

MEETING MINUTES FOR DISTRICT 66 SERVICE MEETING (AREA 83) (November 25th, 2009)

1. Moment of Silence / Serenity Prayer (7:35 pm)
2. 23 people present 18 votes
3. Reading of Twelve Traditions (read by Colleen)
4. Reading of LONG FORM of a TRADITION (Gary C) = Tradition #2, followed by discussion
5. Review and Adoption of Agenda (M) Tom R (S) Paul F = Carried
6. Review and Adoption of Previous Minutes (OCT 2009) (M) Jim (S) Stan C = Carried

**Amended as noted (Anonymity and the Internet – Violation of our Traditions)

1. TREASURER REPORT (M) Jen B (S) Paul B = Carried

District 66 Report		Oct-09		
Date	Item	Credit	Debit	Balance
9-Oct	Opening Balance			\$ 2,797.40
20-Oct	Area 83		750.00	2,047.40
22-Oct	DCM Expenses		350.00	1,697.40
3-Nov	GSO		750.00	947.40
6-Nov	7th October	47.11		994.51
6-Nov	Bell Canada		52.40	942.11
9-Nov	Monthly Fee		4.00	938.11
	Totals	\$ 47.11	\$ 1,906.40	\$ 938.11
Closing Balance Nov 9				\$ 938.11

2. SECRETARY REPORT

NOT PRESENT BUT REPORT SUBMITTED

Please continue to visit OUR website at www.lanarkleedsaa.org and OUR AREA website at www.area83aa.org
I would like to say HAPPY HOLIDAYS to everyone and I look forward to seeing you at December's meeting as I miss you all!! Remember to extend your hand this holiday season. Yours in service, Twyla S.

3. REGISTRAR

NOT PRESENT

4. ALTERNATE DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBER

Nothing to report. Have a happy and safe holiday. Gary C.

5. DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBER

My message is short tonight because we have a lot of material to work through. It is my pleasure to inform you that Joe D. has been selected for the position of Non-Trustee Director for AAWS Board. Our congratulations and best wishes to Joe. Of special importance tonight is to get a replacement for the CF/TF chair for the balance of this term. This is a very important file as a lot of alcoholics depend on this for meetings and access to AA material. Also we need to find a replacement for the position of Self Support chair. Yours in love and service, Pat C., DCM

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GROUPS & MEETINGS REPORTS:

Almonte Group – Almonte

Recently, the meetings have been small, sometimes as few as 5 attending. We are going to be re-instating business meetings in December which should help our group. Yours in service, Mike D.

Athens 3RD Tradition Group

All is well at the Athens 3rd Tradition Group. Attendance is still up and Doug M's 33rd Anniversary of Nov. 24 was very well attended, standing room only. No new birthday's to report. Yours in Service, Dave F.

Autonomy Group – Brockville

NOT PRESENT BUT REPORT SUBMITTED

We have one birthday to announce for December, that is Conrad M. with 6 years on the 6th. We are pleased to report that our attendance is steadily returning to where it was prior to the time change a few months back. Thanks to all of you for showing your support during this transition. Our group is looking forward to participating at the upcoming Alkathon taking place in Brockville this year. Yours in service, Wendy M.

Brockville Lunch Bunch Meetings – Brockville

Our Christmas party will be on Tuesday, December 22nd and will also have a 10 year celebration (Patti S) the same day. It will be open speaker meeting with lunch afterwards. (Cold Pot Luck) Everyone is welcome. Yours in Service, Denise M

Grapevine 12&12 Group – Smiths Falls

NOT PRESENT

Heritage Valley Group– Carleton Place

All is well at the Heritage Valley Group. Attendance is good, especially for our double 1 yr celebration for Trevor and Ed. On Nov 30, John C will celebrate 9 yrs of sobriety. A safe and sober December to all. Yours in service, Paul F

Land of Lakes – Sharbot Lake

Continuing to average around 15 people at our Monday night meetings. Last month Gary L. with 8, Bob H. with 15 and Art H with 19 years celebrated on our birthday night. Last Monday in November Craig G. celebrates 5 years. All is good. Yours in Service, Art H.

