

Minutes Utah Area 69 Fall Workshop November 7 – 8, 2009
Western Park
Vernal, Utah District 8

Welcome Charlie G., Chair – with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer, Preamble and Anonymity Statement. Welcome newcomers to their first General Service Meeting.

12 Concepts read by Michael, Alt. GSR, District 1.

Minutes of the “Pre-Assembly Workshop” August 15 to 16, 2009 – Walter C., Area Secretary – Approved as read.

Financial Report – Pete G., Treasurer, Approved as read.

Delegate Report – Monte S. – We are delighted to welcome as new Staff members, Jim M. and Mary C. **Jim’s** first day was September 1 and his assignment is Corrections. **Mary** began her first day on October 5th on CPC. At the request of the **trustees’ Committee on Cooperation with the Professional Community/ Treatment Facilities/Special Needs-Accessibilities**, a letter was sent to all General Service Conference Members and Special Needs Committee chairs in the U.S. and Canada requesting submission of stories from A.A. members with various special needs. This is the first step in a process begun by the 2009 General Service Conference Advisory Action “that a Special Needs recovery pamphlet for newcomers or prospective members be developed and that stories be solicited from members with various special needs, for example, members who are deaf, blind, wheel-chair bound, etc.” Anyone who knows of such members is encouraged to let them know of this project and, if necessary, help them submit their stories. **The PI desk** reports that the trustees’ P.I. Committee is currently accepting resumes for a non-trustee Appointed Committee Member (ACM) position. The deadline is December 30, 2009. (I forwarded the announcement and procedure information to those eligible from our area.) The P.I. desk continues to receive questions and complaints about the use and possible **misuse of A.A. trademarks and copyrights on social networking web sites**, in addition to questions about A.A. Traditions on these sites (**predominantly regarding anonymity**). It may prevent controversy if we could please check with local Public Information Committees or GSO/ Public Information desk before developing or posting events on these sites. **Publications** reported that total distribution of all books through August 2009 was 1,734,512 units up 20.1% from the same period in 2008. Our Mail & Shipping Department reports a savings of \$2,170 from April 22 through August 31 by networking with World Net, a company that provides shipping services in conjunction with the Post Office to get better rates. **Grapevine/LaVina** Combined circulation of 115,000 in print and audio GV/LV goes to less than 10% of the membership. Grapevine – New Book Arrival: “A Rabbit Walks Into A Bar” is a collection of jokes and cartoons from the Grapevine. Cost is \$9.95; see Luana our Area G.V. / LaVina Chair. **Area 69 distributed** 450 English and 50 Spanish of the 2009 General Service Conference Final Report. Thanks in part to the fine report my friend David N. Area 06, California provided and gave permission for us to share. Following are some discussion topics from my visits to districts this past month: group anniversary birthday envelope, why we do service work -service sponsorship, home group service positions, ratio of old-timers to newcomers, organizing literature distribution efforts & civic speaking opportunities, contraband being brought in by A.A.’s into corrections, physically fighting each other and challenging staff in facilities, importance of being on our best behavior when attending A.A. meetings and doing Twelve Step work. **The 2010 International Convention** registration. Within a week, over 11,000 folks had registered. Despite recent rumors, hotels and housing are still available to registrants and rooms are being added as we move along. Look for updates on our website online @aa.org for latest information on this and other Convention news. **PRAASA 2010**—online registrations open @ www.praasa.org. **Finances: Percentage of Area 69** Groups Contributing through September 30, 2009, GSO 51.50% - groups contributed (same as last year), Area 69 - 57% groups contributed, 257 total groups; 255 active; 2 groups unknown. **New Group Registrations** since January 2009, the total is 10 new groups; 1 Spanish Speaking- 9 English Speaking from Logan to Blanding.

