



# NORTH FLORIDA AREA ASSEMBLY

January 31, 1989

## FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE NORTH FLORIDA AREA CONFERENCE OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

January 13, 14, & 15, 1989 - Melbourne, Florida

DCM/OFFICER'S MTG., 4:00 P.M. 01/14/89: Roll call; Dists. 1, 2, & 6 absent. No roster as yet. Please get your DCM/GSR listing to Judy P [redacted] as soon as possible. Delegate Report's-Jimmy G [redacted] reported that he will be in Atlanta, GA in two weeks representing us at the Delegate's Meeting & G.S.O. Conference in New York in April. No further report. George C [redacted] passed out a listing of Districts & asked that each DCM fill in their county or counties. This will assist us in drawing a new map of the North Florida area. Tom D [redacted] with Fred MacD [redacted] presented for discussion the paying of expenses to the quarterly assemblies for officers and committee chairpersons. At the DCM Workshop, it was the unanimous decision of those DCM's present that expenses be paid. There were several DCM's present who felt that every officer and committee chairperson should take the money and should give it back in the form of a contribution to the area assembly if it is not needed; but every person eligible should take it and it should be given across the board. It was noted that this is in keeping with the seventh tradition of self-support. There was also discussion regarding the paying of expenses "on an as needed basis" only. It was also suggested that we set a specific amount; for example, \$100 per officer/committee chairperson; or pay for two (2) room nights only; or incorporate room charges in the negotiations for the hotel rooms or provide complimentary rooms. There were several people who felt that we should find out how much money we have before any decision was made. Joan E [redacted] stated that all expenses could be estimated at approximately \$1,200 per quarter for the 14 officers and committee persons involved in this proposal. She further suggested that this amount be budgeted out of our regular operating expenses. After much discussion and suggestions, the paying of expenses for officers and committee chairpersons was agreed to in principal. The following motion was made, seconded and carried by a vote of 32 in favor; 3 opposed- "Pay the costs of two (2) nights lodging, plus reasonable travel and food expenses, subject to review at the July, 1989 quarterly assembly". A letter from N.F.A.C.A.A. will be sent to the National Women's Conference of A.A. committee in support of their holding their annual convention in Orlando, Florida. Distributed minutes of the October, 1988 fourth quarterly assembly meeting, as well as "Guidelines for Submitting Manuscripts for the Daily Reflections Book" from the General Service Office in New York. Please note that the deadline for receiving manuscripts has been extended to April 1, 1989. Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m., with the basket being passed & the saying of the Lord's Prayer.

OPEN SPEAKER MTG., 01/14/89, 8:30 P.M.: Joe P [redacted], Class B Southeast Regional Trustee of GSO, shared his experience, strength and hope with an estimated audience of over 600 fellow members.

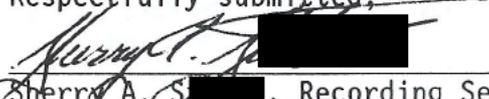
GENERAL ASSEMBLY, 01/15/89, 9:00 A.M.: Tom D [redacted], Chrmn., opened the meeting with a moment of silent meditation, followed with the Serenity Prayer. Roll Call-Absent Dists. 2 & 16. Treasurer's Report - Elise D [redacted] presented the 12/31/88 treasurer's report and thanked everyone for allowing her the opportunity to serve the assembly for the past 16 years. Report approved; balance - \$5,172.48/checking & \$7,894.17/prudent reserve for a total of \$13,066.65. Please send all donations to Joan E [redacted], 7924 S.W. 90th Lane,

