

AREA 65 (N.E. TX), DISTRICT 54 MONTHLY MEETING

JANUARY 02, 2005

HELD AT THE GEORGETOWN GROUP

- ❖ Camille K. (GSR, Georgetown) welcomed the District, and led in The Serenity Prayer, then read "Why Do We Need a Conference?" before turning the meeting over to P.J. H. (DCM, The Great Fact.)
- ❖ Those present introduced themselves, stating their home group and service position. Approximately forty people were in attendance, representing fifteen groups (Belmont, Broad Highway, Carrollton, Clean Air North, Coppell, Dallas North, Garland Clean Air, Georgetown, The Great Fact, Lake Highlands, Legacy, ODAAT, Plano, Richardson, and Trinity.)
- ❖ A discussion of Tradition One was led by Don E. (GSR, Legacy.)
- ❖ A discussion of Concept One was led by George N. (CF Chair, Garland Clean Air.)
- ❖ **District 54 Officer Reports**
- ❖ Secretary (Dave C., Clean Air North)
 - The minutes from the December 2004 District 54 meeting were handed out & read. A motion to accept the minutes was made, seconded and passed.
- ❖ Treasurer (John R., Lakeside Traditions)
 - Printed reports were handed out, along with copies of the approved 2005 Budget. It was noted that a "sleeve" of checks was missing, status unknown. Upon contacting the bank, he was advised there would be no charge for a "stop pay" on said sleeve of checks, and District 54 would incur no financial liability should any of these checks be cashed. (He asked twice to make sure.) Treasurer is also looking into finding a bank that offers free checking. Motion to accept the report was made, seconded and passed.
- ❖ Alternate DCM/Archives (James V., ODAAT)
 - He reported his main duties were to compile a District 54 Speaker List (whereupon a signup sheet for interested GSRs, etc., to participate was passed around), and to maintain the District 54 Archives, including collecting Group Histories, which he encouraged the groups to update regularly.
- ❖ District Committee Member (P.J. H., The Great Fact)
 - Before the DCM started her report, she thanked the Georgetown group for their gracious hospitality.
 - She then reminded the GSRs of the responsibility to represent their home group at all Area 65 Assemblies, including the upcoming Winter Assembly, to be held in Longview, TX on Jan. 16-17, 2005.
 - GSR's willing to attend but unable due to financial challenges were informed that carpooling and hotel room sharing was often an option. (Whereupon a signup sheet for interested GSRs, etc., to participate was passed around.)
- ❖ **District 54 Committee Reports**
- ❖ Cooperation with the Professional Community/Public Information (Jay M., Coppell)
 - He contacted the Panel 53 CPC/PI Chair for information and any documentation, workbooks, etc. he might have.
- ❖ Correctional Facilities (George N., Garland Clean Air)
 - He has already gotten all materials from Panel 53 CF Chair and is off to a good start.
 - Has CF information sheets for groups to fill out, and asks all GSRs to enlist someone to serve as their group CF Representative.
 - He also commented how rewarding it is to his sobriety by carrying the message into prisons, etc.
 - He introduced Paula T. (Georgetown) as his Alternate CF Chair.
- ❖ Grapevine/La Viña (Tom K., Plano)
 - He has been in communication with GSO and the Area 65 Gv/La V Chair.
 - Alternate GSR can also stand in for the Grapevine/La Viña Representative.
 - You can even submit your personal story, AA article, etc., via e-mail, to Grapevine for possible inclusion in the magazine.
 - You can get 50 assorted back issues of the Grapevine for \$20.
- ❖ Intergroup Liaison (Pat O., Rowlett)
 - Chair was not present. No report.
 - Bob B. (GSR, Clean Air North) informed the District that he had accepted the position of Alternate Intergroup Liaison and intended to regularly attend the monthly Intergroup meetings with the Liaison.
- ❖ Treatment Facilities
 - Chair vacant. No report.
- ❖ **GSR/Trusted Servant Orientation**
 - Presenters were: Larry J. (Area 65, Panel 51 Delegate, Big Book -Dallas); Naomi Z. (Area 65, Panel 55 Delegate, Language of the Heart); and Jim C. (Area 65 Alternate Treasurer, Lakeside Traditions.)
 - A brief Q&A followed.
- ❖ **Unfinished Business**
- ❖ Area 65, Panel 55 Winter Assembly
 - The agenda for the Area 65, Panel 55 Winter Assembly, and the motion to be voted on at that Assembly, were handed out.
 - As the author of the motion was in attendance, the DCM offered time to Mike W. (Area 65 Intergroup Liaison, Richardson), to briefly explain the purpose of the motion
 - Motion: "To change the current Intergroup Liaison Chair to be Literature/Intergroup Liaison Chair in Keeping with A.A. guidelines on Literature Committee"
 - The intent is to help keep the North East Texas Area aware of existing literature and new literature, as it is prepared through the General Service Conference.

