



**Minutes for the
Dulles Corridor Area Service Committee
March 29, 2009**

Next Area Service Committee Meeting: April 26, 2009

Service Positions Available:

None

Motions for GSR's to take back to groups for voting:

**Motion 1: Form an ADHOC committee to discuss problems of cigarettes being left on church property at the Community Lutheran Church
(Refer to minutes – New Business)**

Reminder: GSR Assembly
Workshop at 1:00 PM – April
26th – Before Area Service

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Opening : Opened with Serenity Prayer. 12 Traditions were read by Jay ; ASC Purpose was read by Fezz ; The 12 Concepts for NA Service were read by Josh ; The Service Prayer was read by Brenda

... to provide a forum where representatives from the Groups within our Area can come together, help solve one another's problems, and make available to all Groups with the Area services which might not be provided by individual Group efforts. These service include, but are not restricted to: providing a means for purchasing literature locally (Literature Subcommittee), providing information to the community about Narcotics Anonymous (Public Information Subcommittee), carrying the NA message to addicts who for specific reasons are unable to attend an NA meeting (Hospital and Institutions Subcommittee) and providing a way for the suffering addict to call for help (Phone Line Subcommittee).

We must always remember that we formed DCANA to help each other carry the message of NA more effectively. Our conduct at the ASC shall be one of love and respect for every member of the ASC. We are not in competition with each other and never should be. We can work separately as well as together in pursuit of our common goals. *Reprinted from Official Bylaws for DCANA, approved at 10/96 ASC*

Officer Reports:

Chair (Keith H.) – I have nothing new to report to the area. Thank you for letting me serve.

Vice Chair (John M.) –

1. Serious issue with cigarette butts/smoking at entry ways at Cascades Community Lutheran Church. Future use of the church depends on our adherence to this regulation.
2. Folders for the new meetings are now available in the Unity Box.
3. Thanks to those involved in the 80s dance, good turnout and participation.

Secretary (Mark W.) – Thanks for letting me serve today as your secretary. Please send any contact updates to nasecretary@gmail.com

Treasurer (Susan F.) -- Opening balance is \$ 1,263.42 with \$ 238.31 available. Group donations were \$ 218.00, with a reserve of \$ 955.12.

Subcommittee Reports :

CPRC Rep (Kevin C.) – I attended and voted at the BOD meeting. The host is ready to go! See you at the Beach!!! Thanks for letting me serve.

H&I (John R.) – This Month: 2 Facilities / 20 meetings per month at A New Beginnings Detox and Reston Embry Rucker Shelter.

Concerns: None

Literature (Angela T.) – Ashley is filling in. All is well.

Newsletter (Chris D.) – The newsletter meets every Thursday at the Countryside Starbucks at 6:00 PM. Attendance has been one or two people every time. I have also been given ten entries for the newsletter. We have ok'd only 3 out of the 10 that we have been given. I plan to go over them next meeting. We have plans to come out with a paper and net form of the newsletter for next month. Lastly, I have changed the email to a new email: DCANAnewsletter@gmail.com

Outreach (Bill B.) – This Month: Attended outlying meetings. Printed out GSR Workshop presentations.

Next Month: GSR Assembly workshops begin in April at 1:00 PM before Area Service.

Concerns: Need support to attend struggling meetings. Need GSRs to bring GSR kits to Area Service Meetings for updates and GSR Assembly workshops.

Phoneline (Yolanda R.) – This Month:

Next Month: Regional committee meeting April 11th.

Concerns: Monday night “Conscious Contact” not listed on Regional Phoneline or Regional/Area web site.

Policy (Kat D.) – This Month: I have suggested motions for changes in Policy

Next Month: Monthly meeting 1st Wednesday of every month at 6:00 PM Greenbriar Starbucks.

Concerns: None

Public Information (Jessica L.) – Absent – Reported by Michael R.

