

District 12

Unity News

November 2017



AA Thought for the Day

November 12, 2017

The Main Purpose

WE, OF Alcoholics Anonymous, are more than one hundred men and women who have recovered from a seemingly hopeless state of mind and body. To show other alcoholics precisely how we have recovered is the main purpose of this book.

For them, we hope these pages will prove so convincing that no further authentication will be necessary.

- *Alcoholics Anonymous*, Foreword to First Edition, p.xiii

Thought to Ponder

God grant that AA may ever stay simple.

AA-related 'Alconym'

G I F T S = **G**etting **I**t **F**rom **T**he **S**teps.

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

DECEMBER 10th, 3:00-4:00	HOPE VALLEY, HICKORY
JANUARY 14th, 3:00-4:00	QUEEN ST CLUB, MORGANTON
FEBRUARY 11th, 3:00-4:00	CALDWELL HOUSE, LENOIR

Attendance Report October 2017 District Meeting

Marty M. – Twin City Group, DCM
Lory D. – District Secretary
Byron P. – Alt. Burke LCM
Rob Y. – Into Action Group, LCM Burke
Suzanne K. – Quitting Time, GSR
Alan C. – Living Sober, GSR
Ken F. – Cookies on the Table, GSR
Connie W. – Forever Newcomers, Visitor
Lynn D. – Second Chance, GSR
Rob P. – Keep It Simple, GSR
Bill C. – Twin City Group, Alt. GSR
Susan F. – Keep It Simple, Visitor
Donna M. – Forever Newcomers, GSR
Chris B. - High Noon Group, Alt. GSR
Priscilla W. – Ladies of the Light, GSR
Scott Coy – Brown Bag, Visitor
Lee W. – Cookies at the Table, Webmaster
Heather W. – Brown Bag, Alt GSR
Mary M. – Brown Bag, GSR
Keith S. – Keep It Simple, CPC/PI

Secretary Report – October 2017 District Meeting

The District 12 meeting was held at the Queen Street Center in Morganton. There were 17 voting members. The meeting was opened with the Serenity Prayer.

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

TREASURER – Dean was absent. A request was made to have Steve print the report in a larger font, and Marty said he would speak to him about that.

DCM – Marty reminded everyone that the Fall Assembly was on November 4-5, and that the hotel reservations had not met the block numbers needed, and the reservation dates would be extended to October 12th (if not met, it will cost the Area thousands of dollars)

ALT DCM – Debbie was absent.

LCM BURKE – Rob stated he had nothing to report.

LCM CATAWBA – Joan was absent.

LCM CALDWELL – Eric was absent.

CFC (CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES COORDINATOR) – Robert was absent, although Marty reported that he has started meetings at the correctional facility in Burke.

CPC/PI (COOPERATION WITH PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY/PUBLIC INFORMATION) – Keith is in process of connecting with the right individuals to do a program at the Elks Lodge.

TFC (TREATMENT FACILITIES COORDINATOR) – Kyle not present. Marty stated that he is stepping down. Susan explained her process of working with Catawba Hospital (rotating people every week), and that it is now going well. Donna expressed concerns about newcomers leading meetings at Frye Hospital.

REGISTRAR – Kathy not present, but sent information that everything is up to date, and that there were very few groups reporting number of home group members.

PUBLICATIONS – Steve not present, but paperwork sent in.

GRAPEVINE REP – Open position. Duties explained by Marty.

WEBMASTER – Lee reported that everything was up to date.

OLD BUSINESS – Marty discussed the issue of seed monies for the Alcothon asking for ideas on how to proceed. Donna asked how we got in this situation. She spoke of people spending their own money for needs (meat, bread, coffee) and about the district needing to be self-supporting. It was explained to her about the \$300 rent that is not to be accounted for in seed money, and that we are only \$134.41 short for expenses. A motion was made, seconded, and approved, that the budget for special events be increased by \$150 to \$450 per event. Another motion was made to ask the groups to increase seed money donations to \$30.

NEW BUSINESS SHARING SECTION – Mary asked about the need for Broughton Hospital Meetings. Old history of trying to set these up, along with some of the difficulties were explained. Marty asked about the Alcothon and hosting groups, time slots etc. Forever Newcomers volunteered to host the dinner section from 6-8. Gimme Shelter Group volunteered to host the speaker section from 8-10. Rob stated that he needs to step down from Burke LCM as he has new obligations, and that Byron P. would take the position. After a short qualifying introduction, he was enthusiastically accepted. Connie asked if a group could manage the meetings at Frye Hospital. Susan stated she had a notebook with a meeting guide and pamphlets available for those meetings. Marty suggested that we ask individuals, or home groups, if they are willing to manage this responsibility. Marty will manage the group until next month.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Fall 2017 Committee Meeting, November 3, Hilton North Raleigh, Raleigh, Committee Members Only.

Fall 2017 Assembly, November 4-5, Hilton North Raleigh, Raleigh, All AA Members.

