Clean Acres Area Service - October 20, 1996

The Area Service Meeting opened at 7:05 p.m. with the serenity prayer. Michael J. read the 12 Traditions and Bob B. read the Service Paragraph from the Basic Text.

Attendance: **Bob B.**, Area Chair; **Staci M.**, Area Treasurer; **Tammy S.**, Area Co-Treasurer, & GSR Just For Today; **Brian G.**, Area Service Rep.; **Rob U.**, Alternate Area Service Rep.; **Ted N.**, GSR Tuesday Night Alternative; **Mike S.**, GSR Friday Night NA; **Keith M.**, GSR It Works How & Why Group; **Larry R.**, GSR Come Grow With Us; **Doug H.**, GSR W.A.I.T. Group; **Bob S.**, GSR Give It Away; **Benny B.**, Convention Chair, & Alt. GSR Find And Feel The Freedom; **Michael J.**, GSR Free At Last, & Acting Temporary Secretary for the month of September; **Chris P.**, GSR New Life Group; **Allen J.**, GSR Monday Night Lifesaver Group; **Pleasant H.**, GSR Recovery On The Hill; **Jim M.**, Area Co-Chair Nominee.

Bob B. read the minutes of the September Area Service Meeting. No corrections were suggested. Jim L. made motion to accept the minutes as read. Ted N.. Seconded.
12-0-0 Passed-minutes accepted.

REPORTS:

Treasurer:	Beginning Balance	$426.74
	Donations	+ 168.71
	ENDING BALANCE	$495.45

P.I.: No report.

H&I: No report.

Literature: The Literature Committee sends its love and respect to all members of Area and home group members. September bank balance $204.92. Balance on hand $1655.29. Owe Region $0. October bank balance $282.15. Balance on hand $1678.52. Owe Region $0. Also the Literature Co-Chair service position is now vacant.

ASR: Attached.

Convention Rep: I attended the monthly convention meeting which was held Oct. 5th at the Sheraton University City at 38th & Chestnut, Phila. Pa. The basic theme was decided upon at the time. It is "THE WE IN ME, LET THE HEALING BEGIN". Alternative themes were also chosen and among them my most favorite two are "NO MORE MISERY" with an eye peeping through a venetian blind; and "FREEDOM - NOTHING MORE, NOTHING LESS, NOTHING ELSE!". The latter being the theme that I voted for to be the main theme, but I was outvoted! The executive committee is in place and pretty stable. We the Reps have full confidence in th e leadership of the chair, Melvin S. It has been decided that we will not return to the Marriot CC. We have instructed the hotel liason to secure negotiations with a new hotel. In closing, I make a plea once again to all Area groups for nominations for an Alternate Convention Rep. If you have a year clean, adequate transportation, and a willingness to serve your Area, please seek you groups nomination to serve with me on the convention committee. In Loving service, Benny B.

Policy Ad-Hoc Sub-Committee: This sub-committee met tonight at 6:00 during the regular sub-committee time. Present were Tammy S., Bob B., Michael J., Nick M., and George S.. We began a review of each item in our policy and will make recommendations next month. This sub-committee will meet again the third Sunday of October at 6:00.

Unity Committee Rep Position Ad-Hoc Sub-Committee: To my surprise, in two months of soliciting, I have had no support for this committee. In my own research within the Philadelphia Region, I have discovered that participating areas insist upon 1 year clean and transportation. The person chosen should be pretty diplomatic and knowledgeable of the region. The participating areas feel this committee is important because of the size of our region. It is a committee that allows areas to bounce ideas off each other and to support each others efforts to carry the message. Despite lack of participation in this Ad-Hoc committee. I recommend that we create the position of Unity Committee Rep. In Loving service, Benny B.

Group Reports:

Give It Away: Attendance has been dropping off. We still need homegroup members and trusted servants. We are trying to clarify our landlords rules to determine if they may be in conflict with the 12 Traditions. Donation to Area is $20.00.

Find And Feel The Freedom: Find And Feel The Freedom group meets at Matlack & Bernard Streets in West Chester every Wednesday & Saturday at 7:00 PM. Our attendance is surprisingly good as we seek new ways of carrying the message. We are planning a joint venture with " I Can't, We Can " group to put on a New Years Eve Anniversary affair and we could use area support with this venture as well as all our efforts.

S.T.A.R.: We meet Tues. nights 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Church on Business Rt. 30 at Rt. 202 in Exton, PA. The group is solid and the primary purpose is being carried.

Tuesday Night Alternatives: Meets Tuesday nights at Bowling Green Inn, 8:00 to 9:30 PM. Business meeting 2nd Tuesday at 9:00. Even though the primary purpose is being carried to the addict we are in need of homegroup members and particularly trusted servants. All are welcome.

Friday Night NA: Meets: Kennett Clubhouse, Newark Rd., Toughkenamon. Time: 8:00 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. Business meeting: 2nd Friday 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.. Meetings are small in attendance. We still need trusted servants. Positions open (Alt.-GSR, Treasurer, Secretary). Also, we are in need of home group members. All are welcome.

W.A.I.T.: No Report.