Hi all-

I am sending you all my PI report for this month, not to boast about my whimsical service methods, but because I think maybe one if not all of you might disagree with something or somehow in which I am running the PI subcommittee alone and catch a resentment that might last until the 2nd Sunday of April and therefore cause you to attend my subcommittee mtg. :)

PS. If it is sunny and warm on April 12th we can meet at Lake Anne and sip drinks with whip cream on them.....yay! :)

Regional Committee Member (Norman M.) – Nothing to report. No Regional meeting or motions. Next Regional meeting is April 11th.

Special Events (Holly P.) - This Month: The 80s dance was great! We had 76 people pay and numerous who did not pay.

Next Month: A dance the first Saturday of each month for the next four months. \$5 cover charge for all. Flyers will be posted on all Area and Regional websites. Each group will be emailed a flyer.

Concerns: Place to store special event items between events. Subcommittee support.

Visitors from other Areas: None

Group Reports :

- Tell the Truth (Jack M.)*** – **Attendance:** 30-40 **Positions Open:** None
(reported by Natalie) **Celebrations:** None
Status: Strong recovery
- Keep It Real –
On Sunday (Gary B.)*** **Attendance:** 6-12 **Positions Open:** Alt. GSR
Celebrations: None
Status: Thanks to all for spreading the word to support this meeting. A core of home group members is coming together. Format changed to JFT lead & discussion.
- WTSODMF (Jay L.)*** - **Attendance:** 20-30 **Positions Open:** Many
Celebrations: None
Status: Good Step meeting, Basic Text, various amounts of clean time, lots of newcomers.
- 3rd Tradition (Jim R.)*** – **Attendance:** 15-20 **Positions Open:** Set up/take down
Celebrations: Jim R. – March 29th – 11 Years
Status: Always welcoming new homegroup members.
- Exact Nature (Ben M.)*** – **Attendance:** 20-30 **Positions Open:** None
Celebrations: John M. – April 20th – 12 years
Status: Growing
- Conscious Contact (vacant)*** – **Attendance:** 7-10 **Positions Open:** All
(reported by Natalie) **Celebrations:** None
Status: Good recovery
- Free to Live (Josh A.)*** – **Attendance:** 30-40 **Positions Open:** None
Celebrations: Paul C. – March 30th – 5 Years
Status: We have had some interesting leads from another area. Our group is using ceramic mugs for coffee cups. Our group conscience is considering a flyer to post geared toward the Hispanic community.
- The Tribe (Judy G.)*** - **Attendance:** 20 **Positions Open:** Greeters
Celebrations: None
Status: Candlelight meeting; strong; meditation. Step
- Bottom of the Mountain*** – Absent
(Karen G.)
- New Attitudes (Fezz)*** – **Attendance:** 45-50 **Positions Open:** None
Celebrations: Fezz – April 14th – 1 Year
Bryan B. – April 21st – 7 Years
Keith H. – April 28th – 6 Years
Status: Fantastic meeting with strong NA message.
- Living In The Solution*** – **Attendance:** 25-40 **Positions Open:** None
(Eric D.) **Celebrations:** None
Status: Good meeting. A lot of young people and newcomers. Needs support from people with clean time..

Survivors (Natalie S.) – **Attendance:** 5-10 **Positions Open:** Treasurer
Celebrations: Melodie – April 1st – 3 Years
Status: Needs support

New Hopefuls (Mary F.) – **Attendance:** 10 **Positions Open:** Alt. GSR
Celebrations: Rick C. – April 29th – 8 Years
Status: Growing with attendance, strong step meeting. Congratulations Rick!

Miracles Happen - (Brenda D.) – **Attendance:** 20-25 **Positions Open:** Treasurer/Secretary/Coffee Maker
Celebrations: Tom from NJ – April 20th – 20 Years
Status: Meeting is growing strong. A lot of young newcomers.

Afternoon Delight - (Lauren T.) – Absent

Keyhole to Recovery - (James D.) – **Attendance:** 20-30 **Positions Open:** Greeters
Celebrations: None
(reported by Kevin B.) **Status:** Good. Newcomers pack for convention.

