

# EAST TENNESSEE INTERGROUP



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## Steps:

**Ten:** Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.

**Eleven:** Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.

## Traditions:

**Ten:** . Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

**Eleven:** Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.

## Concepts:

**Ten:** Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority, with the scope of such authority well defined.

## Practice These Principles..

**Tradition Ten:** Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the AA name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

1. Do I ever give the impression that there really is an "AA opinion" on Antabuse? Tranquilizers? Doctors? Psychiatrists? Churches? Hospitals? Jails? Alcohol? The federal or state government? Legalizing marijuana? Vitamins? Al-Anon? Alateen?
2. Can I honestly share my own personal experience concerning any of those without giving the impression I am stating the "AA opinion"?
3. What in AA history gave rise to our Tenth Tradition?
4. Have I had a similar experience in my own AA life?
5. What would AA be without this Tradition? Where would I be?
6. Do I breach this or any of its supporting Traditions in subtle, perhaps unconscious, ways?

**Eleven:** The trustees should always have the best possible committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs, and consultants. Composition, qualifications, induction procedures, and rights and duties will always be matters of serious concern.

## Prayers:

**Ten:** God, please help me Watch for Selfishness, Dishonesty, Resentment and Fear. When these crop up in me, help me to immediately ask you to remove them from me and help me discuss these feelings with someone. Father, help me to quickly make amends if I have harmed anyone and help me to resolutely turn my thoughts to someone I can Help. Help me to be Loving and Tolerant of everyone today. Amen

**Eleven:** God please direct my thinking and keep my thoughts divorced from self – pity, dishonest or self-seeking motives. Please keep my thought life clear from wrong motives and help me employ my mental faculties, that my thought-life might be placed on a higher plane, the plane of inspiration.

7. How can I manifest the spirit of this Tradition in my personal life outside AA? Inside AA?

**Tradition Eleven:** Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.

1. Do I sometimes promote AA so fanatically that I make it seem unattractive
2. Am I always careful to keep the confidences reposed in me as an AA member?
3. Am I careful about throwing AA names around—even within the Fellowship?
4. Am I ashamed of being a recovered, or recovering, alcoholic?
5. What would AA be like if we were not guided by the ideas in Tradition Eleven? Where would I be?
6. Is my AA sobriety attractive enough that a sick drunk would want such a quality for himself?

## DISTRICT MEETINGS

**District 1** meets 11 a.m. on the second Saturday at the Renaissance Center, Kingsport, TN.

**District 2** meets the second Thursday of the month at 6:30pm at the Mountain Home VA in Johnson City.

**District 3** meets the first Sunday of the month at 12:30pm at the Morristown Group.

**District 4** meets the first Sunday at 2:00pm at Happy Destiny II.

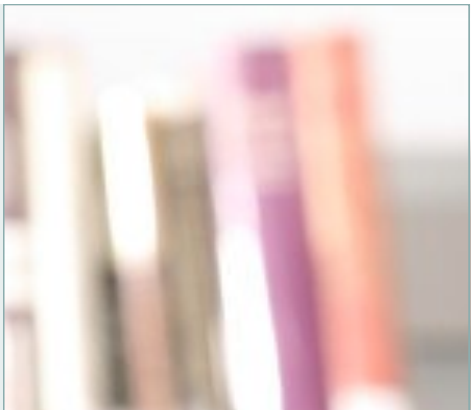
**District 50/51** meets the first Monday of the month at 6:30pm at the Intergroup Office.

**District 6** meets at 10:00am the first Saturday of the month at the Serenity Club.

## SERVICE COMMITTEES

**Intergroup Committee** meets at 12:30pm on the 2nd Sunday of the month at the Intergroup Office.

**District 50/51 - Treatment Committee** meets at 7:00pm on the 2nd Thursday of the month at



## UNITY NEWSLETTER

is a monthly publication of East Tennessee Intergroup about, by and for members of Alcoholics Anonymous (AA). Opinions herein are not to be attributed to AA. Except when indicated, this publication does not imply endorsement by either AA or the Newsletter. Delegates to the General Service Conference on April 24, 1972 agreed that the use of full names and addresses could improve communication within the Fellowship. Consequently, we may use full names for AA service members. To assure anonymity, it is requested that the Newsletter be kept within the Fellowship.



### BIRTHDAYS

None Submitted

Submit AA Anniversaries to:  
**Newsletter Coordinator,**  
[newsletter@etiaa.org](mailto:newsletter@etiaa.org)

Please use the following format:

- ♦ **First full name**
- ♦ **Last name initial**
- ♦ **Birthday month**
- ♦ **Number years**



## NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

### Would you like to submit something for the Newsletter?

- \*\*Is your group celebrating any Birthday/ Anniversaries? Are you?
- \*\*Do you have AA-related question and/or "Myth" that (ETIAA) East Tennessee of Alcoholics Anonymous can answer for you?
- \*\*Is there an "In Memory" group member to be recognized?
- \*\*We encourage all appropriate submissions by sending them to:

## SPONSORSHIP MEET & GREET

FOR THOSE LOOKING FOR SPONSORS AND SPONSEES

FIRST SATURDAY MORNING OF EVERY  
MONTH FROM 9AM TO 11AM.

