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COR Meeting

March 20, 2005

1119C Johnston St.,
Lafayette, La. 6:00 PM

AGENDA

Open with the Serenity
Prayer

Sign-in

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Office Manager's Report

Committee Reports

District Liaison Reports

Old Business

Bar-B-Que

New Business

Election

Close with the Lord's Prayer

Chili Cook-Off A Great Success

Thanks to all those who contributed to the success of the Central Office Cook-Off. More than 200 persons attended and 17 area groups donated chili with the 3rd St. Park Group of Crowley being the Grand Winner of the Cook-Off. Any Lengths Group was 2nd and 3rd was the Abbeville Area Group. Many individuals began setting up 2 hours early and stayed until 11pm cleaning up. Erica T. was a dynamic chairperson which added atmosphere throughout the event. Net proceeds was \$409.20. The complete accounting is presented on the Birthday Page of this issue.

Louisiana State Con- vention Slated for March

The 47th annual Louisiana State Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous will take place on the weekend of March 25th through March 27th, 2005 at the Landmark Hotel, 2601 Severn Ave., Metairie, LA. Hotel reservation can be made at 1-800-277-7575.

It will open on Friday, the 25th at 8:00PM, and close with the 10:00AM speaker on Sunday, the 27th.

Truman Group Has Moved

The Truman Addition Group has moved its location to 145 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive in the Queen of Peace Church Hall. Meetings will be on Monday at 8:00PM. These will be open discussion, non-smoking meetings.

An Invitation From District 13E

District 13E invites all of the district's General Service Representatives (GSR's) to attend the next business meeting which will take place on April 13 at 6:00PM at 115 Leonie St. (Central Office) in Lafayette. Get involved and represent your home group! Meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:00PM at Central Office

Get a Free Plug-In- Jug!!

Your home group can qualify for a free subscription to the Central Office Plug-In-Jug Newsletter. It's easy. Here's how: have your group's Central Office Representative attend the monthly COR meeting on the third Sunday of the month and it will be sent to them free of charge.

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Central Office Steer- ing Committee Elec- tions Set For April

The annual election for four Steering Committee positions will take place at the COR meeting on April 17, 2005 at 6:00PM behind Domino's.

Up for election are the Vice-Chairperson, the Treasurer, and two Members-At-Large. The Members-At-Large also chair the Contact Committee and the Communications Committee.

All positions require at least two years of continuous sobriety.

An Elections Committee has been appointed by the Steering Committee Chairperson and will report on their efforts at the March COR meeting.

If you wish to stand for these positions contact the Elections Committee through Central Office by calling 337 991-0830.

The responsibilities of these positions is listed in the accompanying flyer.



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**ACADIANA AREA CENTRAL OFFICE REPRESENTATIVES MEETING
Minutes from February 20, 2005**

The meeting was called to order by Susan T. and opened with the Serenity Prayer.
The attendees were:

<u>Steering Committee</u>	<u>Central Office Representatives</u>
Chairman Susan T	Freedom's Choice Susan T
Vice Chairman James L	New Way Group of BB Gloria L.
Activities Todd D	Northside Gratitude Mary C
Contact Lloyd P	Opelousas Group Alice R
Newsletter Bill S	Queen City Gratitude Denise D
Treasurer Bob R	Reflections Kathy R
Office Manager Pat d	Scott Group Rod S
	Serenity Group N.I. Lloyd P
	Simply Sober Kasey
	Sobriety and Beyond Eddy P
	Third Street Park James L

The **January minutes** were read by Schanda C and accepted as amended.

Treasurer's Report: Bob R reported a starting balance of 2,000.00, a regular total income of 946.45, and sales income of 2372.90, for a total income of 3319.35. The regular expenses were 1668.94, sales expenses were 1617.30, for a total of expenses of 3286.24 for the month of January. The net income total was 33.11. We then transferred 33.11 to the prudent reserve, leaving 2,000.00 for the regular working balance. The report was accepted.

Office Manager's Report:

5 Twelve-Step calls	227 Meeting information calls	4 Other calls	3 Meeting lists mailed
11 Meeting Lists faxed	3 Al-Anon info	2 Office information calls	153 Walk-ins
80 Sales of merchandise	9 Internet Inquiries	15 Plug in Jug renewals	

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Activities: Todd D reported that the speaker for the Chili cook-off would be Kathy R and that it would be held at Riverside Church of Christ. The PA system will come from Terry R for a \$15.00 donation. Michael H has bowls from a previous function that he will bring to the cook-off. Anyone interested in service work can show up as early as 5:30 pm on 2-26. Chili needs to arrive before 7pm and the winners will be named shortly thereafter. Lloyd suggested that we be sure to have enough soft drinks this year.

