible meeting locations in the same part of town; we have also been offered use of KC Group #1's hall on a temporary basis if needed.

**District # 7 Alive Again: Paula B.** Alive Again has been blessed with good attendance. All meetings are covered with chair people. All business positions have been filled. Snow and Ice removal has been good. The deck that was built last fall by the members for the handicap has been easily available. We have added some "fun" activities that have been well attended. We have a new meeting and eat pot luck every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday. On all holidays we make an effort to have the hall open for meetings, fellowship, and good food. We have also been blessed with having a 3 month prudent reserve in our treasury. Paula B. GSR.

**South Kansas City: Gail D.** I have made progress with eliminated 9am meeting on Tuesday, moved outside meeting to Catherine's Place to Sunday evenings. I celebrated 29 years sober on 1-1-09. I am having problems with basket collections down, Celebrants meeting attendance on Friday 8:30 down. I need the District to help with suggestions. Gail D. GSR.

**Maple House: Dean M.** I have made progress with distribution of district flyers (PI/CPC), meeting attendance is up, recruiting service positions. I am having problems with Tradition 7 contributions, recruiting service positions. I need the district to I need the Area continue their support. I plan to accomplish expand the range of treatment and detox centers we carry the message to. Dean M. GSR.

**Blue Springs Group: Pam K.** Blue Springs is running on our prudent reserve, so our meeting chairs have added an announcement at the beginning of each meeting requesting that anyone who is in a position to do so to increase their meeting contributions as their conscience dictates. Our group conscience decided to cut our literature spending, but we will continue to provide newcomers packets. Blue Springs has experienced a problem with people stealing money, mail, and books, and we are looking into a lockbox and a lockable mailbox. I'd like suggestions from anyone who has solved similar problems. We used to have a safe, but that was stolen a long time ago. The good news is that all of our service positions are filled and we are expecting better than average participation at the District and Area levels. We continue to have 28 meetings weekly and the hall was open all day during the holidays. Yours In Service Pam K. GSR.

**Recovery Plus: Diana R.** Schedule of Recovery Plus remains unchanged, noon meetings 7 days a week, Saturday Big Book at noon, 5:30pm meetings every day of the week. We celebrate AA birthdays every Monday at 7:00pm, 12 Steps and 12 Traditions Wednesdays at 7:00pm. Our new alt GSR is Jim. Meeting attendance ups and downs. Our membership has changed considerable with new members working the program through active service, obtaining sponsorship and leading

meetings. The spirit of unity we at Recovery Plus will be active in supporting and bringing a part of. We continue to contribute a percentage of monies collected through donations to District, Area, GSO, and Central Office based on the 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition. We contribute monthly and quarterly. All our service positions are currently filled and we are active at group, District, and Area levels. Our new Alternate GSR for Recovery Plus is Jim S. who is here with us today. Glad to be here in service with Recovery Plus and Area Assembly Diana R. GSR.

**The Hope Group: Terry M.** My name is Terry M. and I've just been elected as GSR of the Hope Group as of January 12<sup>th</sup>. Our group meets in the Community Church of Christ at 1101 NE Independence Ave in Lee's Summit. We added several meetings beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009. The church was kind enough to allow us to add meetings Monday through Friday at noon in addition to our Friday night meeting at 6:00pm. Attendance is good and appears to be on the increase. The Hope Group is active in District 7 and donated an additional \$40.00 to the district to pay for two subscriptions to the Grapevine for two public Libraries in Lee's Summit, Mo. This meeting began in 2004, so we will be celebrating 5 years of regular meetings this year. Most of our service positions are filled and the message is being carried. Terry M. GSR.

**District # 8 Sunday Night Big Book Group: Danny G.** The group seems to be changing in membership yet maintains strong "experience, strength, and hope" based meetings. Members are active in our district. Our group travels monthly to another group's meeting. We will have our quarterly speakers meeting in next Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup>. Yours In Service Danny G. GSR.

**Sunrise Serenity Group: Charlett B.** 15 meetings a week, of which is a women's meeting. On Monday we have step study for women's 1 at 11:00am and 1 at 5:30pm. We are planning a founders meeting in June. We are growing. Charlett B. GSR.

