

District 12

# Unity News

March 2018



## AA Thought for the Day

March 11, 2018

### Serenity

In all times of emotional disturbance or indecision, we can pause, ask for quiet, and in the stillness simply say: "God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference. Thy will, not mine, be done."

- *Twelve Steps & Twelve Traditions*, pp. 40 - 41

### Thought to Ponder

Serenity isn't freedom from the storm; it is peace within the storm.

### AA-related 'Alconym'

**K I S S = Keep It Serenely Simple.**

**I am responsible . . .**

**When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help,**

**I want the hand of A.A. always to be there.**

**And for that: I am responsible."**

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## ***FUTURE DISTRICT MEETING DATES***

<b>APRIL 8th, 3:00-4:00</b>	<b>QUEEN ST CLUB, MORGANTON</b>
<b>MAY 13th, 3:00-4:00</b>	<b>CALDWELL HOUSE, LENOIR</b>
<b>JUNE 10th, 3:00-4:00</b>	<b>HOPE VALLEY, HICKORY</b>

## **Attendance Report February 2018 District Meeting**

Marty M. – Twin City Group, DCM

Lory D. – District Secretary

Dean K. – 5:30 Group, Treasurer

Steve C. – High Noon Group, GSR

Robert R. – Corrections Facilities Coordinator

Chad R. – Keep It simple, GSR

Bill C. – Twin City, GSR

Debbie G. – WFG Tuesday, GSR, Alt DSM

Donna M. – Forever Newcomers, GSR

Eric F. – Caldwell Discussion, GSR, Caldwell LCM

Chris B. – Twin City Group, LCM Catawba

Chris B. – New Hope, GSR

Rob Y. – Into Action, GSR

# Secretary Report – February 2018 District Meeting

## SECRETARY REPORT – DISTRICT 12 MEETING – FEBRUARY 2018

The District 12 meeting was held at the Caldwell House in Lenoir. There were 13 voting members. The meeting was opened with the Serenity Prayer.

SECRETARY – Lory read last month's minutes, which were accepted.

TREASURER – Dean reviewed the treasurer's report, which was accepted.

DCM – Marty talked about the Committee meeting he and Debbie will be attending. He offered flyers on the NC State Convention and Western Pre-Conference.

ALT DCM – Debbie stated she will be putting together with Mary a workshop on anonymity to be presented for a Unity Day workshop. She will also investigate a "digital basket" and present to the District to possibly be used for collections at Unity Day.

LCM BURKE – Byron was absent.

LCM CATAWBA – Chris B. stated he is traveling to groups to provide information about district issues, unity news, etc.

LCM CALDWELL – Eric stated that all is well in Caldwell County.

CFC (CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES COORDINATOR) – Robert reported that he received a Corrections book and will update rosters for the facilities. He thanked both High Noon and Twin City Groups for the Big Books donated. He also stated he sent a cleaned-up version of the volunteer application to Marty, which will be listed on the website and put in Unity News.

CPC/PI (COOPERATION WITH PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY/PUBLIC INFORMATION) – Keith was absent. He is presently living in Florida, and so this position is open.

TFC (TREATMENT FACILITIES COORDINATOR) – Marty stated there has been some interest in taking this position; nothing definite at this time. All meetings are now covered.

REGISTRAR – Debbie stated how much she loved this position, and a motion was made, and passed to accept her as permanent. She stated she will be meeting with the Area Registrar at the Greensboro Committee meeting to learn more about cleaning up the listings. She asked all GSR's to contact her with group information (day, time, address, GSR name, etc.). She will have all available information correct by the end of the month.

PUBLICATIONS – Steve stated that he made corrections brought to him. He added a "statement" about the Correctional Meetings as to availability and will do that also with Facility Meetings. He asked that all future changes be sent into Debbie before being changed on the Where and When.

GRAPEVINE REP – Lynn was absent.

WEBMASTER – Lee was absent.

OLD BUSINESS – Dean stated that the Church was reserved on June 9<sup>th</sup> from noon to 10:00 pm for Unity Day.

