

## District 2 News and Notes

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**July 2007**

Meeting at:  
Wasatch Presbyterian Church  
1625 South 1700 East  
Salt Lake City, Utah



### **GSR Preamble**

We are the General Service Representatives. We are the link in the chain of communication for our groups with General Service Conference and the World of A.A. We realize in the ultimate authority in A.A. is a loving God as he may express himself in our group conscience. In passing along this group conscience, we are helping to maintain the unity and strength so vital to our fellowship. Let us, therefore, have the patience and tolerance to listen while others share the courage to speak up when we have something to share, and the wisdom to do what is right for our groups as a whole

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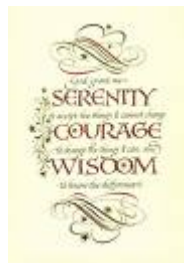
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## **Agenda for District 2 GSR Meeting June 2007**

### **7:00 - 7:20**

- Open-Moment of Silence
- GSR preamble
- Concept VII
- Tradition VII (Tony)
- Introductions
- June Meeting Minutes (Dawn)
- Treasurer's Report (Walter)
- Corresponding Secretary (Vard)
- Pre-Conference Workshop Report (Walter)

### **7:20 – 7:30**

- DCMC report and DCM reports
  - 1- Wade
  - 2- Andrew
  - 3- Rebecca
  - 4- Steve
  - 5- Sara

### **7:30 – 7:40**

- Officer Reports
  - 1- Archives (Lana)
  - 2- Corrections (Tony)
  - 3- PI/CPC (Ryan)
  - 4- Grapevine (Dawn)
  - 5- Newsletter (Shar)
  - 6- Literature (Zack)

### **7:40 – 7:50**

- Old Business**
  - Election of two DCMs (Wade)
  - Election of four Alt DCMs (Wade)
  - Election of BTG Coordinator (Wade)

### **7:50 – 7:55**

- New Business**

### **7:55 – 8:00**

- Open time for visitors

## **Concept VII**

## **Tradition VII (Tony)**

### **Tradition 7: Self Supporting**

By being self-supporting and declining outside contributions, 12 step groups protect the fellowship structure and basic spiritual foundations.

### **Tradition 7: Every group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.**

One of the principals of 12 Step Support Groups is that each member is responsible for his or her own recovery. The first part of Tradition 7 makes it clear that responsibility extends to the members of each local group as it passes the basket for contributions to pay the rent and maintain its literature library. If the group collects more than is necessary to meet its expenses, the group can contribute to its World Service Office, which also follows this tradition by accepting no outside contributions. Although such contributions have fallen off in recent years, they are important in helping to carry the message worldwide. The second part of this tradition addresses the issue of the fellowship not becoming involved with outside issues or conflict that could arise by accepting "outside contributions." If such contributions were accepted the group and its members might feel obligated to make some kind of concessions to the individual or organization making the donation. Declining these contributions keeps the fellowship independent from outside influences.

Love in service  
Tony S.

## **GSR Meeting Minutes from June 2007 (Dawn)**

Opened with a moment of silence for the Alcoholic who still suffers followed by the Responsibility Statement. Tony read the GSR preamble. Dawn read the meeting minutes and they passed. Walter did the Treasurer's report and asked that everyone look at their groups contributions and make sure that everything is accurate and also asked that everyone double check his work and if you see any problems please let him know. Pre-Assembly workshop planning committee is doing well; we will be having a committee meeting directly following this meeting so that everyone can get involved. All the recommended positions for the committee are filled, but we could still use a lot of help. Wade stressed how important having a BTG coordinator is not only to him but to AA as a whole. Tony announced that there are ten active volunteers helping with the meetings in ADC. Ryan urged everyone to attend the School on Alcoholism. We then asked if there was anyone willing to stand for either Alt DCM or DCM and no one stood. There are still 2 DCM positions and 4 Alt DCM positions open. No one stood for either of these positions. Wade then asked if there was anyone willing to stand for the BTG coordinator position and no one stood. There were three people who stood for the newsletter position and they were Shar, Zack and Chad. Shar got the position. We then discussed the Treatment chair stepping down and the body voted unanimously on this issue, then Chad stood for the position.