Dear Friends, On behalf of the General Service Board, I want to express our gratitude to your group for the hours of selfless sacrifice freely given to men and women who come to your group in search of a way out of the darkness, pain and misery of alcoholism. In the current economy, we understand that some A.A. groups have found it difficult to cover group expenses and also have funds to support local A.A. services and your General Service Office. Please remember that your group’s contributions are also Twelfth Step work. Contributions beyond your group help ensure that your G.S.O. can assist in providing A.A.’s vital services worldwide. Participation in AA’s Twelfth Step is demonstrated in many ways: In the November 1957 Grapevine, Bill W. wrote: “When we are generous with the hat, we give a token that we are grateful for our blessings and evidence that we are eager to share what we have found to all those who still suffer.” Terrance M. B., Class A Trustee General Service Board Treasurer (Copied and Reprinted from GSO quarterly contribution report). November is traditionally referred to as gratitude month in Alcoholics Anonymous and I want to thank each of you and your families for the gift of sobriety and service that you share with me. I wish you a Healthy, Hungry, Happy, Thanksgiving. Thank you for this extraordinary opportunity to serve.

Roll Call – Doug R., Area Registrar – In attendance were 7 Area Officers – Area Standing Chairs 7 – Past Delegates 2 – District one 1 DCMC, 2 DCM, 2 GSRs, 1 Alt GSR – District two 1 DCMC, 1 Alt DCM, 1 Alt GSR – District three 1 GSR – District four None in attendance – District five None in attendance – District six None in attendance – District seven 1 DCMC, 1 DCM – District eight 1 DCM, 4 GSR, 5 Standing Chairs – District nine None in attendance – District ten 1 DCMC, 3 DCM, 2 ALT-DCM, 3 GSR, 1 Alt GSR,

1 Standing Chair – District eleven None in attendance – District twelve 1 GSR, 1 Standing Chair – CO Reps None in attendance – Interested AAs 1

Area Officer's Reports

Area Chairperson, Charlie G. – Since we last met, I have the privilege to attend GSR meetings in District 1 and 2, workshops in District 3 and 12.

Alternate Delegate, Renae H. – Since the September Fall Assembly hosted by District 11 in bountiful, I have had the opportunity to visit Districts 9 (Moab area) and 10. Also I had the privilege to attend District 12's GSR meeting with our Delegate, Monte S. Each of these Districts have different issues they are currently working with, but at the same time they are all working toward a similar end...that being--how to better carry the AA message to the still suffering alcoholic. I have heard it said in these service meeting rooms by people much wiser than I that in spite of the occasional disagreements and sometimes colorful "loving discussions" one might experience here at the end of the day there is only one question that needs to be answered and that question is "How is this [decision/motion] going to help better carry the message to the newcomer?" This is the basic purpose of our Group business meetings, District meetings and Area Service meetings as contained and written more eloquently by Bill W. in Tradition Five. If we can answer "yes" to this question after all the discussions are had and all the votes have been made, we have collectively had a productive and purposeful meeting and a worthwhile day!

Treasurer, Pete G. – We continue to add new groups to our contribution list. District 12 had a group contribute to the Area for the first time, the Fey Y Esparanza group contributed. District 1 and 2 added new contributing groups. At the Fall Assembly, District 1 returned the seed money for the Pre-Assembly workshop plus an additional \$699.17 above the seed money. A few weeks ago, District 11 returned the seed money for the Fall Workshop plus an additional \$474 from that event. In the five weeks since the Fall Assembly, we have received and deposited \$4150. I do owe an amends to District 1 and the Cache Valley Intergroup for not mentioning their contribution sent to us in August for \$410. Area 69 has met its responsibilities by defraying our Treatment Chair to the National Bridge the Gap Workshop, established a new and more protected environment for our Area Archives and supported our trusted servants. We also approved one of the most assertive budgets that his area has attempted. There are copies of the approved 2010 budget for you. The approved budget will be mailed with this GSR mailing. While it is true we are having a very favorable year as far as contribution, only 57% of our registered groups take the opportunity to contribute to the Area. We have set a marvelous example in the eleven months since this Panel has existed and we need to pass this opportunity along to those groups who do not know where, how or most importantly, why their participation in this Area is helping so many alcoholics. If I can be of service to anyone or answer questions for any group, please contact me.

