

October 2005

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

GSR Preamble

We are the General Service Representatives. We are the link in the chain of communication for our groups with the General Service Conference and the world of A.A.. We realize the ultimate authority in A.A. is a loving God as he may express himself in our group conscience. As trusted servants, our job is to bring information to our groups in order that they can reach an informed 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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AGENDA FOR DISTRICT 2 GSR MEETING OCTOBER 27 7:00 PM

7:00 – 7:20 PM

Open – Moment of Silence

GSR Preamble

Responsibility Declaration (Back cover)

Concept 10

Tradition 10

Introductions

Officer Reports

Treasurers' Reports – James H. (page 12)

September Meeting Minutes – Pete G. (page 2)

Corresponding Secretary – Charlie T.

2006 Post-Conference Host Committee Report – Michaelene R.

2006 Budget Committee Report – James H. (page 13)

Report back District 2 Workshop – Sara N.

7:20–7:35PM

Chair Reports

Corrections Chair – Jean B. (page 4)

Grapevine Chair – Dawn G. (page 4)

Literature - Michaelene R.

Newsletter – Doug R. (page 4)

Treatment Chair – Jay G.

7:35–8:00 PM

Old Business

Elections of DCM for sub-districts A & E

Elections of ALT-DCMs for sub-district A, C and E

Election of PI/CPC Standing Committee Chair

New Business

Two standard motions (Page 8)

Change of service meeting dates (See Upcoming Events)

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September 29, 2005

District 2 GSR Meeting Minutes

Prior to the meeting, GSR orientation was conducted by Jim D. Walter opened the GSR meeting with a moment of silence. Michaelene read the Responsibility Declaration. Glenn P. read Concept 9. Pete G. provided some insight about Tradition 9. Group Introductions were conducted.

Officers Reports.

Thom B. – District 2 DCMC gave a report covering the current openings available for service in District 2. He summarized the Fall Assembly that was held recently in Logan. He made mention of the Area 69 open access to the Digital Archives for the Grapevine. Thom provided information concerning the many guidelines revisions adopted at the Fall Assembly. Thom gave an enthusiastic recount of the creation of the new linguistic District created at the Fall Assembly for the Spanish-Speaking groups. Thom clarified some confusion regarding guidelines for the Web Servant position and the Area Website.

Treasurers Report – James H. was unable to attend the meeting due to work-related issues. He provided copies of August and September's District accounts to the Newsletter. Special consideration was given to the areas of the report dealing with DCM rent, which is paid in advance. When the budget was drawn up last year, District 2 had only the rent we paid to Fellowship Hall as a guideline to go by. When we changed locations, our different rent scale was not changed accordingly. A second item of note is that the budget for DCM expenses is exhausted. Prior to the next Area Workshop, provision need to be made to deal with this situation. There was an additional question raised about approving the report in absentia. Report was approved.

Doug R. read the minutes from the August meeting. Approved.

Charlie T. – Corresponding Secretary. Informed the body that questions regarding group numbers or GSR changes were re-addressed while attending the Fall Assembly in Logan. He is working closely with the Area Registrar – Leslie H. to resolve all questions. Charlie also noted that he has Service Manuals available for those who are in need of one.

Michaelene R. – Post Conference Host Committee report. Michaelene reported that the committee will meet at the Holiday Inn on Oct. 8th. After some discussion, the meeting time was moved from 2:00 PM to 10:00 AM. She stated that the contract for the facility was ready and needed to be confirmed with the facility.

District 2 Workshop report – Sara N. Sara reported that "Demystifying the Concepts" work was going well. The facility, Recovery Bridge, was set aside and the program was set. She has experienced great support and participation but there is always room for more help. There are speakers, breakout sessions, a panel and lunch will be served. Due to the time of year, costumes are appreciated. Instructions for finding Recovery Bridge will be placed on the website. Sara can be contacted at 801-414-6285.

Pete reported for James concerning the District Budget committee. AN October meeting is planned.

Jean – District Corrections. Jean noted that temporary sponsors are needed. She reports that the pink can provided \$181 recently and she has acquired two cases of Big Books for distribution. She reports conducting meetings for those who use ankle monitors. Jean recognized Renae for getting meetings into the Orange Street facility. We need to provide volunteers to help with these meetings.

Michaelene provided the literature report, stating that she has funds left over from Logan (\$45) and that she was going to ask the Treasurer for \$50 for District literature. By group conscience, it was acceptable for her to re-allocate this money to use for literature for the racks. Notations made to inform the District Treasurer about the re-allocation. Michaelene noted that she was providing an empty literature rack for use by Corrections that will be stocked by donations from the Pink Can.

