



## AREA REPORTS:

Note: I have scanned the reports in that were typewritten and where possible have retained the format on those reports. Non-typed reports I had to create a format for. KB

### RCM REPORT CKA

11-21-99

Hi Regional Family:

All is well in Central Area. I am happy to say that our Pratt group is back among us, meetings are Sunday and Thursday 7:00 pm open non-smoking at 113 W 4th. That makes our number of groups back up to seven. Our Area service committee is once again going through a re-building progress with a number of committee terms coming up. We are hopeful that once again we can fill all positions without leaving any vacant for vary long. How every we do have a couple new sub-committee chairs, Policy is Heather B. Literature is Dale M. and P.I. is open. Attendance has been good for some groups while a few others have been very low. We have three H&I commitments in our Area, Lamed Correctional the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3rd Friday 6:30 to 8:30, Ellsworth correctional the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday and Russell County Jail 2nd & last Tuesday of each month. The High on Life **Chili Bowl 10** is set **to go Dec. 4th** in Ellinwood at the Knights of Columbus beginning at 4:00 pm come down and join the fun. Among the nights events is the every famous GSR pie in the eye. This year we would like to know if the Convention Chair or Alt. would like to take their place among the honored. The Russell group is planning their annual February function more details to follow. The Regional work shops that were put on in Hoisington last Oct. were very informative and fun we all learned a lot **Thanks Denny, Kirk, and John.** I would strongly suggest that if any of these work shops come to your Area that you make an attempt to attend. Our Area has voted on the three motions and two recommendations. Do to the fact that our Area is under its prudent reserve we are unable to make a donation this time, how ever the Hoisington group has a seventy-five dollar donation to be divided equally among H&I, PI and Outreach sub-committees.

In Service, Jay F CKA RCM

### Just for Today Area RCM-Report

21 Nov.,

1999 Hello NA Family:

*The* Just for Today Area is still alive and well. In fact we have recently added a new group to our Area (YEAH!!!), That information will follow later in the report and I have already turned over a copy of our meeting updates to the PI committee.

Our Area has a MARCNA fund-raiser scheduled for Jan. 29, 2000. There are pre-flyers available for that function. Detailed information will follow at a later date. The next batch of flyers will be sent to each group and Area Committee.

Only one group in our Area did not vote on the Regional issues because they were absent from the ASC. My Area's votes are also at the end of this report. There were a few questions raised about the inventory process, such as:

- 1) Various inventory formats are available. Will the RSC be using one of these formats?
- 2.) Who will be facilitating the inventory? Will it be someone from outside the region?
- 3.) Will this be an inventory taken by the RSC, or an inventory of the Region taken by the groups, or both?

There is a suggestion regarding the inventory... to let the Region's Lit. Sub-committee compile the inventory and send it to the groups. As not to give the Steering Committee too much to do and the give the Lit. Sub-committee something to do, since it is "new" literature (sort of). We do seem to be struggling with getting "new blood" involved though. I realize that this is nothing unusual and unfortunately, pretty standard among all of NA.

Representing the Just For Today Area in Service,  
Ray G.

**RCM Report  
Miracle Area**

Good Morning Addicts in Service:

The Miracle Area seems to be in a up-swing as far as service goes. We have a good, not great, but good influx of people to help with our H&I efforts. We now have three such meetings a week. We also have given a P.I. presentation to a Kansas University addictions class and were asked back for the next semester. We hope to start doing the same at Haskell Indian Nations University.

We have a new activities chair, who, believe it or not, has the support of a committee. There has been some new people getting involved and some meetings that were dead or near death have risen and seem pretty stable at this point. We are working through a controversy having to do with requirements to get on the meeting list. With our Higher Powers Guidance, we will come to a spiritual resolution.

Grateful to be  
Clean and a member  
Of N.A.,  
Jerry D.