Gainesville, FL 32608 Phone (904) 495-3670. Minutes of the fourth quarterly assembly, October, '88, approved as mailed. Following is a list of tentative, in some cases, dates & locations for the quarterly assembly meetings for the next two years; **March 31, April 1 & 2, Ocala, FL @ the Ramada Inn (Highway 27 & I-75) w/ room rates @ \$34/single & \$44/double. July, 8, 9 & 10, 1989, Jacksonville, FL @ the Marriott Hotel w/ room rates @ \$45.00 single or double, plus 10 1/2% tax. October 13, 14 & 15, 1989, Daytona Beach, FL @ the Hilton Hotel on the beach. January, 1990, Gainesville, FL (probably the second or third weekend in Jan. April, 1990, St. Augustine, FL @ the Ponce de Leon Hotel (the weekend prior to Easter). July, 1990, Tallahassee, FL. October, 1990, possibly Crystal River, FL or in the alternative because of space restrictions in Orlando, FL. Location bids for 1991 will be accepted at the quarterly assembly meeting in October, 1989 in Daytona Beach, FL. It was noted that self-support was not a "one shot deal".** Following that comment, Tom D [redacted] presented the following motion from the DCM/Officers Mtg., for consideration & vote of the general assembly, "Pay the costs of two (2) nights lodging, plus reasonable travel and food expenses, subject to review at the July, 1989 quarterly assembly". After minimal discussion, the motion was seconded and carried by majority vote of the general assembly. By majority vote of the general assembly, it was decided to have a Traditions Meeting as part of the regular quarterly area assembly meeting agenda. Tom D [redacted] reminded everyone that the deadline for submitting manuscripts to G.S.O. for the daily reflections book has been extended to April 1, 1989. Sue G [redacted], in the absence of Elmer W [redacted], gave a report from the Southeast Regional Forum - DCM Workshop, held in Hollywood, Florida, December 4, 5 and 6, 1988. "Enthusiasm. The greatest compliment you can pay someone in AA is ask them to do something for AA. Ask It Basket: 1. Should a DCM visit groups to explain the difference between a meeting & a group? A.-The DCM should work with the GSR's, making sure they are aware of the pamphlet, "The AA Group" and the six points that make up an AA group. 2. Can a non-alcoholic be a member of an AA group? A.-No. 3. How do DCM's address gay & lesbian groups in their districts? A.-With the same love, patience & tolerance we address any other AA group. 4. How do we raise money in our groups for DCM's & GSR's to attend assemblies? A.-When groups are made aware of the need to send the GSR's & DCM's to assemblies, they will respond. Have the courage to ask." Trustee's Report: Joe P [redacted], Southeast Region Trustee, gave the following report. He congratulated Jimmy G [redacted] on his election as area delegate & noted that we have had very productive delegates and having worked with Jimmy in the past, he was confident that Jimmy would serve our area very well. Joe called for a moment of silence in remembering the recent passing away of Lois Wilson, Milton Maxwell and Dr. Jack Norris (who had died Friday morning 01/13/89). Translations of A.A. literature are now being processed in Russian, Czechoslovakian, Yugoslavian, Egyptian, Greek and Hebrew. We are in 120 countries. GSO has issued a statement of policy on the use of the AA logo. GSO has engaged a real estate agent to investigate available rental space when the current NY/GSO office lease expires. We are selling 85,000 to 95,000 copies of the Big Book monthly, as well as thousands of copies of the 12 & 12. Grapevine info-it continues its recovery. July/August issues sold 128,000 & 129,000 copies respectively. Language of the Heart (Bill W.'s writings for the Grapevine) now available @ a cost of \$10.00 per book. Bill W. used the Grapevine to get his thoughts out to the fellowship after he turned over the fellowship to the general service conference structure. April, 1989, the General Service Conference will be held at the Omni Park Hotel at 57th & 7th in New York; delegates will not be staying at the Roosevelt Hotel any longer. International committee on world services meeting report-sharing & working together major theme. Seattle, WA will host 1990 International AA Convention & San Diego, CA will host in 1995, with 35,000 rooms & no rainfall recorded at all during the month of July. Literature-12 million pieces of books and pamphlets distributed in 1988. GSO to review all literature & streamline it, especially pamphlets, where there are one, two or three pieces on one topic. AA history book-this will be done

by area, not in New York. Native North American pamphlet will remove any reference to substances other than alcohol. Daily reflections book (new)-GSO receiving 5-8 manuscripts a week. 12 Steps Illustrated (new)-very simple version of the steps in an illustrated form. This will help broaden the base of understanding about the 12 steps among our members. AA Group-this pamphlet will be reviewed, with the singleness of purpose theme as the key. Nominating Committee-Wayne P [redacted] (of Arkansas) replacing John B [redacted] as General Manager of the General Service Office. Dr. Bill Flynn's replacement will be decided shortly. Public Information-subcommittee exploring methods of raising the consciousness of the fellowship on the subject of anonymity. Our Traditions Six (affiliation), Seven (self-support), Three and Five (singleness of purpose) and Eleven and Twelve (anonymity) are under attack by apathy. There have been more anonymity breaks in the last three to four years than we have ever had in our history. People do not really understand our principals of anonymity. We need to add to the service structure and each member needs to go back to their groups and share with them the things we heard, saw and did this weekend. Our business is to carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers inside and outside of A.A. Remember, "to serve is to live". We need to do all we can to carry the message. PI committee also heard the report on the minority issue. No input from this group of alcoholics. This needs to be addressed further. Finances-Jimmy G [redacted] will work on the Finance Committee. We were very successful with our self-support in 1987. AA has plenty of money. But AA, for many years, was getting money from outside profits, which violated the sixth tradition of AA. A major effort is underway to try to increase participation in AA by all members. Joe noted the growth in the North Florida area (almost double) in the past three years. Hopefully, in 1989, we will get to the bottom line with our finance, but we will not be totally self-supporting. Self-support must continue to be emphasized until we are free from all outside affiliations. Treatment Facilities-it is estimated that 40 to 50% of our members are coming to us from treatment facilities and there is a lack of understanding in working with these facilities. GSO will work on a video for treatment centers and for AA members to facilitate better communications and concentrating on what AA is and what it is not, anonymity, the traditions, the steps, the types of meetings, sponsorship and home groups, with the major underlying thrust of singleness of purpose. Sharing Session-it is time for everyone in AA to look at the structure of the program. We need to slow down and look at what we are doing & where we are going. It was best expressed by Dr. Bob in his last message to us, "keep it simple", thereby not complicating the AA process. Joe expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to serve us. Delegate's Report. Jimmy G [redacted] thanked everyone for their confidence in electing him as Delegate. He said that for 14 years he has been a part of the North Florida area assembly & that 14 years ago, there were only about 100 people at the quarterly meeting (one day) and that included both A.A. and Alanon members. He emphasized the importance of following directions, especially considering the growth we are experiencing and will experience in the years to come. He is our trusted servant and we have to share with him our feelings on issues affecting A.A. as a whole.

