#### Minutes Area 69 Post-Conference Assembly May 18-20, 2007 Holiday Inn Salt Lake City, Utah

**Welcome** Andy B., Chair – with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer, Preamble and Anonymity Statement. Welcomed newcomers to first General Service Meeting. Introduced Area Officers and Past Delegates.

### 12 Traditions – Walt C., District 2

**Minutes** of the 2007 Pre-Conference Assembly read by Sheri P Recording Secretary. Approved as read.

**Financial Report** was read by JoAnn G, Treasurer. Approved as read.

Bid for the 2009 Post Conference Assembly - Tom B., Agenda Chair - Dist 10 was awarded the bid

### **Reports from Up Coming Events**

**2007 Area Bridge the Gap – Paul B.,** The Bridging the Gap Workshop will be held in Fillmore, Utah June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2007. One of the speakers will be Tom I from No Carolina with 50 yrs Sobriety, who is a former inmate and warden. The members of Dist 4 are excited about having the workshop.

**2007 Pre Assembly Workshop** – **Walter C., District 2** – The committee has met twice. A Chair and Co Chair has been selected. The location for the event will be at the Dow James Recreation Facility located at 438 W 400 No in Tooele, Utah. The next meeting is today May 19, 2007 at lunch.

**2007 Fall Assembly – Karen H., Dist 10 -** The Fall Assembly will be hosted by district 10 Sept  $21^{st} - 23^{rd}$ . We have met and have all our positions filled. We need people to help with registration & hospitality. If you are going to stay in Park City for the weekend make your reservations now. The Best Western Land Mark Inn only has 106 rooms. The rooms are \$69.95 and they will honor that price as long as they have rooms. Pre Reg is \$10.00, and \$15.00 at the door. The hotel is right off the exit at Kimball Junction. Our next meeting is June  $2^{nd}$  at 5:00 p.m. We will meet at Espresso Connection 4465 So Redwood Rd.

## **Reports from Past Events**

**2007 Feb Committee Mtg – John G., District 8** – Thank you for attending the Area Committee Meeting held in Roosevelt Ut. We are grateful we were given the opportunity to host it. We counted between 94 & 103 people attending. Great for the Committee especially for a tiny town in the cold country. Our DCM, Nadine lives a couple of miles from the local radio station which reported many days of 30 below zero this winter. You guys really warmed us up. We started with \$300 seed money, received \$83.47 in hospitality can – The room was \$80.00 & we spent \$70.05 on food and ice. We returned \$224.00 to the Area Treasurer. Thank you and we look forward to serving again.

**2007 Pre Conference Assembly – Steve C., Dist 2** – I currently stand as a DCM in Dist 2 for subdistrict A and feel privileged to have been able to serve with this event. We are giving back all the seed money plus a few extra dollars. I realize how much work it takes to host an event & have a lot more gratitude towards the districts & host committee's that put these events together. I am grateful to have the experience of chairing the Pre Conference and want to thank all of you for coming & sharing that experience with me. Thank you and God bless.

Roll Call was conducted by Charlie G., Registrar – In attendance were 6 Area Officers 9 Standing Chairs – 4 Past Delegates – Dist 1, 4 DCM, 4 GSR, 5 STDG CHAIR – Dist 2, 1 DCMC, 4 DCM, 1 Alt DCM, 4 GSR, 5 STDG CHAIR – Dist 3, 2 DCM, 1 ALT DCM, 4 GSR, 4 STDG CHAIR – Dist 5, 2 GSR – Dist 6, 1 DCM, 1 ALT DCM, 2GSR, 1 STDG CHAIR – Dist 7, 1 DCM, 1 GSR, 2 ALT GSR - Dist 8, 1 ALT DCM, 1 GSR – Dist 9, none in attendance – Dist 10, 1 DCMC, 5 DCM, 8 GSR, 3 ALT GSR, 2 STDG CHAIR – Dist 11, 1 DCMC, 1 DCM, 3 GSR, 1 STDG CHAIR – Dist 12, none in attendance – Interested AA's – 5.Total in attendance 97

**Delegate Report – Julie S.,** Printed copies were available.

#### **Motions Discussion & Vote**

**Presented by Grahame L** – The Area Feb Comm Meeting be discontinued and replaced by an Area Assembly. The new assembly be held the last weekend of Feb, the pre-conference assembly be moved to the first weekend in April – Motion was receded.