**RCM Report  
UNITY AREA**

Hi Family:

Unity Area continues to prosper we have at last count 15 Groups in our Area with several new groups just coming on board. Most of our Groups are doing well except for the Trusted servants positions. Our Outreach Committee is working hard to formulate new ideas on how we can get support to the struggling groups. We have a brand new Group Starting "Together We Stand". Their first meeting will be Sat. Dec. 4th from 7-8pm at the Christian Church 106 E. Main Council Grove, KS. I am sure that they could use all the support we could give them to start their first N.A. meeting off right. H&I is doing well. with Allen B. back on as our Chair, though we could always use more volunteers to take meetings in to facilities. Although our Area doesn't have a P.I. Chair or Co-Chair we have been able to get some of the N.A. approved PSA's on Multimedia Cablevision in Salina. They air for 30 sec. on 19 different channels at least 3 times a day. I hope that we can "tag" more of the tapes to air.

Here are some upcoming activities:

- Dec. 31st Phoenix Group "NA IN Y2K" New Year's Eve Dance**  
4-H Building Salina, KS. \$3.00 per person no addict turned away.
- Dec. 31st Gift of Life "Millennium Blow Out" New Years Eve Dance**  
400 E. 2nd On the 3rd floor. \$3.00 per person no addict turned away.
- Feb. 12th Gift of Life Annual "Valentine's Dance"**  
400 E. 2nd On the 3rd floor. \$3.00 per person no addict turned away.

We are also in the planing stages of a **GSR assembly** more will be revealed later.

One Group "Yawan" had input on the Regional Inventory, That Committees Co-Chairs communicate better with their Committees Chairs, to be more responsible in let each the Chair know if their having trouble with their position, and or getting to the regional meeting or interim meetings.

Our vote on the motion produce wallet size cards was - YES

Our vote on the motion the MARSC shall start at 8:00am and end at 5:30pm - NO

Our vote on the motion RSC officers going to a two year length of term, having to be reelected at the end of the first year.

- NO

Unity Area has two motions to bring to the floor today:

1st that the RSC cease sponsoring and funding of the World Unity Day Activity.

2nd that The RSC discontinue the regional meeting list.

Tim C.

In Service,  
UNITY AREA R.C.M.

**RCM Report  
Western Area**

Hello Regional Family:

Not a whole lot going on in Western Area right now. We are planning our annual "Breaking the Wind" chili feed cook-off tentatively in January. Flyers will be sent out. Hope we have your mailing address.

We are carrying the message inside the walls. Somewhere between 30 - 40 H&I meetings a month. Elections were held and I am once again RCM. Yea!!! Not only that, we have a donation for Region today.

In Service with a Smile,  
Tom W.  
AKA: Too Tall

**Wichita Metro Area  
August 15,1999**

Greetings:

My name is Trent. I am here representing W.M.A.S.C. in Pat B's absence. Our groups brought back y questions for the inventory and also voted on the other 3 questions that were brought back to the groups. The W.M.A.S.C. is also donating \$80.00 to the Region at this time. Waterman Street NA is also planning a dance January 11, 1999.

In Loving Service,  
Trent T.

**RCM Report  
Fellowship For Freedom Area**

Dear Family,

Hello ya'll. Our Area is starting to come together a bit better. We now have a Alt. Chair - Tim D.: new P.I. Chair - Lindsey F.: Activities Chair - Valencia C., as well as a new Alt. RCM - Brian A. So I see our Area getting a little stronger and a little better. Looks like we are headed towards some positive growth.

Our donation will be put in the mail and sent within the next month. This will be for \$150.00. I have already talked to our Area chair on this. So this will be done.

We didn't come up with any ideas for the inventory. The other motions we did vote on and pass.

We have a couple of dances coming up. One on December 18<sup>th</sup> called the 12 Steps of Christmas put on by United Survivors/Work the Steps or Die M.F. - all right, unity is alive! This will be at Forest Park - for information call 232-love.

The other dance is a January 8<sup>th</sup> convention fundraiser - for info call Joe K. 785-379-0588 Shelly A. 785-235-3406 Tobey 785-233-3911.

