

MEETING MINUTES FOR DISTRICT 66 SERVICE MEETING (AREA 83) (December 30th, 2009)

5. DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBER

It is good to see you all again. First of all I wish to thank all of you for your support and help over the past year. It is hard to believe that a year has already passed since taking on the job of DCM. For me it has been a great year of learning and meeting a lot of new people. One area that concerns me is the shortage of volunteers to go into treatment centers and jails. I ask for your help in dealing with this in the New Year. At this time I extend to all best wishes for a sober, healthy and happy 2010. Yours in love and service, Pat C., DCM

GROUPS & MEETINGS REPORTS:

Almonte Group – Almonte

NOT PRESENT

Athens 3RD Tradition Group

NOT PRESENT BUT REPORT SUBMITTED.

All is well with the Athens Group. Attendance is good. We start the New Year with a 2 year anniversary for Sean, Tuesday, January 26 @ 8:00. Yours in service & Happy New Year. Dave F.

Autonomy Group – Brockville

We have no birthdays to announce for the month of January. Our numbers have continued to hold steady over the holidays, around 25-28 people in attendance. Our group involvement for the Christmas Alkathon in Brockville went well and we are looking forward to tomorrow night's time slot also. Feedback has been positive as members are doing a great job finding time to fulfill this commitment around personal schedules at this busy time of year. Lastly, our group will be meeting our service commitment with CFTF in January by putting on a meeting at Alwood Treatment Center. This will be a new experience for me and I am looking forward to it. Yours in service, Wendy M.

Back to Basics Group – Brockville

We held our elections last month for all positions and they are now filled. We are all very excited about our new duties. I am happy for the positive input by our group conscience. Our group is well attended by 35-40 people every Friday night. We are proud to be back at the District Table again. Yours in service, Ken D.

Brockville Lunch Bunch Meetings – Brockville

December was low in attendance on some days, mostly Mondays. The group Christmas party went very well and was well attended. We also celebrated Patti S's 10th anniversary on that day. In January we will be celebrating two anniversaries, Mary B is celebrating 1 year on the 12th and Laurie P will be celebrating 4 years on the 29th. Yours in Service, Denise M

Grapevine 12&12 Group – Smiths Falls

We have some birthdays in January, Norval celebrates 16 years on Jan. 5th, and Sharon celebrates 10 years on Jan. 12th. We have moved our business meeting to the 2nd Wednesday of every month, so our next business meeting is on Jan. 13th at 7pm. We also have cheques that have been waiting for me to deliver from November. Yours in Service, Debbie M.

Heritage Valley Group– Carleton Place

We have had a very good year. To start the New Year, on Jan 4th Lorraine W will celebrate 2 years and Carol A-L will celebrate 19 years. Jan 18th, Greg C will celebrate 1 year. As well, Paul F will celebrate 8 years on Feb 1. Hope everyone has a safe and sober New Year. Yours in service, Terry M

Land of Lakes – Sharbot Lake

December has been a good month at Sharbot Lake. Meetings have been well attended with an average of 8 to 10 members at our regular meetings. We are looking forward to taking over the District phone for the month of January. We have one birthday in January, Nelda W will celebrate 18 years at the end of the month. Yours in Service, Rod D.

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Living Sober Group – Brockville

The Group is going very well. One celebration in December, Michelle B with 1 year. Jennifer will be celebrating 3 years on January 7th. Our group has been very involved in the Alkathon and enjoyed having it in Brockville. We have a great turnout every week at our meeting. Yours in service, Susan S.

Merrickville Sunday Night

NOT PRESENT

Mississippi Group – Carleton Place

NOT PRESENT

New Beginnings – Smiths Falls

The group is doing well still helping other alcoholics. Good turnouts at all four meetings that we put on. We have one birthday coming up on January 3, Sunday night, Billy O will celebrate 28 years. Have a happy, sober and safe holiday. Yours in love & service, Tom R.

New Hope Group – Smiths Falls

Attendance has been averaging 18 at our closed meetings. Celebrating at the end of January is Morgan P. with three years. The New Hope Group chaired the 2:00PM Alkathon meeting on Dec. 24th in Smiths Falls. These meetings ran during the same time frame as the Brockville Alkathon. Due to the resignation of our group's G.S.R., elections were held at our December business meeting. Elected as the G.S.R. was Bud P. and Alternate G.S.R. was Terry K. Yours in service, Bud P.

Perth Sunday Morning

NO REPORT SUBMITTED

Perth Tay Group

We are having a great turnout during this festive season. Happy New Year, yours in service, Tom M.

Phoenix Group – Brockville

The group has now 3 new or returning members. The group's attendance is up. No celebrations in January. With our new members we were able to make a commitment to take a time slot at the Christmas and New Years Alkathon. Yours in service, Brian M.