**Presented by Monte** – Move that the Area 69 Assembly accept the donation of electronic equipment made by and anonymous member of AA. Move that the Area 69 Chair or designee accept immediate but temporary responsibility for storage, transportation and maintenance of equipment. The motion was accepted.

**Presented by Edward C** – To form an Ad Hoc Committee for the purpose of investigating options for changes to the Area Meeting/Workshops/Conferences & Agendas with the intent to streamline time frames to create more time for motion discussion, open mike time, round table committees and also ways in which we can improve service attraction – Will form a Committee.

Adjourned for lunch and closed with responsibility statement 12:00 PM

Reconvene at 1:30 PM

Welcome - Andy B., Area Chair

12 Concepts – Bonnie

# **District Reports**

**Dist 1- Vicky., DCMC** – I currently serve you as District 1 DCMC. I am so grateful to be part of Area 69 and sad I couldn't be there with you this weekend. I am grateful to serve with dedicated & enthusiastic bunch we have in District 1. GSR attendance at the District meetings is picking up. We were happy to see so many GSR's & DCM's attend the Pre-Conference Assembly.

We are still looking for willing souls to fill our Treatment, Literature, and PI chairs. We are so excited to have Glen P stand for our Corrections Chair. Glen is new to general service and I now all of you will make him feel welcome. The District is hosting a workshop on "Participation in a Home Group" on June 2<sup>nd</sup> at Valley Camp. The DCM's heard great ideas at PRAASA and incorporated some of them into the workshop. There will be games, skits, & contests along with discussions on "Home Group Responsibilities" and "What a GSR does>" Horseshoes and badminton are available after the workshop and we hope you stay and join us for the campfire meeting at night. Anna B is the chairperson for the December Area Committee Meeting. She is in the process of finding a location for the event and forming the host committee. Thanks for the blessing of service.

**District 2 – Wade J., DCMC** – District 2 has been very busy, wrapping things up from the Pre Conference Assembly, & getting things ready for the Pre-Conference Workshop. The committees have been working very hard, and I am grateful to all of them. The District is doing well financially and the District has started 2 meetings in Treatment centers. We are still trying to fill the vacant positions that we have. All members are working hard to fill the gaps. I am so blessed to be surrounded by such wonderful people. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

**District 3 – J.A. (Stormy) D., DCM** – A workshop was held on April 7<sup>th</sup> for GSR's. Everyone thought it went very well. 3 past delegates were their. Their help and input was appreciated, and we would like to thank them. Thanks to Mickey H., Shirley O., and Mike O. Our monthly GSR meeting was held right after the workshop and was well attended. District 3 is doing well. Thank you for letting me to of service.

**District 7 – Craig T., DCM** – Our DCMC Lauana H could not be here today. Overall our District is doing well. Our Financial status is strong. We had 2 representatives at PRAASA. We also still have many open service positions. Nov 3-4 District 7 is holding the Fall Workshop in St George.

**District 8 – John G., Alt DCM -** Greetings from District 8. Our DCM Nadia N sends her warm wishes. Dist 8 has all but 2 standing chair positions filled. We have renewed our efforts in all our positions with heartfelt thanks to this body for letting Dist 8 host our Feb Area Serv Comm MTG in Roosevelt. The participation of our Area Delegate, Past Delegate and Officers in our Dist elections helped also. We meet an hour early for our Dist meeting to study and discuss the AA Group Pamphlet. We feel that getting "Back to Basics" has helped bring more unity to our groups and helps us to focus better on our primary purpose, making sure that the hand of AA will always to there. We would also like to invite everyone here to a service barbeque June 10<sup>th</sup>. At the Vernal old park . Good food fellowship and service. Thanks for your service.