Registrar, Doug R. – There are a total of 614 Groups listed at GSO in their NFV database. 277 are active. 5 are new within the last three months, including a new meeting in Blanding, district 9. I have been sending the newest version of the Area Directory out via email, if you need a copy let me know I will get you one.

Standing Committee Reports

Archives, for Treesa J., Chairperson – The Archives have been moved to the location. The total moving process took one hour and fifteen minutes. It was an experience of faith because not one person committed to be there but we had what we needed and when we needed it. Mr. Kenny, who owned the old storage facility, took a group photo of all volunteers. Mr. Kenny was amazed at the support and efficiency of our group. Mr. Kenny also returned the \$300 balance on our unit. In Archival fashion, there are photos for your viewing pleasure on the Archive display. Recent Donations: (1) a pen from Monte commemorating the final General Service Conference at the Crown Plaza in New York City, (2) PRASSA tape recording from Sherri, (3) Box of Grapevines, (4) Binders from District 3 of their events, (5) empty binders and 200 hanging folders. Purchases: Janet has purchased tubes to store Banners and Posters. Janet is hoping the fellowship will watch for an affordable Vertical Filing Cabinet. You can check with Janet about other items she currently is looking for to assist with storing the Area 69 Archives. Thank you for letting me be of service.

Assembly/Agenda, Keith M., Chairperson – The new project I began a few months ago has been nearly completed and the revised Area 69 Assembly and Agenda forms are available on the Utah AA web page. I would like to thank the Communications Committee and Doug R. who was very helpful. With these forms on the web the entire Host Committee will have access to this information. Please take a look at the web page for this new information.

Bid for "Fall Workshop" 2010 – Keith M., Assembly Agenda Chair – District 12 won the bid.

Communications, James H., from newsletter – I wanted to give you some updates on some of the issues and challenges the communications committee has faced over the last few months. To improve response time and accuracy of the area website meeting schedules, I have been working with Doug and trying to implement some of his ideas so that I am more efficient and available personally. I have been talking with and recruiting some passionate, technically savvy members of the fellowship to assist with aspects of the website which have not been updated expeditiously. They will be helping me field e-mails with meeting updates and documents to be posted so that we can cut down on the turn-around. In other news, we have gone some time now without a repeat of

the attacks which were plaguing us last year. Most of the vulnerabilities which allowed these site compromises to take place have been closed, and the website has been hardened against future attacks. Because of some health and time issues the committees members are dealing with, we have begun to hold meetings not only in person, but also via Skype, so that our members can meet from remote locations. If you are interested in sitting in on one of our meetings using this technology, you are welcome to. We would be happy to assist if you are not sure how to use it. With the assistance of Sarah L., over the coming months we will be working to move the site to a new Content Management System (CMC) which allows for easier updates to the site. While implementing that, we will be making some adjustments to the look and feel of the site also, but the basic interface should remain the same. Spam has increasingly become an issue on some area e-mail accounts. I have tightened the area spam filters, which has had some effect on the volume of junk emails being received, but I will continue to monitor the problem and take further steps as necessary. The area BTG database was completed some time ago, and we are working with some of the BTG contacts to make use of it. It is a relatively simple, spread-sheet-based design which anyone can use from anywhere. You simply need the login and password. If your district needs assistance with using this tool, please contact Sara L. or myself and we'll make sure you're supplied with correct login credentials and instructions on using the database. I have already fielded several questions and concerns from members of the districts and area about the website, but if you have any additional questions, concerns or suggestions we would love to hear from you.