Newsletter – Doug R. Stated his full report was in the Newsletter. He noted that the picture taken in Logan of 'AA' was added to this month's District Newsletter. He mentioned the Grapevine Digital Archives are available for free until Oct. 10.

Treatment – Jay G. Jay reports that the VOA meeting is well-supported, with a number of members already having taken the opportunity to speak there. More volunteers are welcome. He reports that the Tooele Valley Mental Health has allowed AA to have meetings there, in addition to their support of the local groups. He reported there were two successful Bridging the Gap calls recently.

Old Business.

Alternate DCM vacancies are in sub-Districts A, C, E and F.

Those standing were J.L.M., who has a rich history of group and district service.

J.L.M. was unanimously voted in as an Alternate DCM – again. As it turns out, he stood last month and was unanimously voted in but had not been assigned a sub-district. He now has twice the support he previously did!....

District DCM vacancies are for sub-districts A and E.

None stood.

Thom asked each GSR to take this information back to the groups in order to alert members that there are positions available for those who are willing to serve.

Jean B. made a plea for additional volunteers for Corrections.

District Recording Secretary vacancy filled by Pete G. Unanimously approved.

PI/CPC Standing Chair. Though no one stood for this position there was some interest in the responsibilities of this position. GSR's admonished to take this opportunity for service back to their groups.

A question was raised concerning DCM's ability to stand for additional offices. It was noted that the District Guidelines allow DCM's to stand for non-voting positions.

Grapevine Committee Chairperson. Dawn G. stood for this position and was unanimously approved.

An impending motion by Pete G. was tabled.

Meeting was adjourned.

Officer Report

District Committee Member Chair

It is about time I got back to writing for the newsletter. These last months have been very busy and involved. We have had quite a bit on our plate as District 2. Many open service positions make for a lot of work for those who serve. My thanks to all who continue with the dedication I am privileged to be a small part of.

Our District workshop was very well attended and one that had a vast wealth of information. Thanks to everyone who helped put it on. We are also working on the '06 Post Conference Assembly. The '07 Pre Conference has others asking where and when, too. Even though we will not be in the same positions, we still have the responsibility to help serve our Area. Please consider helping out on the committee level wherever possible. It has truly given me a new pair of glasses regarding another level of our Fellowship.

As we continue the road of carrying the message, we have the chance to help others get involved, also. I have encouraged all the men I sponsor to attend and get involved in General Service at any level. That is how it was shown to me, and hence passed on with our other Legacies.

Might we always remember to ask what it is we can do for those who still suffer.

Thom B.

District Committee Member Chair

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The *District 2 Newsletter* presents news & notes from Utah Area 69, District 2 of Alcoholics Anonymous. Opinions expressed are not those of Alcoholics Anonymous. Please send your comments, suggestions, questions and/or article submissions to Doug R., Newsletter Chair, at dist2_newsletter@utahaa.org or submit them at the monthly GSR meeting.

Officer Report **District 2 Treasurer**

As I reflected in last months report, DCM travel expenses have exceeded budget for Hotels and Mileage. We have two more assemblies this year, which would increase this amount as well as bring the Registration over-budget as well. I received expense reports from DCM's requesting funds for the next assembly at last week's DCM meeting.

I have held off dispensing those funds until the GSR body can meet and discuss the issue. It will require a 2/3rds majority to authorize exceeding the budget. Also, I have made a few changes to the Treasurers report. I am now including two months data instead of one.

This is to better reflect expenses and donations which come in at different times, and to more accurately record donations from groups.

I have also separated out Pink Can donations from the Corrections budget. This will help me to better track Pink Can Donations and make clear that Pink Can donations are being used for their intended purpose.

Our literature chair used \$45 dollars of her travel expenses to buy literature. I have changed the report to reflect this.

Rent has been paid through the end of the year to the church (2 months at \$50.)

The District received donations from two new groups, the Six-Forty New-Yorkers and The Way Out. Thank you!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact me via phone or e-mail at any time.

Finally, I would like to thank the members of the Budget Committee who showed up at very short notice and a special thanks to the Groups whose contributions make the Districts efforts possible!

Thank you for letting me serve,
James H.

Standing Committee Report **Correctional Facilities Committee**

I am currently working with the new lieutenant at the jail to get a "Bridging the Gap" program going so we will pass out sign up sheets for volunteers who want to take inmates to meetings upon their release.

Getting literature racks in the Orange Street Correctional Institution. There is a new meeting for women only. We need volunteers! Background check is required but it's not as stringent for Orange Street as for the jail.

"Pink Can" donations can be sent by check directly to District 2, PO Box 615, Salt Lake City, UT 84110. Please indicate that it is "Pink Can" money.

