

Southeast Texas Area Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous



4th Quarter Assembly Minutes **Saturday & Sunday** **October 5-6, 2019**

Sheraton North Houston Hotel
15700 JFK Blvd., Houston, TX 77032

***This we owe to A.A.'s future; to place our common welfare first to keep our Fellowship united.
For upon A.A. unity depend our lives and the lives of those to come.***

**Area Committee Meeting
Saturday, October 5, 2019**

Open of General Assembly – Rick M.

- Opened meeting with moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer

Preamble to SETA Policies and Procedures Manual – Christina S.

- Read the Preamble to the SETA Policies and Procedures Manual

Area Committee Roll Call – Tammy Z.

- 26 Area Committee Members in attendance
- See Page 26 for table of Area Committee Roll Call

Secretary’s Minutes – Deborah B.

- July Area Committee Minutes were accepted as submitted with 1 correction
- Correction: Change from “2nd Quarter” to “3rd Quarter” on cover page

Treasurer’s Report – Ron S.

- Operating Fund as of 1/1/2019 is \$70,811.62. Deposits totaled \$42,293.04. Checks written totaled \$39,627.01. Net change of \$2,666.03 making the Balance Ending on 9/30/2019 of \$73,477.65.
- First box is our Operating Funds broken down.
- Second box is our Gratitude Dinner Fund breakdown as of 9/30/2019 is \$2,889.
- Third box is our Convention Fund which shows an ending balance as of 9/30/2019 is \$23,208.22
- The Ending Balance as of 9/30/2019 is \$73,477.65. Convention Loss Reserve is \$4,000; Gratitude Dinner Fund is \$2,889; Convention Fund is \$15,000; State Convention Loss Reserve is \$3,000; Prudent Reserve is \$39,150.15; Unrestricted Funds is \$9,438.50.

NEW BUSINESS

IT Committee Motion to Revise Web Guideline – Vern P.

Revisions Include the Following:

- **Remove:** *July 2012*
- **Add:** *October 2019*
- **Add:** *In 2019 a website migration to WordPress enhanced the functionality of the website and allowed “restricted” or password protected access to “confidential” content, i.e. content that may contain full names or personal contact information. Amendments to the original “prohibited content” section were necessary to allow this by adding a “restricted content” section. Additionally, the committee determined that updates to the “domain naming and registration” section were needed to provide better continuity of service and allow changes aligned with best practices which may need to be updated from time to time. Some other minor changes to remove redundancy, align numbering and reformat the document were also included in this amendment.*
- **Add (Footnote number):** *1, as amended in 2019,*
- **Add (Footnote):** *and may be updated from time to time as allowed in the formally approved portion of the document.*
- **Remove:** *2. Personally identifying information such as personal phone numbers, personal e-mail addresses, last names, etc.*
- **Add:** *2, 3, 4, 5*
- **Add:** *Restricted Content*
- **Add:** *1. Personally identifying information such as personal phone numbers, personal e-mail addresses, last names, etc. must be password protected to limit access to logged in members, otherwise it is prohibited.*
- **Add:** *iv., v., vi., vii., viii*
- **Add (Footnote number):** *2.*

- **Add (Footnote):** ² *Look and Feel includes (but is not limited to) such items as Font, Color scheme, Header, Footer, Menus, common content (e.g. Area approved job descriptions on each Officer, Committee, and District page), etc.*
- **Remove:** *2. Submissions shall be conveyed electronically to the SETA Webmaster at webmaster@aa-seta.org and priority will be given to submissions received from a SETA position-based email address.*
- **Add:** *, hosting services, and continuity of service*
- **Remove:** *iii. Non-SETA email accounts will be maintained by the IT Committee as the contact information for the SETA Domain Registration to guard against loss of access to our domain registration and hosting services.*
- **Remove:** *1. area67.treasurer@gmail.com
2. area67.webmaster@gmail.com
3. area67.itchair@gmail.com*
- **Remove:** *iv. The billing contact shall be the Area Treasurer.*
- **Remove:** *v. The technical contact will be the IT Committee Webmaster.*
- **Remove:** *vi. The administrative contact will be the IT Committee Chair.*
- **Add:** *iii. Domain registrations must use private registration or similar services to protect the anonymity of our members at the public level in alignment with the 11th Tradition.*
- **Add:** *iv. The IT Committee shall document, publish and implement a service continuity process for SETA domain registration, web, and e-mail hosting services to assure continuity of SETA's IT Services. Such a process may include Non-SETA e-mail accounts (with multiple recovery options), password vaults or similar account and password recovery options to protect against loss of service due to accidental non-payment, loss of account access (through password loss, transition, death, relapse, or any other conceivable reason), or any other risks to continuity of service.*

Possible Archives Repository Relocation – Sara D.

- **The Space Itself:**
 - We have spoken to Intergroup's Executive Secretary, Kelli R. and have toured the space they can make available to us.
 - If we agree to the offer, they are prepared to remove a wall between 2 storage rooms to provide 350 Sq. Ft. for our records and administrative space.
 - This footprint is less than the 621 Sq. Ft. stated on the lease at our current location (of which my tape measure will dispute) but the actual storage and administrative space we presently use calculates to between 220-230 Sq. Ft.
 - We've also been advised that the Meeting Space at the rear of their facility will be made available to us to hold our Committee Meetings and any Future Events we might have at no additional cost. (schedule permitting)
- **The Changes in Rent:**
 - We pay \$721 a month at our current location.
 - On Sep 24th the Intergroup Board of Trustees had Officially Purposed a \$450 Monthly Rental Payment. (that's a \$271 savings every month or \$3252 annually)
 - The cost of the remodel has a bid of \$1850 of which we are told will be passed on to Area 67.
 - They've advised us that they will break up that charge into equal payments over the term of the lease, interest free. (20 equal payments of \$92)
 - With those charges added, the Monthly Rent will be \$542. (that's still a savings of \$179 a month or \$2148 annually)
 - The Area also has been given the option to make a 1-time payment of \$1850 which will reduce the rent back down to \$450 a month.
 - If the Area chooses the installment plan there will be re-negotiations of our lease when it lapses which will remove the renovation charges.
- **The Lease:**
 - The lease will be for 1yr 9mo (starting 01 Jan 2020) as that will be when Intergroup's current 20-year lease will lapse (Sep 2021) and it's only prudent to establish our lease into the same timeframe.

- The Board will require SETA Archives to carry its own insurance on the repository but the savings on rent easily cover that cost and insurance has already been budgeted for 2020.
- **Security:**
 - Security locks for the Repository will be re-keyed so that only authorized personnel will have access. (Intergroup will keep a key onsite as our landlord)
 - After hour access (to retrieve displays or prepare for a presentation) will be given via an access code for the security system.
 - Committee Officers will be trained on its operation and we're also advised that these codes are individually assigned so a record of who's coming and going is maintained for security reasons.
- **In Closing:**
 - We have been advised that The Intergroup Board of Trustees will write up an Official Proposal that should be ready in time to present at the Oct Assembly with all that has been stated.
 - The Chair wants to Thank Everyone for All the Support that has been received on this matter and feels confident that all things will all go well.

Announcements – Christina S.

- Need Hosts for July and October 2020 Assemblies

Close Meeting – Unity Declaration

**Area Assembly Meeting
Sunday, October 6, 2019**

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- Thank you to the Spanish Districts for Hosting the July Assembly

Preamble to SETA Policies and Procedures Manual – Christina S.

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Area Committee Roll Call – Tammy Z.

- 35 Area Committee Members in attendance
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Recognize New GSRs, Past Delegates & Guest(s) – Rick M.

- All GSRs, Past Delegates and Guests introduced themselves
- Welcomed and thanked for their service
- All Standing Committee Chairs and Liaisons introduced themselves

Secretary's Minutes – Deborah B.

- July Area Committee Minutes were accepted as submitted with 1 correction
- Correction: Change from "2nd Quarter" to "3rd Quarter" on cover page
- Sense of the area: limited amount of copies to be available at the next assembly to cut down on expenses and waste

Treasurer's Report – Ron S.

- See Saturday, October 5, 2019 Report
- Accepted as presented

Delegate Report – Troy B-D.

