

District 2 March Meeting Notes

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**NOTE: Next Meeting is Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2007**

- **4:00 pm Committee Meetings**
- **5:00 pm District 2 Meeting**

**District Committee Officers:** (  = Absent,  = Present or represented by back up)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DCM: Anne F.      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treasurer: Loren B. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grapevine/Lit.: Doug N.          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alt. DCM: John R. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PI/CPC: Chris S.    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corrections & Treatment: Dave D. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hotline: Tammy F. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secretary: Todd T.  |  |

**GSR's:** (  = Absent,  = Present or represented by back up)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stand Up & Shine Group, Judy G. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All-Timers Group, Warren J.    | <input type="checkbox"/> Al's Group, Max M.                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BH Open Speakers Group, Dale S.            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dawn Patrol Group, Dave D      | <input type="checkbox"/> Happy Hour Group, Lori N.               |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Key Club Group, Doug N.         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Keep It Simple Group, Tammy F. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Early Risers Group, John S.  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rushmore Group, Judi C.         | <input type="checkbox"/> Morning Star Group, Delores A.            | <input type="checkbox"/> Unified LALL Group, John J.             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Noon N.S. Group, Frank D.       | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday AM Spiritual Group, Jeff J.        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ellsworth Group, Larry M.    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCTNG, Eric H.                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Women in Recovery, Brenda M.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Noon Lunch Group, Anthony F. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exit 51Group, Eloy M.                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Almost Home Group, Loren B.    | <input type="checkbox"/> High Noon Group, Bob, Alt. GSR          |

**Meeting Opening:**

**General Greetings & Serenity Prayer:** Anne F.

**Opening Readings:** 12 Traditions read by Eric H.; 12 Concepts read by Bob M.

**Committee Reports:**

**Secretary:** The April Old and New Business minutes were read and approved as read by Todd T.

**Treasurer:** A discussion began on clarifying how the report is noted and Loren B. will make the necessary changes in next months report to clearly state the Ending Balance, Expenses, and Donations. A motion to accept the treasurer's report as read was made and seconded, and approved as read – Submitted by, Loren B.

**NOTE: 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Mailing Addresses for Alcoholics Anonymous - Please make checks payable:**

- **DISTRICT 2: District Two Finance Committee, Attn: Loren B., PO Box 1382, Rapid City, SD 57709**
- **AREA 63: Area 63 Treasurer, John T., P.O. Box 916, Spearfish, SD 57783**
- **GSO: General Service Organization, Grand Central Station, PO Box 459, New York, NY 10161**
- **Finance Committee Report:** (same as above)

**Alternate DCM:** John R. reported that the District 2 potluck and business meeting at Canyon Lake Park; the shelter has not yet been secured and he and Anthony F. will meet after the meeting to discuss reserving the meeting place.

**Corrections & Treatment:** 1.) Star Academy is requesting re-approval of all AA volunteers (meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday each month in Custer) and copies of the new application were distributed and requested to take back to your home groups – NOTE: TB tests may be required in the future for attendance at the Star Academy; 2.) All other meetings are doing okay except for the Trustee Unit on Creek Dr., it needs men volunteers; 3.) The Rushmore Group will host the Beginners Meeting for the next six weeks; 4.) Women's Jail meeting meets Tuesday's and Thursday's; 4.) Men's jail meetings are Monday's and Wednesday's at 7:30. Submitted, Dave D.

- **Corrections & Treatment Committee Report:** (same as above)

**Public Information / Cooperation with Professional Community (PI/CPC):** 1.) Printed 100 meeting schedules for the Alano Club; 2.) Committee voted to agree to work with the District 13 on the PI functions in the Black Hills area for distribution of PSA's (public service announcement) to the media; 3.) We're waiting to hear back from some local judges to schedule a meeting with the CPC committee for improving better relations with AA and the court system.+ Yours in Service, Chris S., PI/CPC Chair (Email address: [area63dist2picpc@hotmail.com](mailto:area63dist2picpc@hotmail.com))

