

Back 2 Basics

Area Service Committee

August 21, 2004 Fairmont, MN

- Opened meeting with moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.
- Round of introductions.
- The Eighth Concept was read.

GSR REPORTS

□ **Addicts at the Round Table**

Tuesday 8:00 PM

906 Prospect Ave., American Lutheran Church,
Windom

Contact: Kari 507-830-0243

Meeting Size: 5-10, meeting is stable.

Meeting has occasional newcomers and they do return.

No concerns at this time.

Involved in H&I, PI, Outreach and providing rides to meetings.

Meeting list information is correct.

Donation of \$10.00.

□ **Easy Access**

Friday 8:00 PM

301 S. Minnesota St., United Church of Christ, New
Ulm.

Contact: Ed 507-382-5887, Randy 507-359-2453

Meeting Size: 20-25, meeting is stable.

Meeting does have newcomers and they do return.

No concerns at this time.

Involved in H&I and providing rides to meetings.

Meeting list information is correct.

Donation of \$25.00.

□ **Flicker of Hope**

Friday 10:00 PM

1005 Ulstead, Albert Lea

Contact: Steph E. 507-383-7304

Meeting Size: 10-15, meeting is stable.

Meeting does have newcomers and they do return.

Attendance seems to be dwindling, we could use some support.

Involved in providing rides and activities.

Meeting list information is correct.

Donation of \$75.00.

□ **Acceptance Leads to Trust**

Saturday 12:00 noon

1515 N. Garden Street, Christ the King Church, New
Ulm, MN Use office door entrance, to the right of the
main door.

Contact: Steve S. 507-354-7759

Meeting Size: 5-10, meeting is stable.

Meeting does have newcomers and they do return.

No concerns at this time.

Involved in H&I, P.I., Outreach and providing rides to meetings.

Meeting list information is not correct. Area has been provided with correct information.

Donation of \$20.00.

□ **Saturday Night Windom NA**

Saturday 7:00 PM

444 9th St., Fire Hall (upstairs), Windom

Contact: Tammy S. 507-831-5157

Meeting Size: 10-15, meeting is stable.

Meeting does have newcomers and they do return.

No concerns at this time.

Involved in H&I, Outreach and P.I.

Meeting list information is correct.

Donation of \$10.00.

□ **Surrender at the Fort**

Wednesday & Sunday 7:00 PM

100 CR 34, Jackson, MN Old Fort Belmont

Contact: Jeremy S. 507-831-1539

Meeting Size 8-12, meeting is stable.

Meeting does have newcomers and they do return.

No concerns at this time.

Involved in H&I, Outreach, and providing rides to meetings.

Meeting list information is correct.

Donation of \$5.00.

□ **Cross Roads**

Thursday 8:00 PM

331 Dillon, Crossroads Building, Mankato

Contact: Darnell M. 507-351-7501

Meeting Size: 20-30, meeting is stable.

Meeting does have newcomers and they do return.

No concerns at this time.

Involved in H&I, PI and providing rides.

Meeting list information is correct.

Donation of \$20.00.

□ **Friday Nite Hope Fiends**

Friday 8:00 PM

Augustanna Lutheran Church (education wing, front door) Armstrong Blvd., St. James, MN

Contact: Terry S. 507-351-1151

Meeting Size: 7-10, meeting is stable.

Meeting has occasional newcomers and they do return.

Involved in H&I, activities and providing rides to meetings.

No concerns at this time.

Meeting list information is not correct. Group has found a new meeting place. See above.

Donation of \$20.00.

☐ **Dreams Come True**

Wednesday 7:00 PM

1324 5th N. Street, New Ulm Medical Center, New Ulm

Contact: Ryan 507-382-3553

Meeting Size: 17-25, meeting is stable.

Meeting does have newcomers and they do return.

No concerns at this time.

Involved in H&I, P.I., activities, Outreach and providing rides.

Meeting list information is not correct. New contact person Ryan 507-382-3553

No donation at this time.

☐ **Seventh Day Junkies**

Sunday 8:00 PM

700 S. Riverfront Drive, Mankato, MN Salvation Army.

Contact: Brad M. 507-469-9445

Meeting size: 10-20. Meeting is stable.

Meeting does have newcomers and they do return.

Requesting prayers.

Involved in H&I, Activities, Outreach and providing rides to meetings.

Meeting list information is correct.

Donation of \$22.00.

