

GREATER SMOKY MOUNTAIN AREA OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

SEPTEMBER 28, 2008

Charlie opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer, Michaelan H. read the Twelve Traditions and Heather E. read the Twelve Concepts. Charlie read the GSMANA Purpose and Definition. NEW VISITORL Paul M., Teddy H.

ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Quorum was established. 18 of 22 voting groups were present.

GROUP:	GSR	J U	M A	A P	M A	F E	J A	D E	N O	O C	S E	A U	J U
A Better Way of	Becky D.										P	P	P
Daily Reprieve	Bill M.										P	P	
Free To Be	Michaelan										P	P	P
Free Yourself	Paul M.										P	P	
Glow in the Dark	James W.										P	P	P
Giving it Back	Ken C.										P	P	P
Last House on the	Steve W.										A	P	P
Little River Group	Sara E.										P	P	P
Long Road Home	Glenn C.										A	P	A
New Life	Margaret										A	P	A
Nickel and Dime	Zach S.										P	P	A
Peace And Surrender	Jeff B.										P	P	P
Primary Purpose	Kelly D.										P	P	P
Road To Recovery	John W.										P	P	P

Serenity in The Smokies	Steve P.												P	P	P
Solutions "R" Us	Heather E.												P	P	P
Spiritual Principles	David E.												P	P	P
Thank God for New Beginnings	Teddy H.												P		
Together We Can	Beth B.												P	A	P
Volunteer Group	Mitch C.												P	A	P
WOLF Group	Chris W												P	P	P

TRUSTED SERVANTS AND SUBCOMMITTEES

POSITION	NAME	J U N	M A Y	A P R	M A R	F E B	J A N	D E C	N O V	O C T	S E P	A U G	J U L
CHAIR	Charlie H.										P	P	P
VICE CHAIR	Ethan W.										P	P	P
SECRETARY	Steven C.										P	P	P
ALT-SECRETARY	VACANT										V	V	V

TREASURER	Robert H.											P	P	P
ALT-TREASURER	VACANT											V	V	V
RCM	Dawn K.											P	P	A
ALT- RCM	VACANT											V	V	V
ROR	Maarja F.											P	P	
ACTIVITIES	Max C.											P	A	P
H&I	Jeremy E.											P	P	P
LITERATURE	Gena S.											P	P	P
PI	Phil B.											P	P	P
OUTREACH	David E.											P	P	P
ADHOC	Paul											P		

Motion to accept minutes made by the Daily Reprieve group and seconded by the Solutions R' Us Group • PASSED

Primary Purpose asked the ROR activities motion to be called out of order. Chair declined.

Administrative & Subcommittee Reports

Chair – No report given.

Vice Chair – As Vice Chair, it is my responsibility to help new subcommittees, therefore I will actively be involved in the new Outreach subcommittee.

Secretary – No report given.

RCM Report-

VRSC Inventory

September 6th & 7th, 2008

Day One (9am – 5pm)

VRSC'S Relationship with Area

Helpful with literature

Communicate Problems between Region and Areas

Communication problems due to apathy in service and commitment

RCMs not taking ALL the information from Region to Areas

RCMs and GSRs bringing back information with their opinion attached to it

Region funding area sub-committee chairs

Groups and Areas have a concern with regional sub-committee budgets

VRSC'S Relationship with Fellowship

Lack of clarity in regional reports

Are we reaching outside of our region to get other perspectives on how to make our region better

Lack of understanding of relationships between region and world

Lack of unity between service structures

For area resources log onto www.na.org/local_resource_area.htm

We need to explain the difference between "Prudent Reserve" and "Operating Expenses"

Our greatest resource to get to NAWS is our RD (regional delegate)

VRSC'S Relationship with Public

How do we get the information that NA is here to the older generation that are still in active addiction (the baby boomers)

The region is not being prudent with the money. They need to teach areas how to do presentations

Drag your sponsees to these inventories, learning days and assemblies

Mentorship

Prioritizing Topics

Communication

Unity

Funding/ Utilizing Resources

Finding Solutions

Communications

- Orientate Alt. RCMs (learning days)
- Regional Newsletter
- Regional Assemblies
- Financial / Utilizing Resources
 - Send regional sub-committee chairs to area to educate on what's going on at region
 - Regional service members attending area meetings
 - Surrender to group conscience
 - Positive attitude in service
 - Practice principles before personalities in service
 - Tradition workshops (traditions are our unity)
 - Gather information from other regions to get suggestions on unity
 - Regional Assemblies

Day two (9am – 1pm)

Finding Strengths

- Money
- Experience
- People
- Leadership
- Networking
- Learning tools
- Service pamphlets, website and literature
- Service structure
- Relationships
- Recovery
- Writing Action Plans (broke into small groups)
- Communication

Goal

Improve communication between areas and region

Tools & Resources to use

- Sponsorship
- Continuity in service
- RCM Orientations
- Commitment & Vigilance in service
- Regional Assemblies
- Learning days
- Acknowledging accomplishments and challenges in a newsletter
- Internet

Website
Networking with other regions

Steps to take

Education of trusted servants
Suggest that P.R. have a newsletter
Ask members from other regions to facilitate learning days
Increase visibility of region to area committees
Increase communication & networking within the region on a regular basis as opposed to every other month

