

District 12

# Unity News

January 2018



## AA Thought for the Day

January 14, 2018

### Willingness

Once we have placed the key of willingness in the lock and have the door ever so slightly open, we find that we can always open it some more.

Though self-will may slam it shut again, as it frequently does, it will always respond the moment we again pick up the key of willingness.

- *Twelve Steps & Twelve Traditions*, p. 35

### Thought to Ponder

Take a walk with God. He will meet you at the Steps.

### AA-related 'Alconym'

**S W A T** = **S**urrender, **W**illingness, **A**ction, **T**rust.

**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>FEBRUARY 11th, 3:00-4:00</b>	<b>CALDWELL HOUSE, LENOIR</b>
<b>MARCH 11th, 3:00-4:00</b>	<b>HOPE VALLEY, HICKORY</b>
<b>APRIL 8th, 3:00-4:00</b>	<b>QUEEN ST CLUB, MORGANTON</b>

## **Attendance Report December 2017 District Meeting**

Marty M. – Twin City Group, DCM  
Lory D. – District Secretary  
Ken F. – Cookies on the Table, GSR  
Dean K. – 5:30 Group, Treasurer  
Lynn D. – Second Chance, GSR  
Steve C. – High Noon Group, GSR  
Chris B. - New Hope, GSR  
Robert R. – Corrections Facilities Coordinator  
Chad R. – Keep It simple, GSR  
Chris B. - Alexander Correctional, Visitor  
Bill C. – Twin City, GSR  
Tracey C. – Serenity Sisters, GSR  
Jess L. – Forever Newcomers, Visitor  
Harry – Un Nuevo Dia, GSR  
Brad J. – Forever Newcomers, Visitor  
Rob Y. – Into Action, GSR  
Stephanie Q. – Cookies on the Table, Visitor  
Debbie G. – WFG Tuesday, GSR, Alt DSM  
Dave B. – Brown Bag Meeting, Alt GSR

# Secretary Report – December 2017 District Meeting

The District 12 meeting was held at the Hope Valley, Hickory. There were 15 voting members. The meeting was opened with the Serenity Prayer.

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

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

DCM – Marty informed the group that he brought flyers for the Convention and Assembly, along with contribution envelopes for GSO and Area. He also has the SSAASA report, and will email to anyone requesting it.

ALT DCM – Debbie informed the group that she had copies of "12 Tips for Staying Sober During the Holidays" flyer for anyone wanting one.

LCM BURKE – Rob, speaking for Byron, said there was no report.

LCM CATAWBA – Joan was absent, but sent word that she was resigning her position. Marty explained the responsibilities. Chris B. volunteered, qualified himself, and was accepted.

LCM CALDWELL – Eric was absent.

CFC (CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES COORDINATOR) – Robert reported an increase in interest of volunteers. He will look at the possibility of meetings in the local jails. Feedback from those having experience was offered positively. The High Noon Group offered to buy Big Books for prisons. It was decided that 12 soft covered books was needed, some in large print.

CPC/PI (COOPERATION WITH PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY/PUBLIC INFORMATION) – Keith was absent.

TFC (TREATMENT FACILITIES COORDINATOR) – Marty talked about the Frye Hospital Groups still need a coordinator.

REGISTRAR – Kathy not present, but emailed her resignation regretfully.

PUBLICATIONS – Steve stated that he changed the church name for the Forever Newcomers Group in the meeting schedule. He enlarged the print for the Treasurer's Report in the Unity News, and he stated that on page 6, he has started listing the open positions for the District.

GRAPEVINE REP – Lynn had no report.

WEBMASTER – Lee was absent.

OLD BUSINESS – Marty again stated the need for a TFC Coordinator. Dean passed out copies of the proposed budget. He reviewed contributions and expenses, and answered questions. Motion made and passed to accept budget. The Alcathon plans were reviewed.

NEW BUSINESS - Jess L. brought up the subject of the legal issues for AA concerning the original manuscript for the Big Book. It was understood that GSO has withdrawn its legal suit. Concerns were shared about the suit violating traditions.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Alcathon – December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2:00 pm – January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2:00 pm. First Methodist Church, 311 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave NE, Hickory, NC  
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 December 2017 District Meeting