NEW BUSINESS - Rob asked to take the CPC/PI position as he has encountered some difficulty in groups lately and would like to work with the professional community to inform them of what AA can and cannot do. Motion was made and passed to accept him into that position.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Western Pre-conference – April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018, First Baptist Church/Fellowship Hall, 312 Fifth Ave. West, Hendersonville, 28739

Area 51 Spring Assembly – June 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Hilton Hotel, N. Raleigh/Midtown, 3415 Wake Forest Road, Raleigh, NC 27609

71<sup>st</sup> North Carolina State Convention – July 19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018, Hilton Hotel, N. Raleigh/Midtown, 3415 Wake Forest Road, Raleigh, NC 27609

# Treasurer's Report February 2018 District Meeting

## District 12 Treasurer's Report Monthly Income Statement 2018

2/28/18  
7:16 PM

	<b>2017</b>			<b>YTD</b>
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>January</b>	<b>February</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
<b>Operating Cash - Beg of Period</b>	\$ 1,911.62	\$ 3,700.83	\$ 2,238.70	\$ 3,700.83
<b>Normal Contributions</b>				
5:30 Group	270.00	77.00	-	77.00
Alexander Group	80.00	20.00	-	20.00
Basic Book Study	175.00	-	-	-
Brown Bag Bunch	230.00	-	-	-
Come Alive Group	237.64	-	-	-
Cookies on the Table	250.00	-	-	-
Corinth United Group	150.00	-	-	-
Forever Newcomers	374.00	-	-	-
Gimme Shelter	76.00	-	50.92	50.92
High Noon	775.00	-	100.00	100.00
Keep it Simple	310.00	30.00	-	30.00
Living Sober	75.00	-	30.00	30.00
New Beginnings (Dissolved)	156.00	-	-	-
Primary Purpose	175.00	81.00	-	81.00
Saturday Night Group	70.00	-	-	-
Saturday Night Speaker	235.00	-	-	-
Serenity Sisters	388.86	-	-	-
Step Children Step Study	170.00	-	-	-
Twin City Group	436.00	-	-	-
Valdese Discussion Group	210.00	100.00	-	100.00
West Union Group	125.00	-	-	-
Women's Gratitude Group	155.00	-	-	-
<b>Total Normal Contributions</b>	<b>5,123.50</b>	<b>308.00</b>	<b>180.92</b>	<b>488.92</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Answering Service	745.50	62.50	64.00	126.50
Bank Charges	37.76	-	-	-
CFC	100.00	-	32.12	32.12
Committee Travel Expenses	1,509.84	-	405.99	405.99
GSO	500.00	750.00	-	750.00
Internet Service	-	207.63	65.08	272.71
Area 51	-	750.00	-	750.00
Literature	37.84	-	-	-
Publications	134.52	-	-	-
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>3,065.46</b>	<b>1,770.13</b>	<b>567.19</b>	<b>2,337.32</b>
<b>Operating Cash - End of Period</b>	<b>\$ 3,969.66</b>	<b>\$ 2,238.70</b>	<b>\$ 1,852.43</b>	<b>\$ 1,852.43</b>
-				
<b>Special Events Activity</b>				
Contributions/Seed Money	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (300.00)	\$ -
Expenses (FUMC)	1,070.20	-	-	-
	(1,339.03)	(300.00)	-	(300.00)
<b>Balance for Special Events</b>	<b>\$ (268.83)</b>	<b>\$ (300.00)</b>	<b>\$ (300.00)</b>	<b>\$ (300.00)</b>
<b>TOTAL CASH</b>	<b>\$ 3,700.83</b>	<b>\$ 1,938.70</b>	<b>\$ 1,552.43</b>	<b>\$ 1,552.43</b>
<p><b>NOTE:</b> The District Committee has determined that \$1,200 of the Operating Cash, also included in TOTAL CASH above, should be maintained as a Prudent Reserve.</p>				

## Addresses for Donations

**DISTRICT 12:** Dean Koenig  
812C Wynnshire Drive Hickory, NC 28601

**AREA 51: NCGSC** - Treasurer, PO Box 1181 Burlington, NC 27216

**GENERAL SERVICE OFFICE:**

A.A. World Services, Inc., P.O. Box 459, New York, NY 10163 (212) 870-3400

BE SURE TO INCLUDE YOUR INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP NAME. **ALSO REMEMBER TO INCLUDE YOUR GROUP NAME ON THE CHECK.** IF YOU WOULD LIKE A RECEIPT, PLEASE STATE SUCH AND BE SURE TO INCLUDE A RETURN ADDRESS. THANKS IN ADVANCE!!