Goal

To promote Unity

Tools & Resources to use

Taking time for a moment of silence during heated discussions
Learning days (traditions & concepts)
Make sure you are carrying a valid group conscience
Force them to read regional minuets
Provide snacks
Practice unity
Elect servants we trust
Trust servants we elect
Consider the effects of our polices and actions on areas, other regions and the fellowship

Steps to take

Be polite and kind to each other
Funding/ Utilizing Resources

Goal

Workable budgets for VRSC and related sub-committees

Tools & Resources to use

Archive experience and information to draw from
Policy = current and revisable policies based on the 12 traditions and the 12 concepts
Fund flow
Individual committee budgets

Steps to take

Insure complete reporting of committee business & experience to pass on to incoming servants

Mentorship, attraction, learning days, training, workshops, assemblies

Ensure a working policy/ procedure for sub-committees at the regional level. Sharing information with other regions on policy concerns, learning days (traditions & concepts)

Workshop/ learning days to inform members about use of funds at regional level, fund flow charts, *Guide to local service* as educational tools

Insure working sub-committees with reviewable guidelines

Open discussion of action plans

Seeing that nothing was wrote on the board under the topic "Open discussion of action plans" here is what I heard and wrote in my note taking.

Region make VRC self supporting by not expecting money from areas and activities that are put on

Doing regional inventories and area inventories

Budget regional money better

Have region help to give a learning day on fund flow

Our guidelines are killing us because every one has their own agenda and not thinking of the greater whole

Take care of home first

Turn to the literature

Stop bitching about what's already done

Ask world to help us and if they say "no" do something else

Worlds agenda is for us to take care of home first

The group Booklet says we "may" send the funds not "we have to"

VRC 26 Regional Report

08/03/2008

Greetings

We have a strong committee. I would like to invite anyone that would like to help us serve to join us. We meet the second Sunday of every month at the Chattanooga Choo Choo at 2 PM. Our next meeting is 08/10/2008

Things are moving along well and we are looking forward to providing a great VRC 26. We have done a lot of work and all seems to be coming together nicely.

We have some open positions.

Secretary

Alternate Secretary

Arts & Graphics Chair & Vice Chair

Convention Information Chair & Vice Chair

Fundraising Chair & Vice Chair

We have a few people that are helping a lot but do not want to take a position at this time. We do appreciate their help we welcome all to join who would like to be part of.

Our Last meeting on 7/13 we had a balance of \$1186.55 as shown in the bank statement. I am also including a profit & loss budget vs. actual report in my report..

We have received the following so far:

Pre-registrations - \$435

Newcomer donations - \$85

Comedy tickets - \$110

Riverboat dinner cruise - \$510

Pen fundraiser - \$30

Sunday breakfast - \$120

Thanksgiving dinner - \$280

Major expenses:



WORLD SERVICE PARTICIPATION REQUEST FORM

2008-2010

This form **must** be completed and submitted when requesting NA World Services participation at an event. It can be completed online at www.na.org, emailed to Elaine@na.org, faxed to 818.700.0700, or mailed to NAWS, attn: Elaine Wickham. Please note that request submission deadlines are published in *A Guide to World Services in NA, 08-10 Conference Cycle*. Please make your requests as early as possible to allow for adequate planning.

EVENT INFORMATION

Name of event (full name and acronym): _____

Type of event: (i.e. zonal forum meeting, *Conference Agenda Report* workshop, multi-regional PI workshop, regional assembly, etc.): _____

Dates and times of event: _____

Location of event: _____ Phone: _____

Closest hotel (if not location of event) _____ Phone: _____

Language of the event: _____

Estimated number of attendees: _____ From where? _____

Contact person name: (for ongoing communication in planning) _____

Email address: _____ Phone: _____

Secondary contact person name: _____

Email address: _____ Phone: _____

NA WORLD SERVICE SESSION INFORMATION

Because of the time and resource commitment required to attend events, generally we ask that we are able to conduct a minimum of two to four 90-minute sessions. Obviously we can do more. To do less does not warrant the time and expense of travel from NAWS. Our experience at conducting workshops at conventions is that it also not productive for us to attend if there are competing workshops and activities. We ask that scheduling

considerations are made so that most attendees are able to attend NAWS sessions. We have many tools available to help you facilitate your own workshops if NAWS is unable to attend.

As part of our ongoing effort to improve the communication between NA World Services and local NA communities, we can frame sessions on a variety of topics. In order to do this effectively, timely preparation information is needed.

With all of that considered:

How much time is available in your agenda for NA World Services? _____

How many sessions would you like NA World Services to facilitate? _____

What other activities are planned for the same time frame? _____

When might we expect to receive a draft of the entire event agenda? _____

Are you open to NAWS ideas for planning this agenda? _____

Please offer session topic ideas. Examples might include Leadership, Translations, Current NAWS Projects (Service Pamphlets, Living Clean, Our Service System, Self-Support, or *In Times of Illness*) or 08-10 *Issue Discussion Topics*, (Our Freedom, Our Responsibility, Effective Communications), the Area Planning Tool, How to Be an Effective RD or RCM, or Public Relations.

Type or Topic of Session	Outcome or Reason for Session

BACKGROUND AND ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Please provide us with any other relevant details about your region(s), zone, or issues of concern that your NA community may be experiencing. This information will support our success in framing sessions and also in selecting NAWS travelers for the event.