**District 12**  
**Treasurer's Report**  
**Monthly Trend Income Statement - FINAL**  
**2017**

1/2/18  
 10:17 AM

	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec</u>	<u>YTD TOTALS</u>
<b>Operating Cash - Beg of Period</b>	<b>\$ 1,911.62</b>	<b>\$ 2,616.71</b>	<b>\$ 3,242.88</b>	<b>\$ 3,313.38</b>	<b>\$ 1,911.62</b>
<b>Normal Contributions</b>					
5:30 Group	100.00	-	-	-	270.00
Alexander Group	-	20.00	20.00	-	80.00
Basic Book Study	-	-	-	-	175.00
Brown Bag Bunch	-	-	-	200.00	230.00
Come Alive Group	78.46	-	-	20.16	237.64
Cookies on the Table	50.00	-	-	50.00	250.00
Corinth United Group	-	-	-	-	150.00
Forever Newcomers	120.00	-	-	-	374.00
Gimme Shelter	-	-	76.00	-	76.00
High Noon	50.00	175.00	-	100.00	775.00
Keep it Simple	50.00	25.00	30.00	-	310.00
Living Sober	-	-	-	-	75.00
New Beginnings (Dissolved)	156.00	-	-	-	156.00
Primary Purpose	59.00	-	-	-	175.00
Saturday Night Group	-	-	-	-	70.00
Saturday Night Speaker	40.00	-	-	125.00	235.00
Serenity Sisters	130.98	-	-	57.12	388.86
Step Children Step Study	-	-	-	170.00	170.00
Twin City Group	-	-	-	-	436.00
Valdeese Discussion Group	-	40.00	-	-	210.00
West Union Group	50.00	-	25.00	-	125.00
Women's Gratitude Group	-	-	-	-	155.00
<b>Total Normal Contributions</b>	<b>884.44</b>	<b>260.00</b>	<b>151.00</b>	<b>722.28</b>	<b>5,123.50</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Answering Service	65.50	-	80.50	66.00	745.50
Bank Charges	37.76	-	-	-	37.76
CFC	-	50.00	-	-	100.00
Committee Travel Expenses	-	350.00	-	-	1,509.84
GSO	-	500.00	-	-	500.00
Literature	-	-	-	-	37.84
Publications	76.09	58.43	-	-	134.52
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>179.35</b>	<b>958.43</b>	<b>80.50</b>	<b>66.00</b>	<b>3,065.46</b>
<b>Operating Cash - End of Period</b>	<b>\$ 2,616.71</b>	<b>\$ 1,918.28</b>	<b>\$ 3,313.38</b>	<b>\$ 3,969.66</b>	<b>\$ 3,969.66</b>
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<b>Special Events Activity</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 170.00</b>	<b>\$ (374.41)</b>	<b>\$ (229.41)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
Contributions/Seed Money	170.00	-	145.00	401.00	1,070.20
Expenses (FUMC)	-	(300.00)	-	(440.42)	(1,339.03)
<b>Balance for Special Events</b>	<b>\$ 170.00</b>	<b>\$ (130.00)</b>	<b>\$ (229.41)</b>	<b>\$ (268.83)</b>	<b>\$ (268.83)</b>
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<b>TOTAL CASH</b>	<b>\$ 2,786.71</b>	<b>\$ 1,788.28</b>	<b>\$ 3,083.97</b>	<b>\$ 3,700.83</b>	<b>\$ 3,700.83</b>

**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.

## Addresses for Donations

**DISTRICT 12:** Dean Koenig

812C Wynnsire 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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Corrections Facility Coordinator Robert R. [CFC@ncd12aa.org](mailto:CFC@ncd12aa.org)

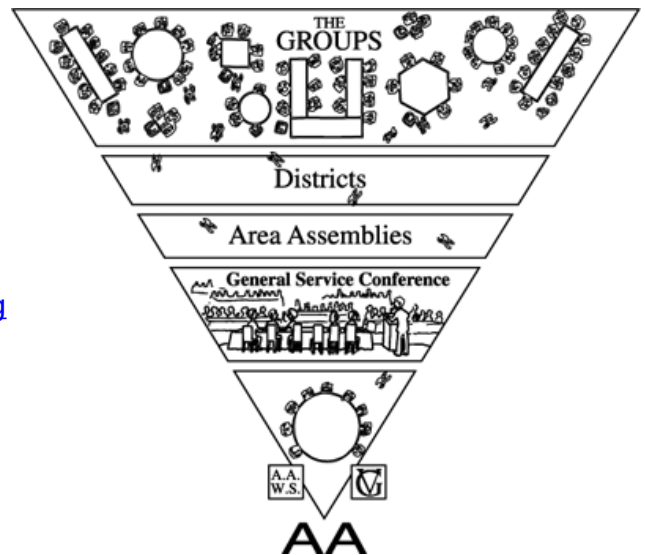
Treatment Facilities Coordinator TBD

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

Webmaster Lee W.. [Webmaster@ncd12aa.org](mailto:Webmaster@ncd12aa.org)

Publications Steve C. [Publications@ncd12aa.org](mailto:Publications@ncd12aa.org)

Registrar Kathy G. [Registrar@ncd12aa.org](mailto:Registrar@ncd12aa.org)



\*\*\*\*\* Treatment Facilities Coordinator Position Open \*\*\*\*\*

Currently Seeking Volunteers

### Address to send Registration Forms to:

District 12 Registrar  
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](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.