☐ **From Hopeless to Dopeless**

Sunday 7:00 PM

1131 N. North Street, Fairmont, MN Big brick building.

Contact:

Meeting size 5-10, meeting is stable.

Meeting does have newcomers and they do return.

No concerns at this time.

Involved in H&I, activities and providing rides to meetings.

Upcoming events: Holiday Rocks in December.

Meeting list information is not correct. Contact has changed.

No donation at this time.

☐ **Salvation at The Salvation**

Tuesday 7:00 PM

700 S. Riverfront Drive, The Salvation Army, Mankato, MN.

Contact: Jordy L. 507-382-8380.

Meeting size: 10-15, meeting is stable.

Meeting does have newcomers and they do return.

No concerns at this time.

Involved in H&I and providing rides to meetings.

Meeting list information is not correct. New contact person Jordy L. 507-382-8380.

Donation of \$34.00.

□ **Recovery in Redwood**

Wednesday 8:00 PM

219 N. Mill Street, Gilmore Manor, basement.

Redwood Falls, MN

Contact: Beth P. 507-637-3800

Meeting size: 10, meeting is stable.

Meeting does have newcomers and they do return.

No concerns at this time.

Involved in H&I, providing rides to meetings.

Meeting list information is correct.

Donation of \$5.00.

□ **Hope Haven**

Sunday 4:00 PM

219 N. Mill Street, Gilmore Manor, basement.

Redwood Falls, MN

Contact: Wes 507-627-1152

Meeting size 7, meeting is stable.

Meeting does have newcomers and they do return.

No concerns at this time.

Involved in H&I, providing rides to meetings.

Meeting list information is correct.

Donation of \$5.00

□ **Get it Here**

Saturday 7:00 PM

Corner of Sunrise Dr. & Traverse Rd. First Lutheran

Church, Basement, east entrance, St. Peter, MN.

Contact: Jared G. 702-580-3131, Darcy 507-420-5671

Meeting size: 5-10, meeting is stable.

Meeting does have newcomers and they do return.

No concerns at this time.

Meeting list information is not correct. New contact persons. See above.

No donation at this time.

□ **Friday Night Freedom Seekers**

Friday 7:00 PM

1909 St. Paul Road, Owatonna, MN

No contact person at this time.

Meeting size 25-30, meeting is stable.

Meeting does have newcomers and they do return.

No concerns at this time.

Involved in providing rides to meetings.

Meeting list information is not correct. We need a new contact person.

Donation of \$28.52.

□ **Gotta Wanna Do Something**

Friday 8:00 PM

Corner of Sunrise Dr. & Traverse Rd. First Lutheran

Church, Basement, east entrance, St. Peter, MN.

Contact: JJ 507-354-6265

Meeting size 6-15, meeting is not stable, but improving.

Meeting does have newcomers and they do return.
No concerns at this time.

Involved in H&I and providing rides to meetings.

Meeting list information is not correct, new contact person. See above.

Donation of \$30.00.

☐ **Hope Works**

Wednesday 8:00 PM

1429 3rd Ave, Mankato, MN

Contact: Vince 507-387-2690

Meeting size: 5-10, this is a new meeting.

Meeting does have newcomers.

No concerns at this time.

Involved in H&I, PI and providing rides to meetings.

Meeting list information is not correct. This is a new meeting and is not yet listed on the meeting list.

No donation at this time.

OFFICER REPORTS

☐ **CHAIRPERSON REPORT**

Dear ASC,

Thank you to Fairmont for hosting Area and the events to follow.

Area will be held on the second Saturday next month in Redwood, due to SD convention. They have flyers available.

Thank you to all in attendance.

In loving service,

Jessica E.

☐ **SECRETARY REPORT**

Dear ASC,

I would like to apologize for my absence, I was on a spiritual retreat near Dubuque, IA at The New Melleray Abbey. I had a wonderful time.

Seems as though everything went well despite a little bit of forgetfulness.

I am doing my best to sort through the notes and reports and will have the minutes out to you all in a timely fashion.

Thanks to all who filled in for me.

In loving service,

Kris

☐ **TREASURER REPORT**

Area:

I'm legal to sign checks for the Area. As far as I know there are four signers for checks, Jessica, Jeremy, Jimbo and myself. Any corrections to this please let me know.

I need to go through all of the information more thoroughly, but at a glance the last statement is dated 6/9/04.

Two questions:

-Where are the rest of the statements?

-Is our post office box paid?