FUNDING INFORMATION

Will the hosting region/forum/committee be making a contribution to NAWS for the traveler(s) expenses? Yes _____ No _____

This is to help your committee think about the principle of self support. If a trip is approved, NAWS will handle and pay for all travel related expenses. This would be simply considering a donation to NAWS.

GO TO WWW.NA.ORG AND COMPLETE THIS FORM ONLINE

Treasurer-

Hello Family,

Our balance as of today is \$1,755.78. We are \$577.56 below our prudent reserve, and because of this we will not be sending a donation to region.

Also, I would like to make everyone aware that the Alternate Treasurer position is available. Please report this to your home groups, because it would be nice to be able to show someone how to do this before my term is up.

Prudent Reserve:

<u>O</u>	Monthly		Reserve	
	Rent	\$	50.00	\$ 100.00
	Meeting Schedules	\$	110.00	\$ 220.00
	General Supplies for Executive	\$	40.00	\$ 80.00
	Hospitals & Institutions	\$	500.00	\$ 1,000.00
	Public Information	\$	100.00	\$ 200.00
	Activities	\$	100.00	\$ 200.00
	Phone Line	\$	166.67	\$ 333.34
	Treasurer Discretionary Fund			\$ 200.00
P	(two months prudent reserve plus 200	\$	2,333.34	

In Loving Service,

Robert

Account Details - NON-PROFIT CHECKING *****

View and sort your current account activity for all of your accounts.

View Account: x- NON-PROFIT CHECKING \$2,104.20

Account Number		Overdraft Protection	\$0.00
YTD Interest	\$0.00	Ledger Balance	\$1,675.78
Interest Rate	0.00 %	Available Balance	\$2,104.20

Pending Transactions

Date	Type	Description/Category	Status	Debit (-)	Credit (+)	Projected Balance
10/1/2008	CD	DEPOSIT	PND		\$428.42	\$2,104.20
10/1/2008	ND	DEPOSIT	PND		\$1,349.96	\$3,454.16

Transaction History

From: 08/24/2008



To: 09/28/2008



Filter Transaction History By: (Select One:)

		Status		Balance
09/15/2008	SUPERPRINTER	CLR	\$150.00	\$1,755.78
09/08/2008		CLR	\$67.70	\$1,905.78
09/04/2008	WORKEASY CORP	CLR	\$64.95	\$1,973.48
08/29/2008		CLR	\$80.00	\$2,038.43
08/28/2008		CLR	\$1,895.68	\$2,118.43
08/27/2008		CLR	\$40.00	\$4,014.11
08/26/2008		CLR	\$1,647.92	\$4,054.11

9/28/2008

Income/Expense Monthly:25
8/23/2008 through 9/28/2008 (Accrual Basis)

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Category Description	8/23/2008- 9/28/2008
INCOME	
Contribution	
Giving It Back	45.00
Last House On The Street	14.00
Little River Group	8.00
New Life	50.00
Nickle & Dime	100.00
Primary Purpose	98.00
Road To Recovery	20.00
Serenity In The Smokies	25.00
Solutions 'R' Us	70.00
Spiritual Principles	141.64
TOTAL Contribution	571.64
Literature	
Cash	299.00
Checks	762.35
TOTAL Literature	1,061.35
TOTAL INCOME	1,632.99
EXPENSES	
Uncategorized	179.95
H&I Literature	257.76
Operating Expenses	
Change Back From Mins.	-14.93
Public Information	67.70
Rent	50.00
TOTAL Operating Expenses	102.77
Outreach	10.00
P&I	10.00
Subcommittee	
Literature	1,647.92
TOTAL Subcommittee	1,647.92
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,208.40
OVERALL TOTAL	-575.41

Income/Expense Year To Date:28
6/22/2007 through 4/28/2008 (Accrual Basis)

9/28/2008

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Category Description	6/22/2007- 4/28/2008
INCOME	
Uncategorized	517.23
Activities	0.00
Change Back From Minutes	32.75
Contribution	
Better Way Of Life	40.00
Foundations	0.00
Glow In The Dark	1,141.19
Hugs Not Drugs	165.00
Just For Today	1,300.00
Last House On The Street	35.00
Little River Group	340.58
Mystery Donation	1.56
Nickle & Dime	950.00
Peace & Surrender	25.00
Primary Purpose	676.00
Road To Recovery	108.00
Saturday Night Live	779.02
Serenity In The Smokies	352.50
Solutions 'R' Us	504.82
Spiritual Principles	2,283.54
Spiritual Solutions	0.00
Thank God For New Beginnings	450.00
Together We Can	756.00
Volunteer Group	180.00
TOTAL Contribution	10,088.21
Contributon	
Giving It Back	795.00
TOTAL Contributon	795.00
Left Over Money From Meeting Schedules	43.53
Literature	
Other Literature	13,166.92
TOTAL Literature	13,166.92
Money Left Over From Printing Minutes	4.35
Voluteer Group	120.00
TOTAL INCOME	24,767.99
EXPENSES	
Uncategorized	943.63
Cash	2.00
For Home Groups	231.00
Meeting Schedules	76.47
Mystery Donation	0.00
Operating Expenses	
Activities	205.78
Office Supplies	99.79
Phoneline	1,364.50
Postage	36.00
Printing or Copying	785.48
Public Information	556.73

Activities – The activity softball game went well. My term as activities chair is up. There Has been a lack of activities in this area. Someone needs to step up.

