# Southeast Texas Area Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Assembly Minutes Saturday & Sunday April 13-14, 2019

Sheraton North Houston Hotel 15700 JFK Blvd., Houston, TX 77032

This we owe to A.A.'s future; to place our common welfare first to keep our Fellowship united. For upon A.A. unity depend our lives and the lives of those to come.

# Area Committee Meeting Saturday, April 13, 2019

# **Open of General Assembly** – Rick M.

• Opened meeting with moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer

# Preamble to SETA Policies and Procedures Manual – Christina S.

• Read the Preamble to the SETA Policies and Procedures Manual

### Area Committee Roll Call – Tammy Z.

- 47 Area Committee Members in attendance
- See Pages 31-32 for table of Area Committee Roll Call

#### Secretary's Minutes – Deborah B.

• January Area Committee Minutes were accepted as submitted with corrections

### Treasurer's Report - Ron S.

- Operating Fund as of 1/1/2019 is \$70,811.62. Deposits totaled \$23,152.42. Checks written totaled \$17,258.36. Net change of \$5,894.06 making the Balance Ending on 3/31/18 of \$76,705.68.
- First box is our Operating Funds broken down.
- Second box is our Gratitude Dinner Fund breakdown as of 3/31/18 is \$2,889.
- Third box is our Convention Fund which shows an ending balance as of 3/31/18 is \$23,208.22
- The Ending Balance as of 3/31/18 is \$76,705.68. Convention Loss Reserve is \$4,000; Gratitude Dinner Fund is \$2,889; Convention Fund is \$15,000; State Convention Loss Reserve is \$3,000; Prudent Reserve is \$39,150.15; Unrestricted Funds is \$12,666.53.
- Second page of report shows a detailed breakdown of all expenses and third through final pages show group contributions.

### Delegate Report – Troy B-D.

- Recognized the Past Delegates for coming to SWAARDA to help prepare me for GSC.
- DCM/Delegate Session was on video conference prior to April Assembly and will continue to do that on a monthly basis between Assemblies.
- Here are the few items from GSO that I want to share with the Area.
  - 1. International Convention is on track and registration should be open in September. This will include the pool for hotel registration.
    - a. Registrations will be about \$115 prior to April 15<sup>th</sup> and \$140 after.
  - 2. The final report from the 2018 World Services Meeting is now available from GSO.
  - 3. The release of the book containing Bill W.'s talks from the Conference (51-70) is scheduled for May. This book is being published by AAWS and is titled "Our Great Responsibility"
  - 4. The Regional Forum registration will be open sometime around august. They want to get a better idea of the true attendance.
  - 5. From Finance Year Ending in 2018
    - a. Revenues were 2.16% higher than budgeted and less than 1% higher than 2017
    - b. Operating Expenses were 2.5% greater than budgeted and almost 9% higher than 2017
    - c. Contributions were higher than budgeted but lower than 2017
    - d. Net Profit for the year 2018 was \$454,603.
  - 6. Grapevine has hired from within the organization and named Albin Z the new Publisher for AA Grapevine Inc.
  - 7. Publishing has been approved to produce large print versions of "As Bill Sees It", "Came to Believe" and "AA in Prison: Inmate to Inmate" as well as a few pamphlets.

Troy B-D. Delegate Panel 69 Area 67 Southeast Texas

#### Alternate Delegate Report – Kris H.

With a full quarter behind me, my enjoyment and sense of fulfillment in serving the Fellowship has been rekindles. SWARDA alone is why every member of the Fellowship should be willing to stand for Alternate Delegate. The love and guidance that all those Past Delegates and Regional Trustees bestowed on me was remarkable. The do however put the Alternates to work, making us an active part of the SWAARSA committee. As the event has matured, it has become apparent that new approaches to sustaining it through self-support need to be looked at. There is a proposal that will be presented to the Areas to send \$5.00 contributions to the host Area in advance of each SWAARSA. Currently, it is up to the host Area to fund the whole amount. SETA is scheduled to host again in 2026, and we should soon start including Funds for the event in our budget process. Saving up for the recent event in Branson began 5 years earlier. There is also discussion about forwarding excess SRAASA funds from one host to the next. I will keep you posted as more is revealed, but I have already introduced the topic to our Area Finance Committee for their consideration.

So far, I have been acting as Troy's secretary during the two DCM sharing sessions we've had. The last meeting was via Zoom and I think it went well, certainly better than trying to fit it in on Assembly weekend. I've also had the pleasure of tagging along with Troy to District meetings in D81 and D33, along with a couple of mock roundtables in D52. Every time I talk to Troy, he tells me to kiss Michelle for him which is good. The problem arises when every time I go to meetings with him, Michelle tells me to kiss Troy for her.

Last weekend, I had the privilege of attending an Assembly in Area 1 (Alabama – NW Florida). I was their pre-conference Assembly and they had a similar approach to our roundtables. I found a whole lot of similarities in how our two Areas operate along with some intriguing differences. I welcome the opportunity to share about the experiences with any of you.

We have a lot of big things going on in 2019 in our Area 67. First, Houston will be the host city for the 73<sup>rd</sup> Texas State Convention – June 7-9, 2019 at the Westin Galleria Houston, 5060 West Alabama Street, Houston, TX 77056. You may register online at <a href="https://txaaconvention.org/">https://txaaconvention.org/</a> or you can find Melissa R. and she will gladly take your registration via the "Square" using your credit card. Area 67 will also host this year's Forum, October 11-13, right here at Sheraton IAH, 15700 JFK Blvd., Houston, TX 77032. Melissa R. is the host committee chair so she will have any other information you may need about the event. Area 67's CFC Committee won the bid for the 2019 National Corrections Conference, November 1-3 at the Doubletree at the Intercontinental, 15747 JFK Blvd., Houston, TX 77032. Check out the webpage: <a href="https://www.nationalcorrectionsconference.org">www.nationalcorrectionsconference.org</a> Finally, planning the Gratitude Dinner has been on hold pending the outcome of the motion regarding it that is in front of the Assembly this weekend.

In love and service, Kris H. P69/A67 Southeast Texas, Alternate Delegate

### 2019 SETA Convention Report – Veronica M.

Hello SETA,

My name is Veronica and I am an alcoholic. My sobriety date is October 2, 2009. My home group is the Santa Fe group in Santa Fe Texas. I first would like to thank the assembly for trusting me, for believing in me, for encouraging me and for supporting me as your 2019 SETA Convention Chair. It has truly been an honor and a privilege to serve.

I would also like to acknowledge and to thank all of the countless volunteers who either directly or indirectly contributed their time and their efforts with such a dedicated, committed, and a humble trusted servants'

heart. This was "Your" convention! You, along with God's wisdom, and His direction, did a super amazing job! Thank you so very much!

Our theme was "Carry this message to other alcoholics" pg. 89 Alcoholics Anonymous. I believe the Convention did just that, it carried the message. To a total of 1,660 alcoholics sprinkled with quite a few of those beautiful Al-Anons. I am also extremely proud to report that there were 162 scholarship-recipients. The convention speakers were excellent, each of them highlighting their experience strength and hope with such charisma that you couldn't help but to hear the clear message of hope and recovery. And how about our entertainment? Two superb AA skits AND A LIVE BAND! We are definitely not a glum lot and we sure do know how to have fun!

As far as financials are concerned... Our treasurer wrote a check to the assembly for \$8887.72 after deducting the seed money of \$3000.00, the Convention contributed a total of \$5887.72 to the assembly! Soon after the convention, on January 27, 2019, our committee gathered at the Bay Area Club for the very last time. Danny G., Who was my convention co-Chair and who is currently your 2020 convention chair, was present to receive each committee chair feedback of what went very well and feedback in areas where we could improve. I am certain that Danny is putting that feedback to very good use as he chairs the upcoming 2020 Convention.

Again, I just cannot find the words to express just how grateful I am and just how much I so appreciate having been given the opportunity to have chaired the 2019 SETA Convention, helping to "carry the message to other alcoholics", It has been a true blessing.

Yours in service, Veronica M.

# 2020 SETA Convention Report – Danny G.

- 2020 SETA Convention will be held in Galveston at the Moody Gardens Hotel on January 24-26<sup>th</sup>, 2020.
- The convention theme is, "Give freely of what you find and join us." P. 164 in the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous
- Prices for a room will be at a discounted rate of \$129.00 a night.
- Pre-registration is \$12 and at the door is \$15, with coffee tags being \$5.
  We have selected our speakers for the convention. The speakers AA will be Danny D., Karl M., Quincy W. (all being from California), and Micki B. (Bryan College Station). Our GSO speaker will be Clement C.
- The most important thing to pull off a successful convention is getting the word out to every Area, District, Group, and Member. So please, I beg everyone to announce, announce, announce that this is going to be a convention that they do not want to miss!

Thank you.

Respectively summited Convention Chair Danny G.

# 2019 Texas State Convention Report – Melissa R.

- Will be held on June 7-9, 2019 at the Westin Galleria
- So far we have 277 rooms booked out of our 550 room block; the rate is \$129 per night and the cutoff date for that rate is May 20, 2019; at the 2017 convention they lost about \$17,000 because people booked a lot of rooms and then cancelled after the cutoff date, but we added more rooms in the meantime to increase the room block; after the deadline ended and rooms were cancelled the hotel wasn't able to apply the credit back; please be sure to cancel your reservation before May 20<sup>th</sup> if you are unable to attend
- We have our own personal contact at the Westin. Her name is Grecia.

- We still need a Scholarship Chair and an Alternate. This person needs to be able to stay at the Registration table throughout the convention, so an Alternate is essential. The chair needs to be responsible and able to handle disbursement of the scholarships and able to keep track of new scholarships that are purchased on site.
- Hospitality Suite Chair is Cynthia. She has visited a ton of districts and got lots of commitments for meals and people to man the hospitality suite. She needs help filling the rest of the time slots. If your district or group is looking for an opportunity to serve, see Cynthia.
- Davis is our Marathon Meeting Chair. He has all the slots set. If you have any questions about your particular district's slot, please see him.
- We will have a 1<sup>st</sup> Timers and Newcomer Contest as well as a dance. Pam F. is our Entertainment Chair. The dance is Saturday night and starts around 9:30-10:00 depending on when the speaker meeting finishes and we get set up. The DJ is Stevie Ray Vaughn (not the original). The dance is included in the registration price or it's \$10 if you just want to come for the dance.