The question was brought before the body to waive the sobriety suggestion and that also passed. Chad is the new Treatment Chair. We closed at 8:00 p.m. with the Responsibility statement.

**Love and Light**  
**Dawn Marie**

**Pre-Conference Workshop Report (Walter)**

Hello Everyone,

I am Walter C and I am your chairperson for the Pre-Assembly Workshop. The workshop will be held in Tooele, Utah on August 18-19, 2007.

The committee has met seven times as of this writing. The following tasks have been accomplished.

1. The Dow James Recreation Facility has been secured to hold the function. See flyer for further information.
2. A caterer has been selected to host the Saturday night dinner.
3. The committee members are currently asking selected AA members to speak at the event.

Volunteers are still needed. Our next meeting will be after the GSR meeting on Thursday, 26 July 2007 at the Wasatch Presbyterian Church 1625 South 1700 East, Salt Lake City, Utah.

**DCMC Report**

**DCMC (Wade)**  
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**DCM Reports**

**Andrew (sub-district C)**  
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**Rebecca (sub-district B)**

Hello family,

I am always moved to my toes by the level of service you all have and continue to teach me. This last month has been a planning month for the Pre-Conference Assembly in Tooele. I have so enjoyed working with Pete and Walter. Also when I work outside of my home group I meet others in service. Tooele is rockin'.

Please start announcing the Pre- Conference Assembly at your perspective meetings. I still have a few meetings to catch up on, mostly the speaker meetings on the weekends.

There is so much to learn. Thank you all for you patience and understanding.

**Rebecca**

**Steve (sub-district A)**

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**Sara (sub-district E)**

Dear Fellow Servants,

At our last DCM meeting we discussed the importance of the 7th tradition, and that it is our job as DCMs to show the financial report of the group donations to our respective GSRs. Of course the financial report prepared by Walter only shows the district donations (not Central Office, Area or GSO). Still, most groups pay dispersements to several levels of AA as a whole, including our beloved District 2. So, for any GSRs out there who may be wondering about when your last dispersement was made, please check the financial report and be sure to inquire about where the money is going from your group treasurer. Most groups make dispersements 3 or 4 times per year; and history has shown that hording AA funds can be dangerous--so it is up to each of us to inquire if we are giving money to a group that is not donating to AA. The GSR is the "guardian of the traditions" for each group, and that includes the tradition of being self-supporting.

I've been attending some of the groups that I am the DCM of, but I intend need to step it up in August and get to the groups I've not attended in a few months.

Thank you for letting me be of service.

Woohoo!

Sara L.

## Officer Reports

**Archives** (Lana)

Hi Friends, Archives here

An archive now has a new home at the Safe Harbor Self Storage, at 3947 S. State Street in Salt Lake City. Gate hours are summer: 7am to 9pm, Winter: 7am to 7pm. The Office Hours are Tues- Fri: 9am to 6pm and Sat: 9am to 3pm. The on-site managers are Tracy and Kelly Valdez. Tracy was very helpful in getting us all set up and letting us know about the security of the place. The space is number 52 and the rent is \$144.00 for 6 months. That makes the monthly rent \$24.00. Also there was a \$10.00 administration fee. Tracy also gave us the 5X6 larger unit for the same price as the 5X5 unit. So Archives has a home until December 30, 2007. Our collection is being cataloged and will be delivered to the unit this next month. We still need a lock. Please let your groups know that we are still accepting donations of any thing that pertains to Alcoholism or Alcoholics Anonymous.

Who am I?

I CAME TO WORK for the Alcoholic Foundation (the old name for the AA General Service Board) in March 1947, when AA was only twelve years old. The Fellowship then was barely out of its infancy, with a membership of about 40,000 in some 1,200 groups. There were thirteen people, including Bill W., in our three-room office at 415 Lexington Avenue, directly across from Grand Central Station in New York City. Before I arrived on the scene, an office manager had been brought in to shape up the rather freewheeling office crew, who had divided up the jobs among themselves and turned rebellious at the first hint of discipline. Indeed, they shortly quit. My name is NELL WING.