Max C.

H&I – September 28, 2008 H&I sub-Committee meeting

Had another successful sub-committee. meeting. Blount County Jail has declined a meeting stating lack of resources, I am going to contact them this month and re-discuss this matter and offer a PI presentation to be given if permitted. Also, continuing to work on the anderson county meeting at this time no meeting is going in on the men’s side and the sub-committee has decided to wait for applications to be approved that are turned in before pressing this issue. Continue to need people for support and service would love to see more people involved. Thank you once again for allowing for me to serve in this capacity.

Jeremy E

July 2008

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Order</u>	<u>Shipping</u>	<u>Total</u>
Anderson County Detention Facility for Females	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Anderson County Detention Facility for Males	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Centerpoint - Detox	\$53.50	\$3.75	\$57.25
Centerpoint	\$25.35	\$1.77	\$27.12
Gateway	\$25.55	\$1.79	\$27.34
Knox County Detention	\$75.10	\$5.26	\$80.36
Peninsula Youth	\$67.25	\$4.71	\$71.96
Peninsula Adult	\$42.40	\$2.97	\$45.37

Roane County	\$30.72	\$2.15	\$32.87
Sevir County Jail for Women	\$42.00	\$2.94	\$44.94
Grand Total	\$361.87	\$25.33	\$387.20

August 2008

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Order</u>	<u>Shipping</u>	<u>Total</u>
Anderson County Detention Facility for Females	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Anderson County Detention Facility for Males	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Centerpoint - Detox	\$53.50	\$3.75	\$57.25
Centerpoint	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Gateway	\$30.82	\$2.16	\$32.98
Knox County Detention	\$4.13	\$0.29	\$4.42
Peninsula Youth	\$34.55	\$2.42	\$36.97
Peninsula Adult	\$29.11	\$2.04	\$31.15
Roane County	\$53.54	\$3.75	\$57.29
Sevir County Jail for Women	\$25.90	\$1.81	\$27.71
Grand Total	\$231.55	\$16.21	\$247.76

<u>September 2008 Facility</u>	<u>Order</u>	<u>Shipping</u>	<u>Total</u>
Anderson County Detention Facility for Females	\$75.40	\$5.28	\$80.68
Anderson County Detention Facility for Males	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Centerpoint - Detox	\$42.80	\$3.00	\$45.80
Centerpoint	\$41.55	\$2.91	\$44.46
Gateway	\$32.50	\$2.28	\$34.78
Knox County Detention	\$31.95	\$2.24	\$34.19
Peninsula Youth	\$64.40	\$4.51	\$68.91
Peninsula Adult	\$64.80	\$4.54	\$69.34
Roane County	\$25.50	\$1.79	\$27.29
Sevir County Jail for Women	\$23.50	\$1.65	\$25.15
Grand Total	\$402.40	\$28.17	\$430.57

Literature– Literature is back on track this month. We are filling backorders as we speak. The 6th edition Basic Text will be available on October 1st. The price for the new text is \$11.00. I apologize for the mix up last month as this area's order didn't get here until area last month. It is my understanding that I am in charge of ordering & receiving NA literature for GSMANA alone. I have turned down a few orders in the last few months from individuals not using this literature for our area meeting. I ask for clarification of this. Thank you,

Gena S.

Public Information–

PI August subcommittee report 9-29-08

There were 11 addicts present and a total of 5 different home groups represented for our subcommittee meeting today.

Old business included but was not limited to;

- * Phone line volunteer reports were given
- * The website has been updated with the expectation of the meeting locator we are having some trouble with the formatting of the updated document. The old document is still posted.
- * The committee will be mailing 10 more Basic Texts out to libraries after our motion is approved
- * For the month of August we had a total of 161 calls.
- * The Knoxville Drug commission next meeting is November 25 the PI committee has been given 20 minutes on there agenda for a presentation.
- * Fliers were produced and brought to the committee for the next Phone line Orientation the date is October 26 at 12:30.

New business;

- * Phone line volunteers were assigned for the month.
- * There were two positions open on our committee Website coordinator & Alternate Meeting Schedule coordinator.

- * Contact Roane County Drug Commission to inquire about some actives that were brought to our committee by the home group in Roane County
- * Contact Hope House about a PI presentation.

Monthly cost;

68.00 yellow pages

10.00 rent

75.00 meeting schedule

114.42 phone line

Phil B.

386-0417

PHONELINE ORIENTATION

OCTOBER 26



12:30 PM



(approximately)

after the PI/Phoneline meeting

ANYONE is welcome to attend both the subcommittee meeting and the orientation, but there is a 9 month clean time requirement to actually answer the phonenumber.

**There is NO clean time requirement to show up to the Public Information (PI) subcommittee or the phonenumber orientation;
ALL ARE WELCOME!**

The phonenumber is especially in need of female volunteers to carry the message to the still-suffering addict.

**PI meets at 11:30 AM the day of the the
ASC at Square Dancer's Inc.**

RECOVERY ON THE RIDGE 15

SEPTEMBER 28, 2008

ROR 15 met on Thursday, September 11th.

ROR 15 will be held the weekend of August 14-16th 2009, at Big Ridge State Park. A flyer will be produced and presented to all GSR's and will be sent to other areas and regions of NA.