❖ Website Update

- Secretary advised he has free web space as part of his Internet service. Also, the website has historically been provided to the District for free.
- A concern was raised whether free hosting honored the spirit of Tradition Seven.
- The DCM appointed an Ad-Hoc committee consisting of the Alternate DCM (James V., ODAAT) and the GSRs from Dallas North (Al S.) & Georgetown (Camille K.), and charged them with investigating this issue, including pricing some independent web hosting companies.
- They will report their findings at the February District 54 Meeting.

❖ New Business

❖ Treatment Facilities Committee

- Due to a vacancy in the Treatment Facilities Committee, Marie H. (The Great Fact) was submitted to the GSRs to chair said Committee. Hearing no disapproval, she was welcomed into the District structure.

❖ Three-ring Binders

- The DCM handed out a three-ring binder to all GSRs & District Trusted Servants present.
- The purpose of said binder is to store pertinent District & Area documents compiled over the course of the coming two-year Term.

❖ Lake Highlands

- The Lake Highlands group has requested they be transferred from District 54 to District 53, as they already physically reside within the geographic boundaries of District 53
- With there being no opposition from either District involved, and with the reminder that Lake Highlands vote in one District only, the matter will be presented at the next Area 65 Committee meeting for inclusion to the agenda of the Area 65 Spring Assembly.

❖ Group Reports

- Due to time constraints, only one group report was given.
- New group in District 54 -The Great Fact - Address 2200 18th St. (at Jupiter Rd.), Plano, TX 75074. 972-312-9288.

❖ Tradition/Concept Presenters for February

- Tradition Two: Julie F. (GSR, Coppell)
- Concept Two: Jay M. (CPC/PI Chair, Coppell)

❖ Adjournment

- The basket was passed to honor Tradition Seven. There being no more business before the District, the meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Upcoming Events		
Date & Time	Event	Location
02/05/05 2:00 pm	Area 65(N.E. TX) Correctional Facilities Mtg.	Georgetown Group District 54 17754 Preston Road, Ste 100 Mapsco 5-G Dallas, 75252 972-248-9041
02/06/05 2:00 pm	District 54 GSR Meeting	Broad Highway Group 1304 Redwood Mapsco 38-N Dallas, 75218 214-324-9261
02/13/05 2:00 pm	Combined Five Districts Meeting	Omega Group District 54 11836 Judd Ct. Ste 352 Mapsco 16-Z Dallas, 75243 972-669-2222
03/06/05 2:00 pm	District 54 GSR Meeting	Dallas North Group (Coit & Bellline Rds) Dal-Rich Village #210 Mapsco 16-F Richardson, 75080 972-479-1486
03/13/05 2:00 pm	Combined Five Districts Meeting	Irving Group District 55 618 E. Irving Blvd. Mapsco 31B-Y Irving 972-579-9676
03/19/05 03/20/05	Area 65(N.E. TX) Spring Assembly	Sheraton Grand Hotel 4440 W. Hiway 114, Irving, TX. Reservations by 02/25/05 1-800-345-5251 \$69/night/double
06/18/05 06/19/05	Area 65(N.E. TX) Summer Assy.	Henderson Community Center 302 Fairpark Henderson, TX
06/30/05 Through 07/03/05	International Convention of A.A.	Toronto, Ontario, Canada
08/19/05 08/20/05 08/21/05	Texas State Convention	Harvey Hotel Hiway 114 & Esters Rd. Irving, TX. Reservations 1-800-922-9222 Registration \$20
09/16/05 09/17/05 09/18/05	Area 65(N.E. TX) Fall Assembly & Convention	Sheraton Grand Hotel 4440 W. Hiway 114, Irving, TX. Reservations by 08/26/05 1- 800-345-5251 \$69/night/double \$10 registration

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