Jean B.
District 2 Corrections Chair
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Standing Committee Report **Grapevine Committee**

Hello all, my name is Dawn and I am alcoholic. I have recently been accepted into the position of grapevine standing chair. I am still in the process of figuring out what my job is and what to do, but someone suggested I write a brief letter telling you all about me. I am currently serving the 5:30 sobriety hour as GSR. This is my first year in service and my first time in so-

briety. In the last 19 months I have truly come to believe in AA and the fellowship. I love the service side of AA since I have been GSR I have learned more and experienced more in sobriety than I could have ever dreamed. I am very excited about this new position. I am looking forward to getting to know the GVRs in district 2 and learning more about the Grapevine, our

meeting in print. Thank you for allowing me to serve, and giving me this new opportunity to serve you.

Love and Light,

Dawn Marie
District 2 Grapevine Chair
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Standing Committee Report Newsletter Committee

I would like to thank the District for putting together a wonderful workshop last weekend. I am no longer mystified by the 12 concepts!

A new series of articles regarding the various service positions will be presented in the next few months. Starting with the Standing Committee Chairs then the Officers and then the DCMs. See page 6 for the first installment. By next September, when the new service rotation will be voted on, everyone will be familiar with the duties and suggested requirements. Right?

The District 2 newsletters are available online on the Area's website. The District's home page also has an archive of all of the past newsletters, as well as the District's guidelines, email links to your trusted servants, service meeting information, etc. There's even a place where you can enter or change your group or service position information.

¿Usted habla ingles y español? If you understood what I just said I would love to talk to you after the meeting. The Area 69 website committee is looking for help in translating things like web pages, minutes, agendas, etc.

Please bring this request back to your groups as well.

I would also like to point out that the service meetings in November and December have been changed because of the holidays. The DCM meeting and GSR meeting will be Thursday November 17. The meetings in December will both be on December 15 See the Upcoming Events on page 7.

There are newsletter sign up sheets available, please take one back to your group. I've asked the DCMs to do the same.

I owe so much to this program, to people like you. I am very grateful that I can be of service to this incredible Fellowship. Thank you all for allowing me to serve.

Doug R.
District 2 Newsletter Chair
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"We don't have leaders, Will a trusted servant do?"

A DRUNK, FIRED BECAUSE HE LOAFED ON THE JOB, Sought a letter of recommendation from his ex-boss. The employer, though eager to be honest, didn't want to hurt the worker's reputation. Having given it a good deal of thought, he finally wrote the following: "Dear Sir, You will be lucky if you can get this man to work for you."

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Standing Committees

Public Information /Cooperation with the Professional Community

Editors Note: We will be presenting a series of articles on the various District 2 service positions, starting with the Standing Committees ending with the Officers and DCMs.

According to the District 2 guidelines the purpose of District Standing Committees is to provide an effective means of carrying the Alcoholics Anonymous message within A.A. and to the media, other organizations and professionals interested in Alcoholics Anonymous and to agencies and institutions dealing with treatment of Alcoholism. GSO Guidelines state: "In all public relationships, Alcoholics Anonymous' sole purpose is to help the still suffering alcoholic. Our experience should be made available freely to all who express sincere interest. We must recognize that our competence to speak about alcoholism is limited in subject matter to Alcoholics Anonymous and its recovery program."

Standing committee chairpersons suggested qualifications include: The time, energy and willingness to serve the District. A background in AA Service. Suggested minimum two years continuous sobriety. The ability to organize and work well with others.

Standing committee chairpersons duties and responsibilities include: Serves a two-year term. For term of office, see "Term, Eligibility, and Election Procedures" under "The District and the D.C.M" in the service manual. Each Chairperson should utilize the GSO Guidelines/Workbooks specific to his/her committee. Adheres to the District Guidelines. Knowledge of the AA Traditions, 12 Concepts and their application to service in AA. Prepare and submit an annual budget request in writing to the District Budget Committee by the August GSR Meeting of each year. Is responsible and accountable for committee budget, using it over the budget year. Expenditures above budget must be requested at the DCM meeting in advance to be on the agenda for the GSR Meeting. The GSR body will decide on the expenditure. Attends DCM Meetings when necessary. Gives a verbal committee report at the GSR Meeting every month and provides a written report to the Recording Secretary and the District Newsletter Chair during the monthly District Committee Meeting. It is suggested that the Standing Committee

Chairpersons attend the following Area functions. (Funding will be allowed as per DCM expense only if funding has not been provided already by a Group as a GSR expense): Pre-Conference Assembly, Post-Conference Assembly and the Fall Assembly. Any Standing Committee Chairperson whose occupation or health interferes with the performance of his/her duties or who has 3 unexcused absences from GSR meetings will be replaced by the GSR body. Standing committee chairs work with the area standing chairs. Each standing chair will conduct one committee workshop during their two-year tenure. A "legacy package" will be compiled to make for a smoother transition to subsequent standing chairs. Standing chair introduces electees to this package and works with them to acquaint them with district work.