1. International Convention 2020 in Detroit is open for registrations. The theme is Love and Tolerance is Our Code
 - a. REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ABOUT \$115. PRIOR TO APRIL 15TH AND \$140.00 AFTER
2. The Southwest Regional Forum will be held here in Houston October 11th – 13th at the Sheraton North. Please register if you can before attending.
3. The AAWS has released the newly updated Meeting Guide App, if you have not downloaded it you can get it on Apple App Store or Google Play. This app will allow you to search for meetings by name and location and will also have the Daily Reflections. There is discussion of using this app to aid communication to the Fellowship as well so get it now.
4. Final Reports from the 69th General Service Conference are available now in print and electronically.
5. Our Big Book continues to be translated with 16 translations in progress and another 23 pending.
6. GSO continues to launch the new ERP system (NetSuite) which is no small task. Publishing alone migrated 125 business processes into the new system.
7. GSO is expanding into an additional 5,000 feet of office space on the 8th floor of 475 Riverside Drive. Plans for renovation are underway after approval by the AAWS Board and General Service Board for cash from the General Fund for the expansion project (up to \$1 million) which includes mitigation of asbestos
8. AA Grapevine website has gone through some updates and now works better with handheld devices. Additionally, the Spanish online ordering is now 100% Spanish.
9. Trustee's Committee on Literature is seeking shared experience from young people in AA including locally produced literature items. Committee members will attend the upcoming ICYPAA and continue gather shared experience and report back at the November meeting, this will assist them with the updates to the pamphlets "Young People in AA and Too Young".

10. Trustee's Committee on Public Information has RFPs on taking the Membership survey with the intent of applying some sampling methodology to attempt to gather better set of data on the current composition of the Fellowship.

Alternate Delegate Report – Kris H.

It has been a privilege to follow Troy around to all of the Districts, and at this point we only have three left-D33, D40 and D20. My job has basically consisted of setting up the projector, running the computer slide show and talking about the upcoming Regional Forum. Since Ron is going to talk about the Forum right after me, I'll just leave all of that to him. I did find that the 2020 Texas State Convention flyer is available, and the event will be held in Ft. Worth on June 12-14. Visit txaaconvention.org for more information.

At the Forum, I will be meeting with all of the other Alternate Delegates in our Region to discuss SWRAASA and expect that I will be bringing back some proposed changes to the P&P for that event to be considered by our Area.

I'd like to recognize Alicia, our La Vina Chair and her committee for the wonderful work they are doing. From her report, it sounded like we have more La Vina subscriptions in our Area than we do Grapevine. I can imagine a day when La Vina provides for costs of Grapevine as a service. Keep up the great work!

In love and service,
Kris H.
P69/A67 Alternate Delegate

2019 Regional Forum Report – Ron C.

The Registration for the Regional forum October 11- 13 is still open. Registration can be done at www.aa.org

Find the Houston 2019 Link on the page and signup. It will cost you NOTHING it is paid for by the money that is put in the basket from all the groups in the US and Canada. Also available on the same page is the link for the hotel

Sheraton IAH
15700 JFK Blvd.
Houston, Texas 77032
281-442-5100
King or Double: \$82/night

Currently we have approximate 300 people preregister and we expect an attendance about 400-500 people

Why attend the regional forum. It gives you an opportunity to meet other trusted servants from through out the South West Region. Also to ask those questions of the General Service Office that you have always wanted to know.

Volunteers are always needed. If you are interested please e-mail me or visit me outside at the Assembly. As a special treat the first twelve people who reply to me will be giving an opportunity to participate in a skit at the Forum about the upcoming International Convention in Detroit.

So see you at the Forum.

Thanks
Ron
Co-host SW Regional Forum

2020 SETA Convention Update – Danny G.

2020 SETA Convention is January 24th – 26th, 2020 at the Moody Gardens Hotel and Resort in Galveston, TX.

Online registration is up and running. The website address to register and for all other information is at setaconvention.org

All speakers are lined up.

Total registrations so far are around 80+, so please register and get the word out how important it is to pre-register.

Participation from our members, groups, districts and committees have been wonderful but we still need help and area looking for volunteers to serve throughout the convention. If you'd like to get involved and/or your group or district would, please get with me or another convention committee member.

Intergroup is looking for a few time slots to be filled for their hospitality suite.

We look forward to having a successful convention and it's always an honor to serve in any compacity in Alcoholics Anonymous.

Respectfully submitted,
Convention Chair/Co-Chair
Danny G. and Haley H.

2021 SETA Convention Update – Debi F.

SETA Family,

Please accept my apologies for not being in attendance this weekend. I am recovering from a nasty 3-week sinus infection and need to allow my body to rest and recover.

As you know by now, Tony W. of District 33 has graciously agreed to serve as my co-chair.

The hotel contract has been signed for the 59th SETA Convention. The location is the CitySpace Marriott located near the intersection of I-45 and 99 (Grand Parkway). The dates are January 14-16, 2021.

The taper has been selected and we are still in the process of selecting speakers.

There are still approximately half of the committee positions to be filled. If you are interested in serving on the committee, please contact Tony or myself. Many of you have already contacted me and I will follow up within the next month to finalize with you. If you do not hear back from me, please contact me, as I could have lost track of your name in the bustle of life the past few months.

Thank you for the honor and privilege to serve the Area. I look forward to seeing you all in the coming months and at the January 2020 convention in Galveston.

Love in service,
Debi F.
Chairperson

Roll Call for Voting – Tammy Z.

- 85 voting members in attendance

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Area Inventory Ad Hoc Report – Pam F.

The listening ad hoc committee having reviewed the responses to the area 67 2017 inventory survey questions in the listening category have come up with the following suggestions:

Information is the key to keeping a group, district or area informed.

The districts in our area have done an excellent job informing the people in the districts with workshops that help expand the knowledge of the service structure in our area. Not all who participate in the area have the opportunity to attend these workshops. It was suggested in the comments of the survey that mini workshops at the area would be helpful. The listening ad hoc committee agrees.

These are our suggestions:

FIRST WORKSHOP – AREA 67 101– (THIS WORKSHOP IS A DIRECT RESULT OF THE RESPONSES IN THE LISTENING AREA OF THE INVENTORY)

1. MOTIONS
 - A. WHAT IS A MOTION?

- B. WHO CAN SUBMIT ONE?
 - C. WHAT IS THE PROCESS TO SUBMIT AND MOTION?
 - D. WHAT IS THE BEST WAY TO CLEARLY WRITE ONE?
2. RIGHT OF APPEAL (CONCEPT V) AN OVERALL REVIEW
 - A. WHAT IS THE MINORITY OPINION?
 - B. WHO CAN VOICE AN OPINION BEFORE VOTE? AFTER A VOTE?
 3. RIGHT OF DECISION (CONCEPT III) OVERALL REVIEW
 - A. WITH NEW INFORMATION ON MOTION ITEMS, HOW DO I HANDLE NOT HAVING TIME TO GET THE INFORMATION BACK TO MY GROUP OR COMMITTEE?
 4. SUBSTANTIAL UNANIMITY
 - A. WHAT IS IT?
 - B. WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?
 5. PAST DELEGATES (COULD BE MINI WORKSHOP TOO)
 - A. WHO ARE THE PAST DELEGATES INVOLVED IN THE AREA?
 - B. WHAT IS THERE ROLE IN THE AREA (WHY IT IS VITAL)?
 - C. INTRODUCTIONS, SHORT COMMENTS BY PAST DELEGATES. THIS WOULD ALLOW PEOPLE TO KNOW WHO THEY ARE AND THAT ANYONE CAN APPROACH THEM.
- **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS SHOULD INCLUDE A COPY OF THE ILLUSTRATED CONCEPTS PAMPHLET.

SECOND WORKSHOP – “POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL OVERVIEW”

HITTING MAJOR POINTS AND REVIEWING ANY PROCEDURES THAT HAVE BEEN IN QUESTION IN RECENT ASSEMBLIES.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS SHOULD INCLUDE WEB ADDRESS TO READ (REVIEW) AND/OR PRINT “POLICIES AND PROCEDURES” MANUAL ON-LINE.

These are the recommendations of the ad hoc listening committee. We feel the area could always expand or add workshops to keep our area informed and current. We would like to commend the area on starting to add new workshops. We are on our way to an assembly that has expanded knowledge of our service structure which will benefit AA as a whole in our area.

Listening Ad Hoc Committee Chair
Pam F.

NEW BUSINESS

IT Committee Motion to Revise Web Guideline – Vern P.

- See Saturday, October 5, 2019 Report
- Motion Passed

Possible Archives Repository Relocation –

- See Saturday, October 5, 2019 Report
- The possible relocation was approved by the Area Assembly

Announcements – Christina S.

Close Meeting – Unity Declaration

GSR Workshops

New GSR Workshop

Chair – Dan K.

Recorder – Mike W.

Attendees 12 not including scribe and teacher

Points –

- Spanish speaking districts overlap English speaking districts
- Alt GSR only gets to vote if primary GSR is not present
- Discussion on Informed consent and right of decision
- Great way to learn about different service areas is to take part in their monthly meeting
- GSR preamble is not something known by many....????!!!!