**District 10 – Cheryl H., DCMC** – District 10 currently has 6 DCM's & 6 Alt DCM's. All standing chair positions are filled with the exception of CPC. Dist 10 has been reviewing their guidelines. The changes were voted on in the last GSR meeting. On April 14 we held our Dist Workshop "What is the GSR's position." We had panels and lots of great food. We had fun and it was very informative. I would like to thank Roger S & his committee for making the Workshop a success. On June 16<sup>th</sup> Dist 10 will be hosting the Area BTG Workshop in Dist 4. It will be in Fillmore, Ut and our guest speaker is Tom I from N>C. Paul B has been working very hard with his committee. I want to Thank you all for the opportunity to serve.

District 11 – Bruce I., DCMC – I would like to welcome everyone to this year's Post Conference Assembly and say thanks to the Host Committee. I've spent most of my available time working on this conference. We continue to have a good turn out at out District meetings. The GSR's report a steady attendance at their meetings. We still have a couple of Meetings which are not registered but follow AA formats. It is exciting to see new growth and need for recovery being addressed. According to our Treatment and Corrections Chairs there are many new opportunities for service. The Davis Co Jail has doubled the inmate population and increased need for volunteers. A women's treatment facility and a Job Corps center are continuing to develop. Our DCM's are busy and available. Because of their activity we may have had the largest number of GSR's from our District in attendance at the Pre Conference Assembly in March., and probably the most interest in the Conference Agenda I've ever seen. We had 8 GSR's and 1 Alt GSR. We are always looking for ways to get people involved. We are looking to fill our CPC and Grapevine Chair positions. Our District meeting meets the second Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm at the Backstreet Club in Bountiful, Utah.

# **Standing Chair Reports**

Corrections – Ranae H - Districts 2,3,6,7,8,10 & 11 have made a smooth transition to the new Standing Chairs . District 1 has a new Corrections Chair. District 4 is excited about the June 16<sup>th</sup> BTG workshop that District 10 is hosting in Fillmore. Good participation in Dist 5. We are inviting some correctional professionals from Dist 6 to be on a panel for the BTG workshop through the aid of Dist 6 Corrections Chair who is involved with Gunnison Prison and county jail. I attended a meeting in Moab (Dist 9) and met with the new Corrections Chair. They were excited to get more info on the BTG/Pre-release program and expressed interest in having more Area 69 Service members come to spark interest within that district. John M and I attended District 12's GSR meeting providing them with Pre-release Program pamphlets/BTG written in Spanish. I met with Utah State Depart of Corrections Administrators involved with the Inmate Housing Division at the Utah State Prison to discuss ways to open a dialog with County Correctional Administrators with the intention of developing a cooperative and informative relationship similar to what we have established at the Prison. They were able to facilitate a 30 minute slot on the meeting agenda of the State Jail Commanders Meeting in Sept. We will keep the Aiea informed. I want to thank Central Off for the use of the conference room to record stories taken from "Behind These Walls" and Le Ann L for her generous time and support in the production of the men's version of the power point presentation. Thank you to all those who participated in these recordings. I am grateful to serve in this capacity of 12<sup>th</sup> Step work.

Archives – Janet H –Thank you to the committee for the great room and space for a large display. There is a small section for Neil Wing, GSO 1<sup>st</sup> archivist and Bill's secretary. There are not any display boards but pictures of 7 completed ones plus a lost of the categories of the archives. The display this weekend is a sampling from most of the categories. The reason for no display boards is Wal Mart is remolding their store in Cedar and I was not able to get frames. The boarders did not arrive until 10 days ago. There are still 11 or 12 boards to make. District 7 voted to purchase 45 frames and lettering. I have one frame on hand, but we still need 6/7 more. The archive budget will cover 2 more. If any district, Club or group would like to help that would be wonderful. It would be great if all the boards could be ready for the Fall Assembly. Jennifer has replaced Trina as District 3 archivist. The ad-hoc committee is doing great and we are planning to make our presentation in Sept.

we are meeting each month. The National Archive Workshop will be Sept 6-9 in Phoenix, AZ. I encourage any of the archivist in our area to attend. Thank you for letting me be of service.