Assembly adjourned 11:40 a.m., basket passed & closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Sherry A. S. [redacted], Recording Secretary

Sherry S., Secty. •

CONCEPT WORKSHOP/EARLYBIRD BKFST. Jimmy G [redacted], Chmn. 01/14/89; 8:00 a.m.

Attendance: 110 (approximately). Dick P [redacted], past delegate, spoke briefly on Concepts I-V. He said that the Concepts were an interpretation of the AA world services structure. Additional copies of the Concepts Illustrated will be ordered from New York to facilitate further discussion. There has been significant growth in A.A. in the North Florida area

and the Concepts give us guidelines to adjust to that growth. Concept I-"The final responsibility and the ultimate authority for AA world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole fellowship." Concept II-"...the AA groups confirmed the permanent charter for their General Service Conference...thereby delegated to the Conference complete authority for the active maintenance of our world services...and the effective conscience for our whole Society." Concept III-"Right of Decision". Concept IV-"Right of Participation". This reinforces Tradition II. Concept V-"Right of Appeal". This Concept addresses the courage of our convictions as they relate to the 12 steps and 12 traditions. Bob S [REDACTED], past delegate, reviewed Concept VI which really defines what our assembly is all about. It also deals with finances and we were again reminded that self-support (in keeping with our Seventh Tradition) is not a one shot deal. Bob noted that there are 21 trustees of the General Service Board responsible for executing the dictates of the General Service Conference. Our contributions reach out to the still suffering alcoholic all over the world. We have to move with the times, especially in contributions. Bob issued a challenge to learn more about the six warranties contained in Concept XII; they are--1. The Conference shall never become the seat of perilous wealth or power. 2. Sufficient operating funds, plus an ample Reserve, should be its prudent financial principle. 3. None of the Conference members shall ever be placed in a position of unqualified authority over any of the others. 4. That all important decisions be reached by discussion, vote, and, whenever possible, by substantial unanimity. 5. That no Conference action ever be personally punitive or an incitement to public controversy. 6. That though the Conference may act for the service of Alcoholics Anonymous, it shall never perform any acts of government; and that, like the Society of Alcoholics which it serves, the Conference itself will always remain democratic in action and in spirit. Joe P [REDACTED] discussed the Concepts as our understanding the relationship of the member to the whole fellowship. Everyone is important in A.A., from the group member to the GSR to the DCM to the Delegate. We all need to do our jobs. The Concepts detail all the positions we have in relating to each other. He closed with the remark that "the highest you can get in A.A. is sober".

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PUBLIC INFORMATION George C [REDACTED], Chrmn. 01/14/89; 9:45 a.m.

Attendance: Greater than 100. Bob Van A [REDACTED], Alternate PI Chairman, gave history and procedure for Conference-approved literature. George Collins stated purpose of P.I. & C.P.C. He explained the theme, "To Serve A.A. Is To Live", Bill W., 1951. Introduced new Grapevine book, Language of the Heart. Communication is the key to P.I. work. Consists of all forms of literature, radio and tv and personal contacts. Explained structure of A.A. with handout. P.I. Committee is available to assist any district. The theme of the P.I. Workshop in OUTSTANDING OCALA is **Primary Purpose**.

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GRAPEVINE Ken R [REDACTED], Chrmn. 01/14/89; 9:45 a.m.

