

Northeast Texas Area 65, District 54 Monthly Meeting

January 4, 2015

Held at The Georgetown, Dallas Texas

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District 54 is a geographical unit made up of AA groups in the northern section of the Dallas Metroplex. District 54 is part of the North East Texas Area (NETA). Our district includes approximately 24 groups and includes most Dallas groups north of Forest Lane and groups located in Carrollton, Garland, Richardson, Rowlett, and Sachse. All AA members are welcome to attend the meeting and provide input; however each group designates one representative (GSR-General Service Representative) to vote on behalf of the group conscience. The meetings are generally the first Sunday of every month at 2:00 PM. The meeting is hosted by a different group each month.

District 54 Groups are: Addison - Belmont - Carrollton - Clean Air North - Dallas North - Garland Clean Air - Georgetown - Keystone - Legacy - Lifesavers - Living Sober - New Freedom - No Hassle - ODAAT - Plano - Reaching Out - Richardson - Richardson Big Book - **Rowlett** - Sachse - Serenity

District meetings are sometimes called the GSR meetings. Group reports are given so that other GSR's are aware of how and where other Groups are carrying the AA message, how they are solving group concerns and problems, and a forum for tradition/concept and service sharing sessions. Reports from the District Committee chairs provide two way communications between the AA groups and AA as a whole. District 54 resources are for AA's within District 54 who interested in AA service work.

OPENING (2:00 p.m.):

Welcome:

Julie J (GSR Georgetown) opened with Serenity Prayer and read "Why Do We Need a Conference?"

Introductions: 22 Members representing 10 groups were present.

Discussion of Traditions and Concepts:

1st Tradition: Stephanie Z (Alt Corr)

1st Concept: Will A (GSR Clean Air North)

2nd Tradition will be given by Donna B (GSR Rowlett Group) at the February meeting at the Rowlett Group.

2nd Concept will be given by Valerie JI (GSR New Freedom Group) at the February meeting at the Rowlett Group.

MINUTES (of the Previous Meeting):

Accepted as presented.

Are You Looking For Service Opportunities?

If you are interested in holding a position with District 54, please contact the following:
Alternate Treasurer, contact Kelly H.

Literature Report

Sherry J Literature/Intergroup Rep Mike L is the alternate, Sherry reported that the literature display is available for any group to use, get with her if your group would like to display it.

PI Report

Steve A is the PI Chair, Steve reported that he is working to make contacts with the Groups in the District.

Corrections Report

David B is Corrections Chair, Stephanie Z is Alternate Chair. The corrections committee is looking for volunteers and is coming up to speed.

CPC Report

Jeff T is the CPC Chair. Jeff asked for helps from the groups to participate in committees.

TSNAC - Treatment Special Needs

Accessibilities

Blair B is the Chairperson for TSNAC. The primary purpose of a Treatment Committee is the same throughout the United States and Canada, to carry the A.A. message to the alcoholic who still suffers. There is probably no better place for an A.A. member to find a suffering alcoholic than in a treatment facility or outpatient treatment setting. According to the A.A. 2007 Membership Survey,

33% of our members cited treatment facilities as a factor most responsible for them coming to A.A. Carrying the message to alcoholics in treatment is basic Twelfth Step work—sharing experience, strength and hope—giving it away in order to keep it!

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Grapevine-

Courtney C is the Grapevine Chair-reported the audio project is proceeding and information will be sent to the groups.

Treasurer and Alt DCM Report

Susy M the Alternate DCM and outgoing

Treasurer reported that the District has \$450.34 in operating funds with a prudent reserve of \$2000. She is coming up to speed as Alt DCM.

DCM Report

Rod C reported that orientation for new GSRs will be held:

January 11-Tyler

January 18-Eastland

January 25-DFW-1:30 at the Language of the Heart Group in Colleyville.

March 28-29 is the Spring assembly at Tanglewood
Tom K the outgoing DCM will maintain the District website for this panel/

GSR Report

Will A-Clean Air North, Lisa is the Alt GSR. The group takes meetings to Green Oaks, Phoenix House and Maggie's House and does lots of corrections work. The Group is moving 3-1 to a new larger facility in the same complex.

Margo C-Dallas North, Monday at noon is a newcomers meeting. Tuesday night is Big Book study. Thursday night they take a meeting to Methodist Regional and meet at 8:15 in the lobby. Meetings are taken to Dallas County Jail once a week.

Julie J-Georgetown, the alt GSR is Debra M. The group takes meetings to treatment centers and Rod C takes a meeting to the Dallas County Jail.

Valerie P New Freedom. The group is taking meetings to Carrollton Springs.

Tom D-ODAAT, the group is taking meetings to the Seay center and is having a Group inventory in March. Tom would like to know if other groups have opportunities for service work.

Tom K-Plano, Tom is the acting GSR, Plano does not have a GSR yet.

James-Richardson, the alt GSR is John . James advised he was reelected to serve out a full panel.

Donna B-Rowlett, the group takes meetings to Maggie's House and Souls Harbor. It has lots of newcomers. The group is looking to move to a new place with lower rent.

New Business

An Ad-Hoc committee was formed to update the Districts Guiding Principles. The committee will be selected from volunteers.

Upcoming Meeting Information:

Next District 54 meeting:

February 1st, 2015- Rowlett

March 1st, 2015-Richardson

April 1st-Dallas North

Motion to adjourn made, seconded at 3:45 pm.