



Off the Wall Area



Narcotics Anonymous

Off The Wall Area Service Committee Minutes August 5, 2012

**Open:** 9 AM with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer and the reading of the 12 Concepts of Service

**Approval of Last Month's Minutes:** Chris made motion to approve, Shell seconded

**Roll Call:** Sharon F, Deb B, Bill C, Helena D, Angie E, Penny L, James R, Stephanni C, Josh B, Candain M, Colin B, Brandon K, Victor R, Katie M, Chris G, Adam C, Ginny G, Heurich H, Roman K, Shell H, Lyndsay E, Dave A, Taylor M, Keith B

**Guests/ new GSRs:** Josh GSR for Addicts seeking sanity, Bill GSR for Serene Machine, Heurich GSR Friday night live, Katie visiting

**Birthdays:** Deb 12 years, victor 6 year, Ginny 6 months, Josh 9 months, Angie 2 years, Brandon 18 months, Collin 18 months, Dave 26 years

**Opening Reading:** Third Tradition page 65, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition

Membership in Narcotics Anonymous is not automatic when someone walks in the door or when the newcomer decides to stop using. The decision to become a part of our Fellowship rests with the individual. Any addict who has a desire to stop using can become a member of NA. We are addicts, and our problem is addiction. The choice of membership rests with the individual. We feel that the ideal state for our Fellowship exists when addicts can come freely and openly to an NA meeting, whenever and wherever they choose, and leave just as freely. We realize that recovery is a reality and that life without drugs is better than we ever imagined. We open our doors to other addicts, hoping that they can find what we have found. But we know that only those who have a desire to stop using and what we have to offer will join us in our way of life.

### **Group Reports:**

**4<sup>th</sup> Street Recovery:** Not in attendance

**Addicts Helping Addicts:** Sharon F. GSR, Rebecca K. GSRA. Attendance is growing thanks to everyone in the area who supported us in the last two months. Question: How is your move going? It is going well for people in town we have two people from Berthoud who are attending regularly. Area donation of 10.70

**Addicts Seeking Sanity:** Josh GSR. Jackson lake 89 people! Our activities person is planning on a hike around the Big Thompson River on sept 22 more will be revealed. \$185 area donation

**BONFIRE at the Lake:** Chris reporting meeting going well, not really looking for support but we sit around the lake watching the sunset. Not a smoking meeting

**Buena Voluntad:** not in attendance

**Clean Serene Freaks:** Adam GSR, Ginny G I forgot long weekend. Sorry LOL JK love everyone. Roman K is Friday night chair, Ethan R is Saturday chair, and Chris G is Tuesday chair. \$77.81 area donation.

**Dead Without It:** GSR. Colin reporting average attendance is 25 people. Bought key tags, etc today.

**Drug Busters:** Mark M. GSR. I haven't been to all the meetings last month but last meeting was 20 people and we are buying \$40 in literature. \$25 area donation

**Esperanza de a Vida "Hope for Life":** Candain reporting that meetings lost their space and may no longer be meeting.

**Free at Last:** Not in attendance.

**Freedom Springs:** Jennifer C GSR. All is well area donation

**Friday Night Live:** Huerich GSR. Nothing to report. Area donation \$43

**Hugs Not Drugs:** Penny reporting that no longer meeting due to lack of support.

**Just For Today:** Penny GSR Meeting going well, good attendance, Sept speaker will be Sharon from Berthoud. In need of Tuesday opener, GSRA and group members. \$100 area donation.

**NA Nooner:** James reporting \$20 white keytags, 2 stepworking guides, 1 just for today \$3 to area service committee. HOME GROUP MEMBERS! GSR GSRA 1 It works how & why Thursday opener

**New Horizons:** Not in attendance.

**No Matter What:** Brandon GSRA Need topic openers talk to Steve or myself. Always could use support. Still kicking ass and chewing bubble gum, may need more gum.