Specifically for the PI/CPC Committee: Provides information to all local newspapers and periodicals. Makes public service announcements available to local radio and television stations. Provides contact with public and private schools, colleges and universities in District 2 making speakers, films and literature available. Sets up and maintains literature racks in all areas not covered by Corrections or Treatment. Distributes literature geared towards the needs of professionals in the community. Provides literature to local professional conferences where necessary. Assists Area P.I. Chair with U of U Annual School of Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependencies. Organizes and presents workshops to professionals in District 2. Provides contact and information about AA to those who have contact with alcoholics through their professions. This group may include but is not exclusive to teachers, physicians, nurses, clergy, lawyers, social workers, union workers and industrial workers. Conducts informal surveys of the need for information among professional groups. Informs and motivates committee members concerning P.I. Guidelines, projects and supports those willing to do the work. Organizes and presents workshops to professionals in District two.

DCM Group Assignments

Sub-Districts A-F

Sub-District A: (DCM Vacant) Big Book Thumpers, Bog Irish Big Book Study, Chapter 5, Friday Night Speakers, It's in the Book, Live & Let Live, Primary Purpose, No Rules, Starting the Day, Way Out

Sub-District B: (Stephanie F., DCM) 5:15 Happy Hour, New Hope Group (Women's), Saturday Night Alive, Speak Easy Ladies, The Right Stuff, We Care Group

Sub-District C: (Pete G., DCM) 17th & 17th 12 X 12, 6:40 New Yorkers, Brown Bag Big Book Study, City at Seven Group, DNS Group, Friendship Group, Grantsville Good News, Survive and Serve, New Way Group, Sizzling Sobriety Group

Sub-District D: (Walter C., DCM) 974 Group, Acceptance Group, Basic Young Peoples, Group 2, Foothill Group, Magna Friendly Bunch, Stonewall Group, Tooele Group, Castaways

Sub-District E: (DCM Vacant) Honey's Breakfast Group, Downtown Bunch, Altrum Group, Windsor St. Beginners, Trying Again, Northwest Sobriety, Old Fashioned A.A., New Avenues & Promises, Richard Street Lunch Bunch, Unity Lunch Bunch

Sub-District F: (Wade J., DCM) An AA Group, Boot Straps, Early Friendship, Midnight Miracles, Non-Smoking Sobriety Hour, Saturday Night Speaker, Sobriety Hour, Weekend Get AA

If your group is not listed above please contact the District Committee Member Chairperson. See the 'Currently Serving' section at the end on this newsletter for the contact information.

Upcoming Events

Mark your Calendar

PLEASE NOTE:

Because of the holidays the District's service meeting dates have been changed for November and December.

Fall Workshop
District 8 - Vernal

November 5-6, 2005

November DCM Meeting 6:00pm
November GSR Orientation 6:00pm
November GSR Meeting 7:00pm

November 17, 2005
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November 17, 2005

Area Committee Meeting (AREA INVENTORY)
District 3- American Fork

December 3, 2005

December DCM Meeting 6:00pm
December GSR Orientation 6:00pm
December GSR Meeting 7:00pm

December 15, 2005
December 15, 2005
December 15, 2005

Please see the Area 69 website for more information.

UtahAA.org/district2/

District 2

Proposed Motions

There were two motions presented at the DCM meeting held October 20, 2005 to be brought before the GSR body for their consideration.

Standard motion number one. "To increase the current budget under the category of Hotels, Registration and Mileage by a total of \$500.00 to deal with the under budgeted amount for the remainder of 2005. Submitted by Charlie T. Oct 20, 2005.

Standard motion number two. "To create an ad-hoc committee that would review District 2's guidelines. The committee's charter is to make recommendations to do general house keeping changes as well as reexamining the duties of some of the Standing Chairs." Submitted by Doug R. Oct 20, 2005

DCM Report

Sub-District D

Sub-District D is made up of 11 diverse and vocal groups. Some groups have been around for awhile and others are new. The "Castaways" in Tooele is among the new groups. An article by the "Castaways" members detailing the group's beginnings can be found in the August 2005 issue of the District 2 Newsletter. New groups are generally started because some one disagrees with the way their old group was being run. For example, a group member may want a non smoking meeting. But the group conscience disagreed with changing the meeting to non-smoking. So that member starts his or her own non smoking meeting.