Attendance: 51. Noted that the Grapevine is an important tool to recovery. Some shared how they use the Grapevine for 12 step work. Groups were interested in obtaining information regarding the affordability of Grapevine display material. Grapevine Committee collected \$560 in contribution for sale of literature at this assembly. This was due in large part to the sale of the new Grapevine book, Language of the Heart. At the next assembly (April '89/Ocala), Grapevine Committee will have available a complimentary piece issued from New York on the 12 Traditions (Traditions Checklist/Inventory-1987). The Grapevine had published 12 issues and each issue had covered one of the traditions; this is now condensed into the complimentary piece mentioned above. Young people in A.A. - Grapevine needs more articles from this segment of the fellowship. They will either devote one issue to this particular part of our membership or else have a section set aside in each Grapevine issue for young people.

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TREATMENT FACILITIES Beverly F [REDACTED], Chrmn. 01/14/89; 11:00 a.m.

Meeting was opened with going over the history of meetings in hospitals & treatment facilities. Shared the treatment facilities workbook with the group. Then covered information found in the workbook on the common questions & problems brought up in previous assemblies. Went over non-alcoholic addict attendance at meetings, the need to educate the staff about AA & what we do and do not do. Gave some suggestions on handling the influx of patients into local A.A. groups. Emphasized working within the Traditions in a treatment facility. Suggested helping the facility or members start their own programs (OA, NA, etc.) if needed. Handouts were given from the workbook regarding all subjects discussed. REMEMBER-love & kindness work in dealing with the staff at facilities. The responsibility to inform the treatment facilities staff & clients about alcoholics anonymous is ours and all the information needed is either in the workbook or pamphlets from GSO.

INTERGROUP MEETING Beth G [REDACTED], Chrmn. 01/14/89; 11:00 a.m.

Attendance: 50 - 60. Ernie opened & closed. What is the function of intergroup? They answer the telephone, distribute literature and give out meeting schedules to treatment centers, hospitals, groups and prisons. Intergroup needs the group's support. Intergroup is US, not they! Can Intergroup ask groups for money? They shouldn't have to. They should contact Intergroup rep if they can, to bring information back to groups, if the group has not Intergroup rep, then Intergroup contacts whoever they can. Groups should have Intergroup rep to keep them informed. Groups like to know how money is being spent. Some Intergroups publish monthly financial reports. Suggested group contributions--60% Intergroup; 30% GSO; 10% No. Fla. area. Intergroup is very important service to A.A. Guidelines for Intergroup from New York suggest six months prudent reserve for Intergroup. Help Intergroup establish teams for 12 step calls.

ARCHIVES COMMITTEE Hank J [REDACTED], Chrmn. 01/14/89; 11:00 a.m.

Attendance: 39. Alternate Chairman, Marie B [REDACTED], introduced & made presentation outlining highlights of GSO "Handbook For Establishing Archives"-available on request from GSO. Chairman briefly described four handouts & made them available to those in attendance. Joe H. of Central Fla. Intergroup presented Archives Committee with recently published "History-Central Florida Intergroup of Alcoholics Anonymous 1944-1985". Very well received by those present. A general discussion followed touching on the many aspects of establishing & maintaining archives followed. The establishment of geographic zones were discussed, the need to search out groups within these zones and to obtain their histories was emphasized. A continuing effort to obtain oral taped interviews with old timers was emphasized. More questions by participants brought the meeting to its conclusion.

CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES Bob T [REDACTED], Chrmn. 01/14/89; 1:30 p.m.

Attendance: 35. Discussed solutions to singleness of purpose problems in Corrections. 1. Direct people to other programs. 2. Educate or orient people to what A.A. is or what it is not. 3. Have a closed meeting & open meeting. Read & work with the 12 & 12 with groups inside. Each institution has its own guidelines. It is important to work with humility when working with corrections staff. There is a need to ask groups for donations in books & pamphlets to be used in corrections A.A. work. Communication is very important. Work with prison superintendents and inside sponsors also emphasized. This can lead to successful correctional meetings. Chairman & alternate, Barry, planning to go to Tallahassee to meet with officials regarding one clearance for all prisons; right now you must renew your volunteer status with each individual prison every six months. Report will be provided at next assembly and to individual groups supporting this endeavor. Correctional Facilities Workshop at the next assembly in Ocala will be on "how to get involved in A.A. corrections work."

TRADITIONS MEETING Dick P [REDACTED], Chrmn. 01/14/89; 1:30 p.m.

Attendance: Approximately 165. Dick P. talked about Tradition I on unity. Read from Bill W.'s writings on the subject. Discussed anonymity tradition and conducted anonymity survey. Survey consisted of ten questions relating to anonymity. Don't be so rigid. Remember, it is personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and film. It was noted that you can always tell another about your affiliation with A.A., but not publicly. There are some people who would rather never reveal their affiliation with A.A. That is up to them. An A.A. member can reveal his own membership, but never that of another alcoholic. It is always important to examine our motives as they relate to our anonymity. To practice humility and control our ego is anonymity, but to always keep utmost in our minds, the responsibility we have to the alcoholic who still suffers. That is why it is so important to understand our tradition of anonymity.