The last statement was sent to a post office box in Owatonna. Are they still being sent there? Any info would be helpful.

Near as I can tell:

Start balance: 3553.95

May/June deposit: +127.28

July deposit: +507.20

Subtotal: 4188.43

Checks written:

Addicts @ the Round Table - 25.00

Tammy S. - 4.98

UMSO -767.72

Current Balance: \$3390.73

We have a \$438.38 balance at the Upper Midwest Service Office.

Region had a \$14,885.86 balance as of 8/3/04.

8/13/04

Budget	Spent	Remaining
13,450.00	9,893.57	3556.43

Last of all I looked up credit card information for the Area's to receive credit cards as a form of payment to the Area or functions thereof.

Credit card machines cost \$150.00 to \$450.00. They require a phone line.

Wireless credit card machines cost \$800.00 to \$1000.00. They can be leased for \$60.00 a month.

Other ways can be used. Some businesses have accounts set up with a form that the customer signs and is sent in for approval.

Other companies call an 800 number for approval.

☐ **RCM Report**

Dear B2B ASC,

I am pleased to report that we have been awarded the bid to host MNNAC 2006! The board was very impressed by our bid, presentation, and over-all enthusiasm to host the convention.

I would like to take this moment to thank the person responsible for the bid packet, and spearheading this undertaking; J.J. I would also like to be the first to officially nominate/beg him to be the convention chair. His exp. with WISNAC, his dedication to service, and his track record as a leader; all point to the exact qualifications we are needing in a convention chair. Of course, the decision is up to him, and we have many qualified candidates, all of which would do a fine job, and I will whole heartily support whoever dedicates themselves to this task.

Because it will be hours, and hours of hard

work, I encourage you all to think hard about what this will mean to our area, N.A., and your program; to be involved in this task. All of us; from the newcomer GSR, to the old-timer Chair-person; (no offense intended Jessica, you know what I mean) will need to step up to the plate. I understand that you all have jobs, families, recovery, steps, sponsees, and established service commitments that take a lot of your time as it is. Your convention service will be on top of that. I don't say this to discourage, or scare anyone. I just don't want to see anyone burn out, and withdraw themselves from service work. Some areas have not survived in tact, after putting on conventions; for the reasons I have just stated. For my own part, I will be accepting a position on next year's MNNAC board. I will be the MNNAC rep to the region. By accepting this position, I will get a first hand look at the ins and outs of setting up the convention, and hopefully will be able to use the exp. to help our cause. Also, living in Mankato, I'm sure I will be doing a lot of local work, getting things set up, and assisting the committee, and chairperson. This is what I commit myself to do. I have no interest in being Chair, or holding a committee post, but that doesn't mean I won't be committed to making this thing rock.

Anyway, off the soap-box, we need to have all chair nominees attend the regional meeting in Oct., for approval, and it would be wise to form a committee shortly after. The sooner, the better. As an Area, we need to take this news back to our groups, and encourage service. With my sponsees, I will force them to serve, but you all work your own programs. I'm talking putting a little extra into 7th Tradition, bringing fresh faces to area, etc. We will all need to do our part. Shit, I got back on the soap-box; I'm done with that.

I have a packet here, giving to me by our regional rep to the WSO, Stephen. This stack includes the complete summary of the most recent WSO convention, our new NA mission statement, and other stuff. Feel free to peruse the material at your convenience; in fact, I encourage you to.

And lastly, the medallions for clean time will now have Arabic numbers on them, not Roman Numerals. This was one of those motions that passed. In lay mans terms, the coins will now have real numbers on them instead of Roman Numerals. That's all I have, thanks for letting me be of service.

Gratefully yours,
Darcy W

COMMITTEE REPORTS

□ **ACTIVITIES REPORT**

Dear B2B,

I have started getting phone numbers for helping me with activities. I am working on doing bowling for an activity in the near future. Also working on finding places in the Mankato/St. Peter area. I'm working on finding out activities that fellow addicts in our area would like to do. I have started working on a mission

statement for activities.

In loving service,

Tammy S.

□ **PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT**

Position needs to be filled. No report.

□ **H & I REPORT**

Dear ASC,

H&I met on Aug 21 at 1:00 we had 15 souls in attendance. I want to thank you all for your support. All of our panel coordinators report that things are going well in their respective commitments, although Darcy wants to get the word out that the blue earth county jail need women volunteers for their monthly meeting. Requirements are 1yr clean and 1yr off paper. On another matter, I'm Pleased to say that I have some people that have completed the forms for the back ground checks so we can get into the Waseca federal prison. I will be sending these in soon and then it will be in their hands. Please get the word out to your groups that we would like you get some guys from around the Waseca Albert Lea area involved. Requirements are 1yr clean and 2yrs off paper. I again want to thank all the great people that we have carrying the message of hope to those in need of H&I services.