# 2019 Regional Forum Report – Melissa R.

- Flyers available up at front
- This is the 1<sup>st</sup> time in 22 years that the Regional Forum is being held in Area 67
- It will be October 11-13, 2019 at the Sheraton North (right here where our assemblies are held); it will start on Friday around 6:00 PM and end on Sunday around Noon.
- I've spoken to our contact at GSO, Ivy. She's been doing these for a long time and knows her stuff backwards and forwards. She helped me straighten out the confusion here at the hotel. Because our assembly is a week or two prior to the forum, the hotel was getting confused about the events. They were sending links for SETA to GSO and vice versa.
- The room link isn't working correctly yet but I will get this straightened out with our hotel contact. The room rate will be \$82 per night.
- Even though the contract with the hotel is through GSO, I spoke with our hotel contact and was able to get the hospitality suite for free. I'll be talking to all of you at our next assembly to get help with that.
- We will have an ice cream social
- We will need volunteers for the following:
  - Registration
  - Packers to unpack and pack all the information/literature that is sent from GSO for the weekend
  - o Greeters
  - Security

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### **Open Positions**

- 2021 Convention Chair Someone will be standing on Sunday, April 14, 2019
- Alt. Registrar Kathleen T. appointed to fulfill this position until July

### Area Inventory AD Hoc Committee Update – Paul M., Kathleen T., Pam F.

Service – Paul M

Background: The Area participated in an Inventory in the 2017/2018. Results of the Inventory were shared in the July 2018 Assembly.

The Inventory Ad Hoc Committee grouped questions and responses into the related topic areas of Service, Finance, Agenda/Facilities and Communication. Sub Committees were formed for each of these categories, including a Service Ad Hoc Committee.

Members of Ad-Hoc on Services: Lori H, Patti H., Lester J. Barbara G, Paul M

The overall Area Inventory highlighted the need for improved Service and Communication with GSR's

This committee does not want to instruct our area chairperson as to setting the agenda for the assembly. It is our understanding that it is the area Committees' responsibility to set the agenda for the Area Assemblies, so we are recommending to the Area Chairperson and Area Committee the following:

Recommendations

1-Revert back to Beginner & Advanced & Spanish GSR Workshops at the assembly as each group has specific needs-Committee unanimous

2- Area committee to look at meeting ahead of assembly to set agenda and review prior to assembly weekend. Use the time at assembly for more interaction with GSR's & Committees- Area Committee meeting at assembly has not been the best use of time for ALL attendees at assembly. - Committee unanimous. Note: This could possible mean a change to P & P?

3-That a specific Area Committee inventory be considered. What can be done to better serve the GSR's? Unanimous

The Ad Hoc committee would like the area Committee to consider:

4-Assign or offer GSR buddies –for 1<sup>st</sup> time GSR's at assemblies. Committee agreed unanimously on this proposal but were 4-1 on assigning GSR buddies.

5-More interaction between GSR'S & Service Committees-possibly a panel of Service committee chairs to answer Q's from GSR's -Note: Could be incorporated into GSR Workshops or offer specific time of the morning for interaction

Respectfully Ad –Hoc Committee on Service Paul M.

• Listening – Pam F.

The listening/communications committee has been formed. We met via zoom meeting on March 24<sup>th</sup> with a few technical problems. We meet earlier today. We have two new members. While the area did very well on the 2017 area inventory, our committee is looking into those responses regarding listening and communications and will come up with suggestions that may help the area grow. We hope to get a full report to the area during the October assembly.

It is not too late to join our committee. Please contact me for more information. Our next meeting via zoom will be Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm. Thank you.

In Service to Serve, Pam F.

#### • Agenda/Facilities – Kathleen T.

The Agenda/Facilities Ad Hoc Committee suggests two changes for the Area Assembly:

• Eliminate the Area Committee Roll Call during the Area Assembly.

• Eliminate orally presented, non-voting workshop reports to the Assembly.

Inventory:

The Area participated in an Inventory in the 2017/2018 biennium. The questions and responses were grouped by related topics. One of these topic groupings was Agenda and Facilities. Results of the Inventory were shared in the July 2018 Assembly. Ad Hoc Committees, including the Agenda and Facilities Ad Hoc Committee, were formed to make recommendations based on the Inventory results.

While overall results of the Inventory indicate general satisfaction with the Area, the responses also indicate improvements can be made. There was a relatively high level of dissatisfaction with the use

of time in the committee and assembly meetings, particularly in the repetition of information. Ineffective use of time results in the Area not effectively equipping AA members to help alleviate the suffering of alcoholics in and out of the rooms. Ineffective use of time also results in AA members being discouraged and not wanting to get involved in Area Service.

The Ad Hoc Committee suggestions have not been put forth as motions, because the Area Assembly and Committee Agendas do not require the approval of the Assembly or the Committee. The Chair has responsibility for and authority to set the agenda as he chooses. Area 67 Chair advised that he would like to make decisions based on the general preference of the Assembly. Voting on these suggestions is just to give the Area Chair a sense of the Area.

Eliminate the Area Committee Roll Call in the Area Assembly:

Before the Roll Call for Assembly Voting, a separate roll call is taken for the Area Committee. The Ad Hos committee feels a separate roll call is not needed. Our time can be more effectively spent. The Ad Hoc Committee is not making a recommendation concerning the roll call in the Area Committee meeting.

Eliminate orally presented, non-voting workshop reports to the Assembly.

Usually, when a workshop is held on Saturday, an oral report on that workshop is given on Sunday. The effect of this practice is to waste the time of those who participate in the entire assembly and can cause people to consider attending the assembly on Sunday or Saturday only. Our time can be more effectively spent.

The committee feels that reports of workshops should continue to be provided in writing to the Area Secretary for inclusion in the Assembly minutes. However, these workshop reports should not be presented orally to the assembly, unless they are part of a presentation of a voting item. The Ad Hoc Committee feels that it is important to continue Round Table Reports.

# Report of Verification of Hotel Funds for 2018 – Christina S.

• See pg. 33 for spreadsheet of 2018 Hotel Accounting

### NEW BUSINESS

- Budget Presentation to Area Committee Michelle H.
  - Spreadsheet available on <u>www.aa-seta.org</u> on the Finance page.
- District 51 YPAA Motion Connie R.
  - District 51 submits the following motion, having passed committee unanimously.

#### MOTION

To amend the Policies and Procedures Manual of Southeast Texas Area to allow verbal announcements, flyers and displays from the conferences and committees of Young People in *Alcoholics Anonymous* at Assemblies & Conventions

The third edition of the Policies and Procedures Manual of Southeast Texas Area specifies that the Area meet quarterly under the section "Area Assembly Meetings" on pages 6-7. This section permits verbal announcements, flyers, or displays to be made at these meetings only from events sponsored by one of five classes of entities: SETA, Area 67 Districts/Groups, the General Service Office, the Texas State Convention of *Alcoholics Anonymous*, or Intergroups/Central Offices within the boundaries of Area 67.

We move that the following amendments be made to the Policies and Procedures Manual, to allow verbal announcements, flyers, or displays from the conferences and committees of Young People in *Alcoholics Anonymous* to be allowed at Assemblies and Conventions, including when the event is held in cities outside SETA Area 67:

- "6. Verbal announcements, flyers, or displays shall be allowed at all SETA Assemblies and Conventions if the events are sponsored by any one or more of the following entities:
  - a. SETA Assembly sponsored events, including, SETA Conventions and SETA service committees;
  - b. Events sponsored by SETA districts and/or groups;
  - c. General Service Structure of AA events sponsored by the General Service Board or General Service Office of Alcoholics Anonymous, including General Service Conferences, International Conventions, SWRAASA. Regional Forums, Special Forums and Other similar events;
  - d. Texas State Convention, including when held in cities outside of the SETA Area 67 Area; and
  - e. Intergroups/Central Offices events, such as workshops, sponsored by Intergroups/Central Offices and their service Committees located within the boundaries of SETA Area 67; and
  - f. <u>The conferences and committees of Young People in Alcoholics</u> <u>Anonymous, including when held in cities outside of the SETA</u> <u>Area 67 Area".</u>

#### RECENT AREA PRACTICE:

In October 2016, the Southeast Texas Area gave a one-time allowance for Texas State Conference of Young People in A.A. (TXSCYPAA) to have flyers at our 2017 SETA Convention. The issue was submitted to an Ad Hoc Committee. The Ad Hoc Committee did not present their findings and was eventually dissolved. Without a recommendation, flyers from TXSCYPAA were thereafter denied and the issue left unresolved. INTENT:

District 51 would like to see all YPAA activities shared at the Area level and a better exchange of information and unity created between YPAA committees and the Southeast Texas Area. BACKGROUND:

Hopefully the workshop gave everyone a better understanding of what Young People in A.A. groups and conferences are all about. YPAA conferences are indeed well established A.A. events as recognized by GSO and noted in two of our Box 4-5-9s.

In the P-4 Pamphlet, "Young People and A.A.", it mentions YPAA Conferences and encourages our younger members to seek YPAA meetings. But where? On page 6, it says, "Young people's conferences are held in the United States and Canada and around the world. For information, consult your local A.A. area, intergroup office, or search online for YPAA." We believe that this seems to imply that our Areas may have a responsibility in helping to make that information available to other members of the Area.

A question answered by the previous Area ad hoc committee was:

What measures does TXSCYPAA take to ensure that it follows traditions?

TXSCYPAA (our local active YPAA committee founded in 1980) has an Advisory Committee that provides guidance to the Host Committee. Members of this committee are A.A. members. According to their By-laws, the Council must operate within the principles of the 12 Steps, 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts of Alcoholics Anonymous. It is also suggested that all members of TXSCYPAA's Advisory Council and its Host Committee, conduct themselves in adherence to the principles of the 12 Steps, 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts of Alcoholics and 12 Concepts of Alcoholics Anonymous. It is also suggested that all members of TXSCYPAA's Advisory Council and its Host Committee, conduct themselves in adherence to the principles of the 12 Steps, 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts of Alcoholics Anonymous. In addition, YPAA Conferences provide visible evidence that large numbers of young people are achieving a lasting and comfortable sobriety in Alcoholics Anonymous. The three legacies of A.A. -- Recovery, Unity, and Service -- are the backbone of YPAA, just as they are throughout

A.A. They regularly contribute to the A.A. General Service Office, as well as to the Area Service Structure in the local areas in which they are held. In fact, our Area has accepted contributions from TXSCYPAA.

