

District 12

Unity News

June 2017



AA Thought for the Day

(courtesy AA-Alive.net)

The Doctor's Opinion

Frothy emotional appeal seldom suffices.

The message which can interest and hold these alcoholic people must have depth and weight.

In nearly all these cases, their ideals must be grounded in a power greater than themselves, if they are to re-create their lives.

- *Alcoholics Anonymous*, p. xxviii

Thought to Ponder . . .

God seldom becomes a reality until God becomes a necessity.

AA-related 'Alconym' . . .

A B C = Acceptance, Belief, Change.

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

JUNE 11th, 3:00-4:00	HOPE VALLEY, HICKORY
JULY 9th, 3:00-4:00	QUEEN ST CLUB, MORGANTON
AUGUST 13th, 3:00-4:00	CALDWELL HOUSE, LENOIR

Attendance Report May 2017 District Meeting

Marty M. – Twin City Group, DCM
Lory D. – Primary Purpose, Secretary
Debbie G. – Women Faith and Gratitude, Alt. DCM
Dean K. – 5:30 Group, Treasurer
Troy H. – Alexander Group, GSR
Eric F. – Caldwell Discussion, GSR
Donna M. – Forever Newcomers, GSR
Ken F. – Cookies on the Table, GSR
Kyle H. – Primary Purpose, Treatment Coordinator
Keith S. – Keep It Simple, CPC/PI
Allen J. – Come Alive Group, GSR
Lee W. – Cookies On The Table, Webmaster
Jim F. – Lenoir Discussion, GSR
Rob P. – Keep It Simple, GSR
Bill C. – Twin City Group, Alt. GSR
Tracey C. – Serenity Sisters, GSR

Secretary Report – May 2017 District Meeting

SECRETARY REPORT – DISTRICT 12 MEETING – MAY 2017

The District 12 meeting was held at the Caldwell House in Lenoir. There were 16 voting members. The meeting was opened with the Serenity Prayer.

DCM – Marty reported on his experience at the Western Pre-Conference, reviewing digital issues and anonymity. He acknowledged continuing to travel to different meetings in the area, introducing himself.

ALT DCM Debbie had no report.

LCM BURKE – Rob was not present.

LCM CATAWBA – Joan was not present

LCM CALDWELL – Eric also stated he was getting to meetings introducing himself as the new Caldwell LCM.

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

TREASURER – Dean reviewed the financial report, which was accepted. A question about "Queen Street Club" contribution was not cleared up through discussion.

CFC (CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES COORDINATOR) – Jim offered to turn over the position if someone else wanted to serve, and will remain if not. He stated he bought more books for a prison Big Book Study group, and that more volunteers are still needed.

CPC/PI (COOPERATION WITH PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY/PUBLIC INFORMATION) – Keith called a literature representative in Raleigh, but was not able to obtain the information desired. He will contact the state CPC/PI coordinator.

TFC (TREATMENT FACILITIES COORDINATOR) – Kyle stated that due to his schedule changes and increased personal responsibilities, he will not be able to continue with this position (will stay on as GSR of home group). He will help someone take over Catawba Hospital (Frey Hospital program running well on own) through May. Plans for a new Grace House meeting will be postponed.

REGISTRAR – Kathy was not present.

PUBLICATIONS – Steve was not present.

GRAPEVINE REP – Open position.

WEBMASTER – Lee stated there was nothing new.

OLD BUSINESS – Ken reported that Unity Day will be on June 10th, with two workshops at 1pm and 3pm. Twin City will lead a workshop on group inventories, and High Noon Group will do one on service or unity. Dinner will be at 6pm, and a speaker at 8pm. Dean will get the key, and turn it over to Cookies on the Table group.

NEW BUSINESS – A new list was sent around to update a district phone and email list.

SHARING SECTION – More support for meetings were discussed, with Forever Newcomers and the 5:30 meeting asking for more women attendees for newcomers to connect with. Caldwell Discussion group needs outside (from ½ way house) support. The issue of the new meeting in Caldwell, Quitting Time, was not a women's meeting only.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Spring 2017 Committee Meeting, May 19, Hilton North Raleigh, Raleigh, Committee Members Only.

Spring 2017 Assembly, May 20-21, Hilton North Raleigh, Raleigh, All AA Members.

70th NC State Convention, July 13-16, Hilton North Raleigh, Raleigh, Open to Everyone.

