

April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Clean Acres Area of NA – Area Service Committee

Position	Representative
Chair Person	Brad A.
Co-Chair	Tom P.
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 – April 15<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	Becky
Clean and Serene	X	Derek
Come Grow With Us		
Drug Free in Dub C		
Easy Does It	X	Ed F.
Find and Feel the Freedom	X	Josh W.
Focus Group	X	Lula
Footwork	X	Steve K.
Free At Last	X	Megan K.
Give It Away		
Good Morning Group	X	Lauren W.
Good Orderly Direction	X	Max G.
Go With the Flow		
Grateful Living Group		
How and Why It Works		
I Can't Do This on My Own		

I Can't We Can	X	Amy
Just for Today	X	Jane
Message of Hope	X	Rob
Miracle on Merchant	X	Annette L.
New Beginnings		
New Life Group	X	Jeff W.
Recovery in the Morning	X	Talieb M.
Recovery is a Process	X	Glen
Recovery on the Hill	X	Vanessa
Saturday Night Solution	X	Matt
Spiritual Awakenings	X	Tyrone C.
Stairway to Freedom	X	Monica T.
Start Talking About Recovery	X	Sara
Sunday Step-Working Group		
Surrender to Win		
Tuesday Night Group		
Twelve Steps to Freedom	X	Josh C.
W.A.I.T. Group	X	Matt

### 7:14 Group Reports

**Group:** Anonymous

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

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

**Report:** We are in need of trusted servants. We will be making announcements at meetings to try to increase attendance and homegroup members. We have a lot of newcomers visit the meeting and always welcome new homegroup members. Come share your experience strength and hope and I guess we are asking the area to help make announcements to gather support. Thank you

**Group:** Clean and Serene

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

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

**Report:** We have 6 new home group members and we are still growing. Homegroup member Ian celebrated 6 months.

**Donation:** \$54.90

**Group:** Easy Does It

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

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

**Report:** N/A

**Donation:** \$125.00

**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. We are carrying the message.

**Donation:** \$82.86

**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:** All is well. We are in need of trusted servant members and experienced members. Our attendance is good. Homegroup member Frita who will celebrate 4 years at the end of the month.

**Group:** Footwork

**Meeting Place:** Messiah Lutheran, Downingtown

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

**Report:** Message being carried and all is well.

**Donation:** \$12.21

**Group:** Free at Last

**Meeting Place:** Malvern Center

**Day & Time:** Mon. & Thurs. 7:00 p.m.

**Report:** All is well. Attendance is good. Business meetings are being held on Mondays for the time being.

**Group:** Good Morning Group

**Meeting Place:** Quaker Meeting House 37 N.

Whitehorse Rd, Phoenixville

**Day & Time:** Saturdays, 9:00 p.m.

**Report:** All is well.

**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 12 steps that focuses on carrying the message and welcoming people. Please come out all are welcome.

**Donation:** \$32.00

**Group:** I Can't, We Can

**Meeting Place:** 121 Church St. Phoenixville

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

**Report:** Continues to carry the message. Our meetings have been great; newcomers keep showing up. We have 2 step writing meetings a month, great coffee and cat cookies (for people) this month. Come on up and share the recovery with us.

**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:** Group is doing well. Have a lot of support. Come out and share your experience strength and hope.

**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 of recovery. Group is submitting our votes for the C.A.R.

**Donation:** \$50.00

**Group:** Miracle on Merchant Street

**Meeting Place:** St. Paul's Church 703 Merchant St.  
Coatesville

**Day & Time:** Fridays 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

**Report:** Still carrying the message to the sick and still suffering addict. We are always looking for homegroup members and all are welcome.

**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. We are preparing for celebration of life (May and June). 2 speakers every meeting or Thursday nights at 7-8 p.m. We are also hosting bowling parties for the month of May and June.

**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:** Still need support and trusted servants. Come out and get in service. 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.