The following positions were filled:

Kitchen Chair: Michaelan H. #247-2689
Merchandise Chair: Heather LE # 925-1536
Program Chair: Dawn K. #776-2013
Utilities Chair: Jason K. #776-8328

All committees will need service workers.

Open positions are:

**Vice Chair
Secretary
Alt Secretary
Events Coordinator**

Please pass on this info to your groups at your group conscious.

Next ROR 15 meeting will be held on: Friday, October 3rd, St Johns Cathedral, downtown Knoxville. Home to Thank God For New Beginnings group. 6:30 PM

In Service To The Fellowship,

Maarja F.



Outreach-

GSMANA OUTREACH REPORT September 28, 2008

Hello family,

The Outreach Subcommittee met twice this past month.

September 20th, 2008 – Outreach Subcommittee Meeting

The first meeting was on September 20th. We met at Morningside Park at 11:30 am. The mood was as bright as the sun that fine morning. We had 7 people from 5 different home groups, and were excited to be meeting for the second time. We began in usual fashion with hugs, smiles, laughter, and prayer. After that, it was on to the literature. We decided, as a subcommittee, that after we read the 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts at each meeting, we will read the corresponding concept of the month – and discuss it.

So, we read the ninth concept. And discussed it. We were reminded that it is often the lone voice in Narcotics Anonymous that can save us from a misinformed decision, and that it is important for us as individuals, groups, and service committees to seek out that lone voice. We were also reminded to “frankly speak our mind in discussions of service issues, even when most other members think differently” (GLS 13). Above all, we were reminded that each of us has an equal voice in NA.

Then we read two pages of the Outreach Resource Information handbook, as well as the preface. The sections were titled, “Preface,” “Introduction,” and “Outreach” (which is a basic overview of what outreach is). You may be asking yourself, *why only two pages and the preface?* The truth is that this is a slow process, and, as stated last month, we want to make sure that everybody that shows up has a good understanding what Outreach is. The meeting lasted about an hour and a half, which was just in time to beat the traffic on our way out.

September 27th, 2008 – Group Booklet Learning Day

The group booklet learning day was held yesterday, September 27th, 2008 from 11am-5pm. There were 14 members of Narcotics Anonymous there, representing 6 homegroups and 2 areas. Nine of us were from the GSMANA, whereas five were from the Chattanooga Area. Of the six homegroups represented, three were from this area and the other three were from Chattanooga. The two members of the Volunteer Regional Outreach

Subcommittee facilitated (facilitate = to make easier) the learning day.

We began with hugs, laughter, and prayer. Then we read the Traditions, Concepts, the Purpose of Outreach, and the Purpose of Workshops & Learning Days. Afterwards, the facilitators introduced themselves. They made sure to communicate that they were simply equal members of NA, nothing more – nothing less.

Before we got to the actual Group Booklet, we read and discussed tradition three, concept eight, the twelfth step, the first tradition, and the fifth tradition. As stated by one of the facilitators, “you have to set the table before you can eat on it.” There was a hefty amount of discussion regarding each of the readings. The discussion was mainly focused on the spiritual principles of Integrity, Responsibility, Unity, Anonymity, and Commitment.

Lunch Break.

After lunch, we began reading and discussing the Group Booklet. We made good progress, noting the traditions that corresponded with the six points of a group, reading the sections titled, “What is a ‘home group,’” “Who can be a member,” “What are ‘open’ and ‘closed’ meetings,” “Where can we hold NA meetings,” “How can our group support other NA services,” and “How can our group solve its problems,” respectively.

The discussion was honest, open, vibrant, and vulnerable. It was suggested at the beginning of the day that how good the learning day was going to be directly related to how much the members present participated themselves. The day did not consist of two facilitators simply telling everyone what to do or think – it was a day of sharing and caring by everyone present.

The facilitators were available for questions or comments after the day was over. Their commitment to NA was visible. We will be sure to thank the VROS for taking their Saturday to spend with us here in the GSMANA. (attached is the agenda from the learning day)

The Group Booklet

Learning Day for the Greater Smokey Mountain Area

Facilitated by the Volunteer Region Outreach Committee

- Open with the Serenity Prayer
- Reading of our 12 Traditions
- Reading of our 12 Concepts for NA Service

Welcome to everyone!

- Introduction of our Facilitators (definition of Facilitate: To make easier)
- Who needs a Group Booklet?? We'll be in it all day!
- Overview of today's Learning Day from The Group Booklet
- 3rd Tradition- Equality and Desire - Basic Text – pg. 62
- 8th Concept – Participation, Support and Unity today at *your* Learning Day – pg. 17 - 1st paragraph

The fundamentals of an NA Group

- 12th Step – Our message at our Group – Basic Text pg. 50 1st paragraph
- 1st Tradition – Group stability through Unity – Basic Text pg. 59 - 1st paragraph
- 5th Tradition – Our Primary Purpose- Basic Text – page 64 –
- 5th Tradition – The Principles of carrying a message in our group - IW:H&W page 165 last paragraph

BREAK!

The Group Booklet

From the beginning to ...

Final questions and thoughts

Thank You for your Commitment to NA!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

September 28th, 2008 – Outreach Subcommittee Meeting

We began the day with laughter, hugs, and prayer. There were nine people from five different homegroups there. We were excited to have three people at the subcommittee that had not been to it before! We read the Twelve Traditions, and Twelve Concepts for service. Afterward, we read concept nine and devoted about seven minutes to discussion.