**Primary Purpose:** Shell H GSR, Deb B. GSRA. Doing well, newcomers and oldtimers keep coming back. Good attendance, steady 7<sup>th</sup>. (need more home group members and people willing to serve) Area donation \$41 World donation \$41

**Serene Machine:** Doing well and attendance is about 5-15 people each meeting. \$13 area donation.

**Serene Springs:** Chris G GSR We are well ☺

**Steps and Traditions Roulette:** Colin B Good attendance average 8 people. \$25 area donation.

**When At The End Of The Road:** Helena. GSR Attendance is down last couple weeks. We meet at 5-10 at noon M-F Saturday at 7:30. Group conscience last Saturday of month. Area donation \$75 and other \$48.50.

**XX Genes:** Angie E GSR Attendance is low. No donations. No literature.

**If your meeting report is not on here, make sure a written, preferably typed so I can read it, copy is turned in to Area Secretary! Thanks**

**Officer Reports**

**Vice Chair:** Happy Sunday All,

I am not completely up to par yet as I had sinus surgery and tonsillectomy a couple of weeks ago. However, I am very excited to begin this new journey. I have been reading the guidelines and will continue to do so in order to really familiarize myself with them. I have also been playing around in the website to make myself more knowledgeable of the “happenings” of NA and the website in general as I have had a hard time navigating the site in the past. I plan to attend the next subcommittee meetings and will do my best to make them every month. I look forward to learning a lot over the next two years. Thank you for your faith in me. In Loving Service, Lyndsay E

**Secretary:** Lease signed area will meet, 8/5, 9/2, 10/7, 11/4 and 12/9. Deposit of \$300 was paid. Rent of \$150 was paid. Thanks Sharon for all your help, ils Jennifer C

**RMC 1/RCM 2:** Lots of business was accomplished this month.

- Southern Area has re-formed and sent representation to Region.
- Mtn West & Mtn High areas may be combining
- CCRMCO (regional campout)- ending balance \$1800-donated \$800 to Region and \$1000 seed for next year. Reserved for 6/21, 22 and 23.
- CRCNA – still need to sell rooms. Topics chosen for workshops and marathon meetings. Fundraising events – flyers on the table.
- WSLD- new service members are working hard. Questions about missing or unaccounted \$ being researched. And agenda set – sending around speaker forms on table.
- WSC was successful - \$200,000 made.
- Presentation by Chuck & Brenda at Regional Assembly. All GSRs should plan on attending
- CRCNA 2013 will be in Keystone!
- Other area activities flyers on table.

Grateful to Serve,  
Deb B

**Hospitals and Institutions:** Attended Regional H&I on July 14<sup>th</sup>. Have a new V Chair @ Regional H&I – Stevie from Boulder. Discussed fundraisers from selling t-shirts to a donation box at CRCNA to get more B.T into institutions. There will be an H&I training at CRCNA. Got 2 BT into alternative homes for youth in Greeley. Changed guidelines to state that positions are elected for a 1 year term. We are looking for panel leaders for both detox & IRT (and a U. Chari) Both panel leads will remain until filled or life circumstances warrant otherwise. Candain was re-elected as panel lead for work release. Am under impression will be looking for a new meeting place. Will let you know ASAP what we find. TRT now meets from 5 Reserved \$43.65 in literature. ILS, James R

**Public Information Subcommittee:** Victor R. Phone line going well smooth transition. Web is going well, no issues. We have a fair going on Sept 14 in Greeley, drug awareness month, all 12 step groups invited. One of our members has been asked to sell shirts. In Sept we are planning to purchase IP and redo our mailings to high schools; and send to counselors directly. We will be sending four addicts by addicts and welcome to NA. The regional PI subcommittee will supply 10 basic texts to be submitted to high school libraries. We have a member currently attending a fair right now. We are 40 cents over our budget. The budget increase has allowed us to fulfill our primary purpose. Looking to do poster day really soon where a couple of addicts go into establishments and ask permission to hang posters.

Questions: Do we have an increase of calls since these posters started?

Dave: The notebook has a record but we haven't gathered the data. Once I get the book we will try to get the data.

I have fliers for Larimer county phone line please pass around.

James: About the Greeley phone lines, we don't get calls on weekends; we get about 2 a day. We have been getting harassing calls we thought they dropped off, it started again. The police have not been called.