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S MTG. Monica E., Chrmn. 01/14/89; 1:30 p.m.

The A.A. Group pamphlet was the major point of discussion. It was emphasized how important it is to read the A.A. literature. We should not just read it once, but over and over again and share our insights with other members, on a one to one basis.

COOPERATION W/ PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY Dan S [REDACTED], Chrmn. 01/14/89; 2:45 p.m.

Attendance: 100. Welcomed & encouraged new GSR's, DCM's & AA's. Introduced new Chairman, Dan S [REDACTED] and Alternate-chair, Anita C., as well as local dean of C.P.C., Joe S. Bobbie Lyons gave us her benediction and our marching orders. Our stories disclosed in a general way how we carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers by Cooperating with the Professional Community. Recognized local CPC chairpersons, our helpers in Alanon & Alateen, exhibited relevant literature like the Big Book, Grapevine article by Bill W. and CPC guidelines and workbook and No. Fla. area newsletter. Tried to answer a few questions; have a few laughs and get to know each other. March gig in Orlando. Thanks to Harry at Sandpiper.

Beth G [REDACTED], Secty.

DCM WORKSHOP Fred McD [REDACTED], Chrmn. 01/14/89; 2:45 p.m.

Fred McD [REDACTED], Chrmn. introduced himself as the Alternate Chairman of the North Fla. Area Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous and moderator of the DCM Workshops for the next two years. It was brought to the floor that our new Treasurer's address was incorrect. Joan M. E [REDACTED], 7924 SW 90th Lane, Gainesville, FL 32608. Dan-A DCM was contacted by a member whose group was having a problem and where does the problem go after it goes to the District. Fred-From the District to the Assembly to the General Service Office in New York. That is after all the different group consciences have been exhausted. But don't walk away from it. Lloyd-Usually conflict is due to self ego. The question is does it affect AA as a whole? Paul-Most of the solutions can be found in our literature. Bob-Our previous DCM started having District meetings & now I've been elected and want to know where to go from here. Of special concern is District level funding. We're just getting started. Tom-The Service Manual states how to organize a District. Sherry-Go to someone already in service for help. Also for holding the various offices, it does not necessarily have to be a GSR. It's the start that counts. Fred-Agreed to all those who expressed an opinion. He suggested a service sponsor different from your regular sponsor. Ask him/her for help & also get newcomers involved in service work. Mike-Our fellowship has really grown. Three years ago there were only 19 Districts and now there are 28 Districts. Fred-I've been asked to call for a group conscience vote on the following issue. Should financial support from the Assembly be given to all the officers and committee chairpersons. As of now, only a few are given limited help. Also our new Treasurer would like an expense account submitted. There was a half hour discussion on this subject ranging from "can the assembly afford to help" to "who exactly would receive help" to "if you don't need the money, okay too" to "a group conscience vote". There were 22 DCM's present and the vote was unanimous-YES! A discussion followed about a possible split of

the North Florida area and Dick P. stated that there are 500 groups in the North Florida area and that the South Florida area has 1,300 groups. But at present, New York will make that decision; they would rather have the number of delegates limited to the current conference and have the areas split into additional districts. A more important issue is the possibility of a central city for our assemblies in the North Florida area. Georgia has their's in Macon every four months and Alabama has their's in Montgomery. It is more a possibility than a split of an area. Take it back to your groups and let us know.

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ACCESSIBILITIES MEETING Tom C [REDACTED], Chrmn., 01/14/89; 2:45 p.m.

Attendance: 23. Change keeps people alive. It was established that anything that hinders anyone from getting the full benefit of an A.A. meeting is what the accessibility committee is designed for. Topics of Discussion: Facilities for the handicapped. Although, very often available, not always practical or usable. For example, handicapped parking right next to the stairs. Making A.A. too available can be a drawback. Mentioned was the issue of bringing meetings onto premises in St. Augustine School for Deaf & Blind. Point was made that it couldn't have been any easier to get out and find a bar when necessary, but the effort was made. It was suggested that meeting places where facilities are available be published in the Intergroup newsletters (where available). Reaching out to the handicapped, by arranging to have a meeting in their home; if it is not feasible that they get to a meeting. United Cerebral Palsy Association can give information on what's available in the area. Without full representation at our meetings, we're missing out. We are not doctors. Don't get involved with drugs. Never tell anyone anyone not to take their medication. It may kill them.

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GSR MEETING Paul C [REDACTED], Chrmn., 01/14/89; 4:00 p.m.