It was brought to my attention that the address for the 6<sup>th</sup> annual FFF convention was wrong. It is at Days In Hotel - 914 SE Madison, Topeka KS PH 785-232-7721. The theme is Flight of Freedom. This will happen on February 11-13<sup>th</sup>.

Our H&I is alive and doing well - 5 groups.

In Service,  
Love Peace Dove,  
Kelly P.

## Subcommittee Reports

### RSC Treasurer's Report August 13, 1999

**Beginning Balance** **\$16,603.71**

#### DEPOSITS

8/17/99

Soul to Soul pop sales	\$16.88
Western Area donation	50.00
Kirk B. sec. exp. Not used	2.99
FFF Area donation	400.00
Not So Famous Group donation	6.10
Miracle Area donation	105.00
Step X Step Group donation	14.67
Central Kansas Area donation	180.00
Activity Aug. RSC	674.00
Activity Aug. RSC	18.79
M.A.R. Campout 99	1,888.20
Waterman Group donation	30.00

Total \$3,386.63

11/10/99

Soul to Soul	\$647.35
Waterman Group donation	10.00

Total 657.35

**Total Deposit** **\$4,043.98**

#### Expenses

<u>CK#</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>WHAT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1387	Barker Printing	Sec. Exp. Minutes	\$ 51.73
1388	McPherson 4H	Nov. RSC rent	200.00
1389	BeLinda C.	Nov. RSC act. exp.	200.00
1390	Central Kansas Area (H&I \$50.00) (PI 55.00) (Outr. 50.00)	Workshop  155.55	
1391	Kirk B.	Sec. Exp. Post office	40.00
1392	Jerry D.	PI Mtg. List	37.50
1393	MAR Campout	Seed money 2000	1,000.00
1394	Ray G.	Soul to Soul seed	400.00
1395	VOID		
1396	Carl K.	Zonal	300.00
1397	Lois W.	Act. Sec. Exp.	12.03
1398	Denny C.	Outreach Handbooks	48.50
1399	Joyce C.	World Unity Day	550.00
1400	Debby S.	Storage Unity Area	79.72
1401	You Store It	Regional storage unit	80.00
1402	Camp Chipewa	Soul to Soul	767.00

**Total Expenses** **\$3921.48**

**Ending Balance** **\$16,726.21**

Reconciled with bank statement of 11/10/99

November 15, 1999

R.S.C. Family;

I need to inform you at this time that at the end of business of November's R.S.C. I can no longer be the treasurer. Billy and I will be moving in a couple of months and relocating to Texas. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Region for letting me "Be a Part Of" and having faith in me for the service positions that I have held. One of the hardest things about moving away is that I will miss my NA family especially at the Regional level. I will always be grateful for all I have learned from you and take each of you with me in my Heart.

Sincerely,

BeLinda C.  
AKA: The Dolphin Lady

#### **Add Hoc Budget Recommendations:**

1. To use the budget process as is. (follow the guidelines)
2. Focus on real dollars
  - a. how much we have, take in, spend and an ending balance
3. Focus on fiscal responsibility at all levels of Region
4. Make sure funds usefulness is maximized before they are sent on.

#### **Activities Report**

Carl opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Dorothy M. read the 12 Traditions and Steve C. read the 12 Concepts.

#### **Area reports:**

**Unity Area:** there are functions going on in the Area. They are:

Phoenix Group: New Years Eve dance, December 31 at the 4H building  
Gift of Life: MARCNA fundraiser on December 31 in Hutchinson

**FFF:** we had our Halloween dance, it was a big success. Lindsey F. stepped down from the chair position so that he could get involved with PI. Valencia C. is the new Activities Chair. We meet each month on the second Sunday at 1:00pm at 135 Buchanan St. in Topeka. Next activities are:

12 Steps - 12 Speakers - Christmas Ball: December 18<sup>th</sup> at Forest Park United Methodist Camp, 3158 10<sup>th</sup> St. SE.  
6:00pm - 12:00pm  
6<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention: February 11-13<sup>th</sup>, Days Inn, 914 SE Madison, Topeka Ks. Call for info. (785) 232-7721