**District # 9 Sedalia AA Group: John S.** Speaker meeting going well 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of month. Attendance and 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition down. Spaghetti dinner at Group tonight 5-7pm \$5.50 donation. Group Inventory February 14, 2009 self look. John S. GSR.

**Warrensburg AA Group: Jeffery Mc D.** The group continues to bring meetings to Pathways Community Behavioral Healthcare on the first and third Mondays of each month and to Integrity Correction Center every Wednesday. Attendance at meetings is down and contributions to the group are as well, but we have seen a slight increase in attendance with the turn of the new year. Plus some of our newer members seem to be latching onto the program. The group is trying to set up a monthly "Speaker Meeting" to be held on the second Saturday of each month in order to generate greater interest in our group, this should be starting in March. We are also in the planning stages of having an Anniversary Celebration to commemorate the 58 years that our group has been carrying the message. This celebration will be held in July of this year. Jeffery Mc D. GSR.

**District # 10 Belton Wing & A Prayer: Sammi P.** Belton group is non-smoking and growing with younger people. We are now equal male and female's and we share the message to all who will listen. Sammi P. GSR.

**Harrisonville AA: Larry C.** Harrisonville AA Group continues to meet nightly at 8:00pm with closed meetings Sunday thru Thursday and open meetings on Friday and Saturday. Wednesday night is Big Book Study and Thursday night is 12 and 12 study. In 2009 the group is holding a speakers night the second Saturday of each month during its 8:00pm open meeting. While the group continues to have steady attendance it is struggling to remain financially solvent. It is covering monthly rent and utilities, but at this time is unable to make financial contributions to Central Office, Western Area 39, and GSO. Fund raisers are being planned in 2009, to help supplement individual contributions. Larry C. GSR.

**District # 11 A & W Group: Rick K.** A & W group is 8 - 10 people, 1 meeting a week Big Book meeting. Meeting is on Saturday at 7:00pm. Rick K. GSR.

**Nevada Group: Sandy P.** Since our last area assembly our attendance has increased and donations have been steady at our 14 meetings. October we hosted a chili cook off and held the doors open longer for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years Eve the group had pot lucks, snacks, fellowship with card games and board games. Our doors stayed open all day through the holidays. We had our annual year end party celebrating birthdays with a guest speaker Tim from Arkansas. We celebrated over 65 years of sobriety. The Nevada Thespians made another guest appearance. We still host speaker meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month and always are looking for Guest Speakers. In Service

Sandy P. Alt. GSR.

**Dadeville:** “**Too Tall**” {aka Tom W} Dadeville group has attendance of 2 on Tuesday and maybe 6 on Friday nights WE NEED HELP Tuesday is Big Book and 12 X12 study and Friday is open discussion. Meeting times are 8:00pm both nights. For directions on how to get to the meeting hall call 417-861-5209 and I will do my best to get you there. Please make plans to be at our 10<sup>th</sup> annual Chicken Rock Campout at Stockton Lake it will be on October 9<sup>th</sup> thru the 11<sup>th</sup>. On the bright side since last assembly we have celebrated a 10 year and a 20 year anniversaries. Yours In Service Too Tall {aka Tom W.} GSR.

**Carson's Corners Group:** **Bernie P.** Meeting on Wednesday night, 7pm, at the United Methodist Church. We are a small group W/A nucleus of 6 regular attendees. With an aggregate total sobriety over 140 years. Attendance varies but we are seeing a in- flux on new people, usually court ordered unfortunately, most don't return but we hope we have planted the seed and they will come back sometime in the future. AA is alive and well in Carson's Corners Bernie P. GSR.

**District # 12 Carthage Downtown Group:** **Leslie H.** Our group meets at 8:00pm each Thursday. It is a closed discussion meeting. Newcomers are made to feel welcome and given district meetings list along with phone numbers of current members to contact. Our group participates at the district and area level and contributes to district 12, Area, and GSO. Leslie H. GSR.