An interesting subject is being discussed in sub-district D. Who are the members of a group? In one group, the subject came up because a member of the group questioned the fact that someone identified himself or herself as an addict only and was the secretary of the group. This member felt that the self identified addict was not a member of A.A. and should not hold a group service position. Some members felt

having a self identified addict only as a group secretary was not in line with the traditions while others felt that it was ok.

Who is right and who is wrong? Each group can and should decide how they will handle matters which affect their group.

Is it important who is right or wrong? I believe the most important thing happening is that the group members in sub-district D are discussing the traditions and how they affect the group and its members. I believe the discussions of the traditions are more important than determining who is right or wrong.

Sub-district D is growing and learning. Even though it is frustrating at times, I am glad to be part of this new growth and learning experience!

Walter C
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District 2 Workshop

Demystifying the 12 Concepts of Service!

What an incredible way to learn about the 12 Concepts of World Service. Many thanks to everyone who made this workshop happen! It was fun to participate with the other 40 plus that were there at Recovery Bridge last Saturday. Sara, my hat is

off to you. Wonderful job of coordinating and helping to take the mystery out of the Concepts!

After a couple of very imaginative 'ice-breakers' Jodi E., past delegate panel 53 started us

out with a brief history of the development on the Concepts. Charlie T. presented a panel of presenters that talked about the 6 warranties of the 12th Concept, which are also known as the alcoholic's "Bill of Rights". Rod B. gave a presentation on

the practical application of the Concepts. He focused on the three rights; the right of participation, the right of decision and the right of appeal.

We broke into 6 groups where each group discussed two of the Concepts. We were asked to come up with creative ways of reporting back to everyone on what they meant. Sara had brought two big boxes of costumes, so some of the teams put on some very creative skits to get the point of each Concept across, it was very entertaining!

Sara and Jodi created a game of "Jeopardy" using the Concepts

to form the answers. We split into 2 groups and proceeded to play a very entertaining game that challenged our knowledge of general service work, including the information that had been presented earlier in the day.

Good job everyone!

The last few paragraphs of the *Twelve Concepts for World Service* (Page 75) seem to sum it all up very nicely.

"The sum of these several attitudes and practices is, in our view, the very essence of democracy – in action and spirit.

Freedom under God to grow in His likeness and image will ever be the quest of the Alcoholics Anonymous. May our General Service Conference be always seen as a chief symbol of this cherished liberty.

To a man, we of A.A. believe that our freedom to serve is truly the freedom by which we live – the freedom in which we have our being."

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Committee Report 2005 District 2 Budget Committee

This last weekend, a Budget Committee was formed to plan for 2006. Myself, Jim D, Andrew R, and Paul C were in attendance. My apologies to those who were going to attend that I did not get a hold of in time. In planning a budget for the New Year, we reflected on the past year and discussed issues which have been raised in the GSR and DCM meetings. As many of you know, a couple of years ago the District suffered a major financial setback when the Districts funds were stolen by the Treasurer. After much debate, precautions were taken to guard against future theft, and the groups came to the Districts rescue, helping to get it back on its feet within months. Since then, we have built a respectable prudent reserve to cover the Districts efforts. Unfortunately, because of unusual financial condition the District has been in for the last 2 years, it was somewhat unreliable in determining a trend for the New Year. Regardless, we took what information was available and used it to establish three budgets that we are hereby presenting to the GSR body for consideration. The committee recommends adoption of budget #2, which we believe is the most

prudent and reasonable option considering the information available. While there are too many considerations to list here, below are a few notes of interest:

The committee recommends next years budget committee take special note of those budgets which are not used, as we have left certain budgets intact from last year which have not been used.

The DCM budget for travel, which includes hotel, gas and registration funds, has been significantly increased. We raised the gas allowance more than projected for this year in anticipation of a possible increase in what the District offsets. (Due to the significance increase in fuel costs)

Rent was also changed. With our new location, our rent will be a flat \$300 a year. This expense is included under "DCM Rent", although for the time being, the "GSR Rent" field will remain included in the Treasurer's report, even though it has no budget.

The "Pink Can", thanks to the District Corrections Chair, Jean, and the groups, has been tremendously successful. Jean

suggested that due to Pink Can contributions, a District allowance may not be needed. However, the committee determined that the Corrections chair budget should remain at \$500. This is partly due to feedback we've received from the groups, which consider Corrections spending a priority, and because of the possibility of fluctuations in Pink Can donations. A budget for the Grapevine chair was added.

Although the committee lacked solid historical information, it believes the recommended budget, while more than last years budget, is prudent, reasonable, and needed. Finally, the committee would like to give special recognition to the former District Treasurer, Paige C. Her reliability, wisdom and organization and the legacy she left contributed greatly to the committee's efforts.

