AREA 67 CPC COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES, November 02, 2015

Open Meeting: Serenity Prayer, 7:30 pm

Introductions: Betsy G., Michelle H., Richard D., Rick M., Vern P.

12 Traditions-November: Richard D.

12 Traditions-December:

Pamphlet Review:

• November- "Three Talks to Medical Societies by Bill W."- Betsy G. presented the pamphlet dedicated to the medical community covering 3 speeches Bill Wilson gave to 3 different medical organizations. The first speech written was actually the last of the 3 and was presented in 1958. This talk more concisely covered AA's role w/ the medical community. Bill Wilson addressed the New York City Medical Association. Our history was discussed and how Bill realized his sobriety was dependent on helping other alcoholics. When the talk was presented there were only a very small percentage of sober alcoholics. Bill stated that AA would always cooperate with this group working w/alcoholics.

The next 2 speeches given one in 1944 to the New York State Medical Association and the other in 1949 was addressed to The American Neurology and Psychiatry Association. The talk to the NY State Association broke down the 12 Steps into 5 important elements: 1) Admission of alcoholism; 2) Personality analysis and catharsis; 3) Adjustment of personal relations; 4) Dependence upon a Higher Power; 5) Working w/other alcoholics. Each presentation prior to 1958 was a precursor to the third speech.

- December- "Let's Be Friendly with Our Friends"- Michelle H.
- January- "Members of the Clergy Ask About Alcoholics Anonymous" Troy B. (or Plan B that Rick is coming up with)

CPC Committee Purpose: Cooperation with the Professional Community Committee Workbook - page 5: Rick M.

Secretary's Report: October minutes accepted as circulated.

Treasurer's Report: \$87.75 lodging for October Assembly, mail out supplies to be purchased soon with remaining budget.

Chairperson's Report: D40 presentation with Area PI Chair, Kate E. in October, lots of questions & interest from members. New CPC Chair & Alt for D40, practice presentation in December. D51 Caring & Sharing Group service workshop, most committees present for members to visit displays, gather literature, Kate, Rick, Melissa & Ron sat on a panel for the Q & A session, lots of interest in the CFC committee.

District Reports:

- D20- No Report
- **D32** Vern reported that the meeting is down to 2 members, reported on the Area meetings, discussion at District about joining in with D32 for a PI/CPC workshop in February to help generate more participation in committee work, working on an "Adopt a Hospital" project.
- **D40** No Meeting due to weather, no report
- D51- No Report
- **D52** Richard reported that there was a workshop in September, medical internship member took 20-25 literature packets to distribute. If no one steps up in January to take over as D52 CPC Chair then the committee will fold. Rick will go & visit the D52 meeting to try & help recruit members.
- D81- No Report

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• **D82**- ADAPT Program, cooperates with the Probation Office, Rick has made contact with the director who is a big advocate of AA. Rick felt much moved at the Forum regarding the presentation about Veterans & how we can reach them through committee work, Rick will try to get a stocked literature rack into the Veteran Hospital/Clinic through the psychologist. November 20th there will be a presentation at the Matagorda Citizens Sherriff's Alumni, received a packet from the Bay City Community Law Enforcement Plan for potential presentation & contact. Based on the D51 service workshop, D82 is going to try & organize a similar workshop to help engage members to *COME* & see what opportunities are available. Continuing efforts to build a Clergy database.

Upcoming Events:

• 2016 Area 67 Annual Gratitude Dinner, November 8th, 2:00 pm, Katy VFW, Rick will have a display table up during the event & encouraged committee members to be available for any questions or interest.

Unfinished/Ongoing Business:

- District Visitation Rick emailed the database to the committee this month for the committee to try & visit Districts together, keep Rick updated on visits. See attachment.
- Contacting Probation/Parole Departments- Reached out to Area DCMs for help in locating the county line boundaries, help researching contact information, see attachment, each member took 5 counties to research for future contact.
- Public Web Access for SETA PI/CPC Updates- Vern P. is still working on this project has made some progress & sent the updates to Rick & Kate for review & feedback. Vern has researched the SETA IT web guidelines to make sure we are within the requirements & to help in the developing of the website. Also, the multi-lingual committee will need to be contacted regarding translation. Vern will have more to report at the next meeting. Please visit http://www.aa-seta.org/committees/cpc/Professionals/index.shtml for reference.
- PI/CPC Telephone/Answering Service Update- 1 call (hang up)
- Secretary Position: OPEN
- Alternate Chair Position: OPEN

New Business:

- 2 La Vina & 2 Grapevine gift certificates for committee work, ideas- (1) <u>public libraries</u>, homebound members, nursing homes, (2) <u>Hispanic alcoholic housewives (laundromats</u>), (3) <u>make available at presentations & refer to</u> <u>them as resources</u>, doctors' offices.
- GSC CPC Action Items & Recommendations- pg. 47-48 & pg. 72 of the GSC Final Report
- 2016 Committee Goals/Projects- Armed Forces, Military, Judicial System (refer to Fall 2015 About AA Newsletter)

CPC Workbook Study: Begin with "Getting started" on p. 11

Announcements: (Go-To-Meeting Available for the Area Meetings)

- District 32 CPC Committee Meeting, November 9th, 7:00 pm
- Area PI Committee Meeting, November 16th, 7:15 pm, Council
- District 52 CPC Committee Meeting, November 29th, 6:15 pm
- District 40 PI/CPC Committee Meeting, December 5th, 9:00 am, SBMC
- Area CPC Committee Meeting, December 7th, 7:30 pm, Council

Close Meeting: Responsibility Statement, 8:50 pm