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- **PI/CPC Committee Report:** (same as above)

**Literature/Grapevine:** Literature committee met for the first time under the new chairperson and looked at inventory levels of what was needed and what was in stock and what other literature needs are within the district. In service, Doug N., Chairperson

- **Literature Committee Report:** (Same as above)

**AA Hotline (District 2):** The new Hotline phone number is **605-343-1091** (please make a note of it). Groups are needed to cover the hotline for a week (24/7), and they need to contact me for information “how to instructions” – **Tammy F. – 390-2767**

- **NOTE: District 2 (Area 63) Hotline Remote Forwarding Instructions are located below / at the end of this document.**

The Hotline number has been listed on the National Do Not Call List to prevent telemarketers from calling the hotline number.

As a hotline volunteer, you must have a current meeting schedule with you and phone numbers of other AA's to contact or refer callers to – i.e. men to men and women to women – for 12-step calls. Please answer the phone during your time slot, if it goes to your voice-mail the caller thinks they have the wrong number. NOTE: GSO recommends that a volunteer have 6 months of sobriety to do 12-step work. Each volunteer should have a **calling list of their home group** and a **meeting list** of District 2. Also never go on a 12 step call alone, always take someone with you! This is for your benefit and safety and the person being 12 stepped. We are excited that the “Key Club Group” has volunteered to joint eh hot line rotation. This gives us 7 active groups that have volunteered to help man the line. If you are interested in signing up for the hotline for the month of May, please speak to these people – Cheryl L, Keep It Simple Group; Eloy M., Exit 51 / Dawn Patrol / Early Risers groups; Greg K, Rushmore Group; Robert, Noon Lunch Group; Sam P., RCTN Group; Mark D.; Key Club Group.

- **Hotline Group October Schedule:**
  - Rapid City Thursday Night Group (Sam P.) – April 30-May 6
  - Early Risers Group & Exit 51 Group (Eloy M.) – May 7-13
  - Noon Lunch Group (Robert) – May 14-20
  - Rushmore Group (Greg K.) – May 21-27
  - Keep It Simple Group (Cheryl L.) – May 28-June 3
  - Dawn Patrol (Eloy M.) – June 4-10

Everyone has been doing a great job! If you have any questions please call me at 390-2767. In service, Tammy F., Hot Line Chair

- **Hotline Committee Report:** (same as above)

### GSR Reports:

**Early Risers Group:** The Early Risers Group meets Monday-Friday at 6:45am at the Alano Club in Rapid City, averaging 20 attendees. The group continues to conduct a Big Book study every Tuesday, a step-study meeting the first Friday, a Traditions meeting the second Friday, a birthday meeting every third Friday with a breakfast potluck, and a speakers meeting the fourth Friday. The steering committee meets after the birthday breakfast meeting monthly. Submitted, Verna J., Alt. GSR for John S., GSR

**Rushmore Group:** The Rushmore Group is a closed meeting each Wednesday night at 700 – 800 pm, except for our birthday and potluck speaker meeting which is “open” and is held the last Wednesday of each month. Our meeting location is the Minneluzahan Senior Center at 315 N. 4<sup>th</sup> St. (across from Rushmore Plaza-Holiday Inn and next to the Boys Club). There is an Al-Anon meeting held in the same building at the same time, and a babysitting service is available during the meeting. We're a topic discussion meeting except for the birthday meeting where we have a speaker. Submitted, Chris S. for Judi C. – GSR

**Keep It Simple Group:** Is a topic discussion meeting that meets Monday nights at 7:30 pm at the First Presbyterian Church on the corner of 7th and Kansas City Streets (in the basement). Attendance is currently 35-40 people per meeting and typically have an equal number of men and women at each meeting. Our group conscious / business meeting is the first Monday of each month. Birthdays were celebrated at each meeting. Our current format allows birthday people to speak first then a tag team / round-robin system selects who speaks next alternating between men and women. Respectfully submitted, Tammy F. GSR