Thank you for letting us serve.

The 2005 Budget Committee

James H.
Jim D.
Andrew R.
Paul C.

"The Promises"

The promises of Recovery are not just those found after Step 9. The promises of Recovery are found all through the Big Book. Here are some of them... each of us will find many more that are special to us if we take the time to read the Big Book with an open heart and mind.

PROMISES OF STEP TWO

Big Book page 25

- There is a solution.
- We have found much of heaven and we have been rocketed into a fourth dimension of existence of which we had not even dreamed.
- The great fact is just this, and nothing less: That we have had deep and effective spiritual experiences which have revolutionized our whole attitude toward life, toward our fellows and toward God's universe.
- The central fact of our lives today is the absolute certainty that our Creator has entered into our hearts and lives in a way which is indeed miraculous.
- He has commenced to accomplish those things for us which we could never do by ourselves.

Big Book page 28:

- A new life has been given us or, if you prefer, "a design for living" that really works.

Big Book page 46:

- We found that God does not make too hard terms with those who seek Him.
- To us, the Realm of Spirit is broad, roomy, all inclusive; never exclusive or forbidding to those who earnestly seek. It is open, we believe, to all men.

Big Book page 47:

- As soon as a man can say that he does believe, or is willing to believe, we emphatically assure him that he is on his way.
- It has been repeatedly proven among us that upon this simple cornerstone a wonderfully effective spiritual structure can be built.

Big Book page 50:

- In the face of collapse and despair, in the face of the total failure of their human resources, they found that a new power, peace, happiness, and sense of direction flowed into them.

Big Book page 55:

- Sometimes we had to search fearlessly, but He was there. He was as much a fact as we were. We found the Great Reality deep down within us.

Big Book page 57:

- Even so has God restored us all to our right minds.
- But He has come to all who have honestly sought Him.
- When we drew near to Him He disclosed Himself to us!

PROMISES OF STEP THREE

Big Book page 63.

- More and more we became interested in seeing what we could contribute to life.
- As we felt new power flow in, as we enjoyed peace of mind, as we discovered we could face life successfully, as we became conscious of His presence, we began to lose our fear of today, tomorrow or the hereafter.
- We were reborn.
- an effect, sometimes a very great one, was felt at once.

Big Book page 68.

- At once, we commence to outgrow fear.

Big Book page 70.

- We have begun to learn tolerance, patience and good will toward all men, even our enemies, for we look on the them as sick people.

PROMISES OF STEP FIVE

Big Book page 75:

- Once we have taken this step, withholding nothing, we are delighted.
- We can look the world in the eye.
- We can be alone at perfect peace and ease.
- Our fears fall from us.
- We begin to feel the nearness of our Creator.
- We may have had certain spiritual beliefs, but now we begin to have a spiritual experience.
- The feeling that the drink problem has disappeared will often come strongly.
- We feel we are on the Broad Highway, walking hand in hand with the Spirit of the Universe.

The
promises
of
Recovery
are found
all
through
the Big
Book

PROMISES OF STEP EIGHT

Big Book page 78:

- If our manner is calm, frank, and open, we will be gratified with the result.
- Rarely do we fail to make satisfactory progress..

PROMISES OF STEP NINE (The famous ones)

Big Book page 83-84:

- If we are painstaking about this phase of our development, we will be amazed before we are half way through.
- We are going to know a new freedom and a new happiness.
- We will not regret the past nor wish to shut the door on it.
- We will comprehend the word serenity and we will know peace.
- No matter how far down the scale we have gone, we will see how our experience can benefit others.
- That feeling of uselessness and self-pity will disappear.
- We will lose interest in selfish things and gain interest in our fellows.
- Self-seeking will slip away.
- Our whole attitude and outlook upon life will change.
- Fear of people and of economic insecurity will leave us.
- We will intuitively know how to handle situations which used to baffle us.
- We will suddenly realize that God is doing for us what we could not do for ourselves.
- Are these extravagant promises? We think not.
- They are being fulfilled among us-sometimes quickly, sometimes slowly.
- They will always materialize if we work for them.

PROMISES OF STEP TEN

Big Book page 84

- And we have ceased fighting anything or anyone -even alcohol.
- For by this time sanity will have returned.
- We will seldom be interested in liquor.
- If tempted, we recoil from it as from a hot flame.

Big Book page 84-85

- We react sanely and normally, and we will find that this has happened automatically.

Big Book page 85

- We will see that our new attitude toward liquor has been given us without any thought or effort

on our part. It just comes! That is the miracle of it.