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC); Sherrie P., Chairperson – Since we have met last I have met with School Counselors, Counselors at Valley Mental Health, and have sat thru the 6 hour 2 night Quit Program at Granite School District. I will be meeting the woman at the Sandy Boys & Girls Club next week. Have made contact with American Red Cross and Copperview Recreation Center. I ordered some of the Poster "Can you Spot the Alcoholic" and Sheryl says they are here today. I am going to start distributing them. I plan to contact all of the CPC chairs personally and start brain storming. I know I am still learning and will have my job down by the end of the next year. A special thanks to Monte for his supportive comments to me at the first assembly of the year. Thank you for your confidence and allowing me to serve in this incredible fellowship.

Corrections, Wade J., Chairperson – Since the last time I gave a report, Corrections has been really busy. I had the pleasure of attending the Salt Lake County jails bi-monthly meeting and I am pleased to announce that AA John Y. was voted in as a voting member of all problems entering or leaving the jail; he is one of 4. Two weeks ago, I met with the youth's correction director, who reports to the Governor, as to centralize the application process. The Governor's office is very interested in getting AA into all of the youth facilities. We discussed the bridging the gap program. Hopefully in the next couple weeks, Bruce and I will present the program to all the states program directors. The Bridging the Gap program has been working really well. We will be starting a meeting at the Decker Lake youth facility. District 3 has a new corrections chair and he is working on starting meetings at a new jail. Thanks for all the hard work being done in corrections.

Grapevine, Lauana H., Chairperson – No Report.

Literature, Sheryl T., Chairperson – Another large literature order has been completed since our last gathering. We received discounts and free shipping because of the size of the order. It is really exciting to see first-hand how AA's lifesaving message of hope and recovery is being carried in all 12 districts throughout Utah. District one just ordered some PSAs and I look forward to hearing how those will be used up north! Thanks to Les and Frank for their patience and assistance in helping this PSA rookie through the sea of PSAs that are available. Who knew there was actually a selection of types and formats, for both radio and television. It is great to learn new information every time an order is placed. Thank you for the never ending on the job training! Several individuals and committees pre-ordered additional young people's posters after the Fall Assembly. There was 34 posters available for purchase in Vernal on a first come, first served basis. I can order more before the end of the year, so see me this weekend if you'd like to pre-order posters for your service work. The posters have been a very popular item and are truly a bargain at \$1 each. When placing this order, I was informed that a couple of the pamphlets that were updated or revised during this past years GSC have already been updated. I have a couple of new AA and the Native North American" pamphlets and will definitely order more. I hope to have copies of the new service manual available at the December event and plan to order several large-print copies. Unfortunately, the CD of the young people's video project is not yet available. More to follow on this. Literature display went to the Spanish convention. Please let me know if you need assistance with literature items. There are some free pamphlets on the left side of the literature display table. Please just take a few so everyone can take advantage of the free items. Thank you for the opportunity to serve Area 69 in this capacity. For me, service is sobriety!

Public Information (P.I.), Andy B., Chairperson – Since September, things were slow. I had the opportunity to serve at the District 10 GSR Workshop last weekend and enjoyed every bit of it. Thanks for the invite. I want to thank Sheryl T. for the delivery of the "Young Peoples" posters. See me if you could help get some of these out to churches, schools and Boys and Girls clubs in your communities. Thank for allowing me to serve.

Treatment Facilities, Bruce I., Chairperson It is my pleasure to report the treatment committee is finally beginning to take shape. There are still a few people left to contact but I am confident this will be done within the next month. One thing I've learned in service is Easy Does It, But Just Do It. All of the Chairs I've contacted so far are very active and pursuing goals according to the needs in their District. We have some really great people doing service in this Area, even when we don't see them on a regular basis. My hope is to get the district treatment chairs to interact with each other in order to share experiences and help each other solve