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AT THE INTERGOUP OFFICE  
5833 CLINTON HIGHWAY  
SUITE 202, LOWER LEVEL, BACK DOOR  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912



## MOBILE

### INTERGROUP

*When should we come to visit your group?*

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Pancake Breakfast  
November 3rd, 9am  
Trinity United Methodist  
Church

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District 50/51 Annual  
Christmas Party  
December 1st, 6pm  
Trinity United Methodist  
Church

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Is there an AA-related event you would like Intergroup to attend? If so, please contact us at:  
865-522-9667 or email,  
manager@etiaa.org

## INTERGROUP SERVICE NEEDS

**Want to get involved and do rewarding service work?**

Currently there are many Service Work opportunities available at Intergroup.

**24/7 Hotline Volunteers:** Volunteer monthly, bi-monthly or weekly. Answer the phones when the office is closed.

**Current shift opening: Thursday Nights 5pm-9am**

**12-Step Volunteers:** When someone calls the office/hotline for help and the hotline worker cannot easily help, we try to hook them up with a person of the same sex as geographically close to them as we can. That way, it's more convenient if you plan to hook up at a meeting. Callers usually need to be 12-stepped, are new to the area, need directions to local meetings, etc. This is separate from the Hotline and you can put stipulations on the type of calls you are willing to receive. To serve, contact Jacque H., Hotline Coordinator.

Or visit the website at ETIAA.org,  
Or email us at manager@etiaa.org,  
Or call us at 865-522-9667.

**Office Workers:** Answer the phones, complete sales and keep the Intergroup Office open.

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**Mobile Intergroup** - Service workers for Intergroup Mobile events needed also.

**Events & Workshop Committee Chairperson** - We want to have some fun events! Plan and coordinate events.

**Intergroup Committee Co-Chairperson** - Chair the monthly Intergroup Meeting when Chair is unable to attend.

**Intergroup Reps:** Attend the monthly Intergroup meetings at 12:30pm on the 2nd Sunday of the month. Take the information back to your groups.

**Outreach Committee:** Visit meetings and talk to groups about Intergroup.

We are looking to fill the above positions. The term of office, qualifications and duties are on the website:

<http://www.etiaa.org/service/>

Members interested in any of these positions should attend the next meeting of Intergroup at 12 p.m. on the second Sunday of the month at the Intergroup office at 5833 Clinton Highway, Suite 202, Knoxville, TN 37912. 865-522-9667

### We're on Facebook

ETIAA has a private FB group. If you would like to join, call the Intergroup Office: 865-522-9667  
We'll be happy to add





## How can groups participate?

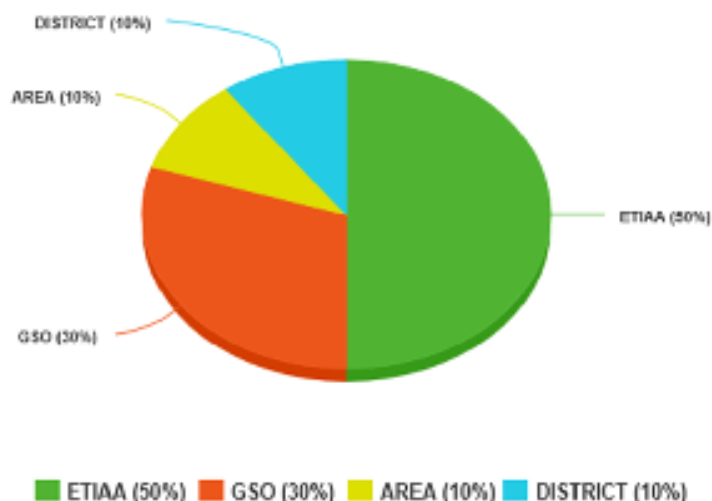
To help support AA's essential services, the General Service Conference suggests that individual groups, through an informed group conscience, adopt a specific contribution plan tailored to meet the group's financial situation. Once the basic group expenses have been taken care of (for example, rent, refreshments, AA literature, Grapevine literature, local meeting lists, GSR travel expenses to attend service functions) and a "prudent reserve" has been set aside to cover any emergency contingencies that might arise, the group may decide to further carry the message by sending money to the following AA service entities.

- The local district, which communicates directly with the groups, providing the district group conscience for the area assemblies and serving as a link between the area delegates and the GSRs.
- The area committee, which coordinates vital AA activities over a broad geographic area, sends a delegate to the annual General Service Conference, holds area assemblies to determine the needs of the Fellowship, and provides information at all levels of service.
- The local intergroup or central office, which may provide phone service for Twelfth Step calls and other inquiries, coordination of group activities, AA literature sales, institutions work, public information, and cooperation with the professional community activities.
- AA's General Service Office, which functions as a storehouse of AA information, communicating with members and groups around the world, publishes AA literature, and supplies information and experience to professionals and others interested in AA.

[Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix. Go to [www.aa.org/assets/en\\_US/f-3\\_selfsupport.pdf](http://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/f-3_selfsupport.pdf)].