Advanced GSR Workshop

Chair – Michelle H.

Recorder – Pam F.

Opened with serenity prayer.

There were 20 in attendance.

Michelle let everyone know that this will be a general sharing session. Using aspects and readings from the pamphlet p-19 “G.S.R.” general service representative.

“Once a G.S.R. always a G.S.R.” the most important job in AA. We are trusted servants once we start our service commitment.

Our delegate Troy and alt delegate Kris H. stopped by to introduced themselves to the group. Troy and Kris wanted everyone to know they are available for them.

Michelle pointed out that the G.S.R. is right under the group in the upside-down triangle of the service structure. The floor was opened for questions and discussion.

Q: Not sure if our group is autonomous or if our old timers just say that so we won't change?

- a. We do need those with experience to guide us
- b. We must have new ideas based on facts for groups to grow
- c. We need discussions that take place in safe places (group conscience) for all people to be heard. We have to create a safe environment.

Q: Chairperson runs everything how do we remove him? (the person resigned but they wanted area suggestions)

- a. Communicate the facts
- b. Use spiritual principles (principles always win)
- c. Ask your service sponsor ways to address the problem (if you don't have one please consider getting one)

Q: My group had the some G.S.R. for 10 years. I moved here with experience and became G.S.R. with a close-minded group. It was hard for the group to adjust, but I took the time to get the group involved. What other things can be done?

- a. Building on the positives of the group, not just highlighting the negatives
- b. Always being ready for the new comer (create what you crave)
- c. Think about what legacy you (your group) want to leave

Michelle pointed out the resources that are available to G.S.R.'s

1. Literature – for the G.S.R. and for the group.
2. The seta web-site aa-seta.org (and district web-sites) has information that group members can access directly so they will be informed of everything going on in the area.
3. Workshops
4. Seta agenda
5. The book “AA comes of age”
6. “The Service Manual and 12 Concepts” book

Michelle asked the group if they have an 'alt G.S.R.'?

Remember it could be anyone. If you have one involved them. Find ways to use them.

Q: What do you do when you have an inactive person in a position?

- a. If three (3) commitments are missed, the group conscience could replace them. It may be best to contact them and ask them if they want to continue in the service position. Make it easy for them to step-up or step-down.

Michelle encouraged everyone to be the very best version of “you today”. Leave your foot print for others to follow.

Closed with the responsibility statement.

Spanish GSR Workshop

Hello, we send greetings to all of you. I am sending a report for the Hispanic GSR workshop that was held by invitation of District 31 by Kathleen T. She facilitated by providing us the GSR folders.

The members of the Hispanic groups attended this workshop. The different Hispanic Districts were motivated to continue this type of workshops within their respective Districts. From all the attendees in this workshop, we are very grateful to District 31 for all your help.

With Gratitude to the Service,
Severiano M.
District 64, DCM

Service Committee Reports

Archives – Eddie R.

Since our last assembly in July the Archives Committee has been busy on a range of issues and projects.

First- In Mid Aug we gave a presentation of AA History in Houston at the Woodlands Serenity Group which went over well with the attendees. We followed Former Delegate Ron C. which made for an interesting contrast with his explanation of the current structure of the General Conference and GSO along with his promotion of the Regional Forum.

Second- A meeting was set up with the IT Committee Chair to discuss our Webpage as we wanted to present it on the New SETA Website. The IT Chair (Stephie) liked our idea and said there should be no problem setting it up and even gave some feedback on the purposed introduction.

Third- Our Committee Chair was able to attend the National AA Archives Workshop in Detroit (NAAAW) and brought back plenty of information that will probably keep our committee busy for a few years to come in digitizing our records alone as well as the standard idea of records preservation.

Fourth- The big "Task At Hand" has and is the offer from Intergroup to move the Repository back into "Their Spaces" along with the logistics and formalities associated with this kind of move. A report has been made from several sources

which includes data brought to us only days prior to the assembly and will be presented by our Secretary Suzie A. as our Chairperson had prior a commitment which has him out of town on assembly weekend.

All in all, we feel we are moving forward in Carrying The Message of the Fellowship to our members and to all who may have interest in what we do.

Eddie R.
SETA Archives Chair

CFC – Roy E.

Good Afternoon I'm Roy Alcoholic and I'm serving as Chair Person for SETA Correctional Facility Committee - Host of the 3rd Annual National Corrections Conference

*We meet monthly, except Assembly months, at the Spanish District 66 office , at 5645 Hillcroft #410
We had our bi annual TDCJ Orientation training last weekend, September 28. There was about 58 people there getting trained and retrained. We usually have a training at our annual CFC conference but beings we did not have the regular Area CFC conference in September, due to the fact that we are hosting the National Corrections Conference, we figured we would give the opportunity to partake in a local TDCJ Orientation Training. We have always had 2 trainings a year. One at our conference and one usually in the spring.*

Over the last couple of months we have received around 115 letters mostly for correspondence and a few for sponsorship and quite a few for literature. We barely have 94 people willing to write letters or sponsor or pre-release and we usually try and rotate volunteers when a new letter comes in from a new member. So if you want to participate in his type of service we have some some pamphlets that you can fill out with some basic guidelines of this program. One thing for sure is you don't use your address. Our correspondence chair picks these up at the PO box and scans letters and emails over to you. When you right letters you use our PO Box. Men write men women write women.

Some of our correspondence are book request for those where they cant get a meeting. We usually send them a big book but now I think we send a big book and a 12&12 if requested. Then, of course, we get a few pre release letters where the member fixing to get out. We serve as a temporary contact to help these guys get to there first AA meeting as soon as possible. A lot of our pre release letters come through the corrections desk at GSO and they forward he letters over to the Areas where the AA member is going to be moving to.

We usually try and start writing a few months before they get out, find out what area of town they going to and try to meet up with them at a local AA meeting.

I am glad to say that we finally have a corrections desk person. We went for a year without a corrections desk person and we had a few fill ins and substitutes. They still handled there business but I'm happy to say that we have a new corrections desk person so welcome Brenda Brown if you can.

Participated in District 52 service workshop at the Lamplighters Group on September 7 and share with them the activities that we do in CFC. Did get a couple of correspondence volunteers.

Our Blue Can brought in 3532.22 last month and 14,176.27 for the quarter. So we have brought in 48,239.62 with our Blue Can this year and have purchased \$47,439.26 of AA approved literature to go into jails and prisons this year. We came into the year with more than that and we have been slowly whittling away at that.

So once again we need more volunteers. We have 2 more meetings going on Thursday at the Ferguson and opportunities at the Carol Vance unit in Sugarland on Friday afternoon where they are doing a pier driven AA meeting with other volunteers. Plus the Fort Bend County Jail has a new meeting geared for the veterans program on Friday mornings. The Terrell unit in Rosharon is begging for meetings too but we just don't have a lot of volunteers.

NETA Area 65 is having a corrections conference in Allen Texas Today and that's where my cochair Roland R. is today. SETA Areas own Roland and Ola are sharing experience strength and hope, as well as our SW Regional Trustee Jimmy D. South East Texas Area and north East Texas Area have been partnering up and doing a meeting in Dibol Texas for the last year. Dibol is right on the NETAside of the Areas boarder but it is only an hour and a half from us on the north side and close to 3 ½ hours from Dallas North East Texas Area. Need volunteers there too so if you up by Livingston or Coldsprings or Cleveland or Shepherd it's a good Saturday morning meeting to make.

SETA CFC will be hosting 3rd Annual National Corrections Conference next month on November 1,2,3. Will be right across the street at the Double Tree where we had our Assembly in July. Got some awesome speakers and workshops over sponsorship, Cooperating with the professionals, a Judicial panel and a federal re-entry panel. There will be an inmate and ex inmate speaker panel with guys...maybe gals... that got the message on the inside. Will have a panel with a lot of past and present corrections chairs sharing there experience. Our Spanish speaker is the Director over in Tennessee prisons with kind of a Tom I story. We up to pretty close to 200 registrations and 150 banquets and a lot more available. Hotel still has plenty of rooms at a good rate so register . Got flyers all over the place and we hope to see you there. Scholarships are available too. So don't be shy.

CFC is doing the deal and we really want to thank all of you and your groups for continuing to support the Blue Can cause that really does help in our 12 step work.

THANK YOU

Roy E. SETA CFC chair

CPC – Dave L.