SSAASA (Southern States AA Service Assembly), November 10-12, Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites Atlanta Airport-North, Atlanta, GA

Treasurer's Report October 2017 District Meeting

District 12
Treasurer's Report
Monthly Trend Income Statement
2017

11/12/17
10:31 PM

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD TOTALS
Operating Cash - Beg of Period	\$ 1,911.62	\$ 2,616.71	\$ 1,918.28	\$ 2,049.78	\$ 2,572.14	\$ 2,182.14	\$ 2,676.14	\$ 3,035.64	\$ 3,136.07	\$ 3,159.96	\$ 3,242.88	\$ 3,242.88	\$ 1,911.62
Normal Contributions													
530 Group	100.00	-	-	70.00	-	-	-	100.00	-	-	-	-	270.00
Alexander Group	-	20.00	-	20.00	-	-	20.00	-	-	-	-	-	60.00
Basic Book Study	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	175.00	-	-	-	-	175.00
Brown Bag Bunch	-	-	-	30.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30.00
Come Alive Group	78.46	-	-	46.62	-	-	-	-	-	92.40	-	-	217.48
Cookies on the Table	50.00	-	-	50.00	-	50.00	-	-	50.00	-	-	-	200.00
Corinth United Group	-	-	-	-	-	-	150.00	-	-	-	-	-	150.00
Forever Newcomers	120.00	-	-	-	-	104.00	-	-	-	150.00	-	-	374.00
High Noon	50.00	175.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	100.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	-	-	675.00
Keep it Simple	50.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	30.00	-	-	280.00
Living Sober	-	-	25.00	50.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	75.00
New Beginnings (Dissolved)	156.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	156.00
Primary Purpose	59.00	-	-	44.80	-	-	30.00	-	-	41.20	-	-	175.00
Saturday Night Group	-	-	-	-	-	70.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	70.00
Saturday Night Speaker	40.00	-	-	70.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	110.00
Serenity Sisters	130.98	-	-	65.94	-	-	-	-	-	134.82	-	-	331.74
Twin City Group	-	-	184.00	-	-	-	-	252.00	-	-	-	-	436.00
Valdese Discussion Group	-	40.00	-	-	-	60.00	110.00	-	-	-	-	-	210.00
West Union Group	50.00	-	-	-	-	50.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.00
Women's Gratitude Group	-	-	-	-	-	155.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	155.00
Total Normal Contributions	884.44	260.00	284.00	522.36	75.00	564.00	435.00	602.00	125.00	498.42	-	-	4,250.22
Expenses													
Answering Service	65.50	-	134.50	-	65.00	70.00	75.50	62.50	60.50	65.50	-	-	599.00
Bank Charges	37.76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37.76
CFC	-	50.00	-	-	50.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.00
Committee Travel Expenses	-	350.00	-	-	350.00	-	-	439.07	20.77	350.00	-	-	1,509.84
GSO	-	500.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500.00
Literature	-	-	18.00	-	-	-	-	-	19.84	-	-	-	37.84
Publications	76.09	58.43	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	134.52
Total Expenses	179.35	958.43	152.50	-	465.00	70.00	75.50	501.57	101.11	415.50	-	-	2,918.96
Operating Cash - End of Period	\$ 2,616.71	\$ 1,918.28	\$ 2,049.78	\$ 2,572.14	\$ 2,182.14	\$ 2,676.14	\$ 3,035.64	\$ 3,136.07	\$ 3,159.96	\$ 3,242.88	\$ 3,242.88	\$ 3,242.88	\$ 3,242.88
Special Events Activity													
Contributions/Seed Money	170.00	-	25.00	125.00	35.00	109.20	-	-	-	60.00	-	-	524.20
Expenses (FUMC)	-	(300.00)	-	-	-	(298.61)	-	(300.00)	-	-	-	-	(898.61)
Balance for Special Events	\$ 170.00	\$ (130.00)	\$ (105.00)	\$ 20.00	\$ 55.00	\$ (134.41)	\$ (134.41)	\$ (434.41)	\$ (434.41)	\$ (374.41)	\$ (374.41)	\$ (374.41)	\$ (374.41)
TOTAL CASH	\$ 2,786.71	\$ 1,788.28	\$ 1,944.78	\$ 2,592.14	\$ 2,237.14	\$ 2,541.73	\$ 2,901.23	\$ 2,701.66	\$ 2,725.55	\$ 2,868.47	\$ 2,868.47	\$ 2,868.47	\$ 2,868.47

NOTE: 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.

Seed Contributions													
Alcothon Contributions	145.00	-	-	-	-	109.20	-	-	-	-	-	-	254.20
Caldwell Discussion	-	-	-	25.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.00
Come Alive	-	-	-	25.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.00
Forever Newcomers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30.00	-	-	30.00
High Noon	-	-	25.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	30.00	-	-	55.00
Into Action	-	-	-	-	35.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35.00
Keep it Simple	-	-	-	25.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.00
Serenity Sisters	-	-	-	25.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.00
Step Children Step Study	25.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.00
Twin City Group	-	-	-	25.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.00
Total Seed Contributions	\$ 170.00	\$ -	\$ 25.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 109.20	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 60.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 524.20

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!!

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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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
LLAMAME

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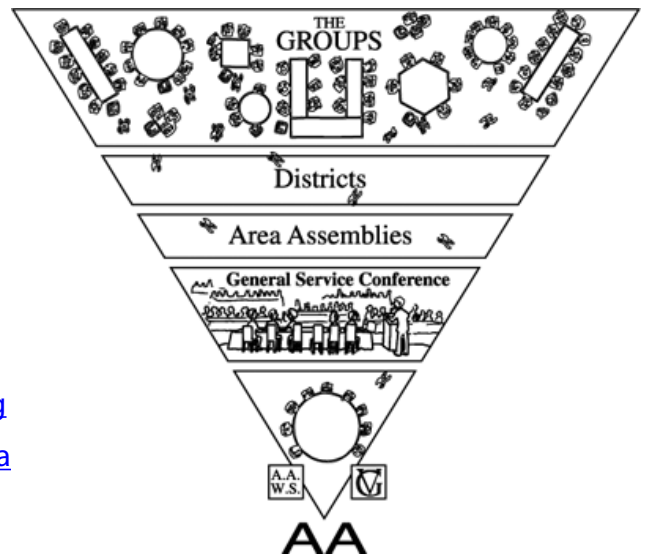
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206 West G St
Newton, NC 28658



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

or download the form: http://ncd12aa.org/DC345_1.pdf

Link to AA pamphlet 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

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.