**Literature Sub-Committee:** On 6/3/12 there was \$417.20 of literature sold. \$293 in cash, \$76.00 for H&I, \$25 for PI and a donation to Serene Springs group. I ordered \$367.30 in new literature from WSO. There was a shipping and handling fee of \$44.08 bringing the total to \$411.38. This brings the value of the new inventory to \$2156.35.

There are new tri-plate (three colors) medallions available at \$22.60. The new Miracles Happen Book and CD are now available for \$27.80 and \$10.60 respectively. Someone asked about the Living Clean Journal at the last literature subcommittee meeting and I have seen nothing about it on the NAWS website. There is a Basic Journal that can be had for \$20.00. The next Literature Subcommittee meeting will be after the ASC meeting. Mark

**Merchandise Subcommittee:** Sold \$50 worth of merchandise at the Freedom Ride. Next subcommittee meeting will be after HI when we figure out the location. Candain

**Activities Subcommittee:** July's event was a bust, it was fun but it didn't have a lot of attendance. We had people show up but not as many, so we lost \$66. We also bought a volleyball net. I deposited \$184 that we made at the poker run, we are having a bit of a discrepancy. I am giving the \$350 back today. But Clean Serene Freaks have not had a group conscience on what to do with the rest of it. So I apologize for the inconvenience. Grateful to serve. Taylor M (area paid for t-shirts, food, and other stuff) Rent \$220

**Treasurer:** Starting balance \$532.83. Group donations \$640.31. \$350 back from activities. Recvd \$50 from merchandise. Ending balance \$1573.00. Lockbox from Freedom Run in my position, Taylor had the key.

**CRCNA Liaison:** Goldberry more rooms need to be reserve rooms for the discounted price Asking groups to sign up for the hospitality room, no cooking whatsoever. Next crcna meeting is Sat Aug 11 at nine at the embassy suites. Sign up online at the crcna website. Timeframe is two hours starting at 12 pm Friday afternoon the last slot is Sunday at 8 am. The programs committee has been working very hard there is going to be things for kids to do a large slot with babysitting provided.

**Chair:** I got to thinking about how my motives have changed around this service position from when area was formed. I must admit I feel humbled by the opportunity to help and to be part of. Thanks! Hopefully, all y'all enjoyed your break from area service. Of course Taylor was busy with the Unity Day picnic and the Poker Run, so not all of us were off duty. Plus Mark was inventorying his stock and H&I never rests and neither does the Phonline.

As for me, I attended the JFT picnic and had the opportunity to speak there. More service oriented I played around with a free Google app@accounting. I'll pass around a first pass at 2012. Hopefully, this will enable current and future treasures to use the same system without having to buy any software. Reports can be posted on the web for all to see. We are not there yet, but will be. I waited too long to work with Keith but we will set a mtg today and move forward if all y'all like what you see. The exec committee needs to meet at the bank to create a new signature card. We will do that soon. Additionally, I took over as Larimer County Phone coordinator and to that end I would like the groups in Larimer County to take some of these fliers and announce the need for volunteers. Training is necessary, but that can be done in an hour or two. The phone would be held for a week or so at most. The webmaster has tried to keep everything updated and mtg schedules are available as always. Looking at the WSO website meeting info under Find a Meeting, Option #1 can be used to find our website, but Option#2- Meeting Search shows Fort Collins/ Loveland as vastly under reported. I asked for the Back to Basics group to be removed. Greeley looked pretty good as does Estes. For Berthoud the day needs to be changed. Please register at <http://www.na.org/?ID=updateforms-ngp-form> or

update at <http://www.na.org/?ID=updates> Fliers available about World Unity day, 09/01 and Conv swag. –  
Dave A

**Again, please have a written, preferably typed so I can read it, copy of all committee, subcommittee, and Adhoc committee meeting minutes given to Secretary. Thanks**

**Old Business**

**New Business**

Google App for accounting can also be put on website, take it back to your groups and look at it.

**Open Area Opportunities for Service: none**

**Upcoming Events**

Barn Dance

**Written Motions**

None

**Disbursements**

**Next ASC Meeting:  
September 9, 2012 9:00am  
The Pulliam Building  
545 N. Cleveland Ave.)  
Loveland, CO**

**Your Secretary thanks you for your patience!**