## 7 TH TRADITION SUGGESTED CONTRIBUTIONS

from "AA's Self Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix" Pamphlet



meta-chart.com

***Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.***

## Contribution addresses

**ETIAA East Tennessee Intergroup of Alcoholics Anonymous**  
5833 Clinton Highway  
Suite #202  
Knoxville, TN 37912  
865-522-9667  
[www.etiaa.org](http://www.etiaa.org)

**General Service Office**  
Grand Central Station  
P.O. Box 459  
New York, NY 10163  
[www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org)

**Area 64 Assembly** \*NEW ADDRESS  
2500 Murfreesboro Pike  
Suite 105, Box 235  
Nashville, TN 37217  
[www.area64assembly.org](http://www.area64assembly.org)

**District 1 Treasurer**  
Stephanie H.  
2213 Pendragon Rd  
Kingsport, TN 37660

**District 2 Treasurer**  
PO BOX 1872  
Johnson City, TN 37605

**District 3 Treasurer**  
John H.  
1466 Darbee Dr.  
Morristown, TN 37814

**District 4 Treasurer**  
PO Box 264 \*NEW ADDRESS  
Alcoa, TN 37701

**District 6 Treasurer**  
Richard B.  
105 Mariner Point  
Clinton, TN 37716

**Districts 50/51 Treasurer**  
PO Box 27264  
Knoxville, TN 37917

## AUGUST/SEPTEMBER GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

If you belong to one of the groups that is able to contribute to Intergroup through AA's Seventh Tradition, would you check on your group's contribution at the next business meeting? If your group has any concerns that need addressing, let us know. If desired, we would love the chance to address them and possibly attend your business meeting.

**\*NOTE:** East Tennessee Intergroup of Alcoholics Anonymous fiscal year runs July -June. July 2018 began the "new" fiscal

	Jul - Sep				Jul - Sep		
	Aug 18	Sep 18	18		Aug 18	Sep 18	18
<b>4-WAY GROUP</b>	0.00	10.17	10.17	<b>LOUDON</b>	125.00	0.00	125.00
<b>501 Group</b>	60.00	0.00	60.00	<b>LUNCH BUNCH- GREENE-VILLE</b>	44.50	81.07	170.26
<b>BACK TO BASICS-SWEETWATER</b>	120.00	0.00	120.00	<b>MONROE COUNTY</b>	100.00	0.00	100.00
<b>BIG BOOK RECOVERY</b>	0.00	25.00	64.00	<b>NEW BEGINNING- LOUDON</b>	0.00	0.00	150.00
<b>BIG BOOKS STUDY P40</b>	0.00	0.00	180.67	<b>NEW PATH</b>	105.00	0.00	105.00
<b>BLOUNT COUNTY GROUP</b>	100.00	0.00	100.00	<b>NORRIS CLINTON GROUP</b>	100.00	0.00	100.00
<b>COLONIAL GROUP</b>	0.00	0.00	50.00	<b>NORTH GATLINBURG GR</b>	0.00	0.00	296.50
<b>CONTRIBUTION JAR</b>	4.63	5.21	13.18	<b>PRIMARY PURPOSE- OAK RIDGE</b>	120.00	0.00	120.00
<b>COOKIE GROUP</b>	0.00	120.00	120.00	<b>PRIME TIME</b>	0.00	280.00	280.00
<b>CORRECTIONS 50/51</b>	2.36	0.00	2.36	<b>RIVERSIDE GROUP</b>	130.99	0.00	130.99
<b>DISTRICT 50/51</b>	0.00	90.00	90.00	<b>SERENITY IMPROVEMENT</b>	0.00	0.00	150.00
<b>FIRST THINGS FIRST-P40</b>	0.00	1,255.00	1,255.00	<b>SERENITY IN THE SMOKIES EVENT</b>	0.00	11.08	11.08
<b>FOUNTAIN CITY SERENITY</b>	692.27	0.00	842.27	<b>SERENITY SEEKERS</b>	140.00	0.00	140.00
<b>GREEN PASTURES</b>	0.00	0.00	250.00	<b>SEYMOUR SHARING</b>	0.00	0.00	225.10
<b>GROUP WITH NO NAME</b>	0.00	0.00	231.08	<b>SIMPLY AA</b>	30.00	0.00	30.00
<b>GSMRC EVENT</b>	0.00	7.27	7.27	<b>SOBRIETY SOCIETY- SO-SO</b>	150.00	0.00	150.00
<b>HAPPY DESTINY</b>	0.00	0.00	250.00	<b>TENNESSEE GROUP</b>	278.92	0.00	278.92
<b>HIGH NOON ROGERSVILLE</b>	20.00	0.00	20.00	<b>TRI-STATE GROUP</b>	55.62	52.18	107.80
<b>Individual</b>	50.00	15.72	530.72	<b>TURNIP PATCH</b>	0.00	0.00	74.98
<b>KODAK GROUP</b>	50.00	200.00	250.00	<b>WELCOME HOME DINNER</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>LAFOLLETTE-THERE IS HOPE</b>	20.00	20.00	60.00	<b>WORKING WITH OTHERS</b>	0.00	100.00	100.00
					<b>2,499.29</b>	<b>2,272.70</b>	<b>7,352.35</b>

# INTERGROUP SEPTEMBER MINUTES

## September 2018 Intergroup Meeting Minutes

Open with serenity prayer and monthly tradition  
Introduction and Sign-in sheet

Attendance: Amber R, Nick T, Steve T, Joni Q, Barb S, David C, Rebekah R, Shellie G, Annie B

Accept/modify previous minutes: Group accepted minutes as is.