So, if Young People in A.A. conferences are A.A. events, held by A.A. members, for A.A. members and our own literature directs us to our local Areas for more information, shouldn't we make that information available here in this forum?

One of the questions that the district asked in this research was:

How are other A.A. Areas cooperating with YPAA?

After looking throughout, the 79 United States A.A. Area websites within the General Service Conference, we were encouraged to see that there was actually A LOT of cooperation throughout our Fellowship.

Though a good number of Area websites were fairly bare of easily verifiable information and/or password protected, MORE THAN HALF have some kind of visible or tangible YPAA presence like event announcements and website links.

Of that number, MORE THAN HALF of those Areas have either a YPAA standing or support committee (with and without a vote), a Liaison or they provide time on the Area agenda for a report when available. There are as many variations of support, as there are Areas. We believe that the autonomy inherent in Tradition 4, allows us the freedom to "move around" in this "loose garment" to truly represent our Area and all that it offers. Many Areas do not strictly follow any formal A.A. pattern, but have adapted to the unique needs to serve the A.A.s in their Area.

Also, on page 12 of the Area's Policy & Procedure Manual, we noticed that the Area actually extends an invitation to Al-Anon and Ala-Teen to participate at our Area Conventions. This was added to the P&P back in January of 1997. We applaud this, though we hope that if we are willing to invite non-A.A.'s to participate in our Conventions, then why not actual members of A.A. that are so active in service as evidenced in YPAA?

WHY IS THIS MOTION NECESSARY?

Since Young People in A.A. was not among the approved entities listed in our P&P manual, AREA 67 required a motion to allow that presence or to receive permission to have flyers for a Young People's Conference in our Area in 2017. We believe that this was a simple oversight.

It was suggested that, in defining "Cooperation Not Affiliation" (as it is called in Amendment 24 on page 21 of Area 67's P&P) we have inadvertently created a barrier that has kept our Area Fellowship in the dark about the amazing work that Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous have done and are doing, IN OUR AREA AND BEYOND, in bringing young people from obscurity into recovery, fellowship and service.

Throughout 2018 and especially in the last few district meetings, our discussions have turned to the involvement of young people both in our district and Area 67. In all of those discussions, our agreement has always been unanimous. There is little doubt that young people can and should play a vital role in AA and its future.

Bill W acknowledged as much in a letter to ICYPAA dated June 15, 1969, congratulating them on the 12<sup>th</sup> occasion of the Young People's conference. Bill wrote "... in recent years I have found nothing for greater inspiration than the knowledge that A.A. of tomorrow will be safe, and certainly magnificent, in the keeping of you who are the younger generation of A.A. today."

Currently, this dedicated group of young A.A. members are currently working to bring the regional YPAA Convention (HACYPAA, also called the Heartland Conference) to Houston next year. District 51 plans to provide them with a letter of support. As they bid for the Heartland Conference, these young A.A.s need our support more than ever...just as much as we need theirs. We're incredibly proud of them. These members have been especially helpful in the set up and facilitation of the Wednesday night A.A. meeting at the adolescent treatment facility in SW Houston.

With this great enthusiasm and participation, we see no better time than now. Just last year, a motion made the General Service Conference agenda concerning a more recognized inclusion for YPAA within the A.A. service structure, so there is clearly a growing consciousness and push.

If we want to encourage younger people to participate in A.A. service, we believe that we should embrace an arm of A.A. that does just that. At this time, we have only asked for the opportunity to have YPAA events advertised alongside other A.A. events as noted in our motion. However, District 51 highly encourages greater YPAA participation at the Area level.

As with other Areas throughout the United States, there are many examples and options in which to achieve District 51's stated intent. We hope that Area 67 will convene a new ad hoc committee to explore our options further in how this may serve members within our Area. We can be the hand reaching out to the hand reaching out.

Very respectfully, District 51

o Revision to be presented to Area Assembly on Sunday, April 14, 2019

### • Motion to Discontinue Gratitude Dinner – Troy B-D.

• BACKGROUND:

Over the course of my SETA career, I have noticed a trend regarding the annual Gratitude Dinner of lessening attendance and increasing difficulty in getting commitments from the various Districts (generally speaking). Recently, several groups and districts questioned the use of contributions. The amount of funds used to cover hotel rooms is especially upsetting to those members. This makes it harder to ask the groups and districts to contribute to what is essentially a party. In January 2019 at the Assembly, a sense of the Area regarding this matter indicated substantial unanimity that the Dinner should be discontinued.

#### MOTION:

The motion is to discontinue the Annual SETA Gratitude Dinner, effective immediately, and to more the balance of the funds in the Gratitude Dinner account (\$1,989) to the SETA general fund.

Respectfully Submitted Troy B-D., Delegate Panel 69/Area 67

o Motion goes to Area Assembly with a Second on Sunday, April 14, 2019

#### Announcements – Christina S.

• Still in need of an Assembly Host for July

#### **Close Meeting** – Unity Declaration

# Area Assembly Meeting Sunday, April 14, 2019

# **Open of General Assembly** – Rick M.

- Opened meeting with moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer
- Thanked District 81 for hosting the April Assembly

# Preamble to SETA Policies and Procedures Manual – Christina S.

• Read the Preamble to the SETA Policies and Procedures Manual

#### Area Committee Roll Call – Tammy Z.

- 43 Area Committee Members in attendance
- See Pages 31-32 for table of Area Committee Roll Call

### Recognize New GSRs, Past Delegates & Guest(s) - Rick M.

- All GSRs, Past Delegates and Guests introduced themselves
- Welcomed and thanked for their service
- All Standing Committee Chairs and Liaisons introduced themselves

### Secretary's Minutes – Deborah B.

• January Area Committee Minutes were accepted as submitted with corrections

### Treasurer's Report - Ron S.

- See Saturday, April 13, 2019 Report
- Accepted as presented

### Delegate Report – Troy B-D.

• See Saturday, April 13, 2019 Report

### Alternate Delegate Report – Kris H.

• See Saturday, April 13, 2019 Report

### 2019 SETA Convention Report – Veronica M.

• See Saturday, April 13, 2019 Report

### 2020 SETA Convention Report – Danny G.

• See Saturday, April 13, 2019 Report

### 2019 Texas State Convention Report – Melissa R.

• See Saturday, April 13, 2019 Report

### New GSR Workshop Report - Recorder

My name is Linda H. I am an Alcoholic. My sobriety date is January 8, 1992. I am the G.S.R. for the Santa Fe Group.

Paul M. conducted the G.S.R. Workshop, which was well attended. He handed out G.S.R. folders which contained Pamphlets; The A.A. Group...where it all begins, G.S.R. GENERAL SERVICE REPRESENTATATIVE, THE TWELVE TRADITIONS ILLUSTRATED, "The Twelve Concepts for World Service Illustrated, Understanding Anonymity, plus a handout explaining the Area Assembly and Area Committee Workshop Area 67 Southeast Texas Area. Then Paul shared about the contents of the folder

and gave a presentation of How the Principles of General Service works through the Three Legacies of Service.

Next Tom B. reviewed the pamphlet, G.S.R. General Service Representative (P19). He encouraged the G.S.R.s to read the pamphlet G.S.R. in The Group and every G.S.R. needs to read the pamphlet, "The A.A. Group ... where it all begins", especially to read Page. 19 -- is very important. He explained: What does G.S.R. mean? What is the Right of Decision? Get a Service Sponsor. After Tom reviewed the pamphlet, a question came up about the Right of Decision which Tom B., Paul M. and Zaz M. replied with explanations.

Then, Zaz M. reviewed the General Service Structure giving examples of how we can serve within the service structure. Included were a handout in the G.S.R. folder that contained the following in English and Spanish: The G.S.R. Preamble, Regional Map of U.S. & Canada, Southeast Texas Area 67, Diagram of Structure of The Conference U.S. & Canada, Flow Chart of Southeast Texas Area Structure, Acronyms and Terms Used In General Service and Alcoholics Anonymous Group Information Change Form. Finally, Ron C., our outgoing Delegate, closed with a History of the Structure of the Conference and how it works.

S/Linda H., Workshop Recording Secretary

### Roll Call for Voting – Tammy Z.

• 108 voting members in attendance

# UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### **Open Positions**

- 2021 Convention Chair Debi F. stood for and was voted in.
- Alt. Registrar Kathleen T. appointed to fulfill this position until July

### Area Inventory AD Hoc Committee Update – Paul M., Kathleen T., Pam F.

- See Saturday, April 13, 2019 for Reports
- A sense of the Area was taken on the Agenda/Facilities Ad Hoc Committee suggestions:
  - Eliminate the Area Committee Roll Call during Area Assembly 51 in favor; 31 opposed
  - Eliminate orally presented, non-voting workshop reports to the Assembly 69 in favor; 18 opposed

### **Report of Verification of Hotel Funds for 2018** – Christina S.

• See pg. 33 for spreadsheet of 2018 Hotel Accounting

### NEW BUSINESS

- Budget Presentation to Area Committee Michelle H.
  - Spreadsheet available on <u>www.aa-seta.org</u> on the Finance page.
- District 51 YPAA Motion Connie R.
  - See Saturday, April 13, 2019 for Background and original Motion
  - Portion of Motion that was amended per the Area Committee:
    6. Verbal announcements, flyers, or displays shall be allowed at all SETA Assemblies and Conventions if the events are sponsored by any one or more of the following entities:
    - a. SETA Assembly sponsored events, including, SETA Conventions and SETA service committees;
    - b. Events sponsored by SETA districts and/or groups;
    - c. General Service Structure of AA events sponsored by the General Service Board or General Service Office of Alcoholics Anonymous, including General Service Conferences, International

Conventions, SWRAASA. Regional Forums, Special Forums and Other similar events;

- d. Texas State Convention, including when held in cities outside of the SETA Area 67 Area; **and**
- e. Intergroups/Central Offices events, such as workshops, sponsored by Intergroups/Central Offices and their service Committees located within the boundaries of SETA Area 67; and
- f. <u>The conferences and committees of Young People in Alcoholics</u> <u>Anonymous, including when held in cities within the Southwest Regional</u> <u>Area".</u>
- Amended motion presented for updating the P&P manual was passed with a voting count of 69 in favor; 7 opposed
- Motion to Discontinue Gratitude Dinner Troy B-D.
  - See Saturday, April 13, 2019 for Background and Motion
  - Motion was passed with a voting count of 64 in favor; 24 opposed

Announcements – Christina S.