The next activity will be a Hawaiian BBQ on June 11th @ Beaver Park.

The Christmas party may be at the Clifton Cheniere location or at the Youngsville facility we used last year. Todd asked that we return next month with suggestions for a location. We should be prepared to vote at the next COR meeting. The Lion's Club and the American Legion Hall were mentioned. Lloyd reiterated that we should select a location and return there yearly. He also mentioned that the location should be convenient for the cooks. Report was accepted.

Communication: Bill S reported that 120 newsletters were printed and 110 were distributed. Bill S.'s report was accepted.

Contact: Lloyd P. reported that he didn't have much activity going on.

Website: Ken reported that fliers and meeting schedules can be downloaded.

DISTRICT LIAISON REPORTS

District 13E: No report.

District 13B: James L. reported that there was no meeting for the month of February.

OLD BUSINESS

Susan T asked for volunteers to be on the election committee. 3 people volunteered. Kathy R, Ronnie H, and Patti L. They will meet with Susan T after the meeting and select a chairperson. Fliers, with details of the job responsibilities for the upcoming positions, were handed to everyone. All positions require a minimum of 2 years of continuous sobriety.

James L said he was glad to be of service. Lloyd P would be glad to help the new Contact person with the Bayou Teche area. Bill said that the Communications position oversees the website and publishes and distributes the Plug in Jug. Pat does all the reproducing and running to the Post Office. The Central Office website runs itself. Bob, the treasurer said that he has been responsible for attending Steering Committee meetings, record of all funds, written financial statement, co-signature on financial disbursements, deposits, etc.

Susan suggested that anyone interested see the current servant for a better job description. A question was asked about the possibility of having an editor, in addition to a Communications chairman. The bi-laws would allow this. Nominations will be taken through April, but the sooner the better. Absentee nominations are acceptable provided the nominee is willing to stand and meets the requirements.

NEW BUSINESS

Kasey was introduced as the new COR for Simply Sober, David for Freedom's Choice, and Dennis from Duson will be rotating in next month.

Denise from Queen City brought a question from her group about the phone # listing. She inquired about the possibility of listing a local New Iberia # under Alcoholics Anonymous in the phone book. The Central Office should be able to receive forwarded calls at the Central Office phone. It was mentioned that it will be too late to list it in the Yellow Pages for this year. Denise will come back next month with the particulars of the group's request.

The meeting adjourned and was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting to be held March 20, 2005 at 6:00 PM at 1119-C Johnston (behind Domino's).

Office Manager's Corner

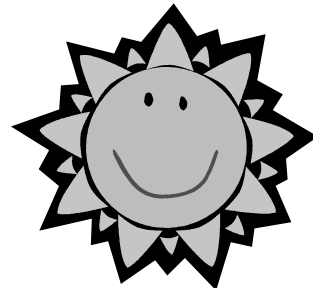
For the month of February, the Office Mgr. Pat d. reports the following activity:

12-Step Calls	11
Meeting Info Calls	216
Walk Ins	132
Office Information	2
Al-Anon Info	7
Other Calls	16
Meeting Lists Faxed	9
Internet Inquiries	8
Sales of Merchandise	57
Meeting Lists Mailed	3

The following members served as volunteers manning the office on Thursdays and Fridays during the month of February:

Feb. 3	Denise H.
Feb. 4	Preston A.
Feb. 7	Bill S.
Feb. 11	Preston A.
Feb. 17	Ed G.
Feb. 18	Ed G.
Feb. 24	Greg C.
Feb. 25	Denise H.