CPC Committee Purpose – *“Members of C.P.C. committees inform professionals and future professionals about A.A.— what we are, where we are, what we can do, and what we cannot do. They attempt to establish better communication between A.A.s and professionals, and to find simple, effective ways of cooperating without affiliating.”* – reprinted from *Cooperation with the Professional Community Workbook, page 5, with permission from A.A. World Services, Inc.*

This quarter the CPC Committee:

- Current committee chairs:
 - CPC Chair – David L.
 - Alternate CPC Chair – Rosemary J.
 - CPC Secretary – Rita
 - CPC Veteran/Military/Police/Fire Department Chair – Bill A.
 - CPC Clergy Chair – Kristi N.
 - CPC Hospital Chair – Elissa R.
 - CPC Court Chair – Rosemary J.
- Open Positions within CPC Committee:
 - CPC School professionals Chair
 - CPC Business/Employee Assistance Program Chair
- Continued the process of creating a new 12-step Hospital Program for Area 67 similar to the one currently being implemented in Western Washington (Area 72) and Area 93 in Central California:
 - Presented the program and 12-step workshop on July 20th at the Alvin Group. – Thank you Kate E. and Rick M. for the workshop!
 - Vern P. and the IT Committee helped create six working e-mail addresses to be used by Coordinators.
 - Held a well-attended Coordinator meeting on September 22nd.
 - Next step is to actively present to program to targeted hospitals and areas where we have a sufficient number of members to perform the 12-step calls
- Presented CPC Committee purpose and 12-step Hospital Program at the Houston Intergroup meeting in August – Thank you, Houston Intergroup!
- Participated in the District 52 Service Workshop in September (via Vern and Elissa) – Thank you District 52 for the invitation and hosting the workshop!
- Presentation scheduled (by Bill A.) for the main VA hospital staff and other administration in Houston for October 31st.
 - VA has also requested daytime (Noon) weekly and weekend meetings be added. Currently there are only meetings held Tuesday and Thursday at 7pm; however most activity is during the day.
 - Participated in Fort Bend area Veterans (VA) fair with the P.I. committee on September 26th
- Rescheduling presentation to another C.P.S. (Child Protective Services)/DFPS unit in Harris County at the office near NRG stadium – TBA
- Sent letters to the new Harris County court judges lead by Rosemary J. – Courts responded that they have all the information needed...
- Disaster Response Committee report (via Peter C.):

We have plans to:

- Outreach to professionals in all areas.
- Attend workshops on Committee service by Districts.

But we need your help:

The possibilities to carry the message by reaching out to professionals is nearly limitless. But we need people, lots of people. We need members, groups and districts to learn out to carry the message by being “Friendly with our Friends” as Bill liked to call it.

- If your District doesn’t have a committee, consider starting one, and standing for its chair position
- Attend the Area CPC meeting, any AA member can attend and be a committee member, you do not have to have an elected position to join in.

So, Join us:

We meet the first Monday of each month at 7:30pm at the Spring Branch Memorial Club, or you can join via ZOOM, meeting ID: 632 634 860 (<https://zoom.us/j/632634860>).

For more information or to help, please contact us at cpc@aa-seta.org

In Service,

David L. – Chairperson, Cooperation with Professional Community (CPC) Committee, SETA (Area 67)

Rosemary J. – Alternate Chairperson, Cooperation with Professional Community (CPC) Committee, SETA (Area 67)

Finance – Michelle H.

Good Afternoon, I am Michelle Hartmann & I am an alcoholic.

I do not have a crazy dream to share with you today, but we still got tonight! I will report back to you if I have one. I would like to share something that is on my heart though so bear with me.

Thursday night my girls treated me to the works at the nail salon, it's been about 4 years since we have gotten to do this, so it's pretty huge. There I was wrapped up like a mummy in my steamy, hot towels with my massage chair beating me half to death having a full blown spiritual experience. It was awesome! So, I decided to pray. I prayed all sorts of things & I prayed over us, this Assembly. I prayed all the way through the hot wax!

What I want to share with you as a result of my nail salon spiritual experience is this...

If every single person here today focuses on making 1 other person shine this weekend instead of being concerned with ourselves then we WILL LIGHT THE PATH UP for our newcomers to find us.

Leaders create leaders not followers & then our legacy stays pure & strong.

I would like to shine the light on not just 1 person, but several. These Finance Committee Members have shown up & I get to show them off. They are your behind the scenes hard workers.

Meece' Elizabeth Doug C. Rick Doug D. Betsy Kris

Deborah

So, here is a report on what the Finance Committee members have been up to-

- Committee continues to meet monthly using Zoom on the 3rd Saturday at 10:00 am, except during Assembly months. The Zoom link does not change each month & can be found on the Area Finance Webpage.
- Finance Committee would like to give a big shout out to the IT Committee for keeping us updated. We definitely got to see them action earlier today!
- We are adding more resources to our Finance Webpage each month it seems. This will be our main source of communication to the Area concerning all things Finance. Please use this resource for meeting, committee & budget information, minutes & Finance Committee webmail links.
- We have a new committee flyer & it is amazing. Every single detail on this flyer reflects the work of the committee & the links are working. So, please go check it out, share it with your groups & districts.
- Received bank statements from Treasurer for verification. Ron is doing his job, he is reporting accurately. I believe this is important to talk about because it builds transparency, security & trust.
- Reviewed the 2021 SETA Convention hotel contract & committee budget for Debi F. convention chair. A contract was signed by Debi in August.
- Committee is working on completing items on our "Tracker" You may not see any finished items this year but we are close & constantly working on multiple items at a time-
 - Big Concern in the Inventory Results & hearing members-PowerPoint Presentation "Fully Funding the Delegate" is being created & will be linked on webpage, we can use this for presentations to groups, districts & workshops. The Area Chair has confirmed that we will be put on the April Agenda for us to present this to the Area, this seems like a very fitting time to do it as we help our Delegate prepare for the next GSC.
 - Will be contacting the CPA the Area uses for taxes to inquire about the cost & timeline of performing a full audit of the Area's finances. This information will be reported back to the Area to discuss & make a decision on as soon as it is available.
 - Organizing the 2021 Proposed Budget Meeting
 - Motion at January's Assembly regarding the individual budget holders worksheets. Housecleaning is necessary, we need to remove & add line items.
 - All Budget Meeting info will be posted on our webpage.
- Melanie G, past Area Grapevine Chair has requested agenda time for today's committee meeting to give a full account of the 2017-2018 Grapevine Committee expenses to clarify any concerns Area members may have regarding the appropriation of funds.
- A committee chairperson's biggest heartbreak is when you start the year off with 26 members on the committee roster & you find it quickly evaporating into single digits. I cannot express my appreciation, gratitude & love to the core group of members that honor their commitment by showing up & working hard for their Area.
- Prepared for October Quarterly Assembly-
 - Area Finance Committee Meeting Agenda-

- The monthly Area Finance Committee Meetings are *NOT* secret, closed or by invitation only, they are open to all & will be located in the Austin Room this Assembly
- Committee Purpose
- Tradition Presentation-how it pertains to our committee
- Tracker Updates
- Webpage Updates
- Grapevine Committee
- PowerPoint Updates
- Roster clean up

Next Meeting via Zoom November 16, 2019 10:00 AM

Grapevine – Kimberly L.

New Ideas on Increasing Grapevine Subscriptions

- Set a goal for each District in the Area for number of new GV subscriptions and develop a system for tracking each Districts New Subscription
- Launch an Area 67 Grapevine Subscription Challenge between the Districts for the newest GV Subscriptions at the 2020 SETA Conference in January 2020 – a way to track subscriptions needs to be developed and a “Prize” for the winning District chosen.
- Be more proactive when manning GV Display Tables at events by asking if they currently subscribe to GV and if not, would they like too. Have subscription forms available as well as the capability to offer on-site subscriptions, cash or credit card.
- Encourage groups to purchase Subscription Gift Certificates for 1st Birthday celebrants
- Encourage groups, districts and individuals to purchase GV Subscription Gift Certificates for Treatment Facilities, Correctional Facilities, Half-way Houses etc.
- Suggest GV Subscription Gift Certificates to sponsors for their sponsee Upcoming GV Presentation for District 31, District 40 will be discussed at meeting today as well as District 32 Request for us attending January District meeting.
- Working on scheduling presentations to Area 67 Service Committees as well.

We have introduced ZOOM in our last month meeting. Even though the meeting was cancelled due to weather. The Alt. Grapevine chair Nichole and sec. Cindy along with Betsy who is our facilitator for Zoom they were able to access easy and had no issues with it at that time. Events at Forum for Grapevine. SATURDAY Oct 12 10:55—11:35 a.m. GRAPEVINE PRESENTATIONS AA Grapevine/La Viña—Albin Z., the AA Grapevine, Inc., Publisher SATURDAY EVENING SESSION 7—7:55 p.m. WORKSHOPS Supporting Grapevine: From Your Story to Service—Albin Z., AA Grapevine, Inc., Publisher (Salon G).