Held a fun-shop instead of a workshop. Covered all the pamphlets and other literature for general service representatives. Discussed the Concepts; they really do pertain to GSR work. Concentrate on group inventory and making decisions for the group that they can't make for themselves. Relate their job to the traditions. Encourage GSR's to participate. Educate yourselves to the job and its responsibilities. Work read and study this program. It can be fun! GSR is the link between the group and the general service structure. Get all the groups involved and participating in the fellowship. The GSR is very important, but probably the least understood job in the fellowship.

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NIGHT OWL MEETING Claudine S., Chrmn., 01/14/89; 10:15 p.m.

Attendance: 60. The first Night Owl Meeting was well attended, well received and lasted approximately 1 1/2 hours. Discussion was continued by attendees by throwing a small teddy bear into the audience. Whoever caught it, came forward and shared. Hopefully, this meeting will be continued at future assemblies.

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SHARING SESSION Ward A., Secty.  
Bill C [REDACTED], Chrmn., 01/15/89; 7:45 a.m.

Attendance: 30. The Three Legacies of Alcoholics Anonymous were discussed. Read from the book, A.A. Comes of Age (Pages 49, 51, 79 & 138 respectively). The First Legacy - recovery (refers to the 12 steps). The Second Legacy - unity (refers to the 12 traditions). The Third Legacy - service. Read the principals of service-page 138 (see above for reference). Phil A., new GSR, Cocoa 11th Step Group, shared his own experience of what the three Legacies mean to him as an individual. There was a discussion concerning clubs being separate from A.A. If this is not done, it causes a great deal of confusion, especially for newcomers. Gratitude was also discussed as a necessity in appreciation for getting into service.

**REMINDERS--**

1. Mark contributions to North Florida as follows: North Florida Area Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous & show your group service number, group name and the district you are in.
2. For the host committee, please arrange to have minute takers at each of the committee meetings of the quarterly area assembly meetings.
3. For all Intergroups and North Florida area Districts 1-28, please mail a copy of your meeting minutes and/or newsletters to the Recording Secretary, Sherry A. Stokes, 2312 SW 70th Terrace, Gainesville, FL 32607 on a regular basis.

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**NEXT SECOND QUARTERLY ASSEMBLY MEETING**

March 31, April 1 & 2, 1989 - Ocala, Florida. To be held at the Ramada Inn (I-75 and State Road 27); room rates @ \$34/single and \$44/double.

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FINANCIAL REPORT COVERING OCTOBER-DECEMBER 1988  
PRESENTED AT THE FIRST QUARTERLY ASSEMBLY  
JANUARY 14-15, 1989 MELBOURNE, FLORIDA

This Quarterly Report is the last official report to be made by me to the Assembly. I hope to provide a summary report for the year of all group donations, by Districts, later this month or next one or two that can be mailed to you by the current treasurer. In order that it may be as correct as possible, please review your quarterly reports to see whether all of your donations have been reported and whether they have been identified with the right district.

In a few cases, I have donations that have not been identified by name of group; a few have been identified with a district that the roster has not listed. Please check carefully and let me know before the final report is made.

IN THE FUTURE,,,FROM RIGHT NOW ON...PLEASE MAKE YOUR DONATIONS TO: NORTH FLORIDA AREA CONFERENCE OF A.A., c/o JOAN M. E. [REDACTED] GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA 32608

THANK YOU FOR ALL THE KIND MESSAGES YOU HAVE TRANSMITTED IN YOUR LETTERS OF TRANSMISSION OF

YOUR GROUP'S DONATIONS. WOULD HAVE LIKED TO REPLY TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU... THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO BE YOUR "HUMBLE" (I'm still in there striving for that "humility"!:) SERVANT. IT HAS BEEN A GREAT SOURCE OF PLEASURE... WHAT GREATER THING COULD I HAVE ACHIEVED THROUGH SOBRIETY THAN THE SENSE OF HAVING BEEN OF SOME SERVICE TO OTHERS...

AND WHAT MORE CAN I SAY THAN.... THANK YOU!

ELISE D

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SUMMARY 4TH QUARTER DONATIONS

DIST.	A	B	C	AMOUNT
1.	23	13	13	292.26
2.	13	3	4	50.00
3.	17	5	7	176.25
4.	17	3	3	36.75
5.	29	5	6	136.45
6.	9	3	4	230.00
7.	19	6	13	186.73
8.	22	5	10	190.78
9.	29	3	3	39.50
10.	21	7	8	85.00
11.	21	6	11	179.12
12.	21	3	3	148.62
13.	27	-	-	-
14.	22	2	3	57.60
15.	14	2	2	30.00
16.	8	4	4	45.00
17.	22	8	14	283.88
18.	34	7	12	150.00
19.	20	4	4	76.20
20.	9	3	7	100.00
21.	21	8	10	91.09
22.	10	3	3	30.00
23.	15	2	5	55.00
24.	8	3	5	57.00
25.	10	6	7	143.96
26.	7	1	1	15.00
27.	9	-	-	-
28.	12	4	8	101.41
TOTALS	484	126	173	2995.70

A = No. Groups Registered  
B = No. Groups participating during quarter  
C = No. donations made during Quarter

NOTE: Groups now listed under District 28 (see other side of page) were reported during first three quarters under Dist. 13. No. donations under Dist. 28.