The Sunlight Of The Spirit



	Acadiana Central Office			
	2005	FINANCIAL	REPORT	
	January	YTD	Group Donations	January YTD
Starting Bank Balance	\$2,000.00		Abbeville Area	
INCOME				
Anonymous	\$0.00		Acadian Gr.	\$50.00 \$50.00
Coffee Kitty - Meeting List	\$0.00		Any Lengths	\$220.41 \$220.41
COR Meeting	\$19.70	\$19.70		
Alcathon			Blvd. Group (Opelousas)	
Chili Cook Off			Courage To Change (N.I.)	
Barbeque			Design For Living	\$88.00 \$88.00
Christmas Party			Downtown Gr. (Opelousas)	\$52.14 \$52.14
Plug In The Jug News Lette	\$180.00	\$180.00	Dry Dock	
Rent	\$15.00	\$15.00		
Group Donations	\$731.75	\$731.75	Faith	
Total Regular Income	\$946.45	\$946.45		
Literature Sales	\$1,793.90	\$1,793.90	Freedoms Choice	
Chips & Speciality Items	\$579.00	\$579.00		
Sales Income	\$2,372.90	\$2,372.90		
TOTAL INCOME	\$3,319.35	\$3,319.35		
EXPENSES				
Advertisement	\$58.00	\$58.00	Hang In There (Scott)	
Answering Service	\$85.00	\$85.00		
Bank Service Charges			Hub City	
Copying Expense			In Step (N.I.)	
Chili Cook Off				
Barbeque	\$47.49	\$47.49	Krotz Springs Gr.	
Christmas Party			Last Chance Acceptance	\$11.00 \$11.00
Alcathon			Living Sober	
Gas Allowance	\$30.00	\$30.00	Live & Let Live (K. S.)	
Office Expense	\$91.89	\$91.89		
Payroll	\$600.00	\$600.00	New Way (Breaux Bridge)	
Payroll Taxes (all)	\$48.20	\$48.20		
Repair & Maintance			Northside Gratitude	\$28.50 \$28.50
Postage				
Rent (All)	\$488.07	\$488.07	Opelousas Group	
Telephone	\$102.24	\$102.24		
Utilities	\$31.10	\$31.10	Queen City/ Gratitude (N.I.)	\$38.30 \$38.30
Workmans Comp.			Reflections	
Secretary of State			Scott Gr. (Nov. Gumbo)	\$180.40 \$180.40
Equip Key Bd, pad, Phone			Serenity N.I.	\$50.00 \$50.00
Computer			Simply Sober	
Internet Service Provider	\$59.95	\$59.95	Sisters In Sobriety	
Website	\$27.00	\$27.00	Sobriety & Beyond	
Regular Expenses	\$1,668.94	\$1,668.94	Solution Gr. Ville Platte	
Literature Purchases	\$1,047.00	\$1,047.00	Spring Group Port Barre	
Chips & Specialty Items	\$570.30	\$570.30	Step Into Recovery	\$13.00 \$13.00
Sales Expenses	\$1,617.30	\$1,617.30	Step By Step	
Total Expenses	\$3,286.24	\$3,286.24	S.M.F. Gr	
			Sun Up	
Net Income - Regular	-\$722.49	-\$722.49	3rd Street Park	
Net Income - Sales	\$755.60	\$755.60	Truman Gr.	
Theft			12 @ 12 Group	
Net Income - Total	\$33.11	\$33.11	Willing To Believe (Duson)	
Bk. Statement Bal.	\$2,033.11	31-Jan-05	Willing To Be Willing (Rayne)	
Prudent Reserve Transfer	-\$33.11		Total Group Donations	731.75 731.75
Reg Working Bk. Bal.	\$2,000.00	1-Feb-05		
Prud. Res. Bk. Bal.(Old)	\$6,630.96	31-Jan-05		
Transferred	\$33.11			
Prud. Res. Bk. Bal.(New)	\$6,664.07	1-Feb-05		



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

629 YEARS OF SOBRIETY



Gary M.	4/1/01 Queen City/Gratitude	4 yrs	Butch H.	4/17/92 New Way	13 yrs
A.J.L.	4/2/90 Dry Dock	15 yrs	Louie S.	4/17/94 Design For Living	11 yrs
Juli S.	4/2/04 Faith Group	1 yr	Bill T.	4/18/80 Downtown Group	25 yrs
Jo C.	4/3/00 Sun Up	5 yrs	Rosie H.	4/18/82 Area Group Of BB	23 yrs
Brian D.	4/3/03 Courage To Change	2 yrs	Joy D.	4/18/02 Courage To Change	3 yrs
Wardway L.	4/4/83 Abbeville Area	22 yrs	Raquel B.	4/18/03 Abbeville Area	2 yrs
Paul P.	4/4/88 Courage To Change	17 yrs	Jody H.	4/19/92 Sun Up	13 yrs
Robert F.	4/4/00 Truman Group	5 yrs	Calen R.	4/19/04 Faith Group	1 yr
Colby M.	4/4/03 Refections	2 yrs	Margaret A.	4/20/82 SMF Group	23 yrs
Manson C.	4/5/97 Abbeville Area	8 yrs	Eric S.	4/20/03 Any Lengths	2 yrs
Tonya O	4/7/02 Sobriety & Beyond	3 yrs	Shane M.	4/20/03 Serenity Group N.I.	2 yrs
Louis Z.	4/8/99 Design For Living	6 yrs	Steve L	4/20/04 Freedoms Choise	1 yr
Murray M.	4/9/85 Abbeville Area	20 yrs	Kennith R.	4/21/01 Abbeville Area	4 yrs
Jace B.	4/9/85 Scott	20 yrs	Major L.	4/21/01 Abbeville Area	4 yrs
Glen R.	4/9/87 Downtown Group	18 yrs	James W.	4/21/01 Downtown Group	4 yrs
John T.	4/9/88 Scott	17 yrs	Terry B.	4/22/02 Serenity Group N.I.	3 yrs
Patty M.	4/10/94 Downtown Group	11 yrs	Brad P.	4/22/03 Refections	2 yrs
Ryan R.	4/10/02 Courage To Change	3 yrs	Kay P.	4/23/89 Step By Step	16 yrs
Ryan R	4/10/02 Queen City/Gratitude	3 yrs	Janseen L	4/23/04 Faith Group	1 yr
Harvey B.	4/11/03 North Side Gratitude	2 yrs	Glenda B.	4/24/94 Faith Group	11 yrs
Jim M.	4/12/93 Hang In There	12 yrs	Mark C.	4/24/99 Courage To Change	6 yrs
Joe M.	4/13/99 Abbeville Area	6 yrs	Walter D.	4/25/01 3rd Street Park Crowley	4 yrs
Cindy F.	4/14/89 Downtown Group	16 yrs	Kathryn H.	4/27/60 Lafayette Group	45 yrs
Al B.	4/14/97 Serenity Group N.I.	8 yrs	Joe B.	4/27/95 Sun Up	9 yrs
Louis C.	4/14/03 Refections	2 yrs	Sam	4/28/72 Serenity Group N.I.	33 yrs
Elsie C.	4/15/83 New Way	22 yrs	Keith G.	4/28/88 Dry Dock	17 yrs
Mike M.	4/15/03 Any Lengths	2 yrs	Glynn S.	4/28/98 New Way	7 yrs
Blaine F.	4/16/02 Abbeville Area	3 yrs	Mitch B.	4/28/04 Primary Purpose	1 yr
Clinton B.	4/16/02 Opelousas Group	3 yrs	Paul F,	4/29/02 Abbeville Area	3 yrs
Bob R.	4/17/91 Sun Up	14 yrs	Rod D.	4/30/84 Living Sober	21 yrs
Cheri W.	4/17/92 Faith Group	13 yrs	Raymond D.	4/30/88 Last Chance Acceptance	17 yrs