**5:30 Happy Hour Group:** (no report given)

**Dawn Patrol Group:** Our group meetings Saturday's at 6:45 am at the Alano Club in Rapid City and we are a step meeting. Our new Hotline rep is Eloy M. The group purchased 5 scholarships to the Rushmore Round-Up. Respectfully submitted, Dave D. GSR

**Al's Group:** (no report)

**Rapid City Thursday Night Group:** The RCTNG is alive and well with attendance around 80-100 people every Thursday nights – at Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception Church (next to the Knights of Columbus Hall at the corner of 5<sup>th</sup> Street and Columbus Street) on 925 5<sup>th</sup> St. The Spring Thaw went well with attendance of 216. We have our steering Committee meeting the first Thursday every month at 7:00 pm, and our open birthday meeting is the last Thursday of every month. Yours in service, Eric H., GSR

**The Key Club Group:** Our group meets Tuesday's at 6:30pm and is an Open, Topic Discussion meeting. We meet at the Trinity Lutheran Church, 402 Kansas City St., Rapid City (behind the downtown Hardee's). We have 15-20 attendees each meeting. This meeting will be a “non-smoking” meeting. We hope our meeting will grow in attendance in our new downtown location. Humbly submitted, Doug N., GSR

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**All-Timers Group:** Meets Saturday's at 9:15 am in the "Card Room" at the Alano Society in Rapid City. We conduct Closed AA Step study meeting each Saturday and a Tradition study on the second Saturday of the month. We celebrate birthdays at each meeting. Our current membership, which calls this their home group, is about 18. Attendance is very good during February averaging about 32 per meeting. The two items referred by Area 63 for feedback were considered in our April business meeting. Item one adding the Registrar to the Secretary job description; our group conscience approves this idea / proposal. Item two, adding the Corrections and Treatment workshop to the assembly agenda is not favorable by group conscience. Submitted by, Warren J. GSR

**Ellsworth Group:** Ellsworth Group: Meeting is held at the Temple Baptist Church across the street from Douglas Schools. Meetings are on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 7:30. Monday is a step and tradition meeting, Wednesday is a Big Book study, and Friday is topic meeting. On the first Friday of the month we celebrate birthdays from the previous month. Attendance is down on Monday and Wednesday but is averaging about 25-30 on Fridays. Respectfully submitted, Larry M.

**Noon Lunch Group (Big Room):** Meet at 12:00 noon M-F at the Alano Club (Big Room). Attendance is good between 30-50 people daily. Monday & Thursday are topic meetings; Tuesday is a 12x12 Traditions study; Wednesday is a Big Book study; Friday is a 12x12 Step study. The steering committee meeting is the last Wednesday each month held immediately following the regular meeting. We're exploring a possible change to be discussed at this upcoming group conscious meeting of changing the Thursday meeting to a Big Book Study meeting. Submitted by, Anthony F. – GSR.

**Exit 51 Group:** (no report given)

**Noon NS Group:** We meet daily at the Alano Club at 12:00 noon in the "Pool Room". We average 10-15 people each day and our format is: Monday is a topic meeting; Tuesday is a tradition study; Wednesday is a Big Book reading; Thursday is an inspired reading; Friday is a step study. Submitted, Frank D., GSR

**Stand-Up & Shine 12-Step Study Group:** We're an women's meeting, Open, 12x12 study group. We officially registered with GSO but are waiting for the kit to arrive. Our group is now officially maintaining a checking account to facilitate making contributions to the District, Area, and GSO. We have also made scholarships available to members that would allow them to participate in local AA conferences. Our format includes opening with selections from the Big Book; we read from the 12x12 on each step we cover each meeting and have a discussion that follows the readings. Respectfully submitted, Judy G., GSR

**Women in Recovery Group:** Our group meets 6:00 pm Thursday at the Alano Club and is for women only. All is well; we have 15-20 women each meeting and changes week to week. About eight of the women are active with the group. Our birthday meeting is the last Thursday of the month with a finger food potluck and business meeting follows. We are also involved with a women's retreat the first week in May for all women in recovery and will be at Placerville Church Camp. Submitted, Brenda M., GSR