**Close Meeting** – Unity Declaration

# **Service Committee Reports**

# Archives - Eddie R.

The Archives Committee has kept itself quite busy since the Area Convention in January. Our regular duties have consisted of Categorizing and Filing New Archival Materials we've receive. In addition, because of an error on my part, we began a search for a new location for the Repository. It wasn't until after we located a comparable space with the potential of saving the Area about \$1200 annually that we discovered that our current lease will not lapse until December of this year. Our plans are to begin the process again sometime in the September/October timeframe.

We also had requests for information from local districts for Group Information in our Archives as well as a request from the Archives Sub-Committee of Area 59 for feedback on establishing Cloud Storage for Archival Materials.

Our Big Events of this Year (so far) were the Area Convention at Moody Gardens and District 33's Unity Conference in Bryan. Both were a pleasure to attend and quite informative in their own rights.

At the Convention we met some members of the Spanish Districts who gave us some history of how AA made its start in Colombia and Mexico and to the Spanish Speaking Fellowship that is growing among us. In District 33 we received a Warm Welcome from Our Brothers and Sisters in Central Texas. I'll have to say they gave us a Run for Our Money with the Archives Display they had on hand. The speakers were great, and the Fellowship was Top Shelf.

We are looking forward to the State Convention coming later this year and have already had some correspondences with the Convention Committee.

This year was my introduction to being involved with the Area Budget Committee. The Preparation and Research as well as the Committee Meeting itself were very informative and helped me as a Committee Chair understand more of what it is, we do around here...And Why...

We Stand Ready to be a part of what our committee can do to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous to the Alcoholic Who Still Suffers.

On an Administrative Note...We in the Archives Committee have gone quite some time without a Secretary and are in need of having a member of the fellowship Step Forward to fill that position. What you'll do will undoubtedly help the committee but what you'll learn about AA History in Southeast Texas will move you to learn more.

Eddie R.

Area 67 Archives Committee Chair

### CPC – Dave L.

CPC Committee Purpose – "Members of C.P.C. committees inform professionals and future professionals about A.A.— what we are, where we are, what we can do, and what we cannot do. They attempt to establish better communication between A.A.s and professionals, and to find simple, effective ways of cooperating without affiliating." – reprinted from Cooperation with the Professional Community Workbook, page 5, with permission from A.A. World Services, Inc.

This quarter the CPC Committee:

- Started the process of creating a new 12-step Hospital Program for Area 67 similar to the one currently being implemented in Western Washington (Area 72) and Area 93 in Central California:
  - There is a long and esteemed history of Alcoholics helping other Alcoholics. It is the backbone of the A.A. credo and an essential part of the recovery process. Going back to our humble beginnings, Bill W's fateful visit to Dr. Bob was the first 12 Step Outreach; a fellow alcoholic, having received the gift of divine inspiration, shared his experience, strength and hope with another alcoholic that he too would benefit from the priceless gift of serenity.
  - It is in the spirit of our origins and the fundamental knowledge that when an alcoholic, deep in his disease, reaches a point where he is willing to seek help, there is little better help that can be afforded than that of another alcoholic's understanding, compassion, and willingness to help a fellow.

- Brief: We will strive to keep this process as simple as possible. The offer to the patient for a peer support visit can be made at any time during their time in the hospital. The offer to the patient for A.A. peer support could be from a doctor, nurse, social worker, etc. If the patient would like the visit, the visit is usually coordinated through the social worker. The patient signs a release of information form before the social worker contacts A.A.
- Today, in the committee meeting, we'll be discussing more details regarding the 12-step hospital program. The CPC Committee needs A.A. members to volunteer to participate in the 12-step calls, be a Panel Coordinator between one or more hospitals and A.A. members, help present program to hospitals, etc.
- Assisted PI Committee in staffing health fair at Lonestar College.
- Staffed and attended District 33 Unity Conference in February.
- Created letters for new Harris County court judges.
- Disaster Response Committee report (via Peter C.):
  - Since the convention in January, we've met with Red Cross representatives for Harris and Ft. Bend counties and will be meeting the one for Montgomery County on 4/23/19. We are working with Intergroup to arrange for printing laminated meeting guides and getting books and other supplies for DRP boxes. The two Hispanic Intergroups will be supplying books and other information in Spanish to be included in the boxes. We have approval from 8 AA clubs to store a DRP box to be used in nearby shelters and we hope to have about 15 locations to provide good coverage for the Houston metropolitan area. We continue to seek cooperation from SETA and English and Spanish DCMs to take meetings into shelters when the next major flood or hurricane occurs. We will be passing on information about our plans to the Group Services Office at GSO as they are very interested what we are doing and how it can help other areas plan for disasters.
- District 81 Report: We gave presentations to the local TDCJ Parole Board, HOPE Galveston County Drug Court Program, and UTMB Osher Lifelong Learning Institute. The Committee continues to meet monthly on the last Wednesday at 6:30 PM at the Bay Area Club in League City, Texas.

We have plans to:

- Hold 12-step Hospital Program information meetings / workshops in June. Create webpage for 12step Hospital Program.
- Send letters to judges.
- Attend workshops on Committee service by Districts.
- Working with the PI Committee, continue reach out to Districts to give presentations to them about PI & CPC service.

### But we need your help:

The possibilities to carry the message by reaching out to professionals is nearly limitless. But we need people, lots of people. We need members, groups and districts to learn out to carry the message by being "Friendly with our Friends" as Bill liked to call it.

- So, grab a bookmark and try some of the suggested activities, better yet, try them with a friend or sponsee!
- Attend your District's PI/CPC committee meetings
- If your District doesn't have a committee, consider starting one, and standing for its chair position
- Attend the Area CPC meeting, any AA member can attend and be a committee member, you do not have to have an elected position to join in.

### So, Join us:

We meet the first Monday of each month at 7:30pm at the Spring Branch Memorial Club, or you can join via ZOOM, meeting ID: 632 634 860 (<u>https://zoom.us/j/632634860</u>). For more information or to help, please contact us at cpc@aa-seta.org

In Service,

David L. – Chairperson, Cooperation with Professional Community (CPC) Committee, SETA (Area 67)

#### CFC – Roy E.

We've been meeting on the third Wednesday of the month every month at District 66, which is one of the Spanish districts, and is located at 5645 Hillcroft #410 and is between 59 and Westpark. All of our positions have been filled. Actually, Larry the secretary and I are handling the IT Liaison position, so we are looking for someone to help us with that. They would have to attend monthly committee meetings to Act as a liaison between the Area IT Committee and the Area CFC Committee. Maybe Attend or participate in the monthly Area 67 IT committee meetings either in person or by GoToMeeting. Post minutes, agendas, and CFC activities and flyers on the aa-seta.org website making sure they have no names and phone numbers on them. Help us maintain our database of the AA meetings that we bring into the facilities. Be good to have some knowledge of computer software/hardware, but it is not a prerequisite.

Our Blue Can Fund brought in \$56,412.57 for the year of 2018. This up a little bit from the year 2017 which brought in \$54,207. So far for the first quarter of this year we have brought in \$17652.54. Want to thank all of you and especially your group for this. All this money is used only to purchase literature to go inside whether it be our AA volunteers carrying it in or books we mail to inside members when they request one and may not have a meeting to go to where they are at.

We go into a lot of meetings all over the South East Texas Area. As it is now, we go into a least 26 TDCJ facilities and 5 of those have trusty camps that we go into as well. Over half of all those units get a meeting every week unless the volunteer doesn't show up. There are 3 or 4 Spanish meetings, as well, going into those facilities too. We also go into Harris County Jail, Galveston County, Montgomery County, Ft Bend County, Brazoria County and Grimes County and a women's facility in North Houston to do AA meetings. I like to say that if you go 50 miles North, South, East, West you will find a prison. Most of the time you'll find a whole prison city. So, if you want, we can come out to your home group and give you the heads up on what Correctional Facility meetings you have by you and hopefully we can get your group to do a meeting out by your group.

Our Correspondence / Pre-Release is constantly receiving letters from incarcerated AA members that requesting a contact or sponsor or pre-release contact. The Corrections Desk in New York is constantly sending us people from all over the state who will be coming to our area and are looking for a pre-release contact for when they get out. Someone to help them in getting to their first AA meeting as soon as possible. We been getting those names out to those local people who are willing to help out the new members. We had built up a pretty good list of outside AA members that are willing to write and help the ones that getting out and we have always had a pretty good contact list for correspondence and pre-release but the list of correspondence participants on the outside has dwindled down a bit. What can I say.... It comes and goes. Just like our volunteers. So, with that said just wanted everyone to know that we need more volunteers for correspondence and pre - release. We get a good 9, 10, 11 letters a month from people who are needing this AA thing or wanting a sponsor or contact. Get a lot of other letters, too, with a lot of outside issues and we weed them out. You don't use your home address. Men write men and women write women. You know the deal. We have some flyers/pamphlets at our table, or you can put your name on our sign-up sheet.

This month on April 27 We going to have a workshop/presentation at the Third Tradition Group. Third Tradition Group been doing this CFC thing since it started here in Houston. Since back in the 50's District 81 CFC and SETA CFC going to have TDCJ volunteer training at the Clear Creek Club on May 18th. The Training starts at 2 and will last a couple of hours then we have a QA panel and then a couple of speakers who do this CFC stuff. Both of these events will have a little lunch provided so come on out. There are some flyers at our table.

SETA CFC will be hosting 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual National Corrections Conference in 2019. November 1,2,3. Will be at the Double Tree across the street. Got some awesome speakers lined up. Really awesome speakers and there will be a lot of workshops put on by a lot of people from all over. So, Register if you can. Scholarships are available too. I'm going to be touching base with all of the other committees especially Archive, Grapevine and Treatment Facilities committees. We will be having an Archives Display room and possibility of needing panelist to speak on their committee work, especially how it relates to corrections work. So, if you see me coming don't hide.

Thanks for allowing me to serve.

