

Northeast Texas Area 65, District 54 Monthly Meeting

February 1, 2015

Held at the Rowlett Group, Garland 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:

Donna B (GSR Rowlett) opened with Serenity Prayer and read "Why Do We Need a Conference?"

Introductions: 24 Members representing 11 groups were present.

Discussion of Traditions and Concepts:

2nd Tradition: Donna B (GSR Rowlett)

2nd Concept: David B (Corrections)

3rd Tradition will be given by Tom D (GSR ODAAT) at the March meeting at the Richardson Group.

3rd Concept will be given by Valerie J (GSR New Freedom Group) at the March meeting at the Richardson Group.

MINUTES (of the Previous Meeting):

Correction to January minutes, the website is not maintained by Tom k but by a subcommittee of the PI committee.

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.

Grapevine-

Courtney C is the Grapevine Chair-Need volunteers for the audio project, no end date projected. There is a subscription challenge; Grapevine is trying to get more subscriptions. 2 individuals are needed to work on La Vena. Courtney reached out to the Area Grapevine Rep to see how the district can participate.

Literature Report

Sherry J Literature/Intergroup Rep Mike L is the alternate, Has ordered more packets. Has been in touch with the Area literature chair to see how the district can help. Still getting the committee set up.

TSNAC - Treatment Special Needs Accessibilities

Blair B is the Chairperson for TSNAC. Blair reported that most groups should not publish that they are handicap accessible. Blair offered to do an assessment of what would be needed for a group to be handicap accessible, at each group's request.

Corrections Report

David B is Corrections Chair, Stephanie Z is Alternate Chair. David went to the Dallas North Group conscience meeting and introduced himself. He wants to meet with other groups as the

opportunity presents itself. Rod or David will provide information about going to Dallas County Jail.

CPC Report

Jeff T is the CPC Chair. Courts are sending people to AA as part of their probation. Wants to communicate to authorities what AA is and is not. There was an informative discussion regarding non alcoholics being sent to meetings.

PI Report

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

Secretaries Report

Ray V is the District Secretary, nothing to report.

Treasurer Report

Kelly H is the Treasurer and was out ill.

Alternate DCM report.

Susy M the Alternate DCM, and is on vacation.

DCM Report

Rod C is the DCM, reported that orientation meeting for new GSRs was held in Colleyville on January 25- at the Language of the Heart Group. It was well attended by our district but the group was too small and parking was a problem
Future dates, March 28-29 is the Spring assembly at Tangle wood.

GSR Report

Jerry C -Addison, The groups takes meetings to Right step, Carrollton Springs and Maggie's House. All positions are filled for the Steering committee. Not having good attendance at the Group conscience meetings. Finances are good and getting lots of newcomers. Anniversary party is in April.

Gary K.-Carrollton, Nothing to report.

Will A.-Clean Air North, moving in one month, March 1st, about 500 feet away. Takes meetings to Princeton treatment and corrections at Tennessee Colony. Maggie's house once a week.

Margo C. -Dallas North, the Group takes meetings to Richardson Regional Hospital the 1st and 3rd Thursday and Dallas County Jail . Women go to CDC the 2nd Saturday. There is a Wednesday night step speaker at 7:30. Big Book Study Tuesday night at 6:00pm.

Julie J.-Georgetown. Wants to start back going to Maggie's house. There are some issues with the landlord that are being worked through.

Patty H. -Legacy. Attendance is up. The Group takes meetings to Methodist the 2nd and 4th. Also

Seay Center, Collin County Jail. The Group is having a Sock Hop on February 14th, at 9pm.

David B- New Freedom. The group is taking meetings to Carrollton Springs on Sunday at 6pm. There is a problem with having a place to meet there, Tuesday night is a newcomer meeting, they are looking to do an in house Traditions workshop.

Tom D-ODAAT, The group has 46 meetings a week from 6:30 am to 11:30 pm. The Group is doing an inventory on the 22nd of March at 12:30, Rod is the Facilitator. They were asked to not have meetings at the Seay center, do not know why.

James-Richardson, There is one opening on the steering committee. Getting lots of new people and just held a chairperson workshop.

Donna B-Rowlett, the group takes meetings to Maggie's House and Souls Harbor. It has lots of newcomers. The group is trying to get back into corrections . Having 4 meetings a day, 6 days a week, and 2 on Sunday. There is a Group conscience meeting on the 15th about the lease.

Carmen A.-Plano, Plano does not have a GSR yet. The group is having some financial problems. Rent is paid month to month, no lease. Membership is growing.

Old Business

Guiding Principles-Still in progress.

New Business

Blair B-Motion to change Treatment Special Needs Accessibilities Committee (TSNAC) to Treatment Special Needs Disabilities Committee (TSNDC) because Accessibilities is not a word,
Vote during the March meetings.

Upcoming Meeting Information:

Next District 54 meeting:

March 1st, 2015-Richardson

April 5th-Dallas North

May 3rd-Clean Air North

June 7th-ODAAT (tentative)

Motion to adjourn made, seconded at 4:00 pm



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