Manager's report – Rebekah R

✦ Taxes Update: Are done. Cost was \$100, but reasonable. Everything is looking great on that and I'm still learning, but trucking along just fine.

✦ Mobile IG update

○ GSMRC and Serenity in the Smokies September 14, 15: Rebekah will be doing it Friday night at 3pm-7pm; Saturday there's a pot luck at 5pm and a speaker meeting at 7pm.

○ MDC Recovery Fair 9/13: Metropolitan's Drug Recovery Fair – we'll set up a table. It's a great opportunity for us to go and pass out meeting sheets, tell about our app, etc. Pam Parton will be doing it with me.

○ Post Conference Report 9/22: With John in King-sport.

○ District 4 Picnic 10/7: Annie is going to cover that and would like some help if you want to go.

○ MI Coordinator: Shellie will be resigning as MI Coordinator; letter given to Joni. Beth will be taking her place.

○ Planning for Roadmap to Recovery Workshop for October 27: This is the Joe and Charley style we have going on. We have flyers for you to take to your group.

○ Proposed Service Work "Job Fair". Want to set a date for November 10.

○ Please take Service Work flyer back to your groups

● Workshop at the 4-Way Group on October 13<sup>th</sup>: Take a flyer back to your group as well.

✦ Lease is up in April: That is 4 years that we're here. We put it on the agenda because we're the only ones on the bottom floor. There's now a Hemp store upstairs, and I don't know what that is, but it took the landlord about 2 weeks to come resolve an AC issue. He might go up on our rent, but the last time our lease was up he asked us to sign in a new lease but we weren't obligated to. That new lease included requesting us to contribute to repairs he's having to pay for. We know we don't want to move, but it might help us have some negotiating power when the lease does come back around. If we find another location that's absolutely wonderful, it might be for the best. We're going to just look and see. This location is 700 square feet, and we're maximized on space, but we could use more storage space. Park 40 did a remodel and they have a bunch of chairs that they're trying to sell (the black kind that are stackable) but if they don't sell them, they might donate them to us – I don't know if we have enough space to store them though because we only set up chairs when we have meetings. We've only had one event here that we needed 40-50 chairs. The landlord did let us have the room next door for overflow space. Our rent is \$625.00; 4 years ago we started out at \$600. That's just in our back pocket for now. Consider: If we were to move to a new location it needs to be: close to the interstate and downtown Knoxville area as a common meeting place, and it

needs to be handicap accessible.

✦ Reevaluate Reserve- avg. expenses (11/17-8/18) \$2575.65 Lease max \$15K. : We're supposed to look at this every September. If we have a budget of \$10K- \$625 a month would be \$15K – just something to look at for now.

✦ Office Manager Evaluation due in November

✦ Chips for ICOAA: In two weeks there is the Montreal. I was going to take some of our chips that we print with our phone number because everybody takes some swag from their own offices. That's what I've taken every year.

Pest Control Quotes: I have a guy coming on Tuesday and a guy from my home group offered \$60 to come spray. That's probably the cheapest option.

Treasurer report – Fawn L: Fawn is on vacation. We ended August in the red, \$814. We're up almost \$2,000 over last year. That's two months in a row we're in the black. We've gone back to writing a paper receipt for every transaction and that has been a fantastic change. They went up on our phone bill to \$103-\$109. Hotline – Jacque H: Jacque is at a women's retreat. She's been doing well with the calendars for the office and she's got people working for the Hotline. I think she'd like to have more back up people but she's got a pretty full schedule of service workers. Trying to make everyone happy and give the old timers in the hotline more opportunity to do different service work and mix up their schedules a bit.

Office Service Workers- Annie B: I've been working with a girl for a bit and was hoping to get her trained, but she hasn't been responding and this is the second time this has happened with her. Michael said he'd be back next Monday. Jill and Glen are still coming once a month to help out. I'm searching again but other than that I think we're good. Steve's helping again. Monday and Wednesday afternoon are still needed. Nobody is here to cover on Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> because of the GSMRC so Steve has stepped in to cover that since he won't be attending that Camp out.

Archive – Annie B: I keep looking at somewhere to put my filing cabinet and hutch; so we're not blocking the map. Very rarely do we give out directions anymore due to GPS.

Website – Shelley M: Website numbers look the same as last month and going very well.

Accessibilities – Open

Spanish Speaking Liaison – Open

CPC/PI – Robert G: we understand he's resigned and now the seat is OPEN. We can call Robert and ask him what he's been working on so that we have something to run with.

Treatment- Open: Michelle's Dad just passed away; will be gone for 6 months.