**CPC** – **Terri M** - I want to start working in the round tables to put together packets for professionals. I would like to give ten to each member of our committee to then distribute to the professional of their choice. I want our group to begin to read through some of the literature and pick out what we feel is the most important to share with our non-alcoholic friends. I also need volunteers to help out for the U of U School on Alcoholism. I plan on being there from Wednesday until Friday. I have a great volunteer lined up to set up the display on Friday. Mike o has graciously offered to help. I asked Jodi E to be the speaker on Wednesday Night and Julie S will chair the meeting. I will need to line up chair people to chair the meetings the rest of the week and volunteers to be present at the display to answer questions. The date is June 24<sup>th</sup> – June 29<sup>th</sup>. I am interested in learning what our Delegate did in New York. It is great to be a part of an organization that is based on service work for the primary purpose of helping other alcoholics. Yours in Service.

Communications – Doug R - My name is Doug and I am an alcoholic. I would like to report that we have been busy. We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month. If you would like to be involved let me know and I will get you our meeting time and place. At Post Conf round table it was reported by our Alternative Web Servant that the next movement within the Internet community is the ability to access Area websites via cell phones. I've always been interested in this new wireless technology so I jumped at the opportunity to learn and to create a way to access the Area's meeting list via the wireless Internet. I am pleased to announce that you now have the ability to search for a meeting by City, Day or Type using your cell phone. Point your mobile device to **utahaa.mobi** and follow the prompts. There are fliers that I would like the GSR's to bring back to their groups as well as information in the Area's newsletter. The Area's newsletter was published today. I would like to thank LeAnn for taking on the responsibility of getting this one together. The committee process allows those interested to be involved as much as they wish to be. Thanks to Alberto and Adrian for helping with the Spanish translation of the newsletter as well as other area documents. All this information is available on the Internet as well. If you didn't get a copy print them off of the Area's website. At our May 14 Committee meeting we unanimously approved the utahaa.mobi site, we agreed to include a survey regarding how important having mobile access is to you on the home page of the .org website. We discussed changing the monthly meeting from the Web Committee to the Communications Committee meeting. We discussed creating a better Communications display. The laptop contains a stand alone version of the Area's website. Please feel free to browse through it. It is not connected to the Internet so the links to GSO's site or the links to our Central Office sites do not work. In service and fellowship Doug.

**P.I.** – **Karen H.** I want to thank everyone that was at the Pre-Conf P.I./C.P.C. round table. You all practiced love, patience, kindness and tolerance. Thanks for making my experience with Public Information so far very positive. A special thanks to LeAnn for meeting with me and always answering all my questions I went by Central Office and let Sandy know I was the new P.I. chair for Area 69. I gave her all my information. I have also answered an email to a man who was in town for work temporally. I let him know of meetings that were close to his hotel. Since I jumped into this service position I have no idea which Districts have active P.I. Chairs. Finding out is one of my first duties. This weekend I want to do a Public Information Inventory. Find out what Districts have P.I. Chairs. What P.I. Chair is doing in each district. What ideas or projects anyone has in mind for Public

Information. What help each district needs from me or anyone else. I want to create a P.I. contact list. Any new ideas that you have, and any needs you feel your community is in need of. I think by doing a written inventory we will all be able to get to know each other better. So that's what we will be doing this weekend at the Public Information round table. I want to give thanks to Jan S for her willingness to be of service and her outstanding contributions to the Public Information Area. Our condolences and love goes out to Rich S and his family. In love and service