Summer 2017 Committee Meeting, August 26-27, Sheraton Greensboro at Four Seasons, Greensboro, Committee Members Only.

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.

District 12
Treasurer's Report
Monthly Trend Income Statement
2017

5/31/17
3:27 PM

	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>YTD TOTALS</u>
Operating Cash - Beg of Period	\$ 1,911.62	\$ 2,616.71	\$ 1,918.28	\$ 2,049.78	\$ 2,572.14	\$ 1,911.62
Normal Contributions						
5:30 Group	100.00	-	-	70.00	-	170.00
Alexander Group	-	20.00	-	20.00	-	40.00
Brown Bag Bunch	-	-	-	30.00	-	30.00
Come Alive Group	78.46	-	-	46.62	-	125.08
Cookies on the Table	50.00	-	-	50.00	-	100.00
Forever Newcomers	120.00	-	-	-	-	120.00
High Noon	50.00	175.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	375.00
Keep it Simple	50.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	150.00
Living Sober	-	-	25.00	-	-	25.00
New Beginnings (Dissolved)	156.00	-	-	-	-	156.00
Primary Purpose	59.00	-	-	44.80	-	103.80
Queen Street Club	-	-	-	50.00	-	50.00
Saturday Night Speaker	40.00	-	-	70.00	-	110.00
Serenity Sisters	130.98	-	-	65.94	-	196.92
Twin City Group	-	-	184.00	-	-	184.00
Valdese Discussion Group	-	40.00	-	-	-	40.00
West Union Group	50.00	-	-	-	-	50.00
Total Normal Contributions	884.44	260.00	284.00	522.36	75.00	2,025.80
Expenses						
Answering Service	65.50	-	134.50	-	65.00	265.00
Bank Charges	37.76	-	-	-	-	37.76
CFC	-	50.00	-	-	50.00	100.00
Committee Travel Expenses	-	350.00	-	-	350.00	700.00
GSO	-	500.00	-	-	-	500.00
Literature	-	-	18.00	-	-	18.00
Publications	76.09	58.43	-	-	-	134.52
Total Expenses	179.35	958.43	152.50	-	465.00	1,755.28
Operating Cash - End of Period	\$ 2,616.71	\$ 1,918.28	\$ 2,049.78	\$ 2,572.14	\$ 2,182.14	\$ 2,182.14
Special Events Activity						
Contributions/Seed Money	170.00	-	25.00	125.00	35.00	355.00
Expenses (FUMC)	-	(300.00)	-	-	-	(300.00)
Balance for Special Events	\$ 170.00	\$ (130.00)	\$ (105.00)	\$ 20.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 55.00
TOTAL CASH	\$ 2,786.71	\$ 1,788.28	\$ 1,944.78	\$ 2,592.14	\$ 2,237.14	\$ 2,237.14

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	-	-	-	-	145.00
Caldwell Discussion	-	-	-	25.00	-	25.00
Come Alive	-	-	-	25.00	-	25.00
High Noon	-	-	25.00	-	-	25.00
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	\$ 355.00

Addresses for Donations

DISTRICT 12: Dean Koenig

4006 N. Center St., Apt #300, 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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Name: _____

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

Broughton Hospital

F1 Dining Area

1000 South Sterling Street

Morganton, NC 28655

Meets on Saturdays beginning August 1, 2015 at 2:00pm.

Note: please enter Avery Building (main entrance) for visitor's pass before entering meeting and return pass upon leaving).

Numbers and Contact Information

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

HOTLINE NUMBER 1-877-960-4785

ESPAÑOL - 828-291-8465

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DCM Marty M. DCM@ncd12aa.org

Alternate_DCM Debbie G. altDCM@ncd12aa.org

Secretary Lory D. Secretary@ncd12aa.org

Treasurer Dean K. Treasurer@ncd12aa.org

CPC/PI Open CPCPI@ncd12aa.org

Corrections Facility Coordinator Jim F. CFC@ncd12aa.org

Treatment Facilities Coordinator Kyle H. Treatment@ncd12aa.org

Grapevine Open Grapevine@ncd12aa.org

Webmaster Lee W.. Webmaster@ncd12aa.org

Publications Steve C. Publications@ncd12aa.org

Registrar Kathy G. Registrar@ncd12aa.org

Address to send Registration Forms to:

District 12 Registrar

757 S. Cline Ave.

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.