#### **Western Area:**

Breaking the Wind Chili Cook-off: no date or location has been set yet - look for flyers soon. (should be in January)

**Miracle Area:** we have a new Activity Chair, Sherrie B. Congratulations!

Pot Luck Dinner: Thanksgiving Day at 311 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St., Lawrence KS  
Fall Festival Dinner/Dance: Nov 27<sup>th</sup>

#### **Central Kansas Area:**

Chili Bowl 99: December 4<sup>th</sup> in Ellinwood at the Knights of Columbus hall. Doors open at 4pm. Dinner at 6pm  
With chili and chicken noodles provided. Pls. bring a side dish. Stewart G. of Hoisington will speak followed by a dance, raffle and auction and the ever popular "GSR Pie in the Eye". Contact Jeff R. or Tom C. @ 285-2065 or Sally O. @ 653-4023. Hosted by "High on Life", Great Bend.

**Soul to Soul report:**

There were 11 Addicts in attendance at Soul to Soul including one newcomer. 7 Addicts who usually attend had personal conflicts (e.g. Moving, weddings, band gig) so attendance was down slightly. The theme for next years Soul to Soul is "Renew the Process". With left over merchandise included, Soul to Soul came out approximately \$16.00 on the plus side this year. All money and expense receipts have been given to the Regional Treasurer.

**Unity Day report:**

The Unity Day Event was poorly attended in Salina. Due to extreme changes in the personal lives of the individuals in charge of hosting the event, the receipts and money from this event have been misplaced. Joyce M. has requested 2 weeks to get duplicate copies of the receipts and to recoup the \$. All receipts and monies will be forwarded to the Regional Treasurer.

See the Treasurers report for accounting of this weekends activities and Soul to Soul/

Carl K. was nominated to finish out the position as permanent activities chair (term to expire in May 2000). Carl K. accepted, pending approval from the RSC voting members.

In Loving Service,  
Carl K., Addict

**World Unity Day report: (Joyce M.)**

Hi Family,

I'm here to report that my personal life has been under complete transition. I moved and divorced. The World Unity Day accounting is temporarily in disarray due to said move.

I have to go back to the Kenwood Building people and get a new receipt for the \$150.00 deposit and \$150.00 rental fee. Also I need a receipt from JD Production for the \$100.00 DJ costs.

I would like to request some time, approximately 2 weeks, to reacquire these receipts. I apologize for these circumstances. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Needing your Love and support,  
In Loving Service,  
Joyce M.

PS: World Unity Day went very well; however, it wasn't well attended.

**Note: the following is a financial accounting for Activities as submitted by "The Dolphin". KB**

**Seed** **\$200.00**

**Income:**

Lunch Sat. \$ 94.00  
Door Sat. Eve. 254.00  
Money raffle 46.00  
Pop 92.14

**Total** **\$486.14**

**Expenses:**

Turkey - Dave \$ 15.00  
Lock Box 21.14  
Turkey - Carl 10.00  
DJ Dan 225.00  
Turkey & Supp. BeLinda 12.13  
**Total** **\$463.84**

**Ending Cash** **\$222.30**

**RSC Campout Report**  
**August 13, 1999**

Hello Family,

Well, after getting off to a slow start, we have reserved Lucas Park at Wilson Lake from June 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm until July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00pm. The dates for the campout are June 29, 30, July 1, 2. That's a Thursday, evening through Sunday evening. We turned over \$172.29 in funds that were kept back to pay for the last bill we hadn't received. That leaves us with \$1,000.00 seed money.

As we don't have a fundraising person, we are only going to do 1, maybe 2 "T" shirts, the first of which will be at the February RSC.

We are in need of a secretary as ours had to resign because of her health.

Flyers will be forthcoming ASAP.