- We are not fighting it, neither are we avoiding temptation.
- We have not even sworn off. Instead, the problem has been removed. It does not exist for us.
- We are neither cocky nor are we afraid.

PROMISES OF STEP ELEVEN

Big Book page 86:

- we can employ our mental faculties with assurance, for after all God gave us brains to use.
- Our thought-life will be placed on a much higher plane when our thinking is cleared of wrong motives.

Big Book page 87 :

- What used to be the hunch or the occasional inspiration gradually becomes a working part of the mind.
- Nevertheless, we find that our thinking will, as time passes, be more and more on the plane of inspiration. We come to rely upon it.

Big Book page 87-88 :

- We constantly remind ourselves we are no longer running the show, humbly saying to ourselves many times each day "Thy will be done." We are then in much less danger of excitement, fear, anger, worry, self-pity, or foolish decisions.
- We become much more efficient.
- We do not tire so easily, for we are not burning up energy foolishly as we did when we were trying to arrange life to suit ourselves.

PROMISES OF STEP TWELVE

Big Book page 89 :

- You can help when no one else can.
- You can secure their confidence when others fail.
- Life will take on new meaning.

Big Book page 100 :

- When we look back, we realize that the things which came to us when we put ourselves in God's hands were better than anything we could have planned.
- Follow the dictates of a Higher Power and you will presently live in a new and wonderful world, no matter what your present circumstances!
- Assuming we are spiritually fit, we can do all sorts of things alcoholics are not supposed to do.

Big Book page 102 :

- God will keep you unharmed.

District 2 Financial

2005 Treasurer's Report	September	October	Year to Date
OPENING BALANCE	\$3,197.67	\$2,674.12	\$2,588.00
INCOME			
Contributions	\$407.45	\$174.88	\$4,060.82
DCM Meeting Basket	\$9.00	\$14.00	\$138.05
GSR Meeting Basket	\$57.00		\$289.55
Workshops			\$0.00
Corrections (PINK CAN)	\$96.54	\$135.52	\$909.78
TOTAL INCOME	\$473.45	\$188.88	\$4,488.42
EXPENSES			
PJ/PC			\$0.00
Corrections	\$170.00		\$340.00
Corrections (Pink Can)		\$150.00	\$885.00
Literature	\$45.00	\$50.00	\$245.00
Treatment			\$0.00
Accessibilities			\$0.00
Grapevine			\$0.00
Committee subtotal	\$215.00	\$200.00	\$1,470.00
Workshops/Assemblies			\$50.00
Hotels	\$494.00		\$974.00
Registration	\$76.00		\$202.00
Mileage	\$137.00		\$533.00
PRAASA/FORUM			\$655.00
DCM Expenses subtotal	\$757.00	\$0.00	\$2,474.00
GSR Expenses			\$0.00
Office Supplies			\$0.00
Photo Copies			\$116.12
Postage			\$0.00
GSR Coffee			\$0.00
GSR Rent			\$0.00
DCM Rent	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$300.00
Post Office Box			\$38.00
Corresponding Secretary			\$20.00
Treasurer			\$0.00
Recording Secretary			\$0.00
Other Expenses subtotal	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$474.12
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$997.00	\$225.00	\$4,358.12
CLOSING BALANCE	\$2,674.12	\$2,638.00	

Group Contributions	Sep	Oct	YTD	Sep	Oct	YTD
5:15 Happy Hour			\$175.00			\$175.00
5:30 Sobriety Hour			\$0.00			\$0.00
6:40 Newyorkers			\$0.00			\$0.00
974 Group	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$175.00			\$13.27
An AA Group			\$25.00			\$0.00
Acceptance Group			\$57.10			\$0.00
Altrium Group			\$0.00			\$0.00
Basic Young People's			\$0.00			\$62.45
Bog Irish			\$12.90			\$0.00
Broad Highway Women's			\$0.00			\$0.00
Chapter 5			\$35.00			\$71.41
City at Seven			\$175.00	\$38.22		\$27.57
DNS Group	\$30.00		\$70.00			\$89.54
Downtown Bunch			\$30.00			\$0.00
Early Morning Friendship Group			\$0.00			\$0.00
Foothill			\$43.05			\$60.00
Friday Night Speaker's Meeting			\$25.18			\$0.00
Friendship Group			\$126.97			\$0.00
Grantsville AA			\$0.00			\$0.00
Group 144310			\$0.00			\$0.00
Honey's Breakfast Club			\$500.00			\$100.00
It's in the Book			\$50.07			\$0.00
Magna Friendly Bunch			\$74.50			\$0.00
Midnight AA Candlelight			\$0.00			\$0.00
Midnight Miracles			\$85.00			\$50.93
New Avenues Promises			\$0.00			\$0.00
New Way			\$279.00			\$0.00
No Rules			\$221.00			\$0.00
Non-smoking Sobriety Hour			\$350.00	\$33.32		\$365.36
Off the Cuff	\$17.14		\$25.64			\$0.00
Old Fashioned AA	\$102.26		\$102.26			\$0.00
Primary Purpose			\$0.00			\$0.00
Richard's Street Group			\$175.76			\$0.00
Right Stuff			\$0.00			\$0.00
Saturday Night Speakers Meeting			\$0.00			\$0.00
Serenity Now!			\$34.00			\$0.00
Six-Fourty New-Yorkers	\$43.75		\$43.75			\$0.00
Speak Easy Ladies			\$15.27			\$0.00
The Way Out	\$60.00		\$60.00			\$0.00
Tooele Beginners	\$52.50		\$740.64	\$25.00		\$25.00
Trying Again	\$28.00		\$88.50			\$0.00
Unknown			\$0.00			\$19.41
Unity Lunch Bunch			\$75.00			\$0.00
We care	\$58.80		\$128.80			\$0.00
Weekend Get AA			\$0.00			\$0.00
TOTAL	\$407.45	\$174.88	\$4,060.82	\$96.54	\$135.52	\$909.78