SICK BAY 2005

Pete R.	Bienvenue
Katherine H.	Lafayette
Madelyn B.	Last Chance Acceptance
Louis "Frere" K.	New Way Group
Sid D.	New Way Group
Beldon F.	Queen City/Gratitude
Celeste L.	Reflections
John D.	Truman Group

Things We Cannot Change (In Memoriam)

Dot. M. Sunday Morning Fellowship

The Bottom Line

Chilli Cook Off 2005

	Income	Expenses	Net
Donations at the Door	\$ 206.33		\$ 206.33
Basket at Meeting	\$ 151.00		\$ 151.00
Coffee, Soft Drinks & Ice	\$ 112.75	\$ 60.37	\$ 52.38
50/50 Raffle	\$ 460.00	\$ 230.00	\$ 230.00
BB, Came To Bel, Mug & Chips		\$ 15.15	\$ (15.15)
Chips, Cheese & Jalapenos		\$ 24.59	\$ (24.59)
Rent		\$ 100.00	\$(100.00)
Supplies		\$ 65.77	\$ (65.77)
Terry's Tapes		\$ 25.00	\$ (25.00)
Totals	\$ 930.08	\$ 520.88	\$ 409.20

Financial Report

Deposit 2/28/05	\$ 700.08		
Checks disbursed for Cook-off		\$ 290.88	
Net			\$ 409.20

March 20 – April 2, 2005

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
March 20 4:00PM CCC Committee 1119C Johnston, Laf.. 6:00PM COR 1119C Johnston, Laf	March 21	March 22	March 23	March 24	March 25 8:00PM Louisiana State Convention, Landmark Hotel, 2601 Severn Ave., Metairie	March 26 9:00AM Louisiana State Convention, Landmark Hotel, 2601 Severn Ave., Metairie
March 27 10:00AM Louisiana State Convention, Landmark Hotel, 2601 Severn Ave., Metairie 4:00 PM Dist. 13 C GSR 1 st Methodist Ch. Corner of Lee & Main, Lafayette	March 28	March 29	March 30	March 31	April 1	April 2
April 3	April 4	April 5	April 6	April 7	April 8	April 9
April 10 6:30PM District 13 T & C, PI/CPC 300 E. Martial, Laf	April 11	April 12	April 13 6:00PM District 13E 115 Leonie St. Laf. 7:00PM District 13B Village DuLac, 1404 Carmel Ave. Lafayette	April 14	April 15	April 16
April 17 4:00PM CCC Committee 1119C Johnston, Laf.. 6:00PM COR 1119C Johnston, Laf	April 18	April 19	April 20	April 21	April 22	April 23
April 24 4:00 PM Dist. 13 C GSR 1 st Methodist Ch. Corner of Lee & Main, Lafayette	April 25	April 26	April 27	April 28	April 29	April 30