Roy E. SETA CFC Chair

#### Finance – Michelle H.

- Set Up Email
- Received member's concerns & suggestions
- Prepared for 2020 Proposed Budget Meeting
- Submitted 2020 Proposed Budget to Area Chair, Area Alt. Chair & IT Committee in preparation for April's Quarterly Assembly
- 2019 Regional Forum Pool Results- IT Chair, Alt. Secretary, Literature Chair
- Attended D81 monthly meeting with the Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Chair, Alt. Chair, Treasurer to answers questions & to *HEAR* them
  - Why are we not fully funding the Delegate
  - o Why do we have some much money restricted
  - Can we take a serious look at the prudent reserve & convention loss
  - Can we look at a new way to calculate income
  - Need more transparency
- Prepared for April Quarterly Assembly-
  - 2020 Proposed Budget Presentation
  - Area Finance Committee Meeting
    - The monthly Area Finance Committee Meetings are NOT secret, closed or by invitation only, they are open to all & will be located in the Austin Room this Assembly
    - Committee Purpose
    - Tradition Presentation-how it pertains to our committee
    - Committee Goals
      - Area inventory feedback
    - Committee Positions
    - Monthly Committee Meetings
    - 2020 Proposed Budget Review-if necessary post workshop
    - GSC Agenda Items
    - 2026 SWRAASA Information, SETA 67 will be hosting that year & funds will be needed
    - Webpage
      - Charts/graphs
      - All budgets will be posted
      - Minutes-EXCITING
      - Meeting information

#### Grapevine – Kimberly L.

We are talking about going to all the District meeting to get people involved with grapevine at these meetings we will be giving out a grapevine book. Peter C Disaster response committee has inquired about getting some grapevine magazines for care packages the red cross shelters. I have emailed Grapevine to see if we could get a discount on bundled old magazines. We have not heard back from them as of yet.

Roy with CFC has asked grapevine to be a part of their Conference. We will be set up in archives room. We still are not transparent for the last year maybe even two. We were not given proper inventory that we should have. Which is one of the reasons that we are asking for discount for bundled grapevine issues. We have had to repurchase gift certificates when committee purchased 25 last year. Inventory did not include proper literature that was purchased. Has not had accountability. We are working on being transparent and staying that way.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve,

Kimberly L.

# IT – Stephenie O.

Hello SETA, 67,

My name is Stephy O. and I am an alcoholic. I am your panel 69 IT committee chair, and this is the official report from your IT Committee of super digital heroes.

1. Currently our main topic is the migration to our new website, therefore, I believe it necessary to read the following:

(Purpose of Website - http://www.aa-seta.org/itpolicy/GL\_Web\_Guidelines.pdf)

The purpose of the website shall be to assist the Southeast Texas Area (SETA) in the execution of its mission by facilitating the exchange of information about A.A. activity within Area 67 and the general service structure within which it resides. It is intended to be a communication tool for those involved in General Service within the Southeast Texas Area as well as to provide the individual A.A. member with information about our General Services and Area 67 related A.A. activities.

2. To members submitting documents to be posted on the website: Please be advised that the Area's Guidelines for the Website Prohibit us from publishing certain content, including last names, personal phone numbers and personal e-mail address. When we get these kinds of request, we have to reject the request and ask for it to be corrected. The previous practice of the Webmaster acting as editor and making the changes for those that submit such requests is taking up an inordinate amount of time and will stop in order to focus time on getting the new website up.

(Full document to be found at <u>http://www.aa-seta.org/itpolicy/GL\_Web\_Guidelines.pdf</u>) Allowable Content

1. All posted material shall strictly adhere to A.A.'s 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts and should be in accordance with guidelines provided by GSO (i.e. MG-18) and by the SETA IT Committee.

Content should be related to information as outlined in the SETA Website Purpose statement.
 SETA financial information (including treasurer's reports, budgets, year-end statements, etc.) may be posted on the SETA website so long as it does not contain any personally identifying information or sensitive information such as account numbers.

4. Events occurring at clubs should be clearly sponsored by an A.A. entity.

5. Only SETA position-based e-mail addresses (or similar generic addresses from other A.A. service entities) shall be allowed as content visible on the SETA Website.

Prohibited Content

1. Fundraising Information

2. Personally identifying information such as personal phone numbers, personal e-mail addresses, last names, etc.

3. There shall be no content such as third-party advertising or affiliation programs displayed in the SETA website.

4. Meetings, events, or announcements sponsored by non A.A. entities.

5. Obscene or similarly objectionable material.

6. Advertising or content that appears to imply affiliation and/or endorsement of outside organizations. (Full document to be found at <a href="http://www.aa-seta.org/itpolicy/GL">http://www.aa-seta.org/itpolicy/GL</a> Web Guidelines.pdf)

3. Current Website - Request for changes to the website are all current, there is no backlog. We continue to the operate the website in maintenance only mode (no new features, updates only) in order to focus time on the new site.

4. New Website - In preparing for the migration it was noticed the contract for our new WordPress based website used did not allow certain features we needed in order to have a smooth migration. Therefore, after some research, a new contract for hosting the new WordPress site was chosen which includes the needed features. The difference in cost is \$84.12 a year. The new site is under construction and significant planning has gone into an enhanced set of features for the site which includes: delegated permissions that will allow designated editors for each page (for example committee chairs, DCMs, and officers will be able

to edit posts for their pages), restricted content areas (login required), group communication feature or discussion board, Search engine optimization, and more.

5. Once the migration is complete, we will move into a maintenance phase including editing for cohesiveness. All pages should look and feel the same with varying functionality as described in the previous statement.

6. Other items for future IT projects are under research: (maps, archives) Website first.

7. Our current Postmaster is Past Delegate Betsy G. She is taking requests for setting folks straight (LOLOL) and corrections to the mail listings. If you would like to check if you're on a mailing list, please find Ms. Betsy and she will let you know.

8. If you have some equipment from the past panel (or perhaps one before etc.) and you have not turned the items in, please find one of your IT digital heroes and make arrangements to do so. We are currently doing inventory but also trying to make sure our current panel has all they need. Marshall is our support member, please get with him.

9. Finally, for those of us with SETA email addresses, please remember these emails are to be used only for SETA communication needs. Your grandmother does not need to reach you via SETA mail! Unless she's well...you know. ;0)

Thanks to everybody who has welcomed me to the big H, SETA you guys are so warm and friendly and for that I am grateful. Until next report, peace out. Thank you for letting me serve.

OH, masks or capes, please pass your votes give to Betsy.

La Viña – Alicia M. No Report

Literature – Jackie S.

My name is Jackie S.; I am the Area Literature Committee Chair.

The purpose of the Literature Committee is to raise the awareness for A.A. Conference-approved literature, audiovisual and other special items.

The Area literature committee has been meeting monthly using ZOOM online meetings. We will also be meeting here at the SETA Assemblies.

We started the year off with a bang; six committee members. Most of us attended the SETA Convention at Moody Gardens helping keep the Literature Display table stocked with assorted literature giveaways. Since then, we have been busy reviewing the Literature section of the Agenda items for our Delegate, Troy. In doing so, we have learned a lot about A.A. Literature.

If you hold a literature position, either at the district level or group level, you can have the opportunity to subscribe to the General Service Office Literature Desk email notices. As well as receive a literature committee package in the mail. Please join us today so we can make arrangements! We meet in the back of this room at 4:30. Please know that you do not have to hold a literature service position to be on the Literature Committee. All are welcome! We look forward to meeting you!

Now, what we have all been waiting for! One of the newer special items is the "Anonymity in the Digital Age Poster". And we have a couple to giveaway! Coach and Elizabeth, are you ready to come up and do the drawing? We are giving away (1) English and (1) Spanish today.

Love and Tolerance, Jackie S. Area Literature Chair

**Multi-Lingual** – Armando H. No Report

**Newsletter** – Annette C. No Report **PI** – Amy E. No Report

#### **SCAP** – Melanie M.

Hello, my name is Melanie and I am serving as your SCAP Chair for the 2019 – 2021 rotation.

I was elected into this open position at the Area Assembly meeting that took place at the SETA Convention on January 20, 2019.

I contacted the Area Chair via email on February 4, 2019 to inquire about the process and procedure for moving forward in my new position.

I attended my first State Convention Committee Meeting on February 18, 2019. Met other committee members and held SCAP's first promotion activity, which was a continuation of the ongoing promotion by the previous SCAP Committee. Seven (7) individuals registered that evening and one (1) was reimbursed her registration after the drawing.

On February 26, 2019 this Area Chair responded to my email and was able to shed some light on the questions I had.

I received an email from past SCAP Chair on March 7, 2019 offering thumbnails and efiles and the access ID for the SCAP webmail. She stated that supplies, display board, etc. will be turned over at the next quarterly Assembly.

On March 12, 2019 I contacted the SETA Treasurer to inquire about how to book my room for the next Assembly in April. I have not received a reply as of yet. I have reserved a room but am not clear on how the night will be funded.

I spoke with the State Convention Chair on March 25, 2019 and she explained to me that her and the Area Chair came up with a suggestion on how SCAP funds could be handled – specifically regarding reimbursements, room nights, and the bank account.

A social media promotional activity was implemented last month and so far, we have received two (2) online registrations from that effort. I have found these activities to be effective in getting the word out about the Convention and it being in Houston this year.

There will be a registration table set up at the April Assembly from 8am Saturday morning until 8 am Sunday morning. The "for every five (5) registrations, there will be a drawing for one (1) giveaway" promotion will be in effect. I also plan to conduct a drawing for one (1) room night giveaway for every twenty (20) registrations we get that weekend, up to two (2) or three (3); depending on the availability of funds.

For anyone interested in serving on the SCAP Committee, we will meet Saturday afternoon on April 13, 2019 in the ballroom.

My motivation for promoting this upcoming Convention include emphasizing that it is taking place in Houston and spotlighting the guest speakers.

SCAP plans to have a registration table at the State Convention the entire weekend to promote the 2020 convention and is considering hosting a hospitality suite or paying the registrations for 10 - 20 newcomers to attend, pending funds availability.

In good and sober health, Melanie SCAP Chair 2019 – 2021

**TFC** – Sarah O. Hold monthly committee meetings. Identifying new Treatment Facilities and supporting ongoing meetings at existing Facilities. Updating the Area 67 Treatment Facilities Database.

Brazos Valley Intergroup – Robert H.