As always, we encourage every group to have a grapevine rep.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve,
Kimberly

IT – Stephenie O.

Hello SETA 67,

My name is Stephy O. and I am an alcoholic. I am your panel 69 IT committee chair and this is the official report from your IT Committee of super digital heroes.

The IT Committee is charged with oversight of the Area's Information Technology Assets: Hardware, Software and the Area's Website.

This oversight includes updates to all equipment/assets in addition to the current website and the new website under construction.

(Purpose of Website - http://www.aa-seta.org/itpolicy/GL_Web_Guidelines.pdf)

The purpose of the website shall be to assist the Southeast Texas Area (SETA) in the execution of its mission by facilitating the exchange of information about A.A. activity within Area 67 and the general service structure within which it resides. It is intended to be a communication tool for those involved in General Service within the Southeast Texas Area as well as to provide the individual A.A. member with information about our General Services and Area 67 related A.A. activities.

Committee Meetings: Monthly on the 4th Saturday 10 am to 12 pm at the SBMC, 200 Blalock, Suite 378, Room C, Houston, TX 77055

Quarterly at the SETA Area Assembly, Saturday 4:45 pm to 6 pm

Our Committee includes

A Webmaster, Postmaster, Secretary, Committee chair many committee members all committed to your technological needs as they relate to SETA 67.

1. We have switched some roles due to workloads and we now have an alternate chair Debi F.
2. We are currently moving around assets as well as researching and purchasing necessary equipment per Area IT needs (including software)
3. Still building on Area website. Due to security needs for our website needs now and, in the future, our webmaster is researching and executing as needed new protections for internal SETA pages, and forward public facing pages.
4. Committee is meeting with other committees such as archives for special functions to better represent the committee. For example: Archives, images and possible other showcasing of historical SETA information.
5. Webmaster is also awaiting large translations for forward facing website. Almost 100 pages are necessary before going live. This is an accessibility issue.
6. Our process for items to go on the website is working well, however, I'd like to remind everybody that in order to sign up for email lists or an email, you MUST send those requests to our Postmaster. Many of these requests have come to our webmaster and things outside of building the new website pull our mega brain vern away. BETSY is your postmaster, abuse her. Kidding, be kind, she handles a lot.
7. Keep in mind, it is a double job for the webmaster. He is charged with building our new Web home while keeping us going on the current site.

We have many more details about our functions and positions in the IT Committee workshop. Please join us to get a great view of what everything means, what the new website looks like so far, what positions we have and when our Christmas party is. Uh oh..... not so sure I was supposed to read that part. 😊

La Viña – Alicia M.

These committees meet every last Thursday of the month they also attend the permanent committee of the southern zone they share in their districts in the compartment roll and they do workshops in the groups of their corresponding district attend assemblies and conventions of area and Hispanic.

We attended the state convention of Texas with the area and there was a workshop with 21 experiences on August 18, 2019, a workshop was held in district 63. Everyone is invited.

La Viña committees in the Hispanic districts have sold a total of 433 subscriptions to La Viña.

Happy 24 Hours!
Alicia M.

Literature – Jackie S.

My name is Jackie S.; I am the Area Literature Committee Chair.

The purpose of the Literature Committee is to raise the awareness for A.A. Conference-approved literature, audiovisual and other special items.

The Area literature committee has been meeting monthly using ZOOM online meetings. We will also be meeting here today at 4:30 PM.

Since July, we have been preparing for the Literature Workshop that was presented this morning. We each researched a different piece of A.A. Literature and prepared a 5 minute or less rough draft presentation. We then practiced presenting at the August Zoom meeting. Then we discussed which pictures we would use for the Power Point presentation at the September Zoom meeting. Hopefully everyone had a good time at the workshop this morning!

If your district does not have a literature rep, please consider suggesting someone else to attend today in their place temporarily. Please know that you do not have to hold a literature service position to be on the Literature Committee. All are welcome! We look forward to meeting you!

Now, what we have all been waiting for! One of the newer special items is the "Anonymity in the Digital Age Poster". We are giving away (1) English and (1) Spanish today.

Multi-Lingual – OPEN

No Report

Newsletter – Annette C.

No Report

PI – Amy E.

Our purpose: The Public Information Committee increases awareness of AA in the general public. It also monitors anonymity breaks at the level of press, radio and film.

We meet today at 4:30pm in the plaza room. Our committee meets the 4th Tuesday of every month - at 7:30pm at the spring branch club or you can join us on zoom.

Our committee is growing, we have 3 new members! One of our new members has volunteered for contact free newspapers, HOA and other items in print. We are working with district 31 to put Big Books in libraries: We have 2 open positions - co-chair and secretary.

our committee had an exhibit at the VA health fair in Rosenberg

here are a couple of items we are working on:

a) welcome PI packets for new members - including PI workbooks and anonymity cards

B) "practice talks" for future PI presentations

c) another rack for our fairs etc.... this would include specialty pamphlets

PI racks - I purchased 64 racks at the beginning of the year, have placed over 50 as of now. The PI rack includes a pamphlets "is AA for you" and AA at a glance. We are looking for volunteers to sponsor a rack - this entails finding a place to put it and the volunteer would be responsible for refilling the literature.

There are 2 other ways to also help,

1. adopt a Bulletin board - it's super easy and is a tremendous help! You can stop by my table or download the sheet. It's a sheet that you can post on any bulletin board - it's asks questions about your drinking and people can pull a tab of interested.

2. Book marks and English and Spanish: 12 principles of PI and CPC success and 12 easy ways to inform the public and corporate with professional

..... these are user friendly and anyone can participate and help - please ask me if u have any questions or join us at a meeting :)

Yours in service,
Amy E.

Area 67 Public Information Chairperson

SCAP – Melanie M.

No Report

TFC – Sarah O.

- If you have treatment facilities that have opened in your area please e-mail me the name and location. I will be happy to get in contact with them and get them on the list. If you have questions about a facility in your area, call or e-mail me your location and I will be happy to send you the information

We are working hard to keep meetings on going in our Districts, but we need your help. Please let me know if you are interested in volunteering to speak at a Treatment Facility Meeting or Joining the TFC Committee.

- Service Opportunities
 - Alternate Chair
 - Secretary

Brazos Valley Intergroup – Robert H.

No Report Submitted

Houston Intergroup – Dan K.

- Intergroup Presents History Workshop with Guest Presenter Eddie R., SETA Archives Chairman- How A.A. came to Houston and the area, October 19th, 2019, from 11:00am to 1:00pm. Reservations required and is \$12.50, includes materials, lunch and dessert. Register at aahouston.org or in the bookstore.
- Intergroup is collecting a list of speakers to share with you for “Group Speaker Nights”. If you would like to share your experience, strength and hope, please contact Intergroup at 713-686-6300 to get added to the list.
- Nightwatch/Volunteering
 - Evening Nightwatch- Looking for “backup” members for evening nightwatch.
 - Weekend Nightwatch- Several slots available

Please contact Libby if your group would like to sign up at 713-686-6300 or email at adminasst@aahouston.org

- Meeting in a pocket- Now available in bookstore for \$2.50

Next delegates meeting October 17th, 2019 @ 8:00PM

Elections for BOT- 5 positions open- 3 year commitment from Jan 2020-Dec 2022

Information on being a trustee available in the October Link Newsletter or contact Intergroup directly

Sign up for the Link on aahouston.org.

9th District Intergroup – Lori H.

Intergroup is working on New Year’s Eve party. Flyer to be posted on website soon. Next meeting October 20th at 2pm at Westgate Baptist Church (6220 Westgate Dr. in Beaumont, TX)

In love and service,
Lori H.

Oficina Intergupal Hispana (D63, 64, 65) – Edwin C.

No Report Submitted

Intergupa Hispano Del SW (D66 & 67) – Andres P.

This intergroup consist of a service board and five auxiliary committees, PI, Twelve step, Literature, editorial and archives, and events and festivities. We also have a webpage- www.intergrupohispanohouston.us

At the moment the PI committee is working with El Salvador, Honduras and Guatemala consulates. We meet every Saturday from 6-8 PM and we visit groups every Friday. We have 14-18 RIs in our meetings. At the moment there are a total of 28 groups in our intergroup. Once a month we meet with the northside intergroup with the objective to better the service to the community.

Our next state intergroup forum will be host at Dallas Texas in 2021.