I can't, we can !

Terry, H&I Vice chair

□ **POLICY REPORT**

B2BASC Area Policy Committee

Greetings;

I am sorry I am unable to be with you today. I want to thank PJ for chairing the Policy meeting and giving this report.

I have been working on the revision to the policy manual. I should have it completed prior to the next area and posted on the Yahoo site. This is providing there are no changes. The paper ballot policy has been added. The meeting list policy, the guide to hosting area service which includes the rotation, and election months are what we are working on. I will wait to print until I find out what policy changes

happen at the August ASC.

JJ

□ **NEWSLETTER REPORT**

Dear members of the Back to Basics area,
I have held my first newsletter meeting on August 15th 2004. Three people were in attendance. The October newsletter is underway. I am excited to be serving as the new newsletter chair. I am currently seeking someone who is interested in being the newsletter secretary. I would like to request more participation with the newsletter as I feel it is an asset to have for the Back to Basics Area. I have numerous people writing articles for the October issue. I still need a variety of submissions from art work and poetry to steps and traditions. We decided at the meeting to include an article on a step and a tradition in every newsletter. I am willing to travel to have newsletter meetings. If anyone wants to host a newsletter meeting before a meeting at their home group, please feel free to talk to me. I will do whatever it takes to get more involvement with the newsletter. Our next meeting is September 26th at the coffee Klatsch at 4pm. I have brought fliers, please take them back to your home groups and encourage others to come. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to serve you.

Ryanne Small

Newsletter Chair

□ **OUTREACH REPORT**

No Chairperson. No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussed open positions which are as follows:

□ **RCM** 3 year clean time requirement.

No nominations, no volunteers.

□ **H&I Chair** 2 year clean time requirement.

Needs to be brought back to the groups and announced that this position is now open.

□ **Public Information (PI)** 2 year clean time requirement.

FILLED

Tammy was nominated and voted in. Thanks Tammy.

□ **Outreach** 2 year clean time requirement.

FILLED

Ed was nominated and voted in. Thanks Ed.

The motion regarding the removal of nonparticipating groups from the B2BASC meeting list was re-written and is as follows:

Meeting List

The B2BASC meeting list is limited to meetings within the geographical boundaries of the B2B Area. Groups

will be added to the B2BASC meeting list the first printing following their first meeting. The group hosting the meeting must provide the ASC with the meeting time, location, type of meeting and a contact phone number. Meetings will be removed from the B2BASC meeting list for any of the following:

1. If it is determined that the meeting is not NA.
2. Upon their written request.
3. Upon appearing on another area's meeting list.
4. When no contact can be made with the meeting via telephone or other means through Outreach of B2BASC until such contact can be made.
5. By recommendation of the Outreach Committee and a majority vote of the ASC.

This policy does not intend to strike the meetings from the list due to lack of participation at the ASC.

This was voted on and passed.

NEW BUSINESS/MOTIONS

☐ Motion #1

To read the "12 Concepts" reading, instead of each individual concept per area meeting.

This was voted on and passed.

☐ Motion #2

The hosting group is decided by the quadrant rotation schedule. If a quadrant is not able to host the ASC another quadrant may volunteer to do so. The hosting group should provide location of the ASC two months in advance of the meeting and make every effort to provide a flyer in advance as well. Efforts should be made to avoid major functions, dates and neighboring area functions.

This was voted on and passed.

☐ Motion #3

Area trusted servants election months:

January - Chairperson

February - Secretary, Asst. Secretary

March - H&I

April - PI

May - Activities

June - Newsletter

July - Treasurer, Asst. Treasurer

August - Outreach

November - Policy

December - RCM, RCMA

This motion was voted on and passed.

OPEN FORUM

Secretary's note: I could not find any notes on what was discussed in open forum this month. Sorry.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

B2BASC Meeting in September will be held in...

Redwood Falls

September 11th, 2004

2:00 PM

At...

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

(Three blocks directly behind Subway)

(east entrance)

Fellowship, picnic, kickball and sightseeing after Area

At Alexander Ramsey Park

In lower shelter across from zoo.

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