Living Sober Group – Brockville

NOT PRESENT

Merrickville Sunday Night

NOT PRESENT BUT REPORT SUBMITTED

I celebrated 16 years of continuous sobriety at Merrickville on Sunday Nov 22. Thanks to everyone for my sobriety. Yours, in Love & Service. Ron W.

Mississippi Group – Carleton Place

NOT PRESENT BUT REPORT SUBMITTED

Our Tuesday night group is running strong. Attendance is good and there is active participation by all. We have 2 birthdays in Dec. On Dec 29/09 at 8:00 PM Tracey J will celebrate 4 years along with Matt O'L with 2 years. Yours in service, Dwayne K.

New Beginnings – Smiths Falls

The group is doing well with good attendance at all 4 of our meetings. We have 2 birthdays for December. On Sunday morning, Dec 6th, Jim J 18 years, and Sunday night, Dec 27th, Maggie S 9 years. Also we are happy that we are going to have this room open for Christmas and New Years, both days for a 24-hour period. I would like to wish everyone a very safe and happy holiday. Yours in love & service, Tom R.

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GROUPS & MEETINGS REPORTS: (con't)

New Hope Group – Smiths Falls

Attendance has been averaging 18 to 19 per meeting. Members celebrating on November 30 are: Chris W. with 2 years and Mick M. with 5 years. Celebrating on December 28 is Ron McR. with 35 years. Yours in service, Bud P.

Perth Sunday Morning

The Perth Sunday Morning Meeting is going strong. We had one Birthday this month George M with 20 years. We average about 20 people each meeting. We have received about a dozen calls on the 12 step phones and enjoyed the experience. Yours in service, Paul B

Perth Tay Group

We are still having good turnouts considering it's hunting season. Lots of travelers too. Celebrating in Dec is: Dec 3 Bob G – 29 years, JoAnne W 29 years, Steve B – 3 years. Yours in service, Tom M.

Phoenix Group – Brockville

The group is struggling but will survive, the St Lawrence Parish at Park & Pine is great and the group will not fail due to financial reasons. We are still getting 10-20 at the meetings. Yours in Service, Brian M.

Saturday Night - Smiths Falls

Greetings from Smiths Falls Saturday Night Group. Nothing new to report. No birthdays in December. Yours in service, Richard S.

Seaway Group – Brockville

NOT PRESENT BUT REPORT SUBMITTED

We have a few celebrations at our group next month. On Dec 16th, Georgie H will celebrate 25 years, and on Dec 23rd, both Rick T and Ted A will celebrate 2 years. I am ALWAYS looking for volunteers to come to Brockville on a Wednesday night to share your experience, strength and hope at our open speaker meeting. If you are interested, please contact me. Yours in service, Twyla S.

Steps to Freedom – Carleton Place

NOT PRESENT

Sunshine Group – Brockville

NOT PRESENT BUT REPORT SUBMITTED

The Sunshine Group is thriving, and enjoying the new faces who have been attending our meetings. We are looking forward to participating in the District 66 Alkathon this Christmas and New Years. Seasons' Greetings to all. Yours in service, Barbara P.

12&12 Serenity Group – Perth

Both our meetings are well attended & running smoothly. We have several newcomers who have become members and we are guiding them into service. We have 3 birthdays to celebrate on Dec 7 – Jody H, 1 year, Barb P 14 years, and Carly G with 29 years. Come and join us. Have a safe & sober Christmas. Yours in service, Ann T.

Westport Group

Greetings. The Westport by the Book group meets 8:00 pm Wednesday nights at the Westport United Church. The church is located at the southeast corner of Church and Spring Streets. The meeting is wheelchair accessible. We study 2 weeks out of the Big Book and 2 weeks out of the 12 + 12. It is closed meeting open only when we celebrate birthdays, at which time we usually have a speaker. We average 8 to 12 people per week and have had up to 20 – 25 during the summer. Most of our snowbirds have flown south and our meetings have returned to typical attendance. We welcome AA members from the District and Area to come and visit. Yours in Loving Service, Jen B.

Young Peoples Group – Brockville

NO REPORT

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SUB-COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS:

Alkathon

A meeting was held on Nov 14 in Brockville with the intention of striking a committee. Approx. 12 people showed up and the committee was formed and most positions were filled.