A New Beginning (Kat P.) – **Attendance:** 10-20 **Positions Open:** Treasurer
Celebrations: None
Status: The meeting location is pretty up in the air, so we will see. Still shaky with the attendance. We also changed the meeting format to leaders beginning the meeting.

Friday Night Girlfriends - (Addie F.) – Absent

Just for Today (Dave C.) – **Attendance:** 15-50 **Positions Open:** None
Celebrations: Dave C. – April 24th - 15 Years
Status: Concerns have risen about cigarette butts being left on the church grounds. We are at risk of losing our meeting space.

Bedrock (Joey B.) – **Attendance:** 25-35 **Positions Open:** None
Celebrations: None
Status: Strong NA message, consistent attendance. Lots of newcomers and experienced members.

Gut Level (vacant.) – Absent

HOW (vacant.) – **Attendance:** 3-6 **Positions Open:** All except Chair / Set-up
(reported by Natalie S.) **Celebrations:** None
Status:

Literally Speaking - (Erika S.) – **Attendance:** 8-20 **Positions Open:** Treasurer
Celebrations: Phil – 3 Years
(reported by Bill B.) **Status:** Strong in attendance now, but need a Treasurer. Basic Text study with a leader sharing their experience, strength, and hope.

Saturday Night - Staying Alive (vacant) – Absent

Saturday Night Live - (Raj) – **Attendance:** 30-40 **Positions Open:** None
Celebrations: Kat P. – 3 Years / Holly G. – 21 Years – April 4th
Status: Going great. In positive direction

BREAK

Quorum—Total groups in DCANA: **25**: Required for quorum: **8**: GSRs present: **14**.

Attendance on: 03/29 - 14
02/22 - 16
01/25 - 15

Old Business: None

Open Forum:

A variety of topics were discussed:

- Homegroups bring their own bag for literature purchase.
- Smoking problem with all meetings at Cascades Community Lutheran Church.
- Suggestions for policy changes were made by the Policy Chair.
- Determined that it is OK to have the GSR Assembly Workshop at 1:00 PM before Area Service Meeting begins. The room next door to the ASC meeting room is available.
- Bring extra handouts to ASC meeting for other than GSRs.
- Concepts of Service are being examined by several Areas.
- Check Unity Box before leaving ASC meeting because flyers are placed in box during meeting.
- Check NA.org for information on the World Convention in Barcelona Spain.
- Ask your homegroup if a Unity Day is a desired special event.
- Only \$218 donated by 26 groups last month. Do the math.

New Business:

Motion 1: Motion Made By: Just For Today **Motion Seconded By:** Survivors

Motion: **Form An ADHOC Committee to discuss problems of cigarettes being left on church property at the Community Lutheran Church.**

Intention: To gather attending members of the various groups to meet as a whole and how we'll fix the problem before we lose our meeting space.

Pros: 1. Group unity may affect the area as a whole due to usage of the facility if we lose use of Community Lutheran.

Cons: 1. ADHOC committee may not be effective.
2. Each group is fully autonomous. 4th Tradition
3. Taking back to groups is too long.

BACK TO GROUPS FOR VOTE

Motion 2: Ruled out of order since the same motion was voted on at the February ASC meeting.

Motion 3: Ruled out of order since the same motion was voted on at the February ASC meeting.

Motion 4: Ruled out of order since the same motion was voted on at the February ASC meeting.

Motion 5: **Motion Made By:** Free To Live **Motion Seconded By:** New Attitudes
Motion: Each Home Group bring their own bag for their literature purchase. Literature Committee does not provide tote bags.

Intention: To reduce our costs for the area and be more responsible to our immediate environment.

Pros: 1. A good idea
Cons: none

	<u>Pro</u>	<u>Con</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Voted on at ASC Meeting:	9	2	1

Closing Financial Report: Closing balance is \$ 000 , with \$ 000 available.
Group donations were \$ 000 , with a reserve of \$ 000 .

Next Meeting: **April 26, 2009, from 2:00 – 5:00 pm at St. Timothy’s in Herndon.**