

August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Clean Acres Area of NA – Area Service Committee

Position	Representative
Chair Person	Brad A.
Co-Chair	vacant
Secretary	Jenn D.
Treasurer	Dave
Co-Treasurer	vacant
Regional Committee Member	Ryan W.
Hospitals & Institutions Chair	Sara
H&I Co-Chair	Max G.
Literature Chair	Tom M.
Literature Co-Chair	Nate B.
Public Relations Chair	vacant
PR Co-Chair	vacant
Convention Representative	vacant
Activities Chair	Lorenzo
Activities Co-Chair	Derek S.
Policy Chair	Sean
Policy Co-Chair	Ollie

Requirements for Vacant Positions – See “Clean Acres Area Service Position Requirements” sheet

Area Service Committee Meeting – August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012

7:00 p.m. Meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer and the reading of the NA Service Paragraph and the 12 Traditions of NA.

7:05 p.m. Old Business

Introductions

Group	Attendance	Representative
Anonymous Group	X	Jen
Clean and Serene	X	Derek
Come Grow With Us		
Drug Free in Dub C	X	Tom
Easy Does It	X	Ed F.
Find and Feel the Freedom	X	Josh W.
Focus Group	X	Denise
Footwork	X	Steve K.
Free At Last	X	
Give It Away	X	Sean
Good Morning Group	X	Tyson
Good Orderly Direction	X	Max G.
Go With the Flow		
Grateful Living Group	X	Randy
How and Why It Works	X	Leola
I Can't Do This on My Own		

I Can't We Can		
Just for Today	X	Brandy Rose
Message of Hope	X	Rob
Miracle on Merchant	X	Tyrone
New Life Group	X	Jeffrey
Recovery in the Morning	X	Talieb
Recovery is a Process	X	Glen
Recovery on the Hill		
Saturday Night Solution	X	Steph
Spiritual Awakenings	X	Tyrone C.
Stairway to Freedom	X	Bill
Start Talking About Recovery	X	Scott
Sunday Step-Working Group		
Surrender to Win	X	Raphael
Tuesday Night Group	X	Wade
Twelve Steps to Freedom	X	Colleen
W.A.I.T. Group	X	Corpus
Wake Up & Smell the Recovery		

### 7:10 Group Reports

**Group:** Anonymous

**Meeting Place:** 307 Clubhouse, West Chester

**Day & Time:** Fridays, 11:00 p.m. – 12:30 a.m.

**Report:** Going well. Attendance is good. We could benefit from more members with experience.

**Group:** Clean and Serene

**Meeting Place:** Oxford Presbyterian Church, Oxford

**Day & Time:** Fridays, 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**Report:** Group is doing well, home group member Shawn has 1 year and Steve has 14 years. Our group is planning our December even “Stepping through the Holidays”

**Donation:** \$9.78

**Group:** Drug Free in Dub C

**Meeting Place:** Charles C Melton Community Center, West Chester

**Day & Time:** Saturdays, 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

**Report:** Homegroup has elected two new officers Ian S. as Treasurer and Brendan as Secretary.

**Donation:** \$65.10

**Group:** Easy Does It

**Meeting Place:** St. Agnes Church, West Chester

**Day & Time:** Thursdays, 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

**Report:** Meeting is doing well.

**Group:** Find and Feel the Freedom

**Meeting Place:** Holy Trinity Church, West Chester

**Day & Time:** Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**Report:** All is well.

**Donation:** \$21.80

**Group:** Focus Group

**Meeting Place:** VA Hospital 6B 2<sup>nd</sup> fl. day room

**Day & Time:** Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**Report:** Speaker Jam date has been approved for September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012 from noon until 6:00 p.m.