**District # 13 Big Book Group:** **Carla M.** Our meeting times have changed to 7pm both Monday and Friday nights. Monday nights attendance has shown trending a lot of younger people. We are financially sound. Our groups business meeting is the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month with 6-10 people in attendance. Our current GSR has been out of pocket for a while so we are looking for a new GSR. Thanks for letting me serve Carla M. DCM.

**Aurora Group:** **Ron P.** Aurora is doing well. We are able to meet our financial obligations. The group has a usual attendance of approximately 18 people, we meet twice a week Tuesday and Thursday at 8pm, at the Community of Christ Church on Elliot St. in Aurora Mo. We try to make newcomers feel welcome and permote sponsorship. Ron P. GSR.

**Turning Point Group:** **Alan M.** Hello; my name is Alan I'm an Alcoholic. I am the new GSR for Turning Point Group of Neosho. Our group is solid, we meet Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm for 12X12 study and Thursday evenings at 7:30pm for open discussion. Both meetings are open non-smoking gathering at the 1<sup>st</sup> Lutheran Church, Hwy 60 and Cemetery Rd.. The last Thursday of every month we celebrate birthdays. The Tuesday night attendance ranges from 6-12 people and Thursday ranges from 25-35 people. The sobriety ranges from the desire for a new way of life just over 30 years. At present we split \$50.00 quarterly between District, Area, and GSO, and happily I can say Our rent and bills are paid and can still supply coffee and cookies. Thank you all for your patients while I endeavor to learn how to best serve. By the way The kick off dinner to the winter holiday in November was a great success with approximately 75 people in attendance. I gladly serve Alan M. GSR.

**Mount Vernon Group:** **Jay McC.** The Mount Vernon Group is in good standing at this time. We are financially sound and have a reliable meeting place. The group has regular closed meetings on Wednesday at 8:00pm Our Saturday meeting is open with a speaker the last Saturday of the month. We are located in the employee cafeteria at the Missouri Rehabilitation Center, 600 N. Main St. Mount Vernon Mo. We average 6-8 members at the Wednesday meeting and 15-20 on Saturday evening. Jay Mc. C. GSR.

**District # 14 Southeast Group:** **Vicki J.** Our group is continuing to grow in its responsibility consciousness building back our prudent reserve and meeting our obligations and requests from the landlord. This past group conscience was well attended with issues brought squarely to the table, i.e., responsibilities of the chair person, monitoring of supplies needed, responsibilities of service positions, filling service positions and being committed, addressing the ability to make donations above our current financial obligations. A recommendation was made to pass the basket a second time at all four meetings during the week of group conscience specifically stating it is a collection for donations to District, Central Office, Area, and GSO. It was approved to execute the first time this past week. All meetings are going strong and well attended. Vicki J. GSR.

**Pilgrims Group:** **Tricia H.** General attendance and collections at Pilgrims have remained steady. We have lost several long- standing home group members with long term sobriety to other groups within

the last month. However we've gained as many new members; most of whom are within the first year of sobriety. We've gotten many of these new members involved in chairing, setting up, cleaning up, and attending group conscience. We are seeing progress in home group member activity, and more involvement at the District level. Our contributions to District 14, Area 39, and GSO had been historically and seriously lacking. At our October group conscience, we formulated a plan for making donations. They are now structured and have been made as follows: Central Office-40%, District 14-20%, Area 39-20%,and GSO- 20%. While we have one meeting per week and do not bring in an abundance of collections, we have resolved to be more diligent in our contributions of what we do have. No other problems or issues at this time. In service Tricia H. GSR.

**S.O.S Group: Julie M.** We have 6 meetings a day except for weekends we also have a step study on Saturdays at 5pm and on Sundays at 6:30pm a Big Book study at noon a open speaker meeting. We continue to take meetings into our local treatment center, Sigma House on Thursdays and Fridays at 6:00pm with Fridays being a speaker meeting. Our finances are doing well. Our meeting attendance continues to grow. We held our elections in December all positions were filled except for PI/CPC. Our business meeting is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month at 10:30am Thank you for allowing me to serve. Julie M. GSR.

