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From the Editor... Welcome to the January edition. I can be reached at Dist52News@Outlook.com or at (815) 351-0111 with any comments or suggestions. Thanks!

Scott....

I Heard it at a Meeting – *The 10th step – It's not everyone else...it's me! The 10 through 12 step can be thought of as a continual cycle of the earlier steps in the program. These steps can in many ways be compared to sweeping out the house every day. If you don't take care of it, the dirt will pile up and pretty soon you have a major problem rather than a few minutes work. It is important to remember that although you keep up steps 10 – 12 focused on the 'other' person, the person that truly is helped the most is yourself!*

10th Step – Clean House. 11th Step – Trust God. 12th Step – Help others.

It is a way of life that leads to a more truthful and humble existence with reduced fear of the past and anxiety of the future...The Truth shall set you Free!

Remember, this is from a group discussion and may not represent every perspective. Please feel free to send me ideas and comments. Thanks...

Carrying The Message...On Local Radio WKAN 1320 -

Personal anonymity is maintained!

Question and answer format.

8-10 minute segment.

We will do this every three months.

Schedule:

Wednesday April 5th at 8 AM. - Herb B and Lauren F will be on the show...Tune in...

More Volunteers Needed for next time!

Questions contact Steve K 815.214.7063

Opportunity to Serve – The best way to get out of your own head is to serve others!

District 52 has opportunities to serve and needs your help! There are many different opportunities;

Like history? You can help in Archives!

Like attending different meetings in the area? Come help with Literature!

Do you talk with others who help alcoholics? Public Information might be for you!

Do you like reading the Grapevine? Come serve on the Grapevine Committee and help others at the same time!

Come to the next District 52 meeting to see where you fit in!

6:30 PM (3rd Thursday) – March 16, April 20, May 18

Riverside Hospital Conference Room C (by cafeteria)

Steve K (815) 214-7063 Terry W (815) 954-1199 Jodi S (708) 670-2783

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District 52 Monthly Meeting Minutes - January

In attendance: Steve K., Gabriel H., Scott O., Adria P., Ivan G., Dan P., Jodi S., Pat O., Michael M., Steve F.

Secretary-Adria P. alternate secretary. Reviewed minutes from January. Adria motioned to accept minutes as written. It was noted that information about BLT was missing. Dan P. Motioned to accept minutes with amendment. Ivan G. second. Accepted.

Treasurers report: Jodi S. available funds 3,633.87 less prudent reserve of 2000.00. Expenses of 1,195.24. Ivan G motioned to accept Treasurers report. Scott O. second. Accepted.

GSR reports

- 11 AM Saturday morning Pat O. reported everything is going smoothly
- BLT Steve F said the 8 PM is going great
- SOS Ivan G said meeting is going great. SOS is planning a summer workshop, Steve F. said BLT may help out as well.
- Primary purpose Gabriel H meeting is good in the process of planning sponsorship workshop in April at Johnson lecture hall dates possible April 15th, 22nd or 29th.
- New Hope- Gabriel H. attendance is very high. Planning a gratitude workshop on April 30 at Johnson lecture hall.

Committee reports:

- Accessibilities- open
- Answering service -Ivan G. men eight calls, 6 to voicemail (75%) women 20 calls one to voicemail (95%).
- Corrections-open
- Grapevine-open
- Literature-open
- Newsletter - Scott O. Always Looking for content
- Archives-open. Previous archivist Dan P. Has five boxes of archived materiel. Does not want to retain position.
- PI/CPC-open.
- Treatment-Adria P. Banyon meeting is going well. About 2-4 going every Wed. at 6:30.
- Webmaster-Gabriel H. last 30 days-164 visitors (up 23%) Average duration on page 7 minutes 27 seconds. (Up 18%).
- Steve K brought to attention that the preamble has not been updated on the website. Ivan G said it should be a district decision. Topic will be tabled until next month- March.

Old Business

- Consolidate committees? Dan P mentioned some positions are too involved for example literature to consolidate with other positions. Pat O. suggested possibility of making a flyer about positions available at district.
- Secretary-change point of contact to Terry because Heather's name is still listed.
- Treasurer-everything from previous treasurer has been transferred
- Printer- Jody S. said she has an old printer and needs to see if it still works. Steve K suggested getting a separate ink cartridge to switch out for district materials. Dan P. made a motion to pay for a ream of paper and ink cartridge. Approved.

New Business

- Steve K. requested funds to go to the March spring assembly. He would like district to pay for the hotel room which is \$119 plus \$17 taxes and fees. Mileage 160 miles times

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14 equals \$22.40. \$30 registration- for a total of \$188.40. Steve F motioned to approve funds, Adria P. seconded. Funds were approved unanimously.

DCM Report

1. Carry the message
2. Always bring someone to District that hasn't been
3. If you can't make it to District Meeting, email report to Steve K.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Catered Dinner and a Meeting - Last Sunday of Every Month at 330 PM at the Alano Club 1245 E River St Kankakee! Next meeting march 26th! Fantastic speakers come from Chicago to share their Experience-Strength-Hope..come, support and learn! This meeting is brought to you by *The First 164 pages* and 12 & 12 Groups.

Banyan Treatment Center – Volunteers are needed to speak once or twice a month on Wednesday's at 6:30 PM. There continues to be a need for more women volunteers. 6 Months of sobriety is required to participate. Please contact Adria with any questions at (815) 401-3847

New /Need Support Meetings:

Manteno – *Big Book Study (formerly 'Jolly' Time)* meeting at the Manteno Veterans Home has changed day and time! Now . Monday's at 1:30 PM. Contact Tom C 815.671.0116 or Steve K 815.214.7063 with questions.

Happy Birthday!!! Please send your sobriety birthday so we can recognize and celebrate your miracle!

Bella 3/3/19	Murretta R 3/6/98	Chris N 3/11/21	Jack C 3/13/99
Dave B 3/15/12	Bob G 3/16/1	Tom C 3/25/12	Matt S 3/25/19
Juan G 3/27/18	Pete 3/29/91	Rodney 3/27/20	Matt S 3/28/21
Chris 3/11/21	Bill M 3/27		

Funnies!!!