problems. We have begun an inventory of the treatment centers in Utah and what our involvement is with each one of them. Hopefully before long we will have an idea of where we can make improvements as well as who to thank for the fine work already being done. There is a lot of progress being made although it hasn't been highlighted much this year. Around the first of October we began working on a part of the BTG workbook and program that was left out last spring. At that time we failed to develop much information for helping the volunteers who make Bridging the Gap presentations to treatment and correctional facilities. We now have a folder containing instructions, pamphlets and other materials to be used for this type of assignment. Wade and I are making the final adjustments and it will be available very soon. In fact, Sara L. has already used a rough draft version of this package for a presentation she recently made in District 2. On October the 8th I was invited by District One to give a BTG report during their monthly District meeting. My report was a combination of my experience at the National BTG workshop in Kansas City last September and our current emphasis on Bridging the Gap here in Area 69. I was able to give those in attendance some samples of the tools we are currently using to help them explain to their home groups how BTG works in Area 69. We are still experimenting, making refinements and developing this system. It is great to be receiving feedback from those using the materials introduced earlier this year. Some of the people I met in District One are actively involved with BTG and had some very helpful comments. Slowly we are finding out what works and what doesn't. I wish to thank District One for inviting me to their meeting. It was an honor to participate in service with so many dedicated individuals. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

District Reports

District 1 – Teddy H., DCMC: Our trusted servants in District one have been carrying the message of Alcoholics Anonymous the best we can with the few people we have. Our CPC chair Les C. and DCM Frank B visited KUEA television station. KUEA has agreed to play any PSA's we are able to get to them. These will be played on KUEA and The Valley channel. Last week I contacted the Superintendent of the Morgan County School District. He is interested in seeing The Young People's poster and also some of our A.A. literature. I will contact Superintendent Worff next week to set up a date and time for Les and me to visit him. Les & his committee continue to work on reaching out to Tremonton and Snowville. We have ordered 60 Young Peoples posters as well as the 3 PSA's for the Television Stations in Logan. Our plan for the majority of the posters is to take one to the counselor's offices of each of the High Schools and Jr. High's in District One. Logan intergroup held a workshop on Oct 17th. They were grateful to have Charlie T. in their midst to share his story with them and to be a part of their workshop. Ogden intergroup has set the date for their holiday open house. It will be December 12th. Watch for more information regarding this event. As always, clam dip will be served as well as a variety of other scrimps food items. We would like to thank Bruce I. for his wonderful presentation on what he experienced when he went to the National Bridge the Gap workshop. It was good to have him with us at our October District Meeting. One of our three DCM's stepped down this past month. We would like to thank Rob B. for his service to District One. This leaves us with One DCMC and two DCM's to cover a large district. A few folks have called to express interest in our open positions thanks to Ogden's Central Office posting in the Pass It On that District One is in need of people willing to serve our District. We appreciate District 8 for hosting this event for us all. God bless you all and again have a Wonderful Thanksgiving.

District 2 – Charlie T., DCMC: At our October GSR meeting, we had the honor of having our Delegate, Monte S., Area Chairman, Charlie G., and Assembly/Agenda Chair Keith M. Each member brought important information and signed our contract for the Area Assembly 2010. Our replacement of positions has become our norm. District 2 Treasurer has resigned and Austin stepped up to fill the position. We had our Grapevine and PI/CPC chairs step down with no replacements at this time. District 2 has 3 open DCM and 3 open Alt DCM positions. The Bridging the Gap chair, Sara L. and the Corrections chair, John Y. have possibly come to a conclusion on the 24 hour BTG phone. It has been decided to purchase an add minutes phone that will cost about \$100.00 per year. We will host the December Area committee meeting.

District 3 – No Report.

District 4 – No Report.

District 5 – No Report.

District 6 – No Report.

District 7 – Janet H.: A big thank you to Monte, for attending our district inventory in Kanab last month. His conducting, sharing, was great help and very much appreciated. District funds are down a little, but we are self-supporting. The committees have their supplies and are doing a great job. The district has provided *Big Books*, *Living Sober* to the Jails. The correction meetings are all going great in Panguitch - men, Kanab – men and women, Beaver - men, Purgatory – men and women and Juvie, Cedar – men. We have several new GSR's – I have a current district roster update for Doug. Both meeting halls in Cedar are doing well and we have more meetings. We still have some DCM positions open and the Grapevine chairperson. The Bridge The Gap signup sheet has been going around. Next month we will host our Christmas Season get together in Cedar. Thank you, for letting me serve.