**Donation:** \$10.00

**Group:** Recovery on the Hill

**Meeting Place:** Episcopal Church of the Trinity, 323 E.  
Lincoln Hwy, Coatesville

**Day & Time:** Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

**Report:** All is well, attendance is good and we continue to carry the message of NA

**Group:** The Saturday Night Solution

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

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

**Report:** Carrying the message. Attendance has dropped. Just had a member join the homegroup. On May 5<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. we will be having our 2 Year Anniversary. (3 speakers, food, fun and fellowship)

**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 good and the message of recovery is being carried very well. We will be celebrating our homegroup anniversary with a speaker marathon on May 27<sup>th</sup>. The marathon will start right after the regular scheduled meeting from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Come out and support us and help us celebrate our homegroup. All are welcome.**Donation:** \$18.86**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:** Come join us! Homegroup is still in need of members. Still focused on carrying the message to the newcomer. We welcomed 1 new homegroup member.**Donation:** \$42.00**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.**Group:** Tuesday Night Group**Meeting Place:** 211 N. Church St. West Chester**Day & Time:** Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.**Report:** All is well. Attendance is good and we continue to carry the message of NA.**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:** All is well. Attendance is well. Continuing to carry the message to the addict who still suffers. On April 20<sup>th</sup> our home group anniversary starts on April 20<sup>th</sup> with food, fun and fellowship followed by the meeting at 7:30 p.m.**Donation:** \$38.10**Group:** Wake Up**Meeting Place:** Malvern Center Suite "B"**Day & Time:** Saturday 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**Report:** 7 -15 people come, 3 homegroup members, 3 dedicated non-homegroup members. Homegroup is effective April 14<sup>th</sup>. We need a starter packet, designated chair, GSR and Treasurer.**7:25 Subcommittee Reports****H&I Report**

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

Regional Business: Schuylkill Valley requested \$37.50 for literature. Motion was passed. All areas showed up except Montco. The dates for fingerprinting for the Holmesburg men's prison is on: 4/28, 6/30 and 8/18. H & I regional business meeting is going to be held 5/12.

Report: Brandywine, CCCF, Gaudenzia, Malvern, 39A, 39B (men's and women's), and VA PTSD are going well. There was a tardiness issue with 39B women's but it has been corrected. Matt was nominated for panel leader. PTSD unit and the nomination passed. Another motion was made to wave the required clean time for Matt O. to become secretary. Motion was seconded and passed. Melanie was voted in as Panel Leader of Gaudenzia. We talked about topics for learning day. Sara will come up with an agenda and flyers for next month. Max will be in charge of getting speakers. Meeting was ended up with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer.

## **PR Report:**

Ricky stated that he needed to step down from this position due to life on life terms. He addressed the area meeting.

## **Unities Report**

Regional Business: Events for region are on the Philadelphia region event calendar. There is a spiritual breakfast on May 19<sup>th</sup>, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and there is a \$5.00 donation (see flyer), and a marathon meeting on May 19<sup>th</sup>, 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. Pyramid of Freedom. There was some talk of summer kickball for the region.

Report: Flyers for our May 5<sup>th</sup> event will be on the Area website and in the minutes. Flyers will be left today with the Area chair as well. Our brainstorming breakfast on 3/25 at the Exton Dinner was successful. More planning was done regarding our 12 Step Speaker Jam on May 5<sup>th</sup>. There will be a speaker on each step with time allotted for sharing. There will be free food available all day and a clean time count down at the end of the event. We plan to give away a Basic Text to the newcomer and a NA coffee mug to the person with the most clean time. Please come out and support our event and bring a newcomer.

## **Policy Report**

Attendance: Tom P., Becky, and Sean

Report: We talked about policy, specifically the motions section. This section needs some attention and our suggestions will be presented at a later time. Due to the current situation of having a webmaster, we discussed creating a webmaster position. This may prove to be useful. I emailed the webmaster to update some issues under the policy section of the website. We welcome all feedback and suggestions regarding policy.

In loving service,

Policy Subcommittee  
Sean H., Policy Chair  
484-880-5454

**RCM Report:** (10:25 a.m.) The April 1<sup>st</sup> RSC meeting at the Charles Melton Center in West Chester opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer and a reading of the 12 Traditions. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Concept was read and discussed.