**Literature – Pete G – My** name is Pete and I am an alcoholic. The demand for literature at these events is still very strong. At Pre-Conf some of the new pamphlets were beginning to arrive. Since then, it seems now that getting an old pamphlet is the exception rather than the rule. The new pamphlet covers do seem to attract more attention. I have had the opportunity to work with Districts 2, 10, and 7. I attended a Central Office representatives meeting to acquaint myself with those meetings. The central Office meeting was centered on our Primary Purpose. I came away with the impression that group participation coupled with an increased participation from Central Office members at District and Area levels have brought an heightened feeling of "being a part of" to all. Districts that are located outside the Wasatch front do not have the same advantages as many groups. It is especially gratifying to help these Districts acquire literature4. District 7 purchased booklets for P.I./Treatment, and Corrections committees and ordered these booklets for their trusted servants. The cost is minimal and the information is priceless. District 10 acquired additional service material for it's General Service Reps. I understand that District 10 has appointed a literature standing chair and I hope that I can visit some of their GSR meeting during the next two months. Work in District 2 centered around service manuals, GSR newcomer packets and acquiring AA approved literature for a treatment/correctional facility located in Tooele. Want a catalog? Cal GSO at 212-870-332 and choose option 2. Speak Spanish? No problem, the catalogs come with information in English, Spanish and French. I look forward to these events so I can learn how to better serve your groups and the newcomer who has yet to walk through the door. I also look forward to visits to District 11, District 1 and District 6. thank you for letting me be of service.

Grapevine – Ken C – I am a grateful alcoholic and my name is Ken Cole. How many of you are Grapevine or LaVina subscribers. If not see me, your District or Group GVR and we will help you get set up with these wonderful Meetings in Print. Dec 2006 there were 496 subscriptions and for Nov/Dec 2006 issue of LaVina there were 11 active subscriptions. It is my hope to be able to increase those numbers. I think the most important part of service to the fellowship is to make all Grapevine and LaVina recovery tools available, therefore buying books, cd's etc and have them available for purchase at Area functions. I am unable to accomplish that if we do not have the monies available. All monies received from sales by the Literature Chair and Grapevine Chair are returned to the Area. It is so important the beginning amount budgeted for these two positions be large enough to get started. My plan is to bring a well-stocked inventory for purchase. I really wanted to go to PRAASA this year, but after thinking about this I decided to use my personal monies for a Grapevine Display and pass on PRAASA this year. I know I missed a great time, but I enjoy sharing the Display with all of you. Thanks for the opportunity to serve.

**Treatment – John M** – March was a very busy month it began with PRAASA where I met Treatment Chairs from all over the Pacific region. The sharing was wonderful and if was great to know that those of us in service are not alone and AA is full of men and women who love this program and are

willing to serve under the most difficult conditions. I attended District 3's monthly service meeting. I had the honor to meet the District 3 treatment Chair Darrin m, another dedicated servant of AA who is very active in his treatment facilities. I gave him the Video "Hope". Renae and I visited District 12. They are still struggling to find members to head Treatment and Correction chairs. At the Pre-Conf Ass the video "Hope" was put under the microscope and found wanting. At District 2's Meeting I wanted to meet their treatment Chair. It was good to see my old district doing so well. In April I chipped the crown of my tibia and was on crutches . I should be able to start visiting districts again soon.

## **Officers Reports**

Treasurer – JoAnn – I have only been to one District meeting and am enjoying learning more about the Treasurer's job. I always enjoy my PRAASA experience. The energy and spirituality is overwhelming. The panels are informative and Utah was well represented this year. Sheri, our Secretary was the moderator for a panel. Andy B our chairperson was on a panel. Our Delegate was also on a panel. Julie was great on the Ask It Basket. I was given the privilege of chairing the Treasurers Roundtable. I enjoyed what I learned from the different areas. If our groups could support GSO a little better they would not have to raise Literature prices, if each group member would contribute just \$6.14 per year GSO would be financially fit. At the Treasurer's Roundtable it was amazing to me how much money the Areas in California receive. These Areas are probably larger than our whole state of Utah. Some of the Areas pay an accountant to do tax returns. Almost all the Areas have a Financial Consultant as well as a Treasurer. We are the only Area that just has a Treasurer. We are small in comparison to the other Areas in the Pacific Region. There are 4 Areas that have a budget of \$80,000 per year. Arizona has 7 checking accounts. I want to thank the Area for the opportunity to attend PRAASA and it is an experience that everyone should be allowed sometime in their sobriety.