Corrections – Lisa F: Lisa is at an event. We understand everything is going well.

Outreach – Nick T: I'm still getting around to meetings and things are going well. Going to get in touch with Trent to try to recruit. Welcomes any help.

Events – Open: Amber is interested in the position but due to her husband's relapse she doesn't want to step into a position without knowing she can fulfill the responsibilities.

**Old Business:** (Joni) We sent a letter to primary purpose in response to their concerns about mileage reimbursement. We did receive a response letter from

Primary Purpose Group Conscience. Their response was that "carrying the message should be entirely volunteer work/ service work. There isn't anything in the service section of the ETIAA by-laws covering reimbursement to any individual for what should be voluntarily provided."

They plan to reduce their donation from 50% to 30% and do not plan to eliminate completely because of the work that we do. Whenever this issue has been resolve to our mutual satisfaction they will continue to donate 50%.

This comes up in vote again in 2 months from now.

(Barb) We had our district meeting yesterday, there was a lot of discussion about it and I let the district read our letter and the response and most of them were in agreement with Primary Purpose. They wanted to know if there was a budget for all other committees. (Joni) There is not a budget for other committees, but no one is asking for one. (Rebekah) Right. We're trying to get an overall budget together, but currently not a budget for every individual committees. (Joni) As people discuss at their home groups, if they've read the minutes they should be able to see what we've done for the past months; everyone has the ability to read that information. But, let's take it back to our home groups and get their opinion. All we are, are voices for our home groups – maybe the numbers will change as we take our next vote after you go back and ask your home group their position on the matter. (Rebekah) I think it's one of the gray areas that we're consistently have to go back and evaluate. (Fawn) What are we taking to our home groups – just about the books or about the mileage? (Joni) When you go back just speak about what happened at our intergroup meeting, and just tell them what's going on. My specific group I would leave this information about this fussing back and forth for our group conscience meeting. (Nick) This is an open meeting, anyone can come and see that we're transparent and come speak their opinion if they wanted to. (Joni) Right.

**New Business:** (Joni) We leave off with Shellie's moving to Kentucky. She wants to maintain her position and continue to do the newsletter via the internet, which she's been speaking with Rebekah and doing the newsletter through the internet already. \*We have a motion on the floor that Shellie will continue to do the newsletter from her new home/place of serenity at the lake in Kentucky via the internet.

\*Motion from David and 2<sup>nd</sup> from Bob. All in Favor.

\*Prudent Reserve: When Rebekah got here, we had \$4,000 in the bank and every time we had excess funds, we would contribute to that in a couple of lump sums. Now, our money is slowly growing because we're doing so much more as opposed to what we used to be involved with. Now I believe it should be a smaller contribution to a couple hundred dollars. \*(David) Motions to increase the prudent reserve by \$250 every month; will reevaluate every month because it's always changing – our goal is to be able to get that to \$15,000. All in favor.

\*Pest Control – We support Rebekah in finding the cheapest quote and letting them spray away.

\*We'll get together and discuss what happens with this letter. David, Joni, Fawn, Mark, and Annie will be meeting together to do Rebekah's evaluation.



## INTERGROUP OCTOBER MINUTES

### Intergroup Minutes October 14, 2018

Open with serenity prayer

**Attendees:** Joni Quick, Fawn L, Nick T, Louise S, Dave C, Mark R, Steve T, Annie B, Joan S, Shelly M, Liz P, Rebekah R

#### **Prior Meeting Minutes:**

Accepted September Minutes

#### **Intergroup Manager Report:**

Mobile IG update

GSMRC and Serenity in the Smokies September 14, 15

MDC Recovery Fair 9/13: Handed out lots of flyers.

Post Conference Report 9/22: With John in King-sport.

District 4 Picnic 10/7: Unable to attend

Planning for Roadmap to Recovery Workshop for October 27: We have flyers for you to take to your group.

Proposed Service Work "Job Fair". Want to set a date.

Please take Service Work flyer back to your groups

Lease is up in April.

Prudent Reserve Update \$250.00 a month automatic deposit for 20 months to increase prudent reserve to \$15,000.00

Office Manager Evaluation due in November

Pest Control Update: Colonial Pest was \$80 for first visit and \$60 per quarter after that

Hurricane Relief

Montreal final report will be done next month.

Consider adding chat to the Intergroup page, San Francisco has it on theirs.