## For New Groups and Group Changes

**Address to send Registration Forms to:**

District 12 Registrar  
206 West G St  
Newton, NC 28658

GROUP SERVICE No. \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

DELEGATE AREA No. \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT No. \_\_\_\_\_

No. OF MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_

**OLD INFORMATION**

GROUP NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Group Meeting Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

**MEETING DAY**

MON  | TUES  | WED  | THUR  | FRI  | SAT  | SUN

**MEETING TIMES**

\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_

**GENERAL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE (G.S.R.)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone : \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

ALTERNATE G.S.R.  or MAIL CONTACT  (Please check one ✓)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone : \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**NEW INFORMATION**

GROUP NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Group Meeting Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone : \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone : \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

If the Group is to be listed in the Directory, please provide a telephone number and mailing address for the G.S.R., Alternate G.S.R., or Group contact. Listing in the Directory is for Twelfth Step referral and/or for meeting information. The G.S.R.'s (or other contact) name and telephone number will be included in the Directory with the group's name and service number.

OK TO LIST IN THE DIRECTORY?  Yes  No

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

"Our membership ought to include all who suffer from alcoholism. Hence we may refuse none who wish to recover. Nor ought A.A. Membership ever depend upon money or conformity. Any two or three alcoholics gathered together for sobriety may call themselves an A.A. group, provided that, as a group they have no other affiliation." — Tradition Three (the long form)

"Each Alcoholics Anonymous group ought to be a spiritual entity having but one primary purpose — that of carrying its message to the alcoholic who still suffers." — Tradition Five (the long form)

"Unless there is approximate conformity to A.A.'s Twelve Traditions, the group... can deteriorate and die." — Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, page 174.

**THREE WAYS TO RETURN THIS FORM:**

Postal Mail to: A.A. World Services, Inc.  
Grand Central Station  
P.O. Box 459  
New York, NY 10163

By Fax: 212-870-3003 (Attn: Records)

E-mail: records@aa.org

## District 12 Correctional Meetings

### Caldwell County

Caldwell Correctional Center ("Hudson") (828) 726-2509  
480 Pleasant Hill Road, Lenoir, NC 28645  
Tuesday & Thursday 6:30-7:30 pm-Pleasant Hill Group



### Catawba County

Catawba Correctional Center ("Newton") (828) 466-5521  
Friday 6:30-7:30 pm

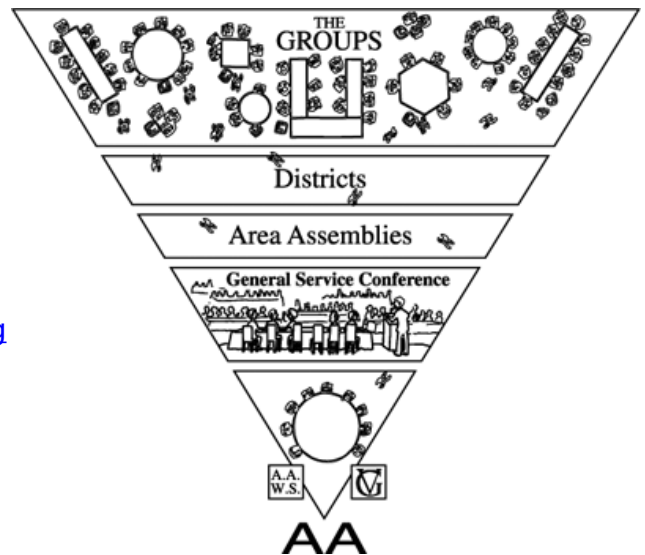
## Numbers and Contact Information

AA District Website: <http://www.ncd12aa.org>

**HOTLINE NUMBER 1-877-960-4785**  
**ESPAÑOL - 828-291-8465 or 828-238-7349**  
**LLAMAME**

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Registrar Open. [Registrar@ncd12aa.org](mailto:Registrar@ncd12aa.org)

(Debbie G. Temp)



\*\*\*\*\* Treatment Facilities Coordinator Position Open \*\*\*\*\*  
Currently Seeking Volunteers

# Corrections Article for Volunteers

We have a urgent need for support in the area correctional facilities. At this time there are a total of 4 volunteers for the Caldwell unit, 2 for the Catawba Unit and none for the Burke Units. Actually the Burke units do not have any active meetings so that is an urgent need for some folks to get that going again.

The process for volunteering is simple. Fill out an application and mail it to the facility you want to volunteer at. It can take several months to be approved so be patient. The general guidelines are not to have any pending legal charges and be off any probation or parole supervision for 12 months. One year sober time is also suggested.