No Report

#### Houston Intergroup – Evan K.

Houston Intergroup will hold its annual Summer Open House on Saturday, June 22nd from 11am to 4pm. The bookstore recently upgraded their point-of-sale system to a barcode system, but this has caused difficulties in reporting inventory and shipping expenses accurately. The air conditioning system needs to have rotting pipes replaced, and the landlord is not obligated to pay for the repairs due to the terms of the lease. Houston Intergroup hosted a workshop on How to Chair a Meeting on March 9th that was well attended and financially successful. A review of a financial audit conducted in 2018 revealed that the previous board incorrectly expensed several capital expenses that are required to be amortized over time; so, the books for 2017 and 2018 will need to be adjusted accordingly. A member of the fellowship complained that Houston Intergroup did not follow its commitment to reject donations over \$5,000 from A.A. members when it accepted professional accounting services in-kind with a total estimated value of \$30,000 from one A.A. member. The Board of Trustees agree to review its policies on accepting in-kind donations from A.A. members to ensure they are compliant with the spirit of the policy.

Yours truly, Evan K.

# 9<sup>th</sup> District Intergroup – Lori H.

Last IG meeting Jan 27, 2019

NY Eve party was an overall success with an attendance of 165 and a profit of \$700. Plans are to use the same venue for this year's NY Eve party

Literature chair is purchasing items for sale at the August convention including more jewelry as they sold out completely in a few hours.

Stepping Stones newsletter is encouraging short stories of ESH to <u>steppingstones@AAbeaumont.org</u>. Working on a summer event. More information to follow.

Next meeting 4/28/2019 @ 2pm at Westgate Baptist Church in Beaumont Texas.

In love and service,

Lori H. 9th District Intergroup Liaison

Oficina Intergroupa Hispana (D63, 64, 65) – Edwin C.

No Report

# Intergroupa Hispano Del SW (D66 & 67) – Andres P.

This intergroup consist of a service board and five auxiliary committees, PI, Twelve step, Literature, editorial and archives, and events and festivities also have a webpage- www.intergrupohispanohouston.us At the moment the PI committee is working with EI Salvador, Honduras and Guatemala consulates. We meet every Saturday from 6-8 PM and we visit groups every Friday. We have 14-18 RIs in our meetings. At the moment there are a total of 28 groups in our intergroup. Once a month we meet with the northside intergroup with the objective to better the service to the community.

Our next state intergroup forum will be host at Dallas Texas in 2021.

District 10 – OPEN No Report

# District 20 – Jakalyn R.

- District 20 meetings on the second Thursday of the month at Lambda Center in room 1 at 8:00 pm.
- Our March meeting gave us the opportunity to celebrate 8 new GSRs, and we have 1 more new GSR since our March meeting. As of April 11, 2019, we have the possibility of 2 more GSRs. We are diligently building back GSRs in District 20 as well as Liaisons. We have an informative flyer that we can give to any person we are talking to about being a GSR. Our systematic review of who is volunteering to go visit Dark Groups at each of our meetings has resulted in the increase in GSRs. We also have learned that we may need to visit a group several times to be able to get someone interested. As we go to these meetings, we have learned that announcing the opportunity to be a GSR and hoping someone will come to talk with us after the meeting will not bring the best results. The best way we have found is to go enough to the meeting to identify some people that we can approach and talk about the opportunity to be of service to Alcoholics Anonymous by being a GSR or a Liaison to an Area Committee.
- The discussion of the Concept of the month in our meetings is bringing home the importance of service. Each month we have a new person to introduce what ideas they see valuable in the discussion of the Concept, and then we open the discussion for other members to share the points they have found interesting in the Concept. Our discussions have been stimulating and informative. District 20 members are reading the concept, choosing at least two points they would like to discuss, and we make an effort to show how the concept can be applied to our personal lives as well as to our participation in AA.
- We are learning to use a simple set of Robert's Rules of Order that we developed and approved to help us to stay on track in the meetings, and we are having fun in learning how to use these guidelines. We review our list each meeting and encourage our members to test them out as a way to learn as we go through the meeting.
- The discussion of a pamphlet each month is another way we are increasing our understanding of AA. We are spending two months on the pamphlet, The A.A. Group...where it all begins, since there is so much information in the pamphlet. Since we have new GSRs each month, the review off the pamphlet has been very important.
- We have a long list of opportunities for service to our district and the area. We have decided to have a Bar-B-Que at Lambda on April 27<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 to 3:00 pm to have people from District 20 to come and learning about being a GSR. In the fall, we will have a table at the Round Up again, since it was a great opportunity to educate people about what District 20 does. We got several names of people who were interested, and this has helped us since January to obtain more GSRs. We are planning a workshop that may last a half a day on some very important topics in the summer.
- Beginning our meeting with the Serenity Prayer and ending it with the Responsibility Pledge has been well received. The Responsibility Pledge reminds us the reason we are volunteering to service in the District, since service is very important.

# District 31 – Patty H.

Greetings from District 31!

I'm Patty and I'm the District 31 DCM. I am very excited about service in our district! District 31 has over 36 groups and we are located in the northeast corner of the Southeast Texas Area 67. We meet the third Sunday of every month from 2-4pm at the 494 Meeting hall in Porter, Texas.

District 31 is lucky to have such a wonderful and hard-working Alternate DCM, Cheryl M. She has planned two upcoming workshops and is filling in for our now vacant secretary position. Did I say WORKSHOPS!!! We love WORKSHOPS!!

This month Cheryl has organized a Sponsorship Workshop at the Atascocita Group in Humble on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> 2-5pm. There will be great food, speakers, and FUN! Next month in May, Cheryl has planned a WORKSHOP at the 494 Lunch Bunch Group in Porter, Texas. It is a "Safety in AA "WORKSHOP 2-5pm on Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. This is a great topic and we look forward to seeing you all there. Flyers are available next to the registration table.

District 31 continues to provide our GSRs with handbooks that provide important and encouraging information. If you are interested in them, I would be happy to show them to you.

Our goals include to organize 4 workshops this year and continue with visits to our groups to share literature, information, support, and friendship. We also love AA TRIVIA and CHOCOLATE at District 31, and we would love for you all to come visit us.

I am very grateful and EXCITED about service and WORKSHOPS in District 31 and Area 67. Thank you.

In loving Service, Patty H. DCM District 31

### District 32 - Brian D.

- Welcomed 1 new GSR and 1 new Alt. GSR
- We meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at the Champions Group
- Happy to report approximately 20 GSRs and committee members attend our monthly meeting
- We assembled and distributed 300 newcomer packs for district groups
- We are planning a literature workshop in cooperation with the area literature committee focusing on pamphlets
- Our district literature chair will be presenting pamphlets for us to again present back to our groups
- Group visitation to introduce ourselves to groups without representation

### District 33 - Tony W.

#### Greetings from District 33!

We are currently comprised of over 30 active groups hosting around 75 meetings per week. We also have three new meetings this year to add to the schedule, and several meetings and one club looking to be represented by GSR's this spring. One meeting, not previously represented, just added a GSR who was present at March District. Attendance at District Committee, at the Brazos Club in Bryan every third Saturday at 2:00, had been limited to between 3 and 8 GSR's since my first visit last June, though this year is ever increasing. March District had 11 GSR's. District Officer positions are filled, both in the former biennial and after elections in this one, but Committee Chair positions remain about half open again consisting of Alt. CPC/PI, CFC, Alt. CFC, Alt. Registrar, Alt. BV Intergroup Liaison., and Grapevine. Some of us work those positions when needed, but the goal is to fill the seats by next rotation. Our Brazos Valley Intergroup Treasurer and wearer of all hats Intergroup is looking to step down after nine years of consistent service. This might prove a difficult position to fill, but we'll get it done.

Also, we were contacted by Washington County Jail last month to bring meetings into their 200-capacity facility averaging 70 alcohol related incarcerations at a time. This is in the final stages of approval on their end as of this writing. Good stuff right there!

Our year started with a most unforeseen agenda topic. Due to some problems with P&P at the District level, our former Treasurer was able to drain the account of over \$11K in District funds. We worked with the responsible party to resolve this towards the end of last year (when it became obvious what had happened), then Troy, Kris and Rick drove up and did an excellent job of helping with the decision process of our first District Meeting in January, where we devised an equitable plan with all involved parties for reparations. As of the writing of this report, there has been no further news to the good on this, but we did what true AA's do and used principals and traditions to persevere and are now in the green a couple grand again, and the standard policies are now in place to insure this cannot repeat.

Our Unity Conference, though grossly underfunded, went off without a hitch and was, by all accounts, another great function for our District. Almost 200 registrations were paid for and attendance was well above that with volunteers, well-wishers, and an abundance of Ali-Kids. Much of the kitchen was donated and the speakers, skits, workshops, and other stuff was all first rate and enjoyed by everyone. Great job EVERYBODY!

Our focus this year will be akin to most others. 1) Communication: Between all the members, groups, District, and Area. 2) Involvement: Workshops, Panel Sessions, and FUN in the FELLOWSHIP! Retention is down across the board and it's up to us to address this. WE ARE RESPONSIBLE.

#### District 40 – Reino F.

Greetings from District 40!

At our January meeting we were getting our GSR's and committee members are getting a bit more established and comfortable with their duties and the flow of our meeting. Some still have that I'm still really confused look, but they are eagerly asking questions.

At the February meeting we discussed some meeting procedure items that we had been using to see the extent of how we wanted to proceed with them.

At our March meeting, we elected a Newsletter chair – Kari B. We discussed that we would review the conference agenda items at the April meeting.

In April, we had elections to elect a new DCM. Our DCM Cindy M. resigned earlier that afternoon to the Alt DCM. We elected the Alt DCM Reino F. to the DCM position. We elected Deanna F. to the Alt DCM position. And the Treasurer position is now open, and we are going to contact the Alt Treasurer to see if he will set up to that open spot. We will handle that in the May meeting.

We welcomed our area Texas State Convention Hospitality committee chair Cynthia B. to inform us further about the 2017 Texas State Convention.

We started in Sept 2018 & continue to have a workshop on the 12 Concepts that meets on one Saturday each month at the SBMC on 1200 Blalock Rd, Bldg. #378, in Room C Houston, TX 77055 at 10:00am. The remaining schedule is May 4, Skip June, July 20, Aug 3, Sept 14 & Oct 19

Our goal is to invite all committee members from the area to inform us of the various ways we can serve.

We welcome all visitors to our district meetings held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month at the Spring Branch Memorial Club 1200 Blalock Rd. Bldg. #378, Room B Houston, TX 77055 starting at 7:15 PM. And where we will serve either cookies or brownies!

To see process of the Traditions and Concepts working through the groups and committee's is a very interesting and amazing process!