Saturday Morning 12 Step Group – Brockville

NO REPORT SUBMITTED

Saturday Night - Smiths Falls

NO REPORT SUBMITTED

Seaway Group – Brockville

Our group seems to be coming out of a slow period in attendance at the Seaway group, which is not normal. I have stepped up my responsibility from Alternate GSR to GSR for the remainder of the term as Twyla has stepped down to fulfill our Secretary roll for now and serve as the Alternate GSR for the remainder of the term. We have a few celebrations in the month of January. Ted and Rick will both celebrate their second years on January 13th. Yours in service, Gerald B.

Steps to Freedom – Carleton Place

NOT PRESENT

Sunshine Group – Brockville

NOT PRESENT

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12&12 Serenity Group – Perth

Our meetings are running smoothly and are well attended. We have had several visitors over the holidays which we enjoy, some whom we see each holiday and some who have not been to meetings in our area before. We also have several newcomers coming on a regular basis. No anniversaries to report in January. Happy New Year. Yours in service, Ann T.

Westport Group

NOT PRESENT

Young Peoples Group – Brockville

This group is being held together by only 4 members and the gentlemen in Brock Cottage who have agreed to help set up. The meeting can be well attended but the commitments from the group are missing. I am attending the District meeting when I get a ride and I guess I am filling in as an Alt. GSR until we find someone. Yours in service, Roger P.

SUB-COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS:

Alkathon

The December 24th – December 25th portion of the Alkathon was pretty good. Attendance was approximately 100 people. Financially the 7th tradition was not quite as high as expected. We could have used more support from the District. A full report will follow at the January meeting. Yours in Service, Gerry M.

Archives

NOT PRESENT

Correction and Treatment Facilities

I am pleased to be back at the district table tonight. Things are running smoothly at Alwood and Newgate 180 for Men. Alwood cancelled their Christmas meeting but are back on their regular schedule. Newgate 180 for Men kept things running the same through the holiday. I have new schedules available for the group commitments in this district with me tonight if anyone would like one. If there are any problems with this schedule please let me know as it is not difficult to make a change on it. I have passed on all of the names and #'s of the volunteers for the Brockville Jail and the Brockville Mental Health Centre to Cliff H. I will help Cliff in any way that I can with this commitment. It is not a difficult job but with the shortage of volunteers it can certainly be frustrating. I am sorry that I had to drop this commitment myself but along with it and Newgate 180 for Women it was too much. I am very pleased though to continue to be able to do some service. Yours in love and service, Carolyn M.

District Spring Round-up

A flyer has been created and copies will be sent to the Area Meeting for January 9th. The next District Round-up Committee Meeting is on Wednesday, January 13th, 2010, 7:00pm at Wall Street United Church in Brockville (Basement meeting room, Serenity Hall)

Literature/ Grapevine

I have nothing to report as it has been a slow few months. Yours in service, Stan C.

Public information & Cooperation with the Professional Community

NO REPORT SUBMITTED

Self- Support

NO CHAIR AT PRESENT TIME

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12-Step Phone Coordinator

Land O Lakes has the phone for January. I will be changing the phone over the Saturday afternoon. Perth 12 X 12 has February covered. If any group would like to take a month please contact me after the meeting. Yours in Service, Brian M.

Website Chair (www.lanarkleedsaa.org)

NOT PRESENT

OLD BUSINESS:

Self Support Chair needed: No one volunteered to fill this position,

**To be filled in the interim by our Alt. DCM, Gary C.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. PICPC – Rodger C

Committee meeting at 7:00 PM prior to the February 24th District Meeting

2. Regional Assembly Initiative – Pat C

Vote taken on supporting an Eastern Canada Regional Assembly. It was passed that District 66 would support this initiative. Pat to take this to the Area meeting on Jan 9th.

3. UCLG addictions information sessions – Twyla S

Alcoholics Anonymous has been asked to partake in 4 information sessions for the workers at the United Counties of Leeds & Grenville offices. Twyla has asked Rodger (PICPC) for feedback on this and the brochure "If you are a Professional" will be used for the 20 minutes sessions. Twyla and any volunteers will represent AA on Jan 13 & 20 and Twyla will get a report at the next District meeting in January.

SHARING PORTION:

Rod D from Land O Lakes in Sharbot Lake has reported that when you Google his name, meeting minutes from 2006 appear. Again, we are having problems with anonymity on the Internet. Twyla will check with the current webmaster to see if he can locate these meeting minutes.

****REMINDER - CHEQUES FOR DONATIONS are to be made out to:**

For AREA 83: "Eastern Ontario Area 83 International"

For District 66: "Golden Triangle District 66"

7TH TRADITION collected = \$ 38.15

NEXT DISTRICT MEETING IS JANUARY 27TH, 2010 @ 7:30 PM AT THE COFFEE HOUSE

MEETING CLOSED AT 8:30 PM WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY PLEDGE AND LORD'S PRAYER