Buy new Square reader, new update works better

Would like to get another table cloth for functions we attend

Want to get t-shirts for Christmas gifts

Insurance paid up to date and will investigate coverages

#### **Treasurer Report: Fawn L**

Accountant update see reports, financially we are sound

#### **Hotline: Jacque H**

Working on 12 step call list

Roane county Geol and Jack are the only ones on the 12 step list

#### **Office Service Workers: Annie B**

Had to close Monday

Woman wants to volunteer but wants to bring a 3

year old. Annie not in favor because the office is not child proof, Discussion in New Business

#### **Archives: Annie B**

Found non AA related pictures in archives and disposed of them

#### **Website: Shelley M**

2400 visitors to website. 76% under 45, 46% Female and 54% Male 98% looking for meetings

#### **Accessibilities: Need Chair**

#### **Spanish Speaking Liaison: Need Chair**

#### **CPCPI: Need Chair**

#### **Treatment: Michelle M**

Need Chair

#### **Corrections: Lisa F**

Lisa not here, Gave books to Deputy for Anderson County jail, they want us in there

Class to get certified to enter jails, 358 E Main St, Newport TN, Saturday 20 October 2018 at 8AM

#### **Outreach: Nick T**

Getting around to all the groups. Visited at least 20 meetings. Like to see if we can get into Methodist Hospital, will talk to Robert about it

#### **Events: Need Chair**

Would like to do an event to get us together, a This Is Us, event

#### **Old Business:**

#### **New Business:**

News Letter not provided for October, Shellie would like to do an Oct/Nov Newsletter. Motion to have Rebekah do the newsletter until someone else volunteers. **Passed**

Christmas T-shirts Motion to spend \$300.00 for t-shirts for volunteers

#### **Nominations for December 2018 Election**

Vice-Chair Steve T

Secretary Amber R

Hotline Jacque H

Archives Annie B

Accessibilities

Outreach Nick T

Treatment

Liz has volunteered to be Events Chair

Bringing a child when volunteering to work the office **Tabled**

#### **Close with Prayer**

#### **Next meeting:**

11 November 2018

# DISTRICT 50/51 SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER MINUTES

September 10, 2018  
District 50/51 Meeting

Attending: Robin, Karen, Krisa, Angela, Jacque, Rick, Jerry, Ralph, Sheldon

The meeting was opened with a moment of silence followed by The Serenity Prayer.

Introductions were made around the room.

A motion was made to dispense with the reading of last month's minutes. The motion was seconded by and passed unanimously.

A motion was also made to accept the minutes as written. It was seconded and passed unanimously as well.

## Robin District 51

Robin has been to the Holiday Inn and spoke with Michelle regarding the hospitality suite. If anyone has any questions or needs regarding the hotel and setting up for the assembly, get with Robin and she can help coordinate.

She has gotten some information from our delegate John regarding the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter assembly and what will be happening.

She will send the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter assembly agenda out to all GSR's.

Robin can be reached [robingavilan@gmail.com](mailto:robingavilan@gmail.com) and/or 865-438-3571

## Jerry District 50 Reminder:

Jerry reminded everyone that the cutoff date is October 12<sup>th</sup> to reserve a room for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter assembly in Cookeville. The name of the hotel has changed from the Clarion Inn to the Quality Inn but it is the same hotel.

He shared about going to the State Convention and it was awesome. He said that they talked about having another one next year and Knoxville hosting it.

Sobriety Society will be proposing a structure change regarding roll call at the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter assembly.

Jerry can be reached at [jerrythebman@yahoo.com](mailto:jerrythebman@yahoo.com) and/or 865-719-0308.

**CPC/PI- Paul** Not presentA

**Archives Report – Karen:** She shared that she has not received any new histories and that there is nothing new to report.

**Corrections Report – Frankie** Not present.

**Grapevine Report – Sandra** Not present

**Treatment Report – Robin** reported that reported that things are going well at Bradford and Kingston Academy. Mandela House is closed. Great Starts is still interested in having someone come in and do meetings and having their girls go to meetings. They are also interested in having CPC/PI come out and talk to administration.

**THE TREATMENT COMMITTEE NEEDS A CHAIR. THEY ALSO NEED HELP!!!! THE REQUIREMENT TO HELP IS 6 MONTHS OF SOBRIETY.**

**Events Report** We currently have no chair.

**Bridging the Gap Report** John not present but reported that things are going well. He wants Bridging the Gap to venture into corrections. It was suggested that it be a good idea for him to chat with Frankie, the Corrections Chair.

**Treasurer's Report** (per Nicole via Robin): Nicole reported that we had \$1784.26 in checking. Jerry has not been reimbursed \$284.26 for his last assembly trip. There were some questions regarding what date the balance was through and if rent, etc. had been paid. Ralph checked the on line banking and it was determined that the balance **as of today** is \$1277.39.

Ralph stated that he has all the initial paperwork (from 2013) from TVA credit union to give to Nicole. He has the employer ID # paperwork to give to Nicole.

A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report as emailed to Robin. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. A motion was later made to accept the treasurer's report to reflect

a balance of \$1277.39 as of today.

## OLD BUSINESS

Someone said that Sandra needed money to purchase pamphlets. Sandra will need to contact Nicole to get the \$150.00 for the pamphlets (the money has already been allocated).

## NEW BUSINESS

Ralph made a motion to pay rent to Intergroup, including tonight's meeting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

If you are interested in helping with the Christmas party, there will be an informational/organizational meeting at New Path on September 11 at 6:30pm. They will meet on the second Tuesday of every month until the party.

There will be a planning meeting for the Pancake Breakfast on October 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. If you have any questions, call Clara at 307-3806.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

The meeting was closed with The Serenity Prayer.