**Secretary – Sheri P –** This year at PRAASA I was asked to chair the panel "Our 12<sup>th</sup> Step Responsibility. Are We Going to Any Length?" . When I first started to introduce the panel all I felt was a tremendous amount of love in the room. I was able to enjoy the experience of being part of the process. Last month I was asked to speak at the Salvation Army. Charlie and Andy have helped me with the mailing of the minutes, and this last time a really exciting thin happened to Charlie. We were amazed, but I got to watch him truly work the principles of this program as God send him a 12 step call. I realize what an honor it is to serve as your Area Secretary. Today I hear and feel the gratitude from you guys. Thank you for allowing me to share your love and friendships.

**Registrar** – **Charlie G** – Thank you for letting me serve. We sent our 320 mailings & only got back 10. This is progress from the 25 back on the last mailing. If you need directories for GSR see me for copies. I have visited 4 of the 12 Districts in our Area & will try to visit them all by the end of this year. I have sent to GSO 2 district printouts of groups that were given to DCMS. Please get those to me as soon as you can so we can get GSR packets and mailings from N. Y. Offices. I spoke with Karen H the person in charge of coordinating info for the F.N.V. Web based record system & the 4 will be having 10 or so registrars at a time start testing & using. This new record updating system is going t be an awesome record program. It should help speed things up to the 21<sup>st</sup> century If you need any record information just let me know how I can help.

**PRAASA** in Portland, was an amazing Assembly. There were about 1400 trusted servants and interested AA's from 16 Delegate Areas. My hope is to share what it was like, what happened and possibly peak an interest in our Area to attend PRAASA 2008. This was my 13<sup>th</sup> PRAASA and one of the most spiritually rewarding functions I have attended in our Region. The Theme of the 40<sup>th</sup> PRAASA was "Our 12<sup>th</sup> Step Responsibility – Are we going to any length?" The purpose of PRAASA and let you know that 30 members from Utah got to see first hand our 12 traditions, 12 Concepts and strengthen our program as we shared with each other. May each of us who attended share some of their own personal experiences & help carry the message to our groups, districts & other interested members. The purpose of PRAASA is to offer an opportunity for members, groups and Areas of the Pacific Regions to exchange ideas and experiences. The Delegates of the Pacific Region have an overall responsibility for implementing the PRAASA and the host committee is accountable to them as well as to all who attend. Our pacific region boundaries are designated in the AA service manual as well as on our GSO website and available for download. We were greeted by many friends form all over the region and the host committee made us all feel welcome and did a terrific job. Friday sta5rted off the panel presentations and you couldn't help but feel the excitement & energy. I attended the Registrars Roundtable and Greg M shared with all of us the major project 7 details of the FNV (Fellowship New Vision) the database Web browser based portal that GSO. Saturday Morning I was able to ask questions from Greg, the General manager of GWO & Robyn, the Executive Editor of the Grapevine while waiting in line. The Trustees report was my favorite. Speaker Meeting Madeleine P shared her recovery story & service experiences. Yours in Love & Service always