Come Grow With Us: Meets Saturdays from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at The Recovery Center At 735 E. Lincoln Hwy. In Coatesville. Attendance is good, but still need support at business meetings held on the 3rd Saturday of the month.

Easy Does It: No Report

Recovery On The Hill: This is a 90 minute smoking meeting. We meet at on Oak St. from 10:00-11:30 AM every Saturday. Attendance is good with the advent of residents being bussed to our meeting. It is felt that the message of recovery is made clear, especially to those in attendance in their early recovery process.

Just For Today: Meets each Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Rte. 30 just west of Rte. 202, Exton. At our business meeting homegroup members discussed in depth the H&I chair's September report. Regular and business meetings are well attended. We welcome Brett as a new homegroup member.

Footwork: No Report

I Can't We Can: Meetings at 7:00-8:00 on Monday and Thursday. Business Meetings on second Monday of each month at 8:05 at 21 Gay Street in Phoenixville at Help Counseling Building. Meeting is growing, all trusted servants positions are filled.

How Group: No Report

It Works, How & Why: Meets every Sunday 5:00 to 6:30 in West Chester at St. Agnes. New & Gay Streets. Group is doing well and carrying the message. Is in need of trusted servants.

Free At Last: We meet every Monday and Thursday from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Malvern Clubhouse. Monday we read a chapter from the Basic Text and on Thursday we read a Step or Tradition from It Works, How & Why. Attendance is strong. Trusted servant positions are filled. We continue to carry the message to the best of our abilities. All are welcome.

New Life: Meets every Thursday night at the Recovery Center in Coatesville 735 E. Lincoln Highway from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM. The meeting is getting a steady crowd, we're in need of trusted servants.

Monday Night Life Saver: Meets on Monday at 8:00 at the Westminster Church in Kennett Square on Cypress and Broad St. Business meeting on the 2nd Monday of the month. This meeting is in need of support and business meeting is in need of trusted servants. We are not able to donate money to area.

Surrender To Win: Meets on Monday at Hutchinson U.A.M.E. Church, Chestnut St.. We completed our group policy on 9/9. Attendance is growing. Open positions - Treasurer. Filled Alt-GSR - Lorenzo. Group will celebrate one year in November. More info to follow.

Anonymous Group: No Report

Life Saver Group: Life Saver meets at Westminster Church on Broad St. 7-9 PM. This meeting has falling to no one. In Question of what to do. No donation to area.

Hope On The Hill: Is in need of support, and trusted servants. Meets Tuesday nights 7:30-9:00

There was a break at 8:07 for groups to make donations to Area. Meeting resumed at 8:15 with serenity prayer.

OLD BUSINESS

Area Positions: Tammy S. of, Just For Today Group, nominated Jim M. for Area Co-chair. Jim M. gave his qualifications as follows: I have 10 years clean, a willingness to serve, and a knowledge and respect of the 12 Steps & Traditions. I have served NA over the years on a group, area, and regional level. Love and Respect, Jim M.

Benny B. made motion to close nominations for Area Co-Chair. Tammy S. seconded.
Vote 13-0-0 nominations closed

Jim L. of, S.T.A.R. Group, nominated Michael J. for Secretary of Area. Michael J. gave his qualifications as follows: I have more than a year clean. I have been GSR for my homegroup for the last year. I have a willingness to serve.

Benny B. made motion to close nominations for the Secretary position. Keith M. seconded.
Vote 6-5-2 nominations closed

Vacant Positions: Area Co-Chair, Secretary, RSO Rep, PI Chair, PI Co-Chair, Literature Co-Chair, Alt-Convention Rep,
and H & I Co-Chair. (GSR's, please make announcement of vacant service positions at your homegroup.)

Motion 2: That the Gaudenzia House NA meetings (Mon. & Tues.) become H&I meetings effective immediately. The meetings will no longer be listed in the Area or Regional meeting lists and will follow all other H&I guidelines.
Intent: So that the traditions of NA may be better observed. So that the facility residents might be better served.
Vote: 3-8-2. Motion Failed

New Business

Ted N. made motion to extend the meeting. Mike S. seconded.
5-6-2. Meeting was not extended.

After a final Treasurer's report, the meeting ended with a big group hug and the serenity prayer.

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ASR Report to C.A.A.S.C.

The GPRSC regional weekend meetings were held at the Sheraton Inn - University in Philadelphia on the 5th & 6th of October, 1996. I attended the regional meeting on Sunday, 6 October from 10:00 AM until 4:45PM.

After the meeting was called to order, introductions were made and attendance was taken. There being a quorum present at 10:50 AM, the Serenity Prayer was said, the Twelve Traditions were read, and the following business was conducted;

Minutes

Minutes of the previous regional meeting were read, corrected, and accepted.

Reports

Reports were submitted by each ASR present (see my attached report). I have included the activities that were included in each Areas report.

Bucks - Halloween Costume Contest, Sat. 10/26 (see flyer) contact Nancy O. (215) 702- 8588
Moonlight Bowling Party Sat. 11/2 contact Nancy O. (215) 702 - 8588

Pure & Simple - Halloween Costume Contest Fri. 11/1 contact Walter N. (215) 348 - 4694.