**October 1, 2018**  
District 50/51 Meeting

Attending: Robin, Angela, Sandra, Natalie, Katie, Karen, Ralph, Fawn, Nicole, Rick, Jacque, Jerry Hu, Krisa, Frankie, Trey, Sheldon, Jerry Ho

The meeting was opened with a moment of silence followed by The Serenity Prayer.

Introductions were made around the room.

A motion was also made to accept the minutes as written. It was seconded and passed unanimously as well.

## Robin District 51

Robin reported that John, Delegate Area 64, sent the proposed agenda items for the January 2019 General Service Conference. There are 18 items in all. The DCM's will be emailing these to you soon.

She has been working hard on the host committee to get ready for the assembly.

She will be attending the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter assembly in Cookeville this month.

Robin can be reached [robingavilan@gmail.com](mailto:robingavilan@gmail.com) and/or 865-438-3571

## Jerry District 50

Jerry also talked about the agenda items for the January 2019 General Service Conference and encouraged everyone to read them carefully when they get the email.

He shared that the assembly planning committee is going well.

He will be attending the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter assembly in Cookeville October 19 – 21. He shared that it is an inventory assembly and that it will be very interesting and encouraged people to come. There will be plenty of rooms available at reasonable prices.

If anyone knows of a good speaker to recommend for the Christmas party, please let your GSR's or DCM's know.

Jerry can be reached at [jerrythebman@yahoo.com](mailto:jerrythebman@yahoo.com) and/or 865-719-0308.

**CPC/PI- Paul:** Not present.

**Archives Report – Karen:** She shared that she went to several new meetings. She shared with them about the assembly, available service opportunities and the pancake breakfast. She also handed out several group inventories!

**Corrections Report – Frankie:** He just got another new applicant! He encourages everyone to continue bringing in new applicants. The requirements are one year of sobriety (preferred) and they must have completed the steps.

Applications can be found at the Intergroup office in the red folder or they can call Frankie at (813)486-3085.

**Grapevine Report – Sandra:** Nothing to report.

**Treatment Report – Fawn** said that she missed last month's meeting. Robin reported that they have new people going into Bradford and they now have folks going into Great Starts twice per week!

**Events Report** We currently have no chair.

Jerry distributed fliers for the Christmas Party (they would like for groups to donate baskets for the raffle).

The pancake breakfast is coming up soon.

The 4<sup>th</sup> quarter assembly is this month.

**Bridging the Gap Report – John** not present

**Treasurer's Report – Nicole:** She shared that she has received several "nice" checks from various groups. The balance in checking **as of today** is **\$1755.53**. The DCM's will each need money for the upcoming assembly. She wrote checks tonight as follows:

\$150.00 to Sandra for Treatment

\$250.00 to Jerry for the Christmas party

\$230.00 to Frankie for Corrections

\$300.00 to Robin for the assembly

There was a motion to accept the treasurer's report to reflect the balance of \$1755.53 as of today. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

## OLD BUSINESS

Jerry attended the Christmas Party planning meeting on September 11<sup>th</sup>. Anyone wanting to help plan the Christmas party, can attend the planning meetings. They are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at Trinity United Methodist Church at 6:30.

## NEW BUSINESS

If people inquire about how to help with the pancake breakfast, give them a list of the following things that we need: **Pancake mix, Sausage, Syrup, Butter, Plates, Drinks, Napkins, Forks, Knives, Coffee, Creamer, Sugar**

## Monetary donations to buy food

They can call Clara at (865 )307-3806.

A motion was made to pay \$30 to Intergroup for rent for tonight's meeting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

A motion was made to write Robin a \$300.00 check for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter assembly. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

A motion was made that we reimburse Jerry for his expenses (up to \$300.00) upon his return from the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter assembly and his receipts.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

The meeting was closed with a moment of silence followed by The Lord's Prayer.



## UPCOMING AA BUSINESS

### 2019 ASSEMBLY HOST COMMITTEE



"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."

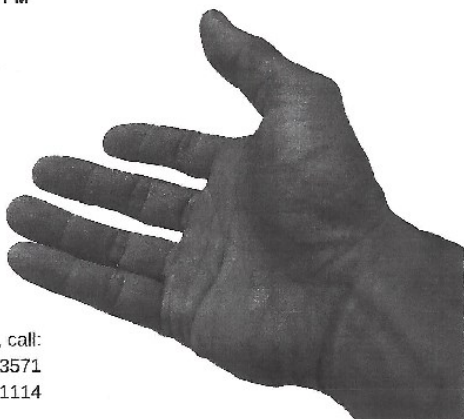
**FIRST MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH  
BEFORE DISTRICT MEETING  
INTERGROUP OFFICE  
5:30 PM**

NOTE: Date and time of host  
committee meetings could  
change. Call for questions.