**Donation:** \$5.34

**Group:** Footwork

**Meeting Place:** Messiah Lutheran, Downingtown

**Day & Time:** Fridays, 8:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

**Report:** All is well, and we are a beginners meeting.

**Donation:** \$39.63

**Group:** Giving it Away

**Meeting Place:** Malvern Center

**Day & Time:** Sundays, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

**Report:** We have changed our format a bit. Otherwise all is well

**Donation:** \$20.00

**Group:** Good Morning Group  
**Meeting Place:** Quaker Meeting House 37 N. Whitehorse Rd, Phoenixville  
**Day & Time:** Saturdays, 9:00 p.m.  
**Report:** Attendance continues to grow. Newcomers are always greeted with hugs and phone lists.  
**Donation:** \$25.46

**Group:** Good Orderly Direction  
**Meeting Place:** St. James Episcopal Church 409 E. Lancaster Ave. Downingtown  
**Day & Time:** Tuesdays, 8:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.  
**Report:** We are a speaker meeting on the twelve steps. We focus on carrying the message and welcoming people.  
**Donation:** \$50.00

**Group:** How and Why It Works  
**Meeting Place:** 8<sup>th</sup> & Diamond Alley, Coatesville  
**Day & Time:** Monday-Friday, 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.  
**Report:** Meeting is well but we are still in need of trusted servants.

**Group:** Just for Today  
**Meeting Place:** St. Paul's United Ch. Of Christ, Exton  
**Day & Time:** Wednesdays , 5:30 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.  
**Report:** We are in need of support. Attendance has decreased/ Please come out and share your experience strength and hope. Thank you.

**Group:** Message of Hope  
**Meeting Place:** Honey Brook Presbyterian Church  
**Day & Time:** Thursdays, 8:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.  
**Report:** We continue to carry the message. Debbie celebrated 18 months.  
**Donation:** \$18.00

**Group:** Miracle on Merchant Street  
**Meeting Place:** 703 Merchant St.  
**Day & Time:** Fridays 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
**Report:** We have several new home group members. All is well. Planning for our anniversary in Sept.  
**Donation:** \$5.00

**Group:** New Life Group  
**Meeting Place:** 108 Gibbons Ave. Coatesville  
**Day & Time:** Thursdays, 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
**Report:** All is well with the homegroup. We are celebrating 21 years. Date to be announced later. Membership is up and meetings are large.  
**Donation:** \$65.00

**Group:** Recovery in the Morning  
**Meeting Place:** Gaudenzia Outpatient Clinic, 10<sup>th</sup> and Olive, Coatesville  
**Day & Time:** Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
**Report:** On July 26<sup>th</sup> we had our 3 year anniversary meeting. We need committed homegroup members to come and support our homegroup. All is well and all are welcome.  
**Donation:** \$15.00

**Group:** Recovery is a Process  
**Meeting Place:** Bldg. # 6LZ, V.A. Medical Center, Coatesville  
**Day & Time:** Mondays, 7:30 p.m.  
**Report:** Come fellowship on the hill with recover is a process group. Please come visit and welcoming new comers and all who are interested in recovery.  
**Donation:** \$10.00

**Group:** The Saturday Night Solution  
**Meeting Place:** 307 Clubhouse, West Chester  
**Day & Time:** Saturdays, 11:00 p.m. – 12:30 a.m.  
**Report:** Meeting attendance is low. Only 2 homegroup members. WE NEED MEMBERS & SUPPORT!!!

**Group:** Spiritual Awakenings  
**Meeting Place:** 645 E. Lincoln Hwy. Coatesville  
**Day & Time:** Sundays, 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
**Report:** Group attendance is well. The message of recovery is being carried very well. We will be having a speaker jam on Aug 26<sup>th</sup>. Following our regularly scheduled Sunday meeting – food, fun, fellowship. Come out and support us 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**Group:** Start Talking About Recovery  
**Meeting Place:** St. Andrew's Church, Ludwig's Corner  
**Day & Time:** Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
**Report:** All is well. Please come and support.  
**Donation:** \$53.29

**Group:** Stairway to Freedom

**Meeting Place:** Journey Church 200 S. Church St. West Chester

**Day & Time:** Mondays, 7:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

**Report:** Attendance is good. Our homegroup is growing with a new member. We are carrying the message to the new comer.