We then reviewed what we had gone over the previous two meetings, for the sake of everyone present at the meeting. After reviewing, we picked right back up with the Outreach Resource Information, reading the sections titled, "Helping Struggling Groups and Areas," "Workshops and Learning Days," "Outreach Obstacles and Barriers," and the "Summary." The discussion was, once again, helpful and open. We were reminded that Outreach provides services and information in order to try to end isolation, and that one of the most efficient ways to do that is to provide workshops and learning days.

We discussed the question that was brought up at the last area meeting, regarding the time of the meeting on the fourth Sunday of each month. The concern that was brought up was that Sunday at 9am may not be conducive to some people's regular Sunday schedule. The resolution was that we only meet one Sunday each month, and that this is the best time to meet, considering that the other subcommittees and area meet in the same building and on the same day. Afterwards, we set the dates for the next two meetings:

Saturday, October 11th at 11am, at Carl Cowan Park.

AND

Sunday, October 26th at 9 am, at Square Dance Inc.

We will be reading Chapter 12 of the PR Handbook, titled, "Fellowship Development." If you want to come, please let me know, so that I can get you directions and a copy of what we will be reading and what we have read thus far.

ILS,
David E.

ADHOC Policy & Procedure - At the last meeting, we looked at different area guidelines, old drafts, and looking at old policy changing motions. The next meeting will be October 19th at 2:00 PM at Paul's House with hot dogs & chips. There are two numbers for contacts (865) 984-1473 and (831) 915-4848.
In Loving Service,

Paul

Q: Is the meeting at your house? I didn't think we did meetings at people's houses, just public places?

A: There is nothing in the policy that rules against this.

MOTION RESULTS

	Reg. Martin L for Alt Treas	Reg. Craig G. as Reg	Jeremy E. H&I Chair	ROR Money Destinations
A Better Way of	Y	Y	Y	Y
Daily Reprieve	Y	Abstain	Abstain	Abstain
Free To Be	Y	Y	Y	Y
Free Yourself	Abstain	Abstain	Abstain	Abstain
Glow in the Dark	Y	Y	Y	N
Giving It Back	Y	Y	Y	N
Last House on the	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
Little River Group	Y	Y	Y	N
Long Road Home	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
New Life	Abstain	Abstain	Y	Abstain
Nickel and Dime	Abstain	Abstain	Y	N
Peace and	Y	Y	Y	Y
Primary Purpose	Y	Y	Y	N
Road to Recovery	Y	Y	Y	N
Serenity in the	Y	Y	Y	Y
Solutions R Us	Y	Y	Y	N

Spiritual Principles	Y	Y	Y	N
Thank God for New	No voting	Priveleges	This	Month
Together We Can	Y	Y	Y	Y
Volunteer Group	Y	Y	Y	Y
WOLF Group	Abstain	Abstain	Y	Abstain
PASS	13	13	16	6
FAIL	0	0	0	8
ABSTAIN	5	5	2	4
PASS/FAIL	PASS	PASS	PASS	FAIL

Group Reports

GROUP: A Better Way of Life

LOCATION: New Providence Presbyterian Church

DAYS&TIMES:

MON TUES WED THUR FRI SAT SUN

7:30p 7:30p 7:30p

GSR: Becky D.

TREAS: Jonathan D.

GSRA:

SEC:

AVG ATTEND: 7

AVG 7TH: \$6

FUNDS AVAIL: \$50

NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE: 10/19/2008 5 PM, AROC Building Maryville upstairs

Small group, doing good for size

GROUP: Daily Reprieve

LOCATION: 228 Flat Fork Rd Wartburg TN

DAYS&TIMES:

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
					6:00p	

GSR: Bill M.

TREAS:

GSRA:

SEC:

AVG ATTEND: 3

AVG 7TH: \$0

FUNDS AVAIL: \$0

NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE: 10/25/2008

No area donation this month, traditions are being followed, small group

GROUP: Free To Be

LOCATION: Light House Christian Church at Façade Lane & Copeland in Powell

DAYS&TIMES:

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
			7:30p			

GSR: Michaelan H.

TREAS: Michaelan H.

GSRA:

SEC: Kevin

AVG ATTEND: 6

AVG 7TH:

FUNDS AVAIL:

NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE: 10/23/08

Candlelit meeting is nice, needs support, following traditions, donating money to the area

GROUP: Free Yourself

LOCATION: 301 Hickory Creed Rd, Central United Methodist Church, Lenoir City, TN

DAYS&TIMES:

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
7:30p						

GSR: Paul M.

TREAS: Paul M.