The following subcommittees gave reports at the Regional Committee meeting on April 1, 2012

Office Manager, Regional Delegate, Phonline, Convention, Literature Review, Finance Workgroup, Meeting List, H&I, PR, Webmaster, JAC

Highlights:

- New due date for CAR votes April 26, 2012

- Phonenumber orientation time change 1 – 3 p.m. (was 2 – 4)
- Convention committee will be hosting a bowling part on May 18 (details forthcoming) and a pool party (details forthcoming) as fundraisers for GPRCNA in August

Nominations and elections were held:

Lafayette H. was elected as Regional Secretary

Keith was elected as Clean Sheet (Newsletter) Chair

A vote passed to hire a special worker in the Regional Office

Positions open at regional level:

- Policy Chair (clean-time requirement 3 years)
- Advisory Board Committee Co-Chair (clean-time requirement 4 years)
- Advisory Board Committee Treasurer (clean-time requirement 5 years)
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(5:00 p.m.) Meeting closed with the Serenity Prayer

Thank you to all Clean Acres Area addicts who attended the Regional Committee meeting this month! I will be attending a board meeting on May 5<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m. at Roxborough hospital and will report details to our area next month.

**7:40 Break**

**7:50 Re-Open**

**Old Business**

**Motions:**

**Motion:** To change area policy: To change the price of the new group starter kit from \$20.00 to \$25.00

**Intent:** To keep up with the cost of price increases.

21 voting GSRs; 18 yes; 1 no; 2 abstain; passes

**Motion:** To post info flyer for a women's only retreat on the area website.

**Intent:** Get area conscience on this.

\*\*\*Brad (Area Chair) talked about the concepts before this motion was voted on\*\*\*

20 voting GSRs; 8 yes; 5 no; 7 abstain; passes

**New Business**

**Motions:**

**Clean and Serene Group**

**Motion:** Change Area Policy: orders for literature will be taken, filled and distributed from the hours of 6 p.m. – 7 p.m.

**Intent:** To not interfere with the Area Service meeting.

### 8:20 Literature Report:

Per the motion that is listed above Tom states that they will be at the Area meeting at 5:20 to fill orders. The question was asked would they deny orders if the motion was passed. Tom said their responsibility is to fill the orders. If a GSR gets to the meeting no later than 7:15 their order will be filled and given to them at the 10 minute break.

<b>Starting Balance:</b>	\$1248.99
<b>FSRSC:</b>	<u>\$970.84</u>
	<b>\$278.15</b>
<b>GPRSO:</b>	<u>\$148.89</u>
	\$129.26
	\$740.07
<b>Account Balance:</b>	<b>\$869.33</b>

Owe \$40.00 to JFT / H & I

### 8:25 Treasurer's Report

<b>Beginning Balance – Prudent Reserve</b>		<b>\$750.00</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	Check #275	<b>Verizon:</b> \$8.72
	Check#276	<b>Phone Power:</b> \$27.45
	Check#277	<b>Messiah Luth.</b> \$100.00
	Check#283	<b>CAANA Lit.</b> \$152.18
	Check#282	<b>Rusty Taylor</b> \$40.28
	Check#284	<b>Tom M.</b> \$8.99
	Check#285	<b>CAANA Lit.</b> \$25.00
	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>-\$362.62</b>
	<b>Balance:</b>	<b>\$387.38</b>
<b>Group Donations (18 Groups)</b>		<u>\$547.33</u>
	<b>Balance:</b>	<b>\$934.71</b>
<b>Less Prudent Reserve</b>		<u>\$750.00</u>
		<b>\$184.71</b>
<b>Donations: Split 50% to Region and 50% to World:</b>		<b>\$92.35</b>
<b>Final Balance:</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>

### 8:09 Open Forum

Rob spoke about the CBDM (Consensus-Based Decision Making). He suggested that we talk to the committee to build the CBDM for our Area Meetings. The intent is stop dumping brand new motions on the area. He stated that enough groups truly do not know what is going on and what they are actually voting for. This is to stop doing votes and have a consensus instead.

Derek asked how the Montgomery Area did this as they do follow the CBDM.

Rob said they put it on trial and discussed it.

Max said that H & I has commitments opening up at CCYC and the Brandywine Hospital.

Jenn (Area Secretary) apologize for not getting the mailing of the meeting minutes out for our last area meeting. She does take this position seriously and will work very hard for this to not happen again.

8:20 p.m. The meeting closed with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.