District Committee Member (DCM) Reports

District 10 – Katherine M.

District 10 has been inactive for some years and is just beginning the process of starting back up. Troy, Kris, and Rick were kind enough to come talk at District 10 about service beyond the group level. This inspired one of our shyest group members to attend the District 60/10 joint Delegate Report in September 15, 2019. District 10 looks forward to carrying the message to more alcoholics.

District 20 – Jakalyn R.

- District 20 meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month. We are taking action to contribute to our district, growing our number of GSRs, and beginning in October to work on getting people to serve as liaison's to committees of SETA. Our focus is also to read, discuss and learn from the various types of literature from Alcoholics Anonymous.
 - We have had informative discussions on pamphlets such as “The A.A. Group”-Where it Begins”, “G.S.R. General Service Representative,” and in October we will discuss “A.A.’s Legacy of Service.” Our members read the pamphlet ahead of time so that we can all contribute to the discussion of the pamphlet, and our members are taking their learnings back to their groups. One of our members has volunteered each month to lead the discussion on the pamphlet.
 - The members of District 20 are also reading the Concepts for each month. A member leads the discussion, and we are learning many things about the service structure of A.A. We talk about how we can use this information with the specific groups we are a part of.
- We are also very happy to announce that we have a new Treasurer for District 20. Jeff A. has 26 years of sobriety; has a long history of holding service positions and has excellent experience and knowledge with financial service positions.
- Our workshop, “More Will Be Revealed—What Your Sponsor Might not be Telling you” was very successful.
 - We had 33 people sign up and 28 attend the workshop. 82% of the participants provided feedback about the workshop.
 - All feedback was positive, and we got suggestions that will lead us to divide this workshop into two workshops, since we have so much material.
 - Our Focus for the workshop was four-fold:
 - Educate the participants about the service structure of Alcoholics Anonymous.
 - Increase effective and meaningful communication with exercises and experiences that would emphasize the importance of taking ownership for what we say and show that we have listened to the other person.
 - Understand how we block or establish ways to work together that increases collaboration and cooperative relationships.
 - Encourage participants to consider being a GSR or service in another way to their district.
 - We had some stimulating questions for each person to assess how effective they have communicated in their recovery. Here are two our several questions we asked during the exercises and experiences:
 - How effective communicator were you when you were drinking? How did you communicate?
 - How easy was it for you to build relationships as you started in your recovery?
 - Since we learn in two ways by sharing about ourselves and listening to feedback, we asked, how well do you receive feedback from your sponsor or another member of A.A. today?
 - Here are some of the comments that we received grouped by topics:
 - Thank you for hosting the wonderful workshop on September 28th. It was excellent. I give Jackalyn and George an A+! Both leaders were very clear in their communication and knowledgeable.
 - The handouts were outstanding. I know it took a lot of time to pick out the items to be distributed. I can present this information to my group and district.
 - The communication guidelines and exercises were thought provoking and educational. I enjoyed the exercises the most. They were extremely helpful. The puzzle was helpful to me to see how I communicate and cooperate or not cooperate with others. I would like more time with the communication exercises, the traditions and concepts exercises.

- I would like more detailed information about the A.A. Service Structure. There was so much valuable information I suggest dividing into two workshops. Have this workshop and then one focused on service that shows the many opportunities for service in A.A., and how we can get involved.
- The discussion of Concept IX about Leadership by Bill W. gave us an opportunity to learn about our past and present experiences with change.
 - We were able to see how we can strengthen our leadership abilities with the positions we hold in the district.
 - We have an abundance of potential leaders in the district; we simply need to continue visiting the dark groups and searching in our own groups we attend for people that would serve.
 - Even though we have had different response to the changes we have made, we have heard our friends who have given us constructive feedback and taken to heart the ideas they have presented to us.
 - We are committed to continually changing for the benefit of our district, our officers and GSRs. Our meetings have become a place to have fun, enjoy learning, and hearing different perspectives that can allow our district to move forward.

District 31 – Patty H.

Greetings from District 31!

I'm Patty H. and I am very grateful to be serving as the DCM for District 31. I am very excited about service in our district! District 31 has over 36 groups and we are located in the northeast corner of the Southeast Texas Area 67. We meet the third Sunday of every month from 2-4pm at the 494 meeting hall in Porter, Texas.

Our Alt. DCM, Cheryl, coordinated a wonderful History in AA workshop on August 17th. A great turnout and fun, as we all learned so much about AA's history and a very interesting presentation on the history of AA in Houston. Thanks Ron and Eddie! We had a large turnout on August 18th to hear Troy's Delegate report, we all really enjoyed it and appreciate the hard work by Troy and Chris. Our District continues to have wonderful and active participants in District and Area service: Grapevine with Nicole, David in CPC, Kristen in PI, Karon with the SETA Convention Hospitality, just to name a few.

We have all been busy preparing to be the host District for this assembly! A big shoutout to our host assembly committee chair, Kathleen T., Thanks so much for your hard work!

Thank you to Cayla for a wonderful hospitality room-Great food and participation with our groups, Ericka for registration, Barbara for Literature, How about those GSR workshops!!!! Three workshops with facilitators of Dan K., Severiano M., and Michelle H. Also, a big thank you to Stephanie and Marshall with IT, and Cheryl M for handling the projector and slide shows. What a great team effort!!

As we look forward to next week's Forum, many of District 31 will be participating and we still need a few Greeters.

District 31 loves service, chocolate, AA trivia, and ...workshops!!! Thank you for the opportunity to be of service.

District 32 – Rick L.

District 32 meets on the second Sunday of each month at Champions club. We have the support of 10-15 GSRs at most meetings. We have assembled a great group of GSRs and committee persons to help us carry the message to alcoholics.

We met today with 12 GSRs in attendance.

We welcomed our Delegate Troy to our last meeting to report on the General Service Conference.

We are planning several workshops with topics surrounding literature and CPC.

We continue to distribute literature including Big Books and newcomer packets to groups in the district.

We had a good discussion today about the 12-step hospital program. GSRs were asked to bring back to the groups the need for presenters and 12 step volunteers.

We are grateful for the financial support of the groups in District 32 and are challenged to find more ways to distribute our financial resources. At today's meeting, we voted to distribute \$5,000 to Houston Intergroup.

Rick L DCM D32

District 33 – Tony W.

We have 34 groups and 135 active meetings. We have two new meetings in Cameron added 3 months ago and another one last month. Tony A. is doing a great job there. 35% of meetings are represented by GSR's now at District, up from 20% a year ago.

We have recently filled the Alt. DCM position with Allise B. from Bryan, and the CPC/PI position with Tony A. from Cameron.

Finances are still growing and good, and the absconder from previous years continues with timely payments. GRATITUDE! There has been enough money split between Unity Conference, CFC and District to scratch take the U.C. off the list, as they've hit prudent reserve plus. Looking for a motion on that next month.

Brazos Valley Council on Alcohol and Substance (BVCASA) contacted us thru TDCJ Parole Division about meetings for men and women on Fri, Sat and Sun from 7:00PM to 8:00PM for both male and female volunteers. Nothing after replying back and setting it up yet, as is there no word from Washington County Jail on the meetings set up in May and literature being delivered.

District 33 workshop was a great success by all accounts. 44 people not including staff attended. Summer did breakfast; Domino's did lunch.

We had our first Round Robin District in years last month, 10 people showed for the lunch and 12 at the table at the church.

UPCOMING: The Unity Conference fundraiser luncheon is at the Brazos Club, November 9 from 11:00 to 3:00PM, and the Brenham/Burton/Bellville picnic is Nov. 2 from 10:00 to 2:00PM at the St. Johns Retreat Center in Bellville, with Micki B. as the speaker.

District 40 – Reino F.

Greetings from District 40!!

We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at the Spring Branch Memorial Club 1200 Blalock Rd Bldg. #378, Room B Houston, TX 77055 starting at 7:15pm.

At the August meeting we had Cynthia our SETA Alt Chair give us a presentation on hosting an area assembly.

Our current committee positions are filled except for the Archives, IT, PI & TFC

At the Sept meeting, we had the Pam F clarify us and to fill us in as to what is happening with the SETA Convention Hospitality room. We have 3 groups that are going to offer a meal for the Friday night slot at the hospitality room that Intergroup is furnishing.

Our District 40 Traditions Dinner was held on September 21st, 2019 at the COTHA – Church of the Holy Apostle in Katy, TX from 2pm – 6 pm. It was a success. There were approx. 50 members in attendance. The format was roundtable discussions for the 12 Traditions. There was good participation from the people in attendance.