**Donation:** \$15.70

**Group:** Surrender to Win

**Meeting Place:** CYWA (400 Block), Coatesville

**Day & Time:** Mondays, 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**Report:** We are in need of trusted servants. Meetings are up. We continue to carry the message to the addict who still suffers. One homegroup member Ella celebrated 7 years.

**Donation:** \$20.50

**Group:** Twelve Steps to Freedom

**Meeting Place:** St. Simon & Jude Parish Center East, West Chester

**Day & Time:** Fridays, 7:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.

**Report:** Continuing to share the message and attendance is good. 2 new homegroup members.

**Donation:** \$25.00

**Group:** Wait Group

**Meeting Place:** 9<sup>th</sup> & Merchant St, Coatesville

**Day & Time:** Wednesday: 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Sunday: 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Report:** The group is doing well. Sunday group in need of support. It meets at 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Motions: Unities Sub-Committee**

**Motion:** To have an skating even in December to close out our calendar of events for the 2012 year.

**Intent:** In line with what the group indicated on the feedback form.

(Was voted right at Area) 17 voting GSRs; 17 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain; Passes

#### **7:25 Subcommittee Reports**

**H&I Report: Chair:** Sara F. **Co-Chair:** Max

Commitments: CCCF, CCYC, Gaudenzia, Malvern, VA bldg. 39A, VA bldg. 39B (Men), VA bldg. 39B (Women), VA bldg. PTSD

Regional Business: Delco, Clean Acres, ICA, Pyramid of Freedom were all in attendance. The presentation was done at Hoffman Hall, and there will be a meeting starting there. Sara was elected as RSC H&I co-chair. The subcommittee voted on having a regional learning day November 24 from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The location has yet to be determined. RSC H&I is asking that we bring this back to our subcommittees to determine where we want it held.

Report: There is still a vacancy at Brandywine Hospital. The confusion with the clearance forms at CCCF has been resolved. Four people have been cleared. All of our other commitments are going well. The literature report came to \$171.00. There were no nominations or open positions. Max brought up that there was communication between nimand the Small Wonders Area. The conversation with them had Small Wonders Area asking us if we wanted to take back the Bowling Green commitment. After discussion the committee decided to table the idea until next month, once we finalize our decision with Brandywine, since our resources are limited, we will then talk about bringing the regional learning day to Clean Acres. It was voted and passes and we will tell Region we can host it.

Next, Brandi Rose brought up that another look IP was in our literature handout. After checking the handbook it was determined that another look is not H&I approved literature and it was removed promptly. Lastly, we discussed putting together a more thorough do's and don'ts next month we will come back with feedback. Motion to close and it was seconded. We closed with the serenity prayer. \*\*\*Note: Please ask your homegroups there opinion on having Bowling Green as a commitment again\*\*\* In loving service, Sara F.

### **Unities Report**

Regional Business: Northwest Area is having a 20 year anniversary cookout on 9/2 from noon until 8:00 p.m. Cliveden Park: Johnson Street between Chew Ave and Musgrave Street. Downtown Area is having a barbeque Sunday 8/26 at 1:00 p.m. at the FDR Park, Broad and Patterson, Pavilion by the tennis courts.

Report: We would like to thank Tyrone from the Spiritual Awakening Group for securing the site since we needed a Downingtown resident. We would like to thank the homegroups that were able to contribute and participate in making this year Area picnic. The picnic was even better than last years. We look forward to having even more homegroups involved to make the next year picnic even better. Showing more of the diversity of the Clean Acres Area. Attendance was twice as many people as the last year's picnic. Approx 75 people including kids and families and people from outside area. Along with food donations, we had unity sub-committee members donate literature. Next month we will start to organize our "Calendar of Events" for the future years. We will be submitting a motion for approval for a skating to be held in December. Location and more details and date to follow.

### **Policy Report**

Attendance: Sean H., Tom P.