NorthWest - H & I Learning Day in December contact Pat (215) 924 - 3171.

Delco - Halloween Party 10/26 contact Nancy (610) 586 - 1043.
Planning Regional Learning Day

RSR Report

(see attached RSR Report)

Theron W. resigned as of 10/6. Richard C. reported that as of 10/6 nothing had been done about holding the workshop for discussion about feasability and issues relating to Regional breakup.

RSO Board Report

(see attached RSO Board Report)

A new document, "A Financial History of the WSO of NA", is now available at the RSO for purchase by members, groups, and areas.

There was MUCH discussion of the special worker at the RSO, elected as "honorary" board member, acting as Secretary to RSO Board, taking minutes at Board meetings and geeting paid. The special worker was made an "honorary" member of the RSO Board, so that she could be elected to the position of Secretary of the Board. As Secretary, she acts as a signatory on bank accounts, state insurance contracts, etc.

RSO Treasurer Report

(see attached reports)

Reports indicate that no activity from Clean Acres occurred with the RSO over the months of August and September.

RSC/RSO Representative Report

The Meeting List Chair reported that he attended the RSO Board meeting and that the Board had elected the "honorary" member as Secretary. MUCH morfe discussion was engendered.

Meeting List Report

The Meeting List Chair, Carl G. reported that any changes, additions, and/or deletions to the meeting list must get to the RSO (ATTN:Meeting List) by 10/31.

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PI Report

The PI Chair, Phil, reported that there wll be a Learning Day on Sat. 10/26 @ 11th & Rockland. Also, a Multi-Regional PSA Learning Day is set for Sat. 11/2 @ 7th & Snyder in the Gym. More info is available by calling Phil (215) 232 - 8112.

Phil also stated that he would be glad to come to our ASC meeting and do a presentation on PI or just take questions/issues.

Phoneline Report

(absent, no report.)

H&I Report

The H&I Chair, Peggy T., reported that the subcommittee is now meeting monthly at the following times/locations; on odd months at the RSO @ 10AM on the 2nd Sat., on even months at the RSC weekend subcommittee meeting. She also mentioned that the GPR will host a multi-regional learning day on 11/23 @ University - Sheraton. More info is available by calling Peggy (215) 977 - 9650.

Multi-Regional Learning Weekend Report

see H&I report above.

Unity Report

The Unity Chair, Dialtania M., reported that the committee's next meeting would be held at 12 Noon on 11/16 @ the RSO. Dialtania also reported she would be glad to attend our ASC and give a presentation or take questions/issues for discussion.

Cleansheet Report

Cleansheet was distributed, see attached copy. Next meeting 2 PM on 11/9 @ the RSO.

Policy Report

Next meeting 11 AM on 11/16 @ the RSO.

JAC Report

Committee met.

Convention Report

The Program Committee meets every Sat. The entire committee meets every 2nd & 4th Sat..

(see attached flyers) READ (1) LETTER FROM COMMITTEE. INCLUDES CONVENTION WORKSHOP MATERIAL.

Administrative

The Secretary, Ann, reported that the committee met and discussed;

RSO wants to move,
RSO special worker,
RSR resignation, subcommittee not meeting, policy says info on regional splitting is available in TWGSS,
Convention Committee, the previous Chair DID resign.

Literature Review Report

The Literature Review Chair, Sid, reported he would be glad to attend our ASC and give a presentation or take questions/issues for discussion.

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RSC Treasurer's Report

(see attached report.)

Nominations

RSC Co-Treasurer - Open
RSR - Open
RSC Co-Secretary - Open
RSC Co-Chair - Open

Old Business

Motions

(Previous Regional New Business)

ICA - To freeze the convention funds and allow GSR's to get the groups' feelings to establish spending priorities.

M/F 2/6/3 Clean Acres voting AGAINST.

New Business

Motions

1. SVA ASR - To direct the RSO to remove the "honorary" Secretary position. Intent : Because of a conflict of interest and an 8th Tradition violation.

M/S/P 6/4/1 Clean Acres voting FOR.

2. SVA ASR - That the GPRSC form an ad-hoc committee to create a BOT Corporation for the convention. Intent : To look into the feasability of a convention corporation with a Board of Trustees.

Motion OUT TO GROUPS for conscience.

3. Sth. Philly RSO Board Rep. - That the banners remain the property of the region, to be kept at the RSO and used by subcommittees, conventions, and the fellowship. Intent :

M/S/P 9/2/0 Clean Acres voting AGAINST.

4. Administrative Committee - That the RSO Chair be made part of the Admin. Comm. Intent : To establish a better working relationship and to open further communications.

Motion OUT TO GROUPS for conscience.

A copy of the minutes of the last RSO Board meeting is attached. The next meeting of the RSO is set for Sat. 11/2/96 at the RSO @ 10AM.

At this time, all meeting business having been conducted, open forum discussion took place in a warm and loving service atmosphere, a welcome first experience in my term of service in this area/region.

The next meeting of the GPRSC was set for 12/7 - 12/8/96 at the University - Sheraton. A motion was made and unanimously passed to close the meeting, which was done with the Serenity Prayer.