In Service, Reino F. D40 DCM dcm-40@aa-seta.org

### District 51 – Steven W.

Hello everyone, my name is Steven and I am an alcoholic. District 51 meets the last Saturday of every month at the Delta club at 11 am. Over the last few months District 51 has been working with young people in AA and most particularly HACYPAA (Heartland Conference of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous) towards the end of the attracting greater participation of young people in our area service work. To this end

we have had two ad hoc meetings in which we finalize the wording of the YPAA agenda item presented before this assembly. I want to gratefully acknowledge the participation and wisdom of our past delegate Ron C. in our first meeting and our current delegate and alternate Troy and Kris in the second meeting. They were able to provide both history and clarity to what we were trying to accomplish. I would also like to acknowledge the participation of members of HACYPAA George H., Karthik R. And Mike G. without whom this would not be possible.

Date to be announced, District 51 will be holding a workshop in a roundtable format discussing selected upcoming agenda items for the general service conference. We will be forwarding the outcome of our roundtable to Troy. We presented the same workshop last year with enthusiastic participation. We are hoping to generate the same level of interest this year.

The "P-11 Houston" meeting began last year. Their meeting is based on the P-11 Pamphlet, "The A.A. Member – Medications and Other Drugs." They meet at the Delta Club on Sundays at 6:30pm. If you have experience with these types of meetings and are interested in helping out, just show up to the meeting.

Every third Saturday, the Caring & Sharing group holds a 12 Step Workshop @ noon with food and fellowship afterwards. Feel free to bring a dish.

In July of 2018, the district helped in bringing A.A. meetings into an adolescent treatment facility in SW Houston. Every Wednesday @ 6:30pm, holding a ladies' and a gentlemen's meeting. This has been a FANTASTIC experience! For some of these young men and women (ages 13-17) this has been their first exposure to A.A. It has been a great honor to be involved with this. These kids are at a really tough and pivotal place in their lives and we have this unique opportunity to be a positive turning force. Many have taken Big Books and have made arrangements with family to attend local A.A. meetings upon discharge. Having said that, we have a vital on-going need for volunteers to keep this going. I would highly recommend attending at least once.

We continue with our regular service meeting. The Service Manual and Concepts Meeting is held every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday @ 7:00pm – 8:30pm at the Delta Club. This is another great opportunity for members to get answers to service questions and learn more about how our organization works and why it's so important to participate at all levels to always keep the doors of A.A. open.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

#### District 52 - Meece' T.

District 52 meeting every first Tuesday of the month at Fort Bend Council, at 10435 Greenbough, Suite 250, Stafford, TX 77477 7:00pm-8:30pm.

- Rebuilding the district has been our primary focus, we have decided our goal is to contact each group within our district. Initially, we made contact with the Area registrar Tammy Z. who provided raw data of both active and inactive groups. There was an ad-hoc committee formed, chaired by our Alternate DCM to take said data and compile it into a workable list of both dark and active groups. The progress of the ad-hoc committee is as follows:
  - 1. Making contact with each group that has this information to ensure they are still meeting, dates and times.
  - 2. Comparing data to intergroup data to identify meetings that may not be connected to the fellowship and are unaware how to sign up as a group.
  - 3. Creating a script for committee members to follow, that will ensure messaging is consistent.
  - 4. Each committee member will adopt a (5) groups within the district to commit quarterly contact; we would like to establish a relationship will all groups. Encouraging them to send a General Service Representative to district meetings.

- 5. Visitation will be geared towards identifying what the district can offer groups, i.e. types of workshops needed, opening lines of communication with the District, Area Assembly and ultimately the General Service Office via the Delegate.
- The district has adopted a design for a post card, to be sent to each group, thanking them for their contributions. The idea stemmed from letters sent from the general service office quarterly to each group that have made contributions. District 52 would like to show our gratitude for group contributions in the same way.
- The district has also decided to purchase two (1 year) Grapevine subscriptions to be given to random groups within the district. We will utilize a random drawing to choose which groups will benefit from the subscriptions and they will be presented when visits are made.
- There were two mock round tables held within the district. The first was at Tri-Cities group March 31, 2019 from 12:15pm-2:00pm. Participation was minimal, however, both Troy B. and Kris H. were in attendance and participants were able to experience the spiritual gift of "round tables." The second was held at Rose-Rich 04/11/2019, though there were few participants again the experience was awesome. I would like to take the time to thank both Troy B. and Kris H. for being willing and available for both. This was our districts first attempts at mock roundtables and valuable lessons were learned. The first lesson was to open these events up to the entire district... possibly holding workshops prior to the event explaining the value of round tables to the group and our delegate. The group is given a "voice" and the delegate's ability to represent the district informed.

District 52 is growing, the DCM's that proceeded planted the seeds, we are now watering the district and we believe God will provide the increase. Increase in participation, love of service and most of all growth in understanding of the General Service structure.

Meece'(Meeka)T. District Committee Member

### District 60 – Deborah M.

Several groups are having anniversaries. Third Tradition Group is having a CFC Workshop on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 – 1:30. Groups themselves are working on doing Group Inventories to try and fulfill their primary purpose. Once the groups complete theirs, we are going to do a District Inventory to try and reach out to some of dark groups.

**District 62** – Manuel R. No Report

#### District 63 – Jose P.

District 63 is working as follows, we meet every Saturday from 6: 00-8: 00, and when we have assemblies or conventions, we change the meetings for Thursdays. It has 9 groups that belong to this district of which 6 already have their GSRs. Share with your group on Tuesdays and also with groups that do not invite to their cycle of union anqué do not belong to this district. It has its complete committees La Vina, Literture and Correction.

We are working with the events of this year the Southern Assembly, the State Assembly, and the National Convention, we are also working with the Area Assembly. We are trying to be part of our state convention that is going to take place in the Gallery in the month of June.

The DCMs support the committees in their correctional meetings and the vineyard.

DCM: Jose P. Alternate DCM: Aurelio D.

#### District 64 – Severiano M.

Our District has 17 groups within our District with 15 GSRs.

We have 3 active committees which consist of Correctional Committee, Literature Committee and La Vina. These committees meet every Tuesday every 2 weeks. The committee members also go out to different meetings along with the district members. The Correction Committee participates in the following facilities: Navasota, James Bird, Walls and MTC Cleveland.

Our District 64 meets every eight days on Saturdays at 6:00 pm; we change our meetings to Thursdays when there is an event (Assemblies or Conventions). We actively participate in all our events, Hispanic Assemblies and Hispanic Conventions as well as all events in our Area. We participate with all the groups in our District and with other groups when invited.

We are working with the Asamblea Estatal de San Antonio (Hispanic State Assembly in San Antonio) which will be held in May 24-26, 2019.

We hope to continue working with Area 67 and with our Delegate and all Area service members. We thank you for your suport and giving us this time to relay our District report.

In Service, Severiano M. – DCM Arturo B. – Alt. DCM

#### District 65 – Arnulfo C.

Dear Fellowship in AA receive a warm hello from all of us that form District 65 of Alcoholics Anonymous wishing that you are having happy 24 hours of sobriety. Our District consists of 18 groups, but only 15 are active, three are inactive. The proprietary GSR's are 9 and 2 alternates. In average the GSRs that assist are between 6 and 9. Our GSR meetings are Saturdays from 6pm onwards and are only change to a Thursday prior to an assembly or convention. We count with a service desk and 3 committees (La Vina, Correctional Committee and the Literature Committee). The correctional committee regularly motivates the Blue Cans and meets with the other correctional committees from Area 67. The literature committee motivates literature in the area groups. La Vina committee motivates literature and the subscriptions to the Grapevine. It has currently 41 subscriptions for the 2019 year. It has meetings the last Thursday of the month from 8:00 pm onwards with the La Vina Houston committee. It also assists to the meeting of the permanent La Vina committee South Zone, the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month. Such meetings rotate in different cities from 10:00 am onwards.

Thank you for your attention to our report! Arnulfo C. DCM

#### District 66 – Manuel O.

This district has 19 groups and it works in the following way; our meetings are on Saturdays from 6 to 8 pm. There are present from 11 to 14 GSRs. We share on Wednesdays with groups and the last Saturday of the month is from this study meeting. A monthly collaboration is being sent to the GSO. We have a committee of La Vina chair, treasurer and secretary. Our La Vina representative is motivating and holding workshops in group. Their meetings are on Tuesdays at 8 pm at the local district. The Corrections committee shares with the district on Wednesdays and share in prisons on Thursday. They meet in the district and are motivate the blue votes. We have the webmaster page of the district Districto66.org to update the new events. A contribution of \$100 is given every 3 months to the Area. We are present at quarterly meetings of the districts.

Manual O. – DCM Rojelio A. – Alt. DCM

District 70 – Brady G.

District 70 – meets every second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm at the West Baytown Club annex building, 1020 Bowie St., Baytown, TX 77520. We are currently working on having a committee workshop sometime in June, exact date not determined yet.

Thank you, Brady G.

# District 81 – Catherine G.

District 81 Meets the First Wednesday of each month at the Fine dining establishment of Kelly's Country cooking in La Marque

District 81 is grateful for the opportunity to host this Assembly and would like to acknowledge our members for their invaluable support. WE would also like to thank our Registrar Tammy and Christina our Alt Chair for their guidance and support.

During our February District meeting District 81's Convention Hospitality Suite, final report was given with the ending cost under \$600 which was the suite cost for the weekend. The groups in our area really stepped up with the meals which fed at least 2,000.

Our March Monthly District meeting was full of good information as we invited Area officers; Delegate, Alt Delegate, Chair, Alt Chair, and Finance and we are very grateful for their attendance and factual information we were given concerning:

- District 81 questioned why our Delegate is not fully Funded
- Why our AREA Committee Chairs budgets were cut

Our guest in April was Cynthia B. the hospitality chair for the State Convention where the info of what was needed for the hospitality suite was passed on to the groups in our District.

All of our Committees are active with exception of Newsletter which should be filled during our May's District Meeting and The Archives Committee which is seeking a Chair however, the Archives is being maintained by Tom B. and Dana H, and District 81 is very grateful for these 'trusted servants.' Our Committees are energized and have 7 workshops planned this year.

WE also have a new Committee "Workshop Committee" chaired by Mitch our past DCM and they have committed to 3 Workshops and the First Workshop is titled 'Welcome Home' and the content is based on the "Home Group" the date is May 11, from 2-4pm and is Hosted by the Texas City Group. District 81 Finance and Budget has a 'Road Show' scheduled for April 26<sup>th</sup> in Pearland. The Road show concept is to find the 'silent groups' and let them know we are here for you. And the participating groups 'are we meeting your needs'. WE are ......Suiting up, showing up and speaking up. Our Finance and Budget committee gave us another 'fully funded budget" which allowed us to fund our new Workshop Committee as well as hosting this Assembly.