We continue to have a workshop on the 12 Concepts that meets at the SBMC at 1200 Blalock Rd, Bldg. #378 in Room C Houston, TX 77055 at 10:00am. The final remaining scheduled date is Nov 2nd.

In Service,

Reino F

D40 DCM

dcm-40@aa-seta.org

District 51 – Steven W.

At The end of last August District 51 was honored to have Troy with his shadow Kris present his report out of the last General Service Conference. Troy provided us with a great deal of very informative information along with his entertaining and inimitable sense of humor. Troy, thank you very much.

Last August 3rd we conducted a highly successful workshop on Spirituality. We had an atheist with 38 years of sobriety, an agnostic with 43 years and a Catholic with 33 as presenters, with over 40 people in attendance. What was remarkable to myself and many others was that though their individual paths were clearly different in their hearts they had arrived at the same destination. Their compassion and love for one another was inspiring as was their commitment to dedicate their lives to service of other alcoholics. The comment I most frequently received was that it was the best workshop they had ever attended and when would we do something similar in the future.

As you may or may not know District 51 is one of the smallest if not the smallest district in Area 67. I am standing before you today not because I had any particular interest in becoming DCM. A more accurate assessment would be that I had a particular interest in not becoming a DCM. I am here because no one else was willing to take on the job and I did not want the district to go dark. For the last several months I have been both secretary and chair. Our last meeting consisted of myself and one other person.

I want to make it clear that there is no one to blame for this but myself. I have had a great deal of emotional difficulty recruiting people for a service whose usefulness and effectiveness (though not in its entirety) I question. Aware of the paralysis of my ambivalence and witness to its direct consequences I am now involved in a campaign to energetically draw in as many people and GSRs as I can making them fully aware of my concerns (right or wrong) and give them an opportunity to decide for themselves as to the overall efficacy of what we do here and at the General Service Conference.

It has occurred to me that given our size and the fact that for years other districts have encroached on our district boundaries that perhaps it be best that our district be absorbed into other larger districts. However this is at least initially an offline consideration which I intend to pursue.

Having said all this and not to cast too much of a pall over these proceedings, our district is still hosting our Service Manual and Concepts meetings every second and fourth Tuesday of the month at the Delta Club at 7 pm. We are still very successfully taking meetings every Wednesday to the Odyssey House (a treatment facility for adolescents). Anyone interested in such service, please contact me for details.

Thank you all for participating in my sobriety.

Steven W.
District 51 DCM

District 52 – Meece' T.

District 52 meeting every first Tuesday of the month at Fort Bend Council, at 10435 Greenbough, Suite 250, Stafford, TX 77477 7:00pm-8:30pm.

Rebuilding has become our primary focus, going out and establishing relationships with each group (43 registered) within our District has become a very slow process. I envisioned every group would've been touched by year end; and that remains our goal. However, I continue to be right sized and have surrendered to our Ultimate Authority the outcome. Each committee member has adopted 5 groups, committing to connecting them to AA as a whole. When contacting each group, we are ensuring that the group information is current, they are still meeting, at same dates and times; assisting the Delegate in keeping the roster current.

- August 6, 2019 we had the Delegates report, I would like to thank our Delegate and Alternate Delegate for coming out so quickly and nurturing the atmosphere of unity and fun while taking care of business.
- September 7, 2019 the district participated in a Service workshop with Tri-cities group. D52 provided a grapevine issue related to service work to each attendee. I would like to thank all who participated, we had a representative from each committee with the exception of GV. Vern P/Alyssa for CPC, Roy from CFC, Lisa D52 Literature chair and Sarah O. Area TFC Chair shared their excitement and love of service.
- October 2, 2019, we had a mini workshop on Concepts 1-8 in summary and focused on Concept Nine. The District has set goals, we have a vision of what must be done but, most importantly I would like anyone who serves for District 52 to be better both emotionally and spiritually having served. Next year we plan to have workshops involving traditions and concepts...and I am a firm believer that you cannot transmit what you don't have.

- We continue to challenge ourselves and each other to grow and evolve as recovery is our foundation Unity and Service will complete our triangle. We don't simply present concepts/traditions during our meeting but attempt to practice these principles in ALL our affairs.

District 52 is growing, the DCM's that proceeded planted the seeds, we are now watering the district and we believe God will provide the increase. Increase in participation, love of service and most of all growth in understanding of the General Service structure. This is a program of attraction, and just like our personal recovery one can be as free as they desire to be...if they are willing to do the work. The DCM hopes that everyone who serves within District 52 will be better personally and will learn to communicate the joy of service to all with whom they come into contact; acknowledging "our real purpose being of maximum use to God and our fellows" bbp77.

Meece'(Meeka)T., Trusted Servant
District Committee Member D52

District 60 – Deborah M.

We had workshop on chairing meeting

On oct 12th at noon how to chair a meeting.

We had presentation from Grapevine and the Delegate. Report was in conjunction with district 10

New treasurer Callie H. New secretary, Michael T.

Secretary send notes

We meet the 1st Monday at 6.30

District 62 – Manuel R.

No Report Submitted

District 63 – Jose P.

District 64 – Severiano M.

Our District has 17 groups within our District with 14 GSRs.

We have 3 active committees which consist of Correctional Committee, Literature Committee and La Vina. These committees meet every Tuesday every 2 weeks. The committee members also go out to different meetings along with the district members. The Correction Committee participates in the following facilities: Navasota, James Bird, Walls and MTC Cleveland.

Our District 64 meets every month on Saturdays at 6:00 pm; we change our meetings to Thursdays when there is an event (Assemblies or Conventions). We actively participate in all our events, Hispanic Assemblies and Hispanic Conventions as well as all events in our Area. We participate with all the groups in our District and with other groups when invited.

We are working with the Asamblea Sur de Texas which is the South Texas Hispanic Assembly to be held in Austin, Texas on November 8-10, 2019.

We hope to continue working with Area 67 and with our Delegate and all Area service members. We thank you for your suport and giving us this time to relay our District report.

In Service,
Severiano M. – DCM
Arturo B. – Alt. DCM

District 65 – Arnulfo C.

Greetings from all of us that form District 65 of Alcoholics Anonymous wishing that you are having a happy 24 hours of sobriety. Our District consists of 18 groups, but only 13 are active, 5 are inactive. The proprietary GSR's are 9 and 2 alternates. In average the GSRs that assist are between 6 and 9. Our GSR meetings are Saturdays from 6pm onwards and are only change to a Thursday prior to an assembly or convention. We count with a service desk and 3 committees (La Vina, Correctional Committee and the Literature Committee). The correctional committee regularly motivates the Blue

Cans and meets with the other correctional committees from Area 67. The literature committee motivates literature in the area groups. La Vina committee motivates literature and the subscriptions to the Grapevine. It has meetings the last Thursday of the month from 8:00 pm onwards with the La Vina Houston committee. It also assists to the meeting of the permanent La Vina committee South Zone, the 1st Sunday of the month. Such meetings rotate in different cities from 10:00 am onwards.

Thank you for your attention to our report!
Arnulfo C.
DCM

District 66 – Manuel O.

Our District 66 thanks our Delegate, Troy B., our Alternate Delegate, Kris H., the different Committees and Service Desk of Area 67 for their dedication to continue fulfilling our primary objective "CARRY THE MESSAGE TO THE ALCOHOLIC THAT STILL SUFFER"

In this geographical area, 22 Spanish-speaking groups have been formed, of which 19 groups have chosen their GSR. 15 groups continually participate in the activities of the district. In our district we meet weekly on Saturday from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. On the last Saturday of the month we have a study meeting.

Weekly every Wednesday the service table, the committees and GSR, we share with each of the groups the functions and activities that it performs of our District 66.

La Vina magazine committee meets weekly on Tuesdays from 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. in the premises of our district. They carryout workshops in the groups with the objective of motivating subscriptions and participation in this committee. We currently have 133 subscriptions.

The Correctional Committee meets weekly on Thursday form 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. in the premises of our district. This committee takes the message to the penitentiary: Darrigton Unit in Rosharon, TX and to the jail: Joe Kegan of Harris County. In the linguistic districts 63, 64, 65, 66, we are motivated to participate and subscribe to the 3rd National Correctional Convention that will be held in the city of Houston on days 1, 2, and 3 of 2019. In which we will be serving in the hospitality room.

We have a literature committee

Committee of the District 66 website www.district66.org

We have and interdistrict meeting between the linguistic districts percardially to share matters pertinent to our services.

Our District 66 has an average monthly expense of \$1200 and we have a prudent reserve of \$4230.

We will carry out the celebration of the anniversary of the district in the month of November 2019.