CHAIR: Gerry M.

CO-CHAIR: Denise M.

ADVERTISING AND FLYERS: Charlotte

SEC/TRESURER: Denise M.

SECURITY: VACANT

FOOD CO-ORD: Clifford H

COFFEE CO-ORD: VACANT

KITCHEN CO-ORD: SCOTT V (DEC 24-25) RICHARD S (DEC 31-JAN 1)

SET-UP AND CLEAN-UP: Gerald B.

- The next step is to get Group commitments to host the meetings. A list was circulated.
- Funds are needed for supplies and Neil motioned for a \$200 FLOAT to be given to Gerry M. All were in favor.
- Flyers are available so please take some and distribute them. Request for the flyer to be posted on our WEBSITE.
- Regarding the RENTAL of the church halls for this event, the Church requested to not charge us for using it, that it would be a DONATION FROM THE CHURCH. This is not possible as we are self supporting. Colleen motioned that we give the church \$50 for the rental of both days, Jim amended the motion to put forth the amount of \$100 for both days rental and if we are able to give more AFTER the event that we do so. Seconded by Brian, 12 for, 3 against. SPEAK TO MINORITY: Don't dictate the rent, tell us what they WANT us to pay and we pay them that amount. This has been addressed and the church wanted NOTHING but we are welcome to donate. Cheque for \$100 rental was given to Gerry M, chair.

Seems to be a lot of interest and support in the community for this event. The next meeting is scheduled for Dec 5 @ 11:00, Park and Pine Street Brockville, then again on Dec 19th @ 11:00am. Yours in Service, Gerry M.

Archives

NO REPORT

Correction and Treatment Facilities

A new chair is needed for this position. There were NO volunteers and discussion took place. There are about 137 groups with 20 people really committed. Ron F had a report but it was unprintable. Clifford H from Brockville has spoken with Joe W and will be looking for volunteers for the jails in Brockville to help out with this for now. Please move this to OLD BUSINESS for December with suggestions for improvements. Yours in Service, Joe W.

District Spring Round-up

November 25, 2009, 7:00pm. District Round-up Committee Meeting

Members Present: Jim S., Colleen L, Stan C., Ann S., Gary

Date of Roundup: Saturday, April 10, 2009

Chair: Jim

Co-Chair: Twyla

Secretary: Colleen

Treasurer: Stan

Food: To Be Determined

Theme: To be brought from the District Table via the GSR's. (this was done, and the theme for the roundup will be: "A Power Greater Than Ourselves" suggested by Perth Tay Thursday Night).

A flier will go out with Pat to the next Area Meeting. Pat will contact Joe for the old format. We will change the dates, and use the old flier with new dates.

The next meeting of the Roundup Committee will be at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, January 13th at the Wall Street Church in Brockville.

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SUB-COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS (con't)

Literature/ Grapevine

Nothing new to report. There is lots of literature available. Yours in service, Stan C.

Public information & Cooperation with the Professional Community

H1N1 has muddled it and not much to report. Losing committee interest. Please bring report from town meeting the end of January. *New business for December. Yours in service, Roger C.

Self- Support

John M, chair, resigned. We need to fill this position. See NEW BUSINESS.

12-Step Phone Coordinator

The Autonomy group has the phones for December. I know I'm late asking but we need phone commitments for 2010. January is covered by Sharbot Lake and February by Perth 12 X 12. Yours in Service, Brian M.

Website Chair (www.lanarkleedsaa.org)

NOT PRESENT

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

- Self Support Chair needed: Call for volunteers or Gary C (Alt. DCM) has to do it and he is pretty busy. Table to OLD BUSINESS FOR DECEMBER.
- Jim handed out a document on our history in AA. Good explanation and discussion took place. Colleen took a copy for our Archives.

SHARING PORTION:

- Neil mentioned that he has envelopes for GSO & Area contributions available for anyone to have.

****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 = \$ 33.70

NEXT BUSINESS MEETING IS DECEMBER 30TH, 2009 @ 7:30 PM AT THE COFFEE HOUSE

MEETING CLOSED AT 8:55 PM WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY PLEDGE AND LORD'S PRAYER