District 81 CFC also has a workshop scheduled and is Titled "Breaking the Chains" a CFC workshop, TDCJ Orientation and Speakers to be held on May 18<sup>th</sup> from 2-6 p.m.at the Clear Creek club. An anniversary was recently held at the Carol Yun Unit. The CFC committee continues to take meetings into the Carol Young Unit, Galveston County Jail and the Sealy Hospital Unit.

Our PI/CPC continues to support our area by introducing meeting schedules to the Galveston, Kemah and Friendswood-Pearland area Hotels. The PI committee man's tables at the local events to share our AA information. They have also met with Parole and Probation staff to explain what AA is and isn't. The committee has also reached out to groups to support and maintain literature racks that are laces in Dr's offices, Churches and other areas where we may reach the suffering. And if they weren't busy enough, they maintain our District meeting times and publish a pocket size directory for our members especially the new comer.

The TFC has a workshop on June 1<sup>st</sup> from 1-3 p.m. at Bay Area Club sharing what the Treatment Facilities Committee does and does not do as well as information of bridging the Gap. They current schedule and present their information to 3 facilities each month.

Stayed tuned for up and coming new workshops

Our Literature Committee Chair, Ann is manning the Literature Table in the back of the room. Please stop by and see what's new and remember all literature is for sale

District 81 has held a good attendance at our District meetings with average of 32 votes and 9 visitors.

After reading all 500 + pages of the background information I met with our District committees where we discussed the items on the General Service Committee Agenda that particularity could impact their Committees as well as a broad view of the other items. I believe through this process our members are informed and understand another layer of AA as a whole.

Our members have found it is time to roll up their sleeves and get busy again.....In light of Bryan/College Station stepping out of SETA Convention rotation we have found SETA in our area again with only 1 year of planning. So, it is without saying many of our members have stepped up to work on SETA committees.

Respectfully and Gratefully submitted Catherine G.

# District 82 – Jeanne B.

My name is Jeanne B., I'm the DCM for Dist. 82, We meet the 1st Sunday @1:30 and we rotate every quarter to promote unity in our district. We are currently meeting at surfside for April, May and June. David A. Has joined our committee as our TFC, Treatment facility chair, and has started our Bridge the gap data base back up. Brazoria county jail is getting ready to open the meetings to the women's side soon. We are in full swing in spring on the beach! Today is the surfside group annual fish fry. The Beginner's Group is having their anniversary on the 7th of May from 3-7pm. Flyers are out by the registration desk. The beginners Group now has 4 nonsmoking meetings a week. The Live 2 Ride meeting has moved to 818 Anglewing in surfside. A new book study had started in Angleton with the hopes to move to a permanent location at the end of this month. It is currently meeting at the ADAPT home office located at 2512 Velassco in Angleton. The Mouth of the Brazos Conference is May 17th-19th. In cooperation with the MOB Dist. 82 will be conducting a workshop on Anonymity. If you are at the beach, please stop by any one of our groups and you will receive a big welcome.

Thank you, Jeanne B.

### District 90 - Bella L.

Dist. 90 meets 1st Sunday of each month Location:1235 Crockett Street, BMT, TX Eating: 1:00pm/ Meeting 2:00pm

Our district is very involved with service.

We are still seeking to fill open positions on our committee.

Thus far, we have covered a Policies and Procedure Workshop in February 7th Tradition Workshop in March, and a GSR Workshops this month, April. Due to such a wide base of new GSR's in our District, we will be having another GSR Workshop mid-summer.

District 90 Convention will be August 16-18, 2019 (please pick up a flyer and pre-register) and our Gratitude Dinner will be November 9, 2019 (flyers are coming soon).

We have had the honor for our Delegate to visit our group this month and he granted us a very informational presentation on the Service Structure.

As a collective group, we have decided to let all chair positions do a mini presentation on their duties, one each month, to educate others of what duties are completed in their line of service.

Yours in Service, Bella L. DCM District 90

Area Committee Roll Call Apr 2019								
Position	Name	Committee	Assembly					
	Area Officers							
Delegate	Troy B	X	Х					
Alternate Delegate	Kris H	X	Х					
Chairperson	Rick M	X	Х					
Alternate Chairperson	Christina S	X	X					
Registrar	Tammy Z	X	Х					
Alternate Registrar								
Secretary	Deborah B	x	Х					
Alternate Secretary	Pam F	x	х					
Treasurer	Ron S	x	X					
Alternate Treasurer	Cynthia B	X	Х					
	Standing Committee Chairpersons							
Archives	Eddie R		х					
Alternate Archives	Joel G	x						
CPC	David L	x	х					
Alternate CPC	Rosemary J							
CFC	Roy E	x						
Alternate CFC	Roland R	x						
Finance	Michelle H	x	x					
Alternate Finance								
Grapevine	Kimberly L	x						
Alternate Grapevine	Nicole L	x	x					
IT	Stephenie J	x	x					
Alternate IT								
La Vina	Alicia M		x					
Alternate La Vina								
Literature	Jackie S	x	x					
Alternate Literature								
Multi-Lingual	Armando H		x					
Alternate Multi-Lingual	Pedro							
Newsletter	Annette C	x	x					
Public Information (PI)	Amy E	x	x					
Alternate PI		x	x					
SCAP	Sonya O Melanie G	x	x					
Alternate SCAP		^						
TFC	Sarah O	~	~					
Alternate TFC	Saran O	X	X					
	Convention Chairs							
2010 Convention Chair	Convention Chairs							
2019 Convention Chair	Veronica Mendez	X						
2019 Convention Co-Chair	Danny G	X						
2020 Convention Chair	Danny G	X						
2020 Convention Co-Chair	Haley H							
State Convention 2019	Deborah D							
	Liaisons to Intergroup							
Brazos Valley Intergroup	Robert H							

Position	Name	Committee	Assembly	
Ninth District Intergroup	Lori H	x	X	
Ninth District Intergroup Alternate		-		
Oficina Intergroupa Hispana (D63,64,65)	Edwin C		x	
Intergrupa Hispano Del SW (D66 &67)	Andres P	x	X	
Intergrupa Hispano Del SW Alternate (D66 &67)				
	DCMs			
District 10 DCM				
District 10 Alt DCM				
District 20 DCM	Jackalyn R			
District 20 Alt DCM	George S			
District 31 DCM	Patricia H	x	x	
District 31 Alt DCM	Cheryl M	x	x	
District 32 DCM	Rick L	X	x	
District 32 Alt DCM	Kim B			
District 33 DCM	Tony W			
District 33 Alt DCM				
District 40 DCM	Reino F	x	x	
District 40 Alt DCM	Deanna F	x	x	
District 51 DCM	Steven W	x	x	
District 51 Alt DCM	Kern V			
District 52 DCM	Meece T	x	x	
District 52 Alt DCM	Richard G			
District 60 DCM	Deborah M	x		
District 60 Alt DCM				
District 62 DCM	Manuel R			
District 62 Alt DCM				
District 63 DCM	Jose P	x	x	
District 63 Alt DCM				
District 64 DCM	Severiano M	x	x	
District 64 Alt DCM	Arturo B		х	
District 65 DCM	Arnulfo C	x	x	
District 65 Alt DCM				
District 66 DCM	Manual O	x		
District 66 Alt DCM	Abraham A			
District 70 DCM	Brady G	x	x	
District 70 Alt DCM	Byron T	x		
District 81 DCM	Catherine G	x	X	
District 81 Alt DCM	Mike P			
District 82 DCM	Jeanne B	x	x	
District 82 Alt DCM	Teri V		x	
District 90 DCM	Bella L	x	X	
District 90 Alt DCM	Art G	x	x	

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Archives	3/12/2018	\$93.60	8/23/2018	93.60	6/12/2018	\$93.60	12/17/2018		9/10/2018	1		¢107.0
Assemby Act	3/12/2018	\$93.60			6/12/2018	\$93.60	12/17/2018		9/10/2018		12/17/2018	\$187.2
CFC	3/12/2018	\$93.60			6/12/2018	\$93.60	12/17/2018	\$93.60	9/10/2018	-		\$187.2
Chair					6/12/2018	\$93.60	12/17/2018	\$93.60	9/10/2018			
CPC									9/10/2018	\$187.20		\$187.20
Delegate	3/12/2018	\$93.60			6/12/2018	\$93.60	12/17/2018	\$93.60	9/10/2018	\$187.20	12/17/2018	\$187.20
Finance	3/12/2018	\$93.60			6/12/2018	\$93.60	12/17/2018	\$93.60	9/10/2018	\$187.20	12/17/2018	\$187.20
Grapevine	3/12/2018	\$93.60			6/12/2018	\$93.60	12/17/2018	\$93.60	9/10/2018	\$187.20		
Intergroup	3/12/2018	\$374.40	8/23/2018	93.60	6/12/2018	\$374.40	12/17/2018	\$374.40	9/10/2018	\$748.80		
ITC-Web	3/12/2018	\$93.60			6/12/2018	\$93.60	12/17/2018	\$93.60	9/10/2018	\$187.20		
La Vina	3/12/2018	\$93.60			6/12/2018	\$93.60	12/17/2018	\$93.60	9/10/2018	\$187.20		
Literature	3/12/2018	\$93.60	8/23/2018	93.60	6/12/2018	\$93.60	12/17/2018	\$93.60	9/10/2018	\$187.20		
Multi-Lingual	3/12/2018	\$93.60	8/23/2018	93.60	6/12/2018	\$261.60	12/17/2018	\$261.60	9/10/2018	\$374.40	12/17/2010	
Newsletter	3/12/2018	\$93.60			6/12/2018	\$93.60	12/17/2018	\$93.60	9/10/2018	\$187.20	12/17/2018	\$374.40
PI	3/12/2018	\$93.60	8/23/2018	93.60	6/12/2018	\$93.60	12/17/2018	\$93.60	9/10/2018	\$187.20	12/17/2010	
Registrar	3/12/2018	\$93.60			6/12/2018	\$93.60	12/17/2018	\$93.60		\$187.20	12/17/2018	\$187.20
Secretary	3/12/2018	\$93.60			6/12/2018	\$93.60	12/17/2018	\$93.60		\$187.20	12/17/2018	\$187.20
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