As District 66, we reiterate the THANKS to each of the servants who make it possible to fulfill our mission "CARRY THE MESSAGE TO THE ALCOHOLIC THAT STILL STUFFER"

Rodrigo C. – Alt. DCM

District 70 – Brady G.

District 70 meet at Kelly's Country Coolin at 7011 Spencer Hwy. Pasadena, Texas 77505. Our meetings are still held on the second Wednesday of each month. We now start at 6:00pm for dinner and fellowship with the meeting starting at 7:00pm.

The Delegate Troy and the alternate Delegate Rick came by on September 11th to present his GSO report. We had a good turnout and everybody was pleased with the presentation. We continue to work on building up the participation in the District. New job descriptions have been presented and a review and vote will be taken in the near future. We are looking forward towards updating the Policy and Procedures.

Thank you,
Brady G.
DCM District 70

District 81 – Catherine G.

Good Afternoon from District 81

It has been a busy time for District 81 since our last Assembly. We continue to meet the first Monday of the month at the fine dining establishment of Kelly's on I 45 South in La Marque. If you went to Galveston this summer you drove right through our District.

District 81 has 54 groups named in our district and we had the general participation of 32 at our District meeting. It is my hope to have the 'silent' groups accounted for by the time I rotate out.

Troy visited our District and gave his GC report which was peppered with his humor along with the facts. Thank you Troy

Since our last Ass

Since our last assembly we have adopted a 'buddy system' for new GSR's and seasoned GSR's at our assemblies for this seems to have worked out well and we will continue this system.

Our committees are busy with their respective work as stated by our Area Chair we can always use more helping hands. Our CFC committee held an orientation in April and as usual was a full house. Our TFC is preparing their 2nd workshop October 19th.

District 81's workshop committee held another stellar workshop titled "Who's sponsoring who" with 59 in attendance. As Michele asked I'm giving my Shine to Pam not attending and sharing about "Service Sponsorship". I personally had 3 members reach out to me about Service sponsors. Thank you, Mitch Mitch and committee another fine workshop.

Another workshop is scheduledstay tuned for details.

Our summer newsletter was printed and is posted on our District 81 web page this edition focused on the Forum what it is as well as highlighting several of our committees.

Speaking of our committees, In August we started highlighting 1 committee at our monthly District meeting. The goal is to bring information to the GSR's in an informal setting. August we highlighted the Grapevine and Kim started the subscription challenge with some success. however the numbers I heard earlier tells me we have a way to go.. Suzie just presented "How AA came to Houston" with wonderful articles from our archives room. Ann is highlighting Literature in November.

How many were fortunate enough to get sober before the age of 25? TXYPAA has their convention October 25-26th at South Shore Harbor Hotel and your support is important as they are our new leaders as DCM's, Area officers, and Delegates. So, please support.

As you know the 2020 SETA convention is at Moody Gardens and District 81 has stepped up to host a hospitality suite. If your group or district would like to help please contact me, as always more helpings hands are always needed.

Our Pi/CPC committee is always busy and one of their projects is placing local meeting schedules in local hotels in Galveston, Kemah and Clearlake, so if you stayed in one of these areas you probably noticed a schedule. Recently the committee also participated in the "Senior Fair" in Galveston which was very well attended. Literature was available and questions were answered many folks did stop by to say how AA changed their families. A care giver question was "what info do we have on Alcoholism and Dementia?"

District 82 – Jeanne B.

Hello from district 82..... my name is Teri and I am the alternate DCM.

We meet on the 1st Sunday of the month @ 1:30pm. We rotate our meeting locations to promote UNITY within the district. Please stop by anytime

We just had our Unity Day event where we had Troy and Chris come down and give us the Delegate report and it was a great time. We had over 100 attend and that was an amazing turn out.... Of course, food was involved!!!! Big shout out to all of our volunteers we could have done it without them!!!!!!

Other news in the district.....

- Last month Live to ride held their anniversary and it was a great success.
- The local recovery club was voted as a non-smoking facility so now our district is completely non-smoking!!!!

- The Live to Ride group moved locations it is back at the BAC Club house in Clute.
- The Alvin Taylor street group will be having holding their 53rd Anniversary gathering on October 12th.

We are looking forward to the Regional Forum next week hope to see everyone there!

It is a pleasure to be in your service.

District 90 – Bella L.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: District 90 meets 1st Sunday of each month

Location: 1235 Crockett Street, BMT, TX

Eating: 1:00pm/ Meeting: 2:00pm

- Our district is very involved with service and all trusted servants are in love with service work.
- All positions on our Committee are full except Alternate PI/CPC and Grapevine Chair
- District 90 will be hosting a Tradition Workshop October 19, 2019 @ West End Group, 1235 Crockett St., Beaumont, TX
- Gratitude Dinner- November 2, 2019 @ 6220 Westgate Dr., West Gate Baptist Church, Beaumont, TX
 - I have tickets to for \$12 each
- We have had the honor for our Delegate, Troy B., to visit our group in August to give us his presentation from GSO.
- As a collective group, we have had chair positions do a mini presentation on their duties, one each month, to educate others of what duties are completed in their line of service.
- Art and I are still attending Treatment Facilities to assist in depleting the stagnation happening in Alcoholics Anonymous. Several of our district members has joined in volunteering at the treatment facilities.

Yours in Service,
 Bella L.
 DCM District 90

Position	Full Name	Committee	Assembly
Area Officers			
Delegate	Troy B	X	X
Alternate Delegate	Kris H	X	X
Chairperson	Rick M	X	X
Alternate Chairperson	Christina S	X	X
Registrar	Tammy Z	X	X
Alternate Registrar	Kathleen T		
Secretary	Deborah B	X	X
Alternate Secretary	Pam F		
Treasurer	Ron S	X	X
Alternate Treasurer	Cynthia B	X	
Standing Committee Chairpersons			
Archives	Eddie R		
Alternate Archives	Mike D	X	X
CPC	David L		
Alternate CPC	Rosemary J	X	X
CFC	Roy E	X	X
Alternate CFC	Roland R		
Finance	Michelle H		X
Alternate Finance			
Grapevine	Kimberly L	X	
Alternate Grapevine	Nicole L		
IT	Stephenie J	X	X
Alternate IT			
La Vina	Alicia M	X	X
Alternate La Vina			
Literature	Jackie S	X	X
Alternate Literature			
Multi-Lingual	Armando H		
Alternate Multi-Lingual	Pedro		
Newsletter	Annette C		
Public Information (PI)	Amy E		X
Alternate PI	Sonya O		
SCAP	Melanie G		
Alternate SCAP			
TFC	Sarah O		X
Alternate TFC			
Convention Chairs			
2020 Convention Chair	Danny G		X
2020 Convention Co-Chair	Haley H		
Liaisons to Intergroup			
Brazos Valley Intergroup	Robert H		
Houston Intergroup	Daniel K		
Ninth District Intergroup	Lori H		X
Ninth District Intergroup Alternate			
Oficina Intergroupa Hispana (D63,64,65)	Edwin C		
Intergrupa Hispano Del SW (D66 &67)	Andres P	X	X
Intergrupa Hispano Del SW Alternate (D66 &67)			
DCMs			
District 10 DCM	Katherine M	X	X
District 10 Alt DCM			
District 20 DCM	Jackalyn R		
District 20 Alt DCM	George S		X
District 31 DCM	Patricia H	X	X
District 31 Alt DCM	Cheryl M		
District 32 DCM	Rick L	X	X
District 32 Alt DCM	Kim B		
District 33 DCM	Tony W	X	X
District 33 Alt DCM	Allise B		
District 40 DCM	Reino F	X	X
District 40 Alt DCM	Deanna F		
District 51 DCM	Steven W	X	X
District 51 Alt DCM	Kern V		
District 52 DCM	Meece T		X
District 52 Alt DCM	Richard G		
District 60 DCM	Deborah M	X	X
District 60 Alt DCM			
District 62 DCM	Manuel R		
District 62 Alt DCM			
District 63 DCM	Jose P		
District 63 Alt DCM	Aurelio D		
District 64 DCM	Severiano M		X
District 64 Alt DCM	Arturo B		
District 65 DCM	Arnulfo C		
District 65 Alt DCM	Henriquez G		X
District 66 DCM	Manual O		
District 66 Alt DCM	Rodrigo C		X
District 70 DCM	Brady G	X	X
District 70 Alt DCM	Byron T		
District 81 DCM	Catherine G		X
District 81 Alt DCM	Veronica M		
District 82 DCM	Jeanne B		
District 82 Alt DCM	Teri V	X	X
District 90 DCM	Bella L	X	X
District 90 Alt DCM	Art G		