Because of the reservation process that the Corps of Engineers has in place, this years committee will have to reserve the location for the next years campout and this will have to continue for the foreseeable future.

Please keep Tim K. in your thoughts and prayers as he had surgery last Monday.

Also, please remember this is YOUR CAMPOUT and the support for it is pretty sad.

In Service,  
Von P. Co-Chair  
Acting Chair

**Convention Report**  
**August 13, 1999**

Hi Family,

Well last nights fundraiser was quite a success. Attendance was great and the convention committee appreciates all the support. The following money was raised:

Auction	\$ 523.00
Item Raffle	157.00
Merchandise	<u>690.00</u>
<b>Total fundraising</b>	<b>\$1370.50</b>

We had a very productive meeting yesterday and got quite a lot accomplished. Speakers and entertainment have been selected and more will be revealed. Also, our registration chair and treasurer, (BeLinda and Billy C.) resigned due to the fact that they will be moving shortly. They will be missed. Congratulations to registration chair, Lois W. and treasurer, Betty P. Oh, and my sincere apologies go out to all those offended by the committees special "T" shirts. I'm sure that your sponsors will be busy for some time. Looking forward to the months ahead.

In Loving Service,  
Jon Mc.

**H&I Report**  
**August 13, 1999**

We got a lot going on. We have 31 meetings going on now. We have a bid from Topeka of \$100.00 to put on a learning day.

I am requesting \$22.22 to cover the cost of the last mail out. (Mailing costs were \$.22 more per unit than expected.)

We voted to put a "Just For Today" in all the county jails in the state. The financial impact of doing this will be \$726.83 to purchase and get the books here. There will be further expenses to get them to the jails themselves.

Love and Service,  
H&I Chair,  
Dave R.



**Literature Report**  
**August 13, 1999**

- Discussions on whether to have the M.A.N. Newsletter as a division of the Literature subcommittee or recommend it be a committee of its own.
- Recommend that the M.A.N. devote a section to individual committees to possibly generate interest in the committees...utilize it as a education tool. "Getting to Know Your Subcommittees".
- M.A.N. is accepting articles for the next issue through December 10<sup>th</sup>.
- M.A.N. will increase it's distribution from 200 copies to approx. 700 on a trial basis. The funds are already available to do this in Literatures budget.
- It was noted that the Literature rack has not been returned yet from those who borrowed it last May.
- Inquiry as to any interest in Chair, Co-Chair, or Secretarial positions.
- Dori D. indicated interest in the Secretarial position. MSP (congratulations!)
- Discussion on questions to submit for regional inventory. They are as follows:
  - ❖ How do you think we should fulfill our purpose as described in the approved Guidelines of the Mid-America Region?
  - ❖ What do you, as a member of the Mid-America Region think we can do to foster more involvement and interest in the Literature subcommittee at the Regional level?
  - ❖ Do you feel this committee needs to continue?
    - ◆ If yes: What direction would you like to see this subcommittee take? (i.e. review new literature, input for new literature
    - ◆ If no: do you want the Region's newsletter to continue as a separate entity?
- Discussion on funds for M.A.N. Decided to table until preparing for next years fiscal budget.
- Questions on whether M.A.N. editor should be required on Regional roll call.
- Need point of clarification from Region on issue of M.A.N. editor having a voice on floor since M.A.N. is a subcommittee of Literature committee.
- **We would like to see Area Literature Chairs present at next RSC and get involved with this Committee.**
- Meeting closed.

Thanks,  
Dori D.

**M.A.N. Report**  
**August 13, 1999**

February 15, 2000

Hello Friends and Family:

Well, for better or worse, "The M.A.N." got published this past quarter. It may not be all that Tim S. and I might wish, but I think that will change as we get more experience and the Fellowship finds out that we are back in business.

We came in way under budget this time. I managed to print and mail 200 copies for \$54.22 or \$.2711 per copy. The paper that was donated (see pg. 6) didn't work for this printing and may not work for any of them, as the edges got damp and stick together. Non the less, the printer (Rand G. of Lawrence) came up with scrap paper from another job and did our printing at the quoted price. John S. took care of the mailing for me, and it only ran \$19.22, so all in all we did O.K. (See financial statement below.)