V include a donation from Inter-tergroup V.

MISCELLANEOUS COLLECTIONS include return of seed money provided by the State Convention (\$1200.00) and return of \$110.00 not used by the Institutions Committee to pay way for inmates to attend the Convention. Interest in the amount of \$81.84, and Grapevine Sales of \$212.50. EXPENSES: Assembly expenses in addition to hotel and host expenses include \$250.00 for travel expenses of speaker for Melbourne Assembly. Misc. expenses cover primarily FORUM expenses. CHECKING ACCOUNT HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED TO THE NEW TREASURER FOR 1989/1990. In two installments: \$100.00 and \$5,072.48.

PERIOD	GROUP	MISC:COLL.	RECEIPTS	DEBIT	ASSEMBLY	OPERATIONAL	MISCEL.	EXPENSES	BALANCE
ENDING									
12-31-87	\$10083.50	\$5208.51	\$15352.09	\$3150.00	\$6992.35	\$2907.73	\$753.39	\$3119.76	\$2123.73
1-31-88	2735/201	1450.32	4185.33	1700.00	2132.75	1184.74	279.95	25.00	5272.44
6-30-88	3159.57	1432.65	4892.52	1000.00	2732/86	578.19	673.50	5.00	4984.45
9-30-88	3271.16	4208.90	7480.06	1100.00	3173.49	1133.66	771.18	5.00	5183.33
12-31-88	2988.20	3333.59	6321.79	400.00	1832.40	1085.73	965.99	1226.61	5510.73
TOTALS	12154.24	10425.16	22879.74	4200.00	9871.59	3982.32	2640.52	1256.61	21950.95
									928.75
									5172.48