**Thank God I'm Sober Group: Mark M.** Group has all Service positions filled and active, attendance up, 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition up, Quarterly disbursements being made. Group inventory in progress, opportunities for change will be discussed at our next group conscience meeting. Group will begin monthly Topic Discussion meeting using a topic of that months Grapevine. Group members actively involved in carrying the message into corrections facilities. Currently recruiting more members for upcoming Corrections Certification session. Group provides child care. Recent discussion on continuing Childcare since it is the largest expense for the group. Group will keep the service since 7<sup>th</sup> tradition contributions allow us to cover the expense and it helps alcoholics attend meetings they may not otherwise be able to attend. Some discussion among group members on who should be able to attend open/closed meetings. Members would like to topic will be discussed at our next Group Conscious meeting. 3<sup>rd</sup> Tradition Topic will be used 1 time per month at our Topic meetings. Mark M. GSR.

**Back To Basics: Loritha C.** Our group remains small but steady. We still get some newcomers, but they seem to come and go. Our donations are good. We are encouraging birthday donations so we posted a birthday calendar for those who wish to participate. Our positions are all filled. We have no problems to report. Thank you for letting me serve. Loritha C. GSR.

**Park Crest Group: Andy E.** Park Crest has grown steady over the past year, meeting 3 times a weekly and averaging 70 people on Monday night closed book studies and 100 people on open Friday night speaker meetings. Ala-non and Ala-Teen meets at the same time as our group and childcare is available. Monday nights always has a 1<sup>st</sup> step table that reads and discusses pages 30-31 as well as step 1 in the 12X12. Smokers meet outside, the rest formerly formed groups of 8 but we have out grown the room so we do what we can do and keep these read/ discussion groups as small as possible in an attempt to let everyone share. Home group members are strongly suggested to speak on their birthdays and always take priority as speakers. Group elects a Friday chairperson that schedules all speakers and group conscience calls for a minimum of 1 year continuous sobriety to speak. Service is strong and service positions are strong. Donations are made to all service entities and we are self supporting. Andy E. GSR.

**Hillcrest Group: Danny D.** Attendance at our home group has increased. Our contributions have remained steady. We have attracted on average 2-3 new home group members a month for the last couple of months. All of our major service positions have been filled. Our last business meeting was very successful with a very large turn out. We discussed having a door greeter. Instead we decided to remind our home group members that it is everyone's responsibility to greet the newcomer. Our group still offers a free 1 year subscription to the AA Grapevine for any home group member that achieves 1 year of sobriety. We are currently experiencing on problems at this time. Your in service Danny D. GSR.

**Saturday Night Live: Amy W.** Attendance and income are stable. We started a Traditions study on Fridays at noon. Also we will be offering a newcomers meeting every Saturday at 7pm. Donations

have been made to all service bodies. No other changes this quarter. Your in service Amy W. GSR.

**District # 15 Ava We Care Group: Lloyd H.** 8:00pm Tuesday, 1:00pm Wednesday, Basement of the Douglas County Courthouse. The Ava We Care Group is experiencing a spurt in growth recently. We are having several more court cases attending, and are having a few new folks graduating and becoming members that attend on a regular basis. We have 10-12 attending both meetings. The group has started having a monthly potluck/speaker meeting that has been quite successful. The potluck begins at 7:00pm with the speaker meeting following at 8:00pm. We are having participants from Springfield joining us monthly. We feel that this form of fellowship has helped sparked an increase in interest and attendance. We are planning to start recording our speakers. This will help carry the message, and hopefully obtain some more history for our group archives. January 27<sup>th</sup> 3 anniversaries 98 years. We are getting up new phone list and an inventory of the group assets to help give the newcomers more information. Lloyd H. Alt. GSR.

**Rigorous Honesty: Jerry E.** Mountain Grove 7pm Thursday, We are a Big Book study meeting. We recently moved to a new location, and our attendance has been 10-15. Bills are paid and we continue to carry the message in our community.

**Art of Living Group: Mike B.** Meet Monday night at 7pm, Mountain Grove. I Mike B. GSR reports that all bills are paid and contribution made. We average 10-22 attendees at our meeting. We have made a phone list of members of our group that have volunteer to be a temporary sponsor and also included on the list of members who are willing to go on 12<sup>th</sup> step call. As far as new projects I have not brought that up we the group since I sense the group has already felt overburden with the cost of everything going up. I have noticed the contributions have been down lately.