Alternate Delegate – Monte S – "Not to govern but to Serve" is a quote from the Report of the first General Service Conference. "The General Service Conference was evolved not to govern AA in any sense but to serve the entire movement. The Conference continues to reflect the insight of the earliest members into the crucial problems of continuing AA Unity, continuing service to individual and groups already in AA and compelling need to reach and help "the millions who still don't know." Julie's remarks today concerning actions of the 2007 General Service Conference replicate the continued efforts of AA world wide to find solutions and reach out to those who "still don't ;know." District 12 has been working on PI presentation for several months. There was a PI panel where they sought participation from both the Spanish Speaking Public and bi-lingual professionals throughout the community. District 12 members are planning a Soccer Tournament for AA members to help fund a Spanish speaking AA Convention in October. They invited Area 69 to participate. They are looking for Spanish Speaking AA's with General Service experience to speak during the convention. Andy B and I have made 2 Thursday night trips to Fillmore as part of the planning process for the upcoming Bridge-The-Gap- Workshop. PRAASA 2007 was held in Portland Oregon. Area 69 was well represented with 30 to 40 members. One of the highlights this year was the Saturday night speaker. Madeline P our Pacific Region Trustee. Her fearless talk about her personal struggle was tactfully shared in a humble and insightful manner. The pain of her experience was softened by her keen sense of humor and her message of recovery had pertinence to everyone who was there, particularly women. At the Alternate Delegate roundtable we learned how to pray for the delegate and stuff like that. There was serious discussion over Area's need to file for 501 C tax exempt tax status in order to receive contributions. We learned about the Agenda Topic Summaries that are produced by some Area's. thank you area 69 for allowing me to serve.

**Past Delegate – Mike O – I'm** an alcoholic my name is Mike Ohlson. My home group is the Happy Destiny Group. I currently serve as your Immediate Past Delegate. Panel 55. I was just one of more than 1000 people attending the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual PRAASA Assembly in Portland Oregon. It began on Friday around Noon with a welcome from our Host Area Delegate, Eric K and our Pacific Region Trustee Madeleine P. On Friday three panels presented information on our Delegate Areas and the service activities in each Area, on the Conference Theme "Our 112<sup>th</sup> Step Responsibility" and on the Spiritual Value of Our AA Dollars. After the dinner break the first portion (16 in all) of 27 roundtables met. I took advantage of my first opportunity to attend the Past Trustee / Past Delegate Roundtable. Saturday morning three panel presentations on the Conference Topics began. After each panel session a large amount of time for comments or questions was made available to all in attendance. Saturday afternoon we were treated to our Pacific Region Trustee Report followed by a short business meeting. Sunday I attended my favorite event. The panel was listed as Past Trustees' Experience, Strength and Hope. The panel was composed of both Class A and Class B Past Trustees. The final session was the Ask It Basket or "Stump the Delegate". There simply are not enough good adjectives to describe how composed and elegant our Delegate, Julie was. Utah was well represented. If you haven't made PRAASA a must do event on you General Service commitment calendar, I would urge you to do so now. As our Big Book tells us: "Life will take on new meaning. To watch people help others, to see a fellowship grow up around you, to have a host of friends – this is an experience you must not miss. Frequent contact with each other is the bright spot of our lives." Hope to see you in Alaska in 2008.

**Area Chair** – **Andy B** – My name is Andy B, I am an alcoholic. Thank you for allowing me to serve as you're Area 69 Chairman. Since the Pre-Conference, I've been helping a few of the Event committees out. First of all the Bridge the Gap workshop in Fillmore, we've made a few roadtrips check out the facility. I've been helping with the Fall Assembly committee as well. It's cool to see these Events evolve. Just as God planned it. If you have any questions or anything I can do to help in you're Districts or with you're Committees, please let me know. Service has been a gift given to me from all of you. Thanks again.

**2007 PRAASA report in Portland Oregon** – We drove there in blinding snows, icy roads, sometimes 30 or 40 mph but we had fun. I had the opportunity to be a presentor on a panel. What a cool deal. All of the panels were AWSOME. I learned a lot in the roundtables, and loved the whole event. I hope everyone can make it to Alaska next Mar5ch. Thanks for allowing me to serve.

**Adjourned 5:00 P.M.** – Minutes compiled by Sheri P Recording Secretary