Report: We finished the draft of the motions section. This will be submitted to the secretary to be put in the minutes for review by groups. Please let us know if you have any suggestions or concerns. Note: This is not a motion – we are simply asking for feedback prior to formal submission. We will be working on the Nominations and Elections section next. Please let us know if you have any thoughts on this section.

In loving service,  
Policy Subcommittee

### **RCM Report:**

Regional Delegate, Phonenumber, Unity, Lit. Review, Cleansheet, Convention, Meeting List, H&I, PR were at RSC meeting Aug 5<sup>th</sup>. The open positions are: RSC Policy Chair, ABC Co-Chair and ABC Treasurer.

October 27<sup>th</sup> from noon until 5:00 p.m. assembly on the status of the region at the Roxborough Hospital.

Literature review subcommittee needs support. It meets 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Convention did take place on August 10-12. Thank you to all who attended from Clean Acres.

Upcoming Unity Event: “Connect the Dots” Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> 12-11 p.m @ the Intro. Temple of Restoration Inc. The address is: 1301 Edgely Rd, Levittown, PA 19057

Board meeting Sept 8<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 P.M. Ryan will attend and report back next month. H&I has a new Co-Chair: Sara F. from Clean Acres!! Keep in mind – the world convention is coming to the greater Philadelphia region in Aug 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **Literature Report:**

Tom M. announced that a debit card was issued to help the process of ordering Area Literature proceed more productively and efficiently.

<b>Starting Balance:</b>	\$269.21
<b>H&amp;I Order</b>	\$143.75
<b>Aug Lit Order</b>	<u>\$510.00</u>
<b>Account Balance:</b>	<b>\$922.96</b>

### **8:00 Break**

### **8:10 Re-Open**

### **New Business:**

Tom (Area co-chair) announced that he missed two Area meetings and that defaults him to not be Area Co-chair.

### **Nomination:**

Jeff G. nominates Tom P. for Area Co-Chair.

Intent: To fill position vacated due to consecutive misses.

Tom F. has the required clean time prior experience and has a willingness to fulfill the commitment.

### **8:25 Treasurer’s Report**

<b>Beginning Balance – Prudent Reserve</b>	<b>\$715.58</b>
<b>Functional Balance</b>	<b>-34.42</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	
<b>Verizon:</b>	\$8.72
<b>Phone Power:</b>	\$27.45
<b>Josh W.</b>	\$66.78
<b>Adam B.</b>	\$108.40
<b>CAANA</b>	\$148.75
<b>CAANA Lit.</b>	<u>\$171.00</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>-\$355.10</b>
<b>7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Total</b>	<b>\$568.85</b>

	<b>Balance:</b>	<b>\$875.07</b>
<b>Less Prudent Reserve</b>		<b>\$750.00</b>
<b>Donations: Split 50% to Region and 50% to World:</b>		<b>\$125.07 (\$62.54 to world and region)</b>
<b>Final Balance:</b>		<b>0.00</b>

### **8:30 Open Forum**

Steve stated that in the Guide to Local Services there is a lengthy section for GSR's to get familiar with. One fact is that not everything needs to go back to the homegroups.

Derek piggybacked on Steve's statement by saying that he does not know why we as an Area do not take a percentage of hands to take it back to groups instead of just one GRS being able to have the whole Area meeting then go back to their groups. Area should revisit this. It would help business move forward faster instead of taking 2-3 months for answers.

Lorenzo stated that we as an Area should take a look at 2<sup>nd</sup> tradition to review the policy and see if there are any conflicting issues.

Bill stated we should make a motion to change policy.

Tom M. stated that policy was written when groups showed up more than just the GSR's coming to Area. So it was more of a group conscious that happened.

Brion told Area that no one has been showing up at the Sunday meeting located at the 307 Club House in West Chester.

Matt stated that no home group member has been there to open the doors for about 6 months. It no longer exists. Suggests it should come off the meeting list.

**8:30:** Motion to close meeting. The meeting closed with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.