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From the Editor...Welcome to the November 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 — Sex...Sex...Sex...As everyone has probably heard from the media, sex sells. Is that why Bill W wrote about it so often in the Big Book? We don't think so.

Bill W. was incredibly insightful in pinpointing the reasons behind some of the most common human defects of character. Problems relating to sex in particular seem more damaging than most and are certainly a manifestation of self-will run riot. For many of us, the days of drinking were synonymous with sex. That was the natural end to an evening of partying and often the other person involved was somewhat irrelevant. For many this was as much an addiction as was alcohol.

The pain that resulted from this particular defect of character may be more profound and far reaching than that of any other. The resulting toll could be emotional, spiritual, physical and/or financial. Self-esteem and regret seems to be a common victims for both parties. Not only did we do damage to the other person and ourselves, but the impact would almost certainly be felt by families of both parties. Spouses or significant others were the most obvious, but there might be children or extended family who were completely innocent of wrongdoing, but suffered from the fall out. Whether a simple one-nighter, promiscuity, infidelity, pornography or even more serious and potentially criminal activities, all were damaging.

No wonder God warns us of the dangers involved with the misuse of one of his greatest gifts to us.

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

Want to be on the Radio??....We have been invited to share our stories on WKAN 1320 AM on the weekly Community show. The show focuses on people in the area who have something interesting and beneficial to others in the greater Kankakee area in a question and answer format. AA will be featured every 3 months and anonymity is assured and volunteers are needed. Ideally a man and a woman each session. Contact Steve K with questions 815 214-7063.

This is My Story....I am looking for content...If you would like share your story to be included in a future newsletter, please forward to me.

District 52 Monthly Meeting Summary (October 20, 2022)

In attendance were Jon A., Steve F., Heather S., Jessica, Cheri B., Steve K., Kris S., and Noah

The meeting started with a quiet time followed by the serenity prayer. Jessica read the 12 Traditions. The minutes were reviewed and unanimously approved.

Treasurer's report – Kris S. the beginning balance is \$4012.46. There were \$265 in 7th tradition donations. There were \$80.15 in expenses. Those expenses were \$42.68 in printing expenses and \$37.47 for the monthly Nextiva bill. Less the \$2000 prudent reserve, there is \$2197.31. Corrections has \$1013.88. The golf outing donated \$200.

GSR reports:

Men's Group – Noah- 10-20 people attending. Several newcomers. Bought some new coffee pots. BLT – Steve F. – attendance is down. The 8:00 needs a new chair.

Women's Group – Jessica and Cheri- attendance is low. Annual dinner will be 4/29. Looking for a venue. Having a skit. Need people to volunteer to play in the skit.

Committee Reports:

PI/CPC- Steve K. Steve brought a flyer to find volunteers for the spot on WKAN. A minimum of time in the program was discussed. 3 years and working the Steps was decided on the minimum for participation. Jon suggested that Steve K. and Heather S. do the first one. This will hopefully bring interest.

Old Business- Nominations are next month. All positions are open except for answering service.

New Business- Jon talked about the need for help.

The meeting closed with the Lord's prayer

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! 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

The Lost Sheep Group Meeting – Has to move effective immediately...New location: St Patricks Church Gymnasium, 220 N Hill St, Momence. Entrance in the rear of the gym. All meeting times will remain the same.

New /Need Support Meetings:

Bourbonais - Friday BLT Newcommers Meeting – Friendswood Church Bourbonnais at 8:00

needs sober support.

Manteno – Big Book Study (formerly 'Jolly' Time) meeting at the Manteno Veterans Home

has re-opened and needs sober support. Tuesday's at 6:00 PM. Contact Tom C

815.671.0116 or Steve K 815.214.7063 with questions.

Momence – Monday 7PM - Lost Sheep is now a beginners meeting and will focus on the first

3 steps. Sober support is needed. See previous relocation announcement

Kankakee -

Alano Club - Saturday 3:30 PM - Saturday Chat needs support.

Friday 7:00 PM— Freedom to Be Us needs support Sunday 6:00 PM — Sunday Nite Open needs support

Beckman Park - Saturday 11:00 AM Open Air Outdoor needs support...It's getting chillier, so

bring a jacket!

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

Doreen L 11/1/99 Tony C 11/1/95 Walter W 11/3/ Mary T. 11/2/10 Laurie E 11/5/12 Spike 11/5/69 Jon L 11/8/18 Jessica 11/13/15 Lynn T 11/17/14 Steve K. 11/27/86

Funnies!!!