District – 8, John G., DCM: District 8 is doing Great! We are grateful to get to host the 2009 Area 69 Fall Workshop. I am personally grateful that we have a great core of grateful alcoholics here in the Basin who have stepped up to fill jobs on the hosting committee, especially hospitality, registration. And for coming up with what I know will be a great dinner. Special thanks to Tom W. (our committee chairman) and Nadine (our treasurer). Many on our hosting committee are also District standing chairs. And all have kept moving forward while getting ready for the workshop. Special thanks to Pam K., Gary L. and Skyler for their determination, perseverance and making sure there are meetings in the Jail every week. District 8 loves you and we are grateful for what you do! All our standing chairs are great too! Our GSR are the best in the world. We are healthy, happy and useful.

District – No Report.

District 10 – JoAnn, DCMC: District 10 is still minus 6 DCM's and 5 Alt. DCM's. We are encouraging people to stand and asking our GSR's to take the word to their people. On November 1, we had a Fall Workshop at the Grace Mary Manor. Ron L., our Literature chair, made a power point presentation for GSR's that was very educational. We were privileged to have our Delegate Monte, past Delegates Mike and Shirley O. and Andy the P.I. Chair with us. Andy spoke about the importance of GSR's. Also, Mike O. and Monte both spoke about the GSRs. It was very informative and I am sorry we did not have more GSR's attend. The District is doing financially well as the donations seem to keep coming in from our Groups. I have brought a preliminary flyer for Pre-Conference. We have the contract to be signed and have a great group of people on the committee. It will be held at the Best Western Landmark Inn in Park City and we are looking forward to seeing everybody there. We will have a complete flyer ready in February; it is very difficult to find a place in Salt Lake to hold the events. We want to thank Charlie for attending our GSR meeting and informing us on the website that our District is thinking of doing. At our Fall Workshop our BTG coordinates, John, gave a presentation and will be passing out forms for our groups to obtain names for this program. Thank you for my sobriety, love in service, JoAnn.

District11 – No Report.

District 12 – No Report.

Past Events

Fall Assembly – Keith M (for Coop and Crew): There were 105 in attendance at the assembly. The committee sold 54 Banquets to the attendees. The amount of coffee consumed at the assembly was 74 gallons. The committee collected \$2730.81 and spent \$1747.81, which means a gain of \$973.00. After accounting for seed money the area will receive additional funds of \$473.00. It was emphasize that registration was low, \$8.00. The host committee gave the following recommendations: (1) The entire group should work with the Program Chair in selecting guest speakers. In the event a speaker drops out, have a short committee meeting to get a committee conscience on a replacement; (2) Form a welcoming committee to ensure we engage in friendship and that guests, especially newcomers, feel at home. Make a special point of greeting newcomers and new GSRs; (3) It is important that dependable sub-committee members are selected, especially in Registration and Hospitality; (4) Each Sub-committee chair should stay focused on their function; (5) Sufficient copies of the Area Agenda should be made available at the function. It appears that emailing them out does not get it done; (6) If you have a banquet with entree selections, try and keep it to 3 or less. Anything over that becomes unmanageable; (7) Review Area guidelines regarding the function at your first committee meeting and make periodic reviews to be sure you are still on track; (8) Include all Area Committee Chair Persons in your email addresses; (9) Be sure to have a contact for your facility who can be easily reached during the event. Try and get an alternate.

