

## Northeast Texas Area 65, District 54 Monthly Meeting

March 1, 2015

Held at the Richardson Group, Richardson Texas

### Final

**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:**

James (GSR Richardson) opened with Serenity Prayer and read "Why Do We Need a Conference?"

#### **Discussion of Traditions and Concepts:**

3rd Tradition: Tom D (GSR ODDAT)

3rd Concept: Mike L (GSR-Rowlett)

4th Tradition will be given by Jerry (GSR Addison) at the April meeting at the Dallas North Group.

4th Concept will be given by Margo J (GSR Dallas North Group) at the April meeting at the Dallas North Group.

#### **MINUTES (of the Previous Meeting):**

Tabled until the April Meeting.

#### **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-**The Audio Project is going to groups without representation.

#### **Literature Report**

**Sherry J Literature/Intergroup Rep Mike L is the alternate,** Mock committee topics will be provided to all GSR's.

#### **TSNAC - Treatment Special Needs Accessibilities**

**Blair B is the Chairperson for TSNAC.** Blair will inspect groups for accessibility.

#### **Corrections Report**

**David B is Corrections Chair, Stephanie Z is Alternate Chair.** Many A.A. members are unaware of the important work being carried out by corrections committees. To those involved, however, corrections work is an opportunity to carry the A.A. message to the confined alcoholic who wants to live sober, one day at a time. Through a corrections committee working with corrections personnel, alcoholics are reached who might never otherwise find the A.A. program. An active corrections committee is a vital link to prisons and jails, providing professionals and other workers in correctional facilities with information about A.A., literature, and guidelines for setting up A.A. groups on the inside. - reprinted with permission AA Corrections Workbook

#### **CPC Report**

**Jeff T is the CPC Chair.** 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. Cooperating with nonalcoholic professionals is an effective way to carry the message to the sick alcoholic. Such people often meet the alcoholic in places where A.A. is not present. Through professionals, alcoholics may be reached who might otherwise never find the program, or they may be reached sooner with the help of informed non-A.A.s.

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#### **PI Report**

**Steve A is the PI Chair,**

Public Information (P.I.) in Alcoholics Anonymous means carrying the message of recovery to the still-suffering alcoholic by informing the general public about the A.A. program. We carry the message by getting in touch with and responding to the media, schools, industry, and other organizations which can report on the nature and purpose of A.A. and what it can do for alcoholics. -reprinted with permission AA Corrections Workbook

#### **Treasurer Report**

**Kelly H is the Treasurer**-nothing to report.

#### **ALT DCM Report**

**Suzy is the Alt DCM**-Nothing to report.

#### **DCM Report.**

See Rods separate report.

#### **GSR Report**

**Jerry C -Addison,** The group needs a new corrections chair. Banning Members from the group.

**Gary K.-Carrollton,** New Alt GSR. Picnic at Sandy Lake Park. .

**Will A.-Clean Air North,** Will be moving today. Take meetings to Green Oaks, Maggie's House, Phoenix, and Gurney Unit once a month. .

**Margo C. -Dallas North,** April 1<sup>st</sup>, the Intergroup takes Leo Volunteers to the SW Medical Center.

**Julie J.-Georgetown.** Still having some issues with the landlord that is being worked through. Taking meetings to Green Oaks, Lew Sterrett, and Carrollton Springs.

**David B- New Freedom.** Nothing to report. **Tom D-ODAAT,** Taking meetings to the Seay center but banned from the adolescent side. **James-Richardson,** Elevator is broken. Saturday night candlelight meeting at 10pm. Having a chili cook-off.

**Donna B-Rowlett,** Having 4 meetings a day, 6 days a week, and 2 on Sunday. Trying to negotiate a lower rent.

#### **Old Business**

Ad hoc committee met today and is going to try to streamline the document.

Motion from Blair B withdrawn.

#### **New Business**

Mike L would like for the district to help Alt Chairs to go to Area Assembly. Tabled until after Ad hoc committee reviews guiding Principles.

#### **Upcoming Meeting Information:**

##### **Next District 54 meeting:**

April 5th-Dallas North

May 3rd-Clean Air North

June 7th-ODAAT (tentative)

Motion to adjourn made, seconded at 4:00 pm