It is with great sadness that we share the news that Nellie Elizabeth Wing, AA's first Archivist, died on Wednesday, February 14, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. after a lengthy illness. Nell was 89 years old. You can find out more about our first archivist at [sobersots12@yahoo.com](mailto:sobersots12@yahoo.com)

Preserving Our Heritage To Pass It On is the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual National Archives Workshop that is being held September 6<sup>th</sup> thru 9<sup>th</sup>, 2007 in Phoenix Arizona. Janet H. the Area 69 Archivist says that it will cost \$300.00 and has asked all of the District Archivists to attend. Room rent is \$90.00 a night. Registration is \$35.00 – Banquet is \$37.00. If you want me to represent our District please consider this expense as one that is necessary to aid in the preservation of our history and to help carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Thank you for letting me serve.

Lana Young  
District 2 Archivist Standing Chair

11<sup>th</sup> Annual National Archives Workshop  
 Alcoholics Anonymous  
**Preserving Our Heritage To Pass It On**

With Al-Anon Participation

September 6 thru 9, 2007 - Phoenix, Arizona

**Sheraton Airport Hotel**

1600 S. 52nd Street

1-800-325-3535

*Must mention N.A.W. when reserving room to receive special \$90.00 + tax room rate – Cut off date – Aug. 14, 07*

*Airport Shuttle Available: Use Sheraton Airport Hotel courtesy phone in baggage claim OR call 480-967-6600 to arrange shuttle*

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\*\*\*Limited Amount Of Space Available For Archive Displays... Advise Ahead Of Time If Bringing Displays\*\*\*

**WORKSHOPS !**

**SEMINARS !**

**SPEAKERS !**

**BANQUET !**

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**A.A. NATIONAL ARCHIVES WORKSHOP PRE-REGISTRATION**

September 6 thru 9, 2007 – Phoenix, Arizona

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*Send Check or Money Order To:*

National Archives Workshop  
 PO Box 971  
 Glendale, AZ 85311-0971

Registration: \$35.00

Banquet: \$37.00

*Circle One Choice – Cut Off Date: Sept. 1, 07*

*Prime Rib / Vegetarian*

TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Corrections (Tony)**

Dear friends,

Thanks for all the Pink Can Donations. I was able to buy 120 Big Books. Purchased it "Sure Beats Sitting in a Cell" video and was able to watch it with inmates this Sunday, they really related to this. I talked with the program jail about getting REALLY LARGE BIG BOOKS into the library for the inmate who may be having a hard time reading the smaller books. Turned in all volunteer hours for the last quarter. Talked with Ron about using Central Office for the Corrections Workshop and he said that Sunday would work best with the parking space their. New volunteers keep showing up. One day at a time.

**Love in jail service,**

**Tony S.**

**801-255-3070**

**[sperle\\_7@hotmail.com](mailto:sperle_7@hotmail.com)**

**District 2 Corrections Standing Chair**

**PI/CPC (Ryan)**

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**Grapevine (Dawn)**

Hi my name is Dawn and I am an alcoholic. The Grapevine subscription is now \$21.00 a month rather than \$18.00, this is the first time they have raised the prices in many years. I brought some Grapevine Literature that is on one of the tables if anyone is interested in purchasing any please get with me after the meeting. Thanks for allowing me to serve.

**Love and Light,**

**Dawn Marie**

**Newsletter (Shar)**

Hello all,

My name is Shar and I am an alcoholic. I'm the new Newsletter Standing Chair. This is my first time making the newsletter so I can honestly say I have no idea what I'm doing. If you have any suggestions on changes or items that you believe need to be included in the newsletter that were left out please see me after the meeting. I went to the DCM meeting on Thursday and would just like to say that I enjoy getting to learn the different aspects of AA service work and I'm grateful for the opportunity to serve District 2.

**Peace Out ☀**

**District 2 Newsletter Standing Chair**

**Shar**

**Literature (Zack)**

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*Responsibility Declaration:*

*I am Responsible  
When Anyone Anywhere*

*Reaches out For Help...  
I want the hand of A.A. Always to  
Be There and For That...*

*I am Responsible*