Annual National AA Archives Workshop – Treesa J.: My entire report from the National AA Archive Workshop has been printed in the Area 69 Newsletter so I am only going to share a few highlights from that report. First let me say “thank you” to Area 69 for supporting this position. I have to say, meeting new people and sharing a common interest was wonderful. Oh wait that is what AA is all about. It was a really informative weekend. The entire workshop is available on CD for \$90. I intend to purchase CD's that are not currently in the Archives from previous workshops. The NAW is currently working to establish a permanent website. Right now each conference is setting up a website for that event. It was shared that S.H. Hadley wrote, “It isn't the last drink that ruins a man, it is the first”. He wrote this in the book Down on Water Street in 1898. I thought AA came up with that saying. I also found this saying by Samuel Moore Shoemaker, Jr. interesting. He described sobriety as a train station. Imagine you are sitting in a train station and think you're traveling. However, to be traveling, first you have to get on the train. I shared at the workshop about our Area upgrading the storage of our Archives to a climate-controlled environment. The optimum storage condition for a stable environment area is a constant 68-70 degrees and also 40-50 percent humidity. It is important to maintain a stable environment to prevent the growth of mold, mildew and other bacteria. One thing I was reminded of this weekend is preservation is a slow, time-consuming process. Be Patient!! Mike Dugan works at the Ronald Reagan Museum. He came and shared with us when Clancy was unable to attend. Mike shared that the museum doesn't rely upon CD's for storage because they are not recognized by the National Archives as a stable storage device. He also shared how President Reagan's diary's had pages taken out that referred to national security items. The diaries were rebound and the removed pages secured. When these pages are no longer a threat to national security they will be added back to the diaries and they will be rebound once again. This reminded me of items we have donated to the Area Archives with stipulations that they not be displayed until a certain number of years have passed and they are no longer considered a threat to

remaining family members, etc. The largest item on display at the museum is Air Force One. It is only on loan from the Air Force. Michelle Mirza, Archivist at GSO, shared with us the current Markings. There is an article in there about an original "Dr. Bob & The Good Old Timers" donated to GSO Archives. Michelle also shared reasons why a request for copies of information at GSO may be denied. Michelle tried to contact all Archivists' by email to set up a contact but not all the email addresses were correct. She will continue to work on this. GSO will be displaying archives that were donated by ICYPAA thru 2010. The next ICYPAA will be held in New York in 2010. GSO is also looking at a self-guided tour of the archives on the Internet for members to view what is in our archives and what is available.

Up Coming Events

December Area Committee Meeting, District2, Charlie T. — The committee meeting will take place on 5 December 2009. The location is Lakepoint (Tooele county), Utah at the Shephard House Christian Church, 1533 Sage Lane. For Google map go to www.lakepointaa.org. An AA member has stepped up to cook for this event. Please RSVP so that the committee can know how much to cook.

February Committee Meeting: No Report.

PRAASA, Delegate, Monte S.: The event will take place the first weekend in March 2010 in Los Angeles, California. Registration is \$20.00 and the Banquet is \$52.00. The hotel rooms are approximately \$115.00 with tax. online registrations open @ www.praasa.org.

Pre-Conference Assembly, District 10, Mike W.: The facility contract has been signed. The host committee is mostly put together. A Preliminary fly is available at this event. The flyer contains the basic information. The final flyer will be ready by the time we meet in February 2010.

International Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous, Charlie G. Area Chairperson – Within a week, over 11,000 folks had registered. Despite recent rumors, hotels and housing are still available to registrants and rooms are being added as we move along. Look for updates on our website online @ aa.org for latest information on this and other Convention news.

Motion discussion:

Presented by Don P. – seconded by Doug R.: Move that Ad Hoc Committee on PRAASA and Forum Defrayment write their suggestions, as a proposed guideline change and it be presented to groups. Financial impact will be a savings of \$150.00 a year. After some discussion, this motion passed.

What's on Your Mind: New Motion

Presented by Pete G. – seconded by Mike W.: Add responsibility to the Area Treasurer to contribute excess contributions received by the Area throughout the calendar year onward to GSO. This to be done after the Area Committee Meeting in December to make certain all Area expenses have been met. Excessive funds shall be defined as balance in the account being twice the amount of our prudent reserve, while not including the prudent reserve. This action to take place only after all Area expenses have been met, (December 15 - December 31). Financial Impact: Varies, depending upon yearly contributions. Also, could be zero.

Close Business Meeting at 12:09 PM