Welcome to new contributors the Six-Fourty New-Yorkers and The Way Out! We appreciate your contributions! If you have any questions, please contact me.

Grapevine chair was added as budget item under standing chairs. Pink Can contributions were separated from Corrections budget.

Some Travel Expenses for the Assembly in Logan were redirected to Literature. (\$45.00)

October - Paid \$50 for Rent through end of Year

Notes:
Differences in monthly closing balance and YTD opening balance reflect payments credited to current month but not shown in this report.
\$89.06 balance discrepancy from last year-- added to opening balance.

District 2 Proposed 2006 Budgets

Please see the Budget Committee report on page 9.

Proposal #1	
EXPENSES	Budget
PI/CPC	\$100.00
Corrections	\$500.00
Literature	\$500.00
Treatment	\$100.00
Accessibilities	\$100.00
Grapevine	\$100.00
Committee subtotal	\$1,400.00
Workshops/Assemblies	\$50.00
Hotels	\$964.00
Registration	\$218.00
Mileage	\$500.00
PRAASA/FORUM	\$600.00
DCM Expenses subtotal	\$2,332.00
GSR Expenses	\$0.00
Office Supplies	\$0.00
Photo Copies	\$200.00
Postage	\$0.00
GSR Coffee	\$0.00
GSR Rent	\$0.00
DCM Rent	\$300.00
Post Office Box	\$45.00
Corresponding Secretary	\$50.00
Treasurer	\$25.00
Recording Secretary	\$30.00
Other Expenses subtotal	\$650.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$4,382.00

Proposal #2	
EXPENSES	Budget
PI/CPC	\$200.00
Corrections	\$500.00
Literature	\$500.00
Treatment	\$100.00
Accessibilities	\$100.00
Grapevine	\$100.00
Committee subtotal	\$1,500.00
Workshops/Assemblies	\$150.00
Hotels	\$1,500.00
Registration	\$300.00
Mileage	\$950.00
PRAASA/FORUM	\$650.00
DCM Expenses subtotal	\$3,550.00
GSR Expenses	\$80.00
Office Supplies	\$20.00
Photo Copies	\$200.00
Postage	\$30.00
GSR Coffee	\$30.00
GSR Rent	\$0.00
DCM Rent	\$300.00
Post Office Box	\$90.00
Corresponding Secretary	\$50.00
Treasurer	\$25.00
Recording Secretary	\$30.00
Other Expenses subtotal	\$855.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$5,905.00

Proposal #3	
EXPENSES	Budget
PI/CPC	\$220.00
Corrections	\$550.00
Literature	\$550.00
Treatment	\$110.00
Accessibilities	\$110.00
Grapevine	\$200.00
Committee subtotal	\$1,740.00
Workshops/Assemblies	\$200.00
Hotels	\$2,000.00
Registration	\$330.00
Mileage	\$1,000.00
PRAASA/FORUM	\$650.00
DCM Expenses subtotal	\$4,180.00
GSR Expenses	\$200.00
Office Supplies	\$22.00
Photo Copies	\$220.00
Postage	\$33.00
GSR Coffee	\$150.00
GSR Rent	\$0.00
DCM Rent	\$300.00
Post Office Box	\$90.00
Corresponding Secretary	\$55.00
Treasurer	\$25.00
Recording Secretary	\$33.00
Other Expenses subtotal	\$1,128.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$7,048.00