For the official NCDOC application form, email Jim F. at [CFC@ncd12aa.org](mailto:CFC@ncd12aa.org)

or download the form: [http://ncd12aa.org/DC345\\_1.pdf](http://ncd12aa.org/DC345_1.pdf)

Link to AA pamphlet [http://www.aa.org/assets/en\\_US/f-5\\_CarryingtheMessagCF.pdf](http://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/f-5_CarryingtheMessagCF.pdf)

What can you do if you cannot volunteer or have other issues?

- 1: Offer to speak at a correctional setting. (You can go in one time a year as a visitor.)
- 2: Volunteer to be a temporary contact upon an inmate's release and take them to their first outside A.A. meeting.
- 3: Provide the correctional facilities, with their permission, with DVDs of A.A. material.
- 4: Donate the price of a Big Book and the Twelve and Twelve to your local corrections committee, as well as back issues of the Grapevine and A.A. Conference- approved literature.
- 5: Correspond with an inmate through the Corrections Correspondence Service.
- 6: Support your district, area or intergroup/central office correctional facilities committees. Participate in correctional facilities workshops

**Remember**—when anyone, anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there—FOR THAT I AM RESPONSIBLE. They can not have a meeting without a volunteer present. One is all it takes.

If I can be of any assistance you can email me at [CFC@ncd12aa.org](mailto:CFC@ncd12aa.org)

I can tell you I have been volunteering for the past 9 months and it has been one of the most rewarding of my AA experiences.

Jim F.



**N.C. Department of Public Safety – Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice**  
**Rehabilitative Programs and Services**  
**COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER APPLICATION**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
  **First**  **Middle**  **Last**
2. Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
  **Street Address**  **City**  **State**  **Zip**
3. Mailing Address (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_
4. Home Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_      6. Gender: \_\_\_\_      7. SS # \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_
8. Driver’s License #: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_      9. Race: \_\_\_\_\_
10. Employer’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_
11. Have you ever served as a Volunteer in the Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice? **No** \_\_\_\_  
If **yes**, Where? \_\_\_\_\_ When? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Have you ever been dismissed as a Volunteer by the Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice? **No** \_\_\_\_  
If **yes**, Where? \_\_\_\_\_ When? \_\_\_\_\_  
**Please list brief details:** \_\_\_\_\_
13. Have you ever been dismissed as a Visitor by the Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice? **No** \_\_\_\_  
If **yes**, Where? \_\_\_\_\_ When? \_\_\_\_\_  
**Please list brief details:** \_\_\_\_\_
14. In what area(s) are you interested in serving as a Volunteer? \_\_\_\_\_
15. Why do you wish to serve as a Volunteer? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
16. Are you related to an inmate currently housed at this facility? \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No**  
If **yes**, Who? \_\_\_\_\_ What is the relationship? \_\_\_\_\_
17. Are you currently visiting any inmates assigned to this facility? \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No**  
If **yes**, Who? \_\_\_\_\_ What is the relationship? \_\_\_\_\_
18. Are you applying to be a Community Leave Sponsor? \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No**  
If **yes**, Name of the inmate and how do you know them? \_\_\_\_\_
19. Would you serve as a Community Leave Sponsor for an inmate that you do not know? \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No**
20. Have you ever been convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation? \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No**  
If **yes**, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_
21. Would you have objections to the Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice making inquiries necessary for the approval of your application? \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No**

I understand that I will not receive any compensation for serving as a volunteer, by the Department of Public Safety, Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice, Rehabilitative Programs and Services for an Inmate.

I understand that there are certain risks inherent in volunteering within the confines of a Correctional Facility. Facility staff will take normal and prudent precautions for my protection but they cannot guarantee my physical safety nor protect me from any legal liability that may result from my actions as a volunteer. I am aware that my giving false information may result in the rejection of this application or termination of my volunteer status. The information will be used for a background check and/or investigation.

I have read (or have had it read to me) this application and understand the information contained in it.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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**DO NOT FILL IN SECTION BELOW – STAFF USE ONLY**  
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Interviewer’s Comments and Recommendations: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_ On Site \_\_\_\_\_ Off Site

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Approving Authority: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Applicant Notified of Decision:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Staff Use Only**                      **I certify that all information has been Verified**  
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DATE	STAFF NAME	FACILITY	A -Approved D-Disapproved	New Application Required Yes or No