**Footprints Group: Karen S.** The Footprints Group holds four meetings per week. Attendance averages 9-10. We average 2-3 newcomers and or visitors per month. All of our bills have been paid and our contributions met. We currently have a total of 18 members. Our business meetings have been productive and we have filled the positions of Treasurer, Secretary, GSR, Books & Literature Rep & PI/CPC. As the elected GSR, I would like to encourage willing and available members to sponsor the newcomer. I would like to bring in more speakers in from other districts. Would like to be more informed of workshops, I.e.: What AA Is and Isn't; PI/CPC; Sponsorship. Would like to see more group member participation. (In service at District Meetings, Conventions etc. The Still Suffering Alcoholic. Would like to be more informed of workshops, I.e. Sponsorship, What AA Is and Isn't, PI/CPC. Court and or probation ordered attendees. (guidelines) Group guidelines (process) Karen S. GSR.

**Buffalo Group: Shahara H.** We had a group business meeting on 1/14/09. The group voted to start sending money to GSO, Area, District, and Central Office on a quarterly basis. Group gives the GSR \$100.00 to attend the Area Assemblies. Our membership is approximately 25 people. Submitted by Shahara H. GSR

**Seymour Group: Andrew** The group has 2 active members, and bills are paid. Will be sending money to GSO, and Area 39 but first had to finance the purchase of some Big Books and Chips, as well as sending our GSR to Area Assembly in January. The meeting place is a fire station and they are in the process of building a new station. Things are a mess and we are not sure what the changes will bring, however we have been assured that they want us to continue meeting at their fire station. We leave our rent money a desk in an envelope and hope the right people get it. Just not much communication there. We have changed the format of our meeting to be a step study on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> meetings of the month, and a topic discussion on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. This is a change that we had been wanting to make for the past year, but getting a new member who suggested it helped push the group to make the move, We have had good group attendance because of other group members attending our meetings. Marshfield sent over 4 people who captured their flag back and 2 of us went to a Marshfield meeting to capture ours back. It's fun and gets us going to other meetings. In Service Andrew GSR.

**District # 16 Point Royal Group: Joe T.** Our group has continued to have regular attendance of 20+ people each week. A variety amounts of sobriety, while the 10 and 20 year members is the most predominate we have recently experience an increase in newcomers. The Female attendance is generally approximately 30+ % and even up to 50% at times. The attendees have enhanced this

group because of the variety of geographical areas all have come from. We definitely are not a glum lot yet the newcomer has not been lost in all the fun. With steady attendance out Treasury is always in good order. We have regularly made contributions to GSO, District, and purchase Big Books for Larry Simmering Treatment Center. Joe T. GSR.

**Pickers & Gridders: Leo W.** The P&G continue to be a strong and thriving unity for visitors and newcomers attend. We have several regular visitors that make us a sure thing as our program is an open daily reflections group. Our attendance has been positively affected by the winter months with attendance of 36-40 last 2 weeks. We continue to have a speaker meeting the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month, co-ordinated by Sue C.(31years) Sue shows even with dwindling eyesight, you never have to many days to continue in service. This addition (speaker meeting) was started by our own Cheryl W. who has terminal cancer and she shows prayer for others works. P&G is current with donations to Area, District, and GSO( through our boom cycle in February) The GSO Can-Can is a great devile to pacilitate more funds for NY. I am proud to have been promoted from DCM to GSR of my home group, service through sponsorship has kept me right sized and humble Leo W. GSR.

**Chillicothe AA: Gwen F.** We meet Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday 7pm Calvary Baptist Church. Thursday is Book Study. Group varies in size, can be 2 or 20 have handed out several monthly chips. Rent paid, will leave check for Area today and mail the rest. Eleanor W. visit's the Livingston County Jail weekly. She visits with inmates that want to talk. Gives Big Books if they want one. Gwen will begin meetings at Chillicothe Correction Center again soon. They have been on lockdown since the move and are just starting to get volunteers going again. Thanks Gwen F. GSR. \_