<b>Description</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Unit price</b>		<b>Total</b>
Newsletter	200	\$0.175	\$35.00	
Bulk mailing cost	6	\$2.80	\$16.80	
Mail to officers	3	\$.55	\$1.65	
Mail to officer	1	\$.77	\$.77	
<b>Total</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>\$0.2711</b>	<b>\$54.22</b>	

I have started working on the next issue and have made some changes that I think will improve it. These changes have to do with graphics and converting them to vector files rather than bitmaps. This will improve the quality of the printed graphic and make the publication as a whole look better.

I have received a number of articles and poems for the next issue and am excited about this. In addition, I have received a piece of art work for the "Art" section. I hope that the Fellowship will continue to submit material to Tim S. and myself, as I don't want to be a writer, just a put together type of guy.

Peace and Love  
(Old Hippy Talk)  
KB

### **Outreach Report August 13, 1999**

The October 30 workshop in Hoisington (Central Area) was very well attended. Two people from Central Kansas Area attended the regular subcommittee meeting (Brian and Sally) and relayed that Central Kansas Area has started Outreach efforts at both Group and Area levels.

Von P. put together speaker volunteer form too be forwarded to the RCM's. RCM's, please return a copy of this list to Von for a Regional master list. This way, copies will come back for the rest of the Region to refer to when seeking speakers.

Outreach will do a workshop at the JFT M.A.R.C.N.A. fundraiser. This will be held January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2000. FFF asked about a learning days around the end of May. More will be reveled.

- Outreach is submitting a motion to rotate the RSC between the Areas. This would be done alphabetically.
- The financial impact would be very little.
- The intent is to generate local involvement in the RSC.

Peace, Love & NA,  
Denny C.

### **PI Report August 13, 1999**

Hello Family,

At yesterdays subcommittee meeting we had a great attendance - all Areas had a representative present. We had elections and John S. received a vote of confidence to continue as the Chair. Alan B. was elected as Co-Chair and Clay W. was elected to the Secretary's position. (Congratulations one and all!)

Jay F. gave a report on the PI workshop at the Learning day in Hoisington on October 30<sup>th</sup>. He reported that it was well attended and participation (communication) was great - PI's \$50.00 was well spent!

We discussed the use of the PI and phone line handbooks and a motion was made to purchase y of each and keep that many in stock at all times. \***Financial Impact** \$51.80. this will help our Regional and Area PI efforts.

The subcommittee discussed the Group, Area and Regional updates to World, and encouraged all of these bodies to review the World list and delete those meetings that are not taking place - we feel that bad or inaccurate information sends the wrong message to all concerned.

A lot of discussion pertaining to the Regional meeting list took place and a consensus was reached: we, members of the Public Information subcommittee move to discontinue the printing of the Regional meeting list and in its place print a wallet size card with Area and Group phone numbers. The financial impact will be substantial savings. This will change the subcommittees policy. A few preliminary decisions were reached if this change should occur.

I would like to thank the subcommittee and individual RSC members for their vote of confidence and also would like to express a special thanks to Shelly W. for her efforts in the past.

All areas but one have had new efforts in a variety of formats in PI. This is encouraging.

Almost forgot - we have a request for \$127.51 to pay Barker Printing for the August Regional meeting lists which were distributed in August. (2200 copies.)

It was decided that the \$25.00 that was donated by Central Kansas Area be used to offset our request of \$51.80 for handbooks and so that adjustment makes our request's total financial impact \$26.80.

In Service,  
John S.

**P.O. Box Report  
August 13, 1999**

Dear Addicts,

The mail is getting through. The insurance policy finally came last month.