GSRA:
 AVG ATTEND: 6
 AVG 7TH: \$6
 FUNDS AVAIL: \$ 20.75
 NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE:
 4-6 People average per meeting

SEC: Patty

GROUP: Giving it Back

LOCATION: St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 224 Main St. & Church St. in Clinton

DAYS&TIMES:

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
	7:30 PM			7:30 PM		
	Trad&Step		1 st Fri. Speaker/Remainder OD			

GSR: Ken C. TREAS: Mark C.
 GSRA: Justin L. SEC: Margaret

AVG ATTEND: 15
 AVG 7TH: \$20
 FUNDS AVAIL: \$84.47
 NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE: 10/24/2008

Step and tradition study is going good, Paul O. is speaking at the eat and speak on October 3rd. We are putting together group guidelines

GROUP: Glow in the Dark

LOCATION: Serenity Club, Oak Ridge

DAYS&TIMES:

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
12:00p	12:00p	12:00p	12:00p	12:00	p	12:00p
8:00p	8:00p		8:00p	8:00p		12:00p
8:00p		8:00p				8:00p

GSR: James W. TREAS: Marvin H.
 GSRA: Kevin B. SEC:

AVG ATTEND: 20
 AVG 7TH: \$15
 FUNDS AVAIL: Yes
 NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE: 10/12/2008 5:30p
 Doing good

GROUP: Last House on the Street

LOCATION: 2301 Davenport Rd. #2 & Boggs

DAYS&TIMES:

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
				9:30p		

GSR: Steve W.

GSRA: Kris R.

AVG ATTEND:

AVG 7TH:

FUNDS AVAIL:

NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE:

TREAS: Curtis D.

SEC: Adam C.

GROUP: Little River Group

LOCATION: AROC Clubhouse 3722 Old Knoxville Hwy. 37853

DAYS&TIMES:

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
8:00p	8:00p	8:00p		8:00p	8:00p	12:00p
	12:00p					
	5:30p				9:30p	8:00p

GSR: Sara E.

GSRA: Steve H.

AVG ATTEND:

AVG 7TH:

FUNDS AVAIL:

NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE: 10/15/2008 6:30p

Doing well, decent contribution to area

TREAS: Jeremy E.

SEC: Emily

GROUP: Long Road Home

LOCATION: Missionary Baptist Church 1531 Wilder 37915

DAYS&TIMES:

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
		6pm	7pm			

GSR: Glenn C.

GSRA: Hugh S.

TREAS: Glenn C.

SEC: Glenn C.

AVG ATTEND:
AVG 7TH:
FUNDS AVAIL:
NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE:

GROUP: New Life

LOCATION: 119 N, Henry St. Morristown TN 37814

DAYS&TIMES:

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
					8:00p	8:00p

GSR: TREAS: Margaret S.
GSRA: Lisa D. SEC: Lisa D./ Suzanne

AVG ATTEND: 20
AVG 7TH: \$13.70
FUNDS AVAIL: \$106.77
NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE:
Got a secretary, attendance is good, donated to area

GROUP: Nickel & Dime Time

LOCATION: Westminster Pres. Church Northshore

DAYS&TIMES:

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
		7:00p				

GSR: Zack S. TREAS: Steve W.
GSRA: Chris W. SEC: Webster B.

AVG ATTEND: 37
AVG 7TH: \$30
FUNDS AVAIL: \$0
NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE: 10/22/2008
Going well, attendance is good, growing, 7th tradition is consistent

GROUP: Peace and Surrender

LOCATION: 5th Avenue Baptist 2500 5TH Avenue

DAYS&TIMES:

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
7:00p			8:00p			

GSR: Jeff B.

GSRA: Bill R.

AVG ATTEND: 5

AVG 7TH: \$3

FUNDS AVAIL: \$14

NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE: 10/20/2008

Need help with attendance. Struggling

TREAS: Bill R.

SEC:

GROUP: Primary Purpose

LOCATION: St. Elizabeth Episcopal Church 110 Sugarwood 37934

DAYS&TIMES:

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
	7:30p		7:30p			

GSR: Kelly D.

GSRA:

AVG ATTEND: 15

AVG 7TH: \$20

FUNDS AVAIL: \$0

NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE: 10/21/2008 8:45p

Doing well, attended Group booklet workshop, group inventory on November 1st at 10:30 AM

TREAS: Brent E.

SEC: Donna V.

GROUP: Road to Recovery

LOCATION: Kingston United Methodist Mission Center Blvd. Kingston TN

DAYS&TIMES:

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
6:30p			7:30p			

GSR: John W.

GSRA: Suzie F.

TREAS: Robert C

SEC: Patty I

AVG ATTEND: 15
AVG 7TH: \$15.00
FUNDS AVAIL: \$174
NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE: 10/23/2008
15-20 people average, updated flier for event on area website

GROUP: Serenity in the Smokies

LOCATION: Sun/Tue 214 Cedar St. Sevierville TN 1st United Methodist Church
Thur/Fri 240 Pigeon River Rd. Sevierville TN Pigeon River Clubhouse

DAYS&TIMES:

<u>MON</u>	<u>TUES</u>	<u>WED</u>	<u>THUR</u>	<u>FRI</u>	<u>SAT</u>	<u>SUN</u>
	8:00p		8:00p		8:00p	8:00p

GSR: Steve P.

TREAS: Betty C.

GSRA:

SEC: Phillie Joe

AVG ATTEND: 18

AVG 7TH: \$13.25

FUNDS AVAIL: \$5

NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE: 10/19/2008 6:30p

Club house is ordering literature and taking 7th & giving back 10% to give to area

Q: Are you willing to compromise integrity or just find a new place to me?

A: I'm against the way they are doing it now, but I'm only one vote, but it is a good location.

GROUP: Solutions-R-Us

LOCATION: Tazewell Pk./ Northside Christian Church

DAYS&TIMES:

<u>MON</u>	<u>TUES</u>	<u>WED</u>	<u>THUR</u>	<u>FRI</u>	<u>SAT</u>	<u>SUN</u>
7:30p				7:30p		

GSR: Heather E.