### Other Reports & Items to Note:

- **District 2 Potluck-Speaker Meeting-Business Meeting:** Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>; 3:00 pm at Canyon Lake Park (Rapid City)
- **2007 Area 63 Spring Conference:** June 1-3 at The Oaks Hotel in Sioux Falls
- **Paha Sapa Conference:** July 20-22, 2007 in the Black Hills (Camp Kinship; 10 miles south of Deadwood)
- **2007 West Central Regional Conference:** September 7-9, 2007 in Omaha, NE

### Old Business:

**Previous Month's New Business:** A motion was made, seconded, and approved to table to next months meeting to discuss.

• **Area 63 Winter Assembly Items to Discuss at Your Home Groups:**

The Area 63 Secretary position is being suggested to change to "Secretary and Registrar" so that when AA's General Service Office updates their website and meeting listing are added, that a authorized representative from each area could update any meeting list changes in their respective areas. NOTE: This GSO meeting database will be completed later this year and made available to the fellowship at [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org).

The Area 63 Winter Assembly discussed reserving a time slot at all future conferences for a "Corrections & Treatment" workshop or meeting to help educate the fellowship on the importance of carrying the message to the inmates and clients. NOTE: This could be similar to what is currently being done with the Cooperation With the Professional Community (CPC) luncheon held before each Spring and Fall Conference. Additionally, the 2007 Spring Conference (June 1-3) in Sioux Falls will have a meeting slot at 8:30 am for this event.

- **Area 63 Summer Assembly – August 24-26:** District 2 was asked to host the Area 63 Summer Workshop and this motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> d and approved.
- **7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Motion to Area 63 and GSO:** Dave D. made a motion to give a 7<sup>th</sup> tradition contribution of \$50 to GSO and \$50 to Area 63. This motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> d and approved by a 8 (yes) to 4 (no) vote – NOTE: a minority opinion was conducted, however, no one changed their votes and the motion was approved to have our treasurer send checks to GSO and Area 63 for \$50 each.

### New Business:

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- **CPC Committee Proposal to Work with District 13 (Spearfish, Deadwood-Lead, Sturgis, Belle Fourche) on Public Service Announcement (PSA) Distribution to Local Media:** A motion was made by Todd T. and was seconded and approved by the fellowship to pursue working this issue with District 13 through our District 2 PI/CPC committee.  
PSA's are free and are run to help those get in touch with AA who want to stop drinking  
Our local hotline / contact information will be added to the PSA's in the respective areas  
PSA's are purchased from GSO for distribution in North America
- **District 2 Inventory Proposal:** Anne F. proposed doing a District level inventory per the suggestion of the Regional AA Service Conference in Lincoln, NE this past March. This would be of a similar content / approach as is the existing "group inventory" process several groups currently do annually in District 2. This inventory process has guidelines provided by GSO and is suggested to have a separate meeting to go over the inventory process. The request was to take back to your home groups for feedback. A motion was made by Chris S. to table until next month once more information could be gathered and reviewed at the next meeting. This motion was seconded and approved.
- **2008 Area 63 Fall Conference:** Anthony F. has volunteered to be the chairperson, and no other nominees or volunteers were noted. A motion was made and seconded to approve Anthony as the 2008 Area 63 Fall Conference chairperson.
- **District 2 Future Meeting Extension Discussion:** John R. (Alt. DCM) and Dave D. both suggested extending the meeting length from 1 hour to 1.5 hours – beginning at 4:30 pm and ending at 6:00 pm each month. The committee meetings would start at 4:00 pm and end by 4:30 pm. A motion was made and seconded and a vote to approve was held. There was one vote in opposition, and Frank D. shared his minority opinion suggesting we shorten the GSR reports to consolidate the meeting length. No one changed their vote and motion passed by extending the meeting as noted above and starting this new schedule in June 2007.

**A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting with the Lord's Prayer.**

NOTE: The Next District 2 Meeting is

**Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2007**

At the Alano Club in Rapid City

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