DONATIONS MADE BY GROUPS OCTOBER-DECEMBER, BY DISTRICT

DIST.		DIST.		PRUDENT RESERVE
1.	AMETHYST (3)	15.00	13. 27 See Dist. 28 -0-	12.31.84 7454.67
	ARLINGTON (2)	76.76	14. FREE TO BE (2)	12.31.85 7995.90
	ARLINGTON FRIENDS	30.00	J & G	12.31.86 8973.26
	BEACH BOULEVARD	20.00	22 2 (3)	12.31.87 10010.94
	CENTRAL (3)	112.50	15. GATEWAY	12.31.88 7745.35
	DEERWOOD	7.50	TITUSVILLE SUNDAY	1. 4889 7894.17
	LIFELINE	3.00	NIGHT BIG BOOK GROUP	5.00
	MANDARIN	25.00	14 2 (2)	30.00
	SWITZERLAND	10.00	16. GATEWAY	5.00
23	9 (14)	292.26	HAMILTON CO. GRATITUDE	25.00
2.	ALEXIS	15.00	LIVING SOBER	5.00
	EMANON (2)	15.00	12 STEP	10.00
	HELPING HANDS	20.00	8 4 (4)	45.00
18	3 (4)	50.00	17. BELLEVIEW	12.50
3.	HAPPY HOUR	25.00	EYE OPENER	12.50
	ORANGE PARK	8.50	MEN'S GROUP	17.75
	STEP SISTERS	5.00	SERENITY HOUSE (3)	31.09
	TIMAUANA LADIES (2)	37.75	WE GIVE THANKS	8.00
	WESTSIDE (2)	100.00	WINNER'S CIRCLE (3)	122.21
17	5 (7)	176.25	WOMEN'S ALCOHOL	1.63
4.	FERNANDINA BCH	1.75	YOUNG PEOPLE IN AA (3)	78.70
	MISSING LINK	20.00	22 8 (14)	283.88
	RIVERVIEW STUDY	15.00	18. ALTAMONTE (2)	20.00
17	3 (3)	36.75	BACK TO BASICS (3)	32.00
5.	CAPITAL CITY (3)	30.00	CLEAN AIR	20.00
	INTERORUP V	78.45	SANFORD	50.00
	FIVE & LET LIVE	6.00	SANFORD WOMEN	5.00
	NORT SIDE	10.00	17/92	8.00
	SERENITY SMOKELESS	12.00	2 1/2 HOUR (3)	15.00
21	4 (6)	136.45	34 7 (12)	150.00
6.	NITE OWL	30.00	19. BOULEVARD	40.00
	SHAMROCK (2)	20.00	FOUR TOWNES	4.50
	TRINITY	180.00	OPEN DOOR	21.70
9	3 (4)	230.00	SAT: NIGHT BEGINNERS	10.00
7.	GOLDEN TRIANGLE (3)	22.00	20 4 (4)	76.20
	HAPPY HOUR (3)	26.30	20.	17.70
	LUNCH BUNCH	10.00	HIGH NOON (3)	50.00
ON	DAY AT A TIME (2)	16.43	NEW SMYRNA BEACH	20.00
	STEPPING STONES	20.00	PORT ORANGE (3)	30.00
	TRANSITION	20.00	9 3 (7)	100.00
	12 Steps & 12 Trad	27.00	21. ALOHA	5.00
	Y A N O	45.00	BIG BOOK STUDY	13.57
19	8 (13)	186.73	BIG BOOK STEP STUDY	5.50
8.	BRIGHTER DAYS (3)	45.00	WORKSHOP	30.00
	OCEAN HOLIDAY	12.60	OCEANSIDE SPEAKERS (3)	15.00
	ROAD TO RECOVERY (3)	45.00	ORMOND BEACH	5.00
	WAY OF LIFE (3)	88.18	ORMOND-BY-THE-SEA	7.02
22	(10)	190.78	SEABREEZE	10.00
9.	PINECASTLE		GROUP UNIDENTIFIED	91.09
	FRIENDSHIP	15.00	21 8 (10)	10.00
	SHARING & CARING	4.50	22. CALM SEAS	6.00
	TAKE IT EASY	20.00	SANDPIPER	14.00
29	3 (3)	39.50	T.O.I.F.	30.00
10.	ALOHA	20.00	10 3 (3)	45.00
	BIG BOOK	10.00	23. SANDPIPER (3)	10.00
	MARVIN R.	13.00	TURNING POINT (2)	55.00
	NEW HOPE (2)	20.00	15 2 (5)	27.00
	OPEN DOOR	10.00	24. AZALEA CITY (3)	20.00
	WINTER PARK	5.00	INTFROLOPHN	10.00
	WINTER PARK STEP	7.00	PALATKA	57.00
21	7 (8)	85.00	8 3 (5)	75.00
11.	BROWN BAGGERS (4)	29.22	25. BEACHES UNITY	20.00
	DRY DOCK #24	25.00	BROWN BAGGERS	7.35
	FREE TO BE (2)	52.50	I-AM RESPONSIBLE	10.00
	GOOD SHEPHERD (2)	23.00	PALM BOOK STUDY	25.00
	HOSPITALITY	25.00	PONTE VEDRA-PALM	6.61
	TURNING POINT	25.00	VALLEY DISCUSSION	113.96
21	6 (11)	179.72	SAWGRASS DUTCH (2)	15.00
12.	BIG BOOK-7:15	20.00	10 6 (7)	15.00
	HAPPY HOUR	68.62	26. CAME TO BELIEVE	15.00
	SERENITY	60.00	7 1 (1)	-0-
21	3 (3)	148.62	27. 9 0 (0)	16.41
	DIST. 28 CRYSTAL RIVER (2)			20.00
	CRYSTAN RIVER BIG BOOK			35.00
	TURNERS LUNCH BUNCH (3)			

\* A check for this amount was mailed to the current Treasurer, however, a check in the amount of \$100.00 had been mailed earlier in Dec. in order that an account could be established in Gainesville. HENCE, a total of \$7994.17 was turned over to the current treasurer. During the year 1988, \$2500.00 was transferred from this account to our Checking Account. The only other payment from this account was \$2.00 to pay for the Money Order transmitting \$100.00.

Contributions from Florida State Conventions (two) and a Florida Conference of Young People totalled \$1660.10. All other additions to our Prudent Reserve came from interest.

F I L M L I B R A R Y

In 1984 the amount of \$3000.00 was put into escrow for the purchase of films, equipment, etc. to establish a film library; this was initially established for use in prisons but was made available to anyone in the area (North Florida) who might have the need for it.

AMOUNTS SPENT:	
1984	\$834.05
1985	900.00
1987 (3.5.87)	40.00
	<u>1774.05</u>
GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS DESIGNATED FOR FILM LIBRARY (INSTITUTIONS)	
1985	\$ 25.00
1987	10.00
	<u>\$ 35.00</u>

STILL AVAILABLE IN ESCROW \$1260.95  
NOTE: HAVE HAD NO REPORTS ON THIS OPERATION SINCE MARCH 5, 1987.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

*Elise R. D. Past*  
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TREASURER