TREAS: Heather E.

GSRA: Open

SEC: Heather E.

AVG ATTEND: 20

AVG 7TH: \$15

FUNDS AVAIL: \$40/PR

NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE: 10/20/2008

Good month for attendance, income is down, my term is up as GSR, so will not be

continuing to do it

GROUP: Spiritual Principles

LOCATION: Church of the Good Samaritan 425 N. Cedar Bluff Rd. 37923-3600

DAYS&TIMES:

<u>MON</u>	<u>TUES</u>	<u>WED</u>	<u>THUR</u>	<u>FRI</u>	<u>SAT</u>	<u>SUN</u>
8:00p				7:30p		

GSR: David E.

TREAS: Greg V.

GSRA: Scott B.

SEC: Steven M.

AVG ATTEND: 40

AVG 7TH: \$20

FUNDS AVAIL: \$50

NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE: 10/20/2008

GROUP: Thank God for New Beginnings

LOCATION: St. Johns Church

DAYS&TIMES:

<u>MON</u>	<u>TUES</u>	<u>WED</u>	<u>THUR</u>	<u>FRI</u>	<u>SAT</u>	<u>SUN</u>
				7:30p		

GSR: Teddy H.

TREAS: Jim B.

GSRA:

SEC:

AVG ATTEND: 40

AVG 7TH: \$40

FUNDS AVAIL:

NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE: 10/24/2008

New GSR, doing good

GROUP: Together We Can

LOCATION: Central United Methodist Church Lamar & 3rd

DAYS&TIMES:

<u>MON</u>	<u>TUES</u>	<u>WED</u>	<u>THUR</u>	<u>FRI</u>	<u>SAT</u>	<u>SUN</u>
		7:00p				7:00p

GSR: Beth B.

TREAS: Luther T.

GSRA: Ezell M.

SEC:

AVG ATTEND: 50-75
AVG 7TH: \$20
FUNDS AVAIL:
NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE: 10/19/2008 6:15p

GROUP: Volunteer Group

LOCATION: 1st Christian Church Gay & 5th Ave.

DAYS&TIMES:

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
5:30p	5:30p		5:30p		5:30p	

GSR: Mitch C.

TREAS: Max C.

GSRA: Glance J.

SEC:

AVG ATTEND: 20

AVG 7TH: \$7

FUNDS AVAIL:

NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE: 10/9/2008

Under prudent reserve, attendance is high, need support from people with clean time because of amount of newcomers.

GROUP: WOLF Group

LOCATION: Parkside Community Center 2361 E 5th Ave.

DAYS&TIMES:

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
						1pm

GSR: Chris W.

TREAS: Ralph F.

GSRA:

SEC: Olivia

AVG ATTEND: 7

AVG 7TH:

FUNDS AVAIL:

NEXT GROUP CONSCIENCE:

We put 14 basic texts in Hamblen county jail, 5 in union county jail, would like to help put books in rural county jails, if your group wants to help, let me know 973-5423

Q: When are you going to make a decision on an area?


A: It's not a pressing agenda.

S: It is not the group's responsibility to donate basic texts to jails, there needs to be coordination with Public Information who's responsibility that is. And your not donating to the area until all jails have basic texts in them? but you expect to get your meeting

schedules and expect to be used by the phonenumber but are not going to participate in the area donations?

New Business

Area Motions

 **VOTE** **NOMINATION #1:** To nominate Eric P. for Alternate Secretary.

Motion Made by: Spiritual Principles

Seconded by: Primary Purpose

Intent: To fill vacancy with a qualified & willing NA member.

Service Resume:

Home group GSRA

Home group GSR

Home group secretary

ROR vice chair

Public information secretary

DON'T VOTE **MOTION #1:** GSMANA provide 10 basic texts for the purpose of mailing 1 to ten different libraries in the GSMANA.

Motion Made by: Public Information Subcommittee

Seconded by: Primary Purpose

Intent: Provide access to any one looking for information about recovery from addiction.

MOTION WAS STRAW POLLED BECAUSE IT IS LESS THAN \$200 AND VOTED ON AND PASSED AMONG GSR'S AT THE TABLE.

DON'T VOTE **MOTION #2:** To direct the literature chair to provide up to \$50 of literature to any group who expresses a need in their monthly group report to the area.

Motion Made by: Nickel & Dime

Seconded by: Volunteer Group

Intent: To promote unity through the facilitation of any group that expresses a need

financially. This literature is intended for the still sick & suffering addict throughout our area.

MAKER OF THE MOTION WITHDREW THE MOTION BECAUSE WE ALREADY HAVE A EMERGENCY FUND THAT IS THE DISCRETION OF THE TREASURER FOR INSTANCES LIKE THIS.

Next ASC Meeting is 10-26-08

GROUP REPORT FORM

GROUP:

MEETING PLACE & ADDRESS:

Meeting Days and times

Mon.@ Tues.@ Wed@ Thurs@ Fri@ Sat.@ Sun.@

GSR:
Alt.GSR;

Treasurer:
Secretary

Avg. Attendance:
Avg. 7th :
Funds available:
Next Group Conscience:

Phone:

E-mail address: _____ @ _____

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