#### Committees Needed:

1. Contribution
2. Hospitality
3. Volunteers
4. Entertainment
5. Coordination
6. Coffee
7. Registration
8. Treasurer

For more information, call:  
Robin G.: (865)438-3571  
Caitlin F.: (865)548-1114



### Pancake Breakfast

A supportive event for 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter assembly

Held here in Knoxville by District 50/51



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- When: Saturday Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> 9 a.m.-11 a.m
- Where: Trinity United Methodist Church  
5613 Western Ave, Knoxville, TN 37921
- Tickets: Advance tickets on sale now \$5



### ROCKFORD'S ANNUAL OLD TIMER'S DAY NEWCOMERS WELCOME!

OCT. 28<sup>TH</sup> 2018 1:00 PM AFTER THE NOON MEETING

FOOD FUN FELLOWSHIP--- BRING A DISH TO SHARE  
PLEASE. WE HAVE MEAT BREAD ETC. COVERED.

SOBRIETY COUNTDOWN: OLDEST TO NEWEST MEMBER!

AT ROCKFORD CLUBHOUSE OLD KNOXVILLE HWY,  
ROCKFORD, TN.

EAT AT 1:00 P.M.

SPEAKER AT 3 P.M. TBA ☺

### ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 1, 2018 Saturday  
6:00 pm to 9:00 pm  
Speaker at 7:00 pm

Trinity United Methodist Church  
5613 Western Ave  
Knoxville, TN 37921

#### FOOD AND FUN FOR EVERYONE!!!

AA Groups please donate a basket.  
Raffle proceeds go to District 50/51 to help support 2019 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Assembly

\*\*\*\*PLEASE BRING A COVERED DISH\*\*\*\*



# AVAILABILITY & MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

## NEW MEETINGS:

**Greeneville:** A Woman's Journey. Sundays 2pm to 4pm at St. James Episcopal, 107 W Church Street, Greeneville, TN 37745. Literature.

**Greeneville:** Search for Serenity Mondays 5:15pm to 6:45pm at St. James Episcopal, 107 W Church Street, Greeneville, TN 37745. Open Discussion.

## NO LONGER MEETING:

**Rule 62** Noon meeting on Fridays has been cancelled.

## Sober-Ween

All are welcome!

Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 pm-10:30 pm

Join us at Happy Destiny II after our 7:30 pm Speaker Meeting to help us Celebrate our birthday night and Halloween! Please contact Katie (865)313-0967 or Clark (865)440-4548 with further questions.

- classic games
- costume contest
- free fun fellowship!
- bring a dish
- bring a friend
- coffee provided

## 1st Quarter 2019

January 11-13th, 2019

**Holiday Inn West Cedar Bluff**  
9134 Executive Park Drive  
Knoxville, TN 37923

**Reservations:**  
1-888-HOLIDAY or (865) 693-1011  
\$105 per night + tax

CUT-OFF DATE:  
DEC. 21, 2018

Group Code:  
Area 64

Call Robin G. for more  
info: (865)438-3571

*"The most vital, yet least understood, group of services that A.A. has are those that enable us to function as a whole..."*

*"...our Fellowship was ready and able to take these responsibilities from us."*

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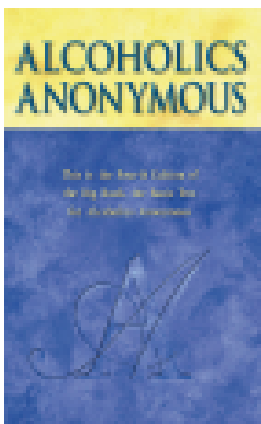
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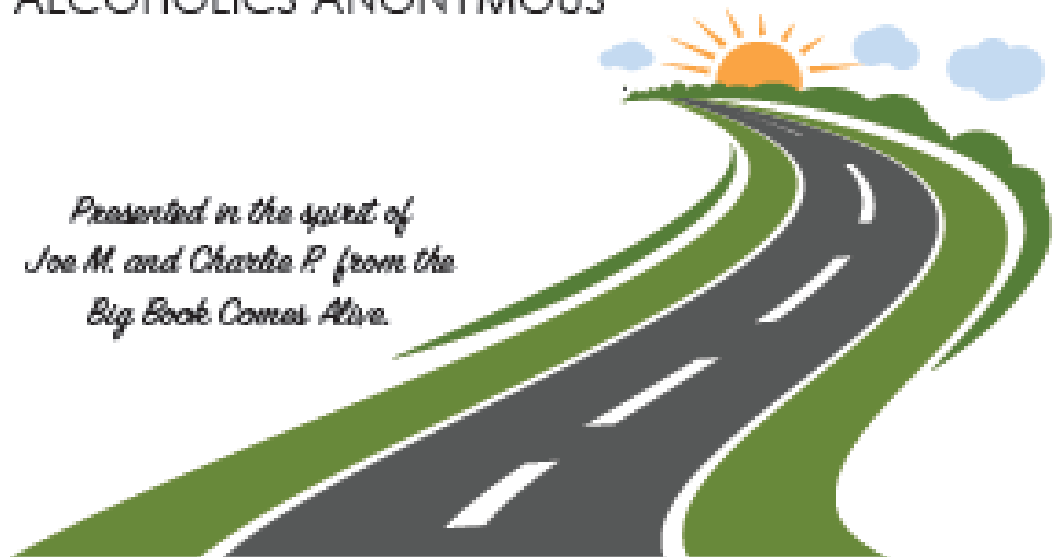
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**(9AM - 6PM)**

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