In Loving Service,  
John

**Steering Committee Report  
August 13, 1999**

Good morning again,

The Steering Committee has been busy. At our interim meeting we chose the date for the Service Assembly and now have flyers/ registration forms. I will read one and pass copies out to all RCM's. please give to your GSR's and interested addicts. We are wanting to really push this event and you will about it a lot between now and May 6. We will have a more detailed map by convention time.

I believe after our meeting yesterday we have a better understanding of the direction to go with the Regional inventory. I am requesting all questions from the Areas, Groups and Addicts to be given to me. We will come up with an inventory list compiled from those questions, the Guide to Local Service, our 1993 inventory, and other inventories we have and use the questions we feel are pertinent. I personally felt lost in the direction to go with this after our interim meeting. I now feel a lot more secure.

We also need to hear feedback from the Areas regarding the two year terms for Regional officers. That was not a motion. We just want feedback before we decide what to do.

We are requesting the \$300.00 from the budgeting assembly money to pay deposit. We also had a member resign so take back to Groups there is a open position on the Steering Committee.

Grateful to be Clean and of Service,  
Jerry D.

SMOKE BREAK! 10:55 - 10:10

**Mid-America Region  
RD Report  
Nov. 21, 1999**

Hello NA Family,

Well things are picking up from NAWS. Among the items coming from NAWS is the most recent version of A Temporary Working Guide To Our World Service Structure. Also out are the Internal Guidelines for the Human Resource Panel and a review draft of the Process and Procedures for the World Board of NA. The latter is for review only. I have made copies for all the RCMs and the Regional chair and secretary. Please ask your RCM for copies if you want them. We have also received a current list of WSO/NA licensed vendors (see attached).

There was a rumor going around at the Zonal Forum in South Dakota that the 2000 World Convention was going to be moved from Cartagena, Columbia. This rumor is apparently unfounded as we received a large packet of newsletters for the convention which is to be held in, where else, Cartagena.

In an effort to clarify any misunderstandings related to the 1999 WSC election processes and results, the WB has written a letter of explanation and apology to the fellowship. At the recommendation of the HRP, the WB is now reviewing the election procedures of the last 3 conferences to aide the HRP in establishing election procedures for the 2000 WSC.

Here another also. The WB has developed a draft of a 10 year plan to address the production of new or revision of existing literature (see attached). After reading this draft it appears World Services continues to struggle with the results of their literature survey and with what direction the fellowship wants to take with regard to literature. Fortunately this is only a rough draft because it is a very ambiguous plan at best and does not provide clear cut direction for how we may proceed with revision/creation of our NA literature. More Will Be Revealed.

The next item coming from NAWS is a Two-Year Conference Cycle Report. This report explains some of the time lines involved in the 2 year cycle; a mission statement for the conference; some recommendations or goals of World Services; consensus based decision making processes at the WSC; addendum's for Process for New Projects, a proposed conference work cycle, and a description/diagram of NA World Service System; Zonal Participation at WSC (non-voting participation); etc. This piece from NAWS is very interesting and could affect our region in a positive manner. One proposed recommendation that would help us is the funding of all Regional Delegates to the WSC. However, I don't know where the money to pay for the funding would come from without increasing fellowship donations to NAWS. Oh welllllll! More Will Be Revealed.

After reading most of the info that has come from the World Service Meeting in Florida and remembering very little of what I read, it becomes apparent how much info our region misses out on by not attending these meetings. In the future we may want to consider sending reinitiating the practice of sending at least one of our delegates to all the interim meeting particularly after our fellowship goes to a 2 year conference cycle.

On a closer to home note, Tim S., Betty P., and I attended the Zonal in South Dakota in Sept.. A short 12-14 hr., and one speeding ticket drive. It was a very refreshing experience to be part of a convention which is as young as the S.D. Regional Convention. The unity, enthusiasm, and spiritual support for each other and for their reminds one of our region not too long ago. The convention was more of a camp out setting than motel/hotel setting. It was small with 93 registered addicts and was held in a 2 room lodge less the kitchen and a small back room. Anyway, the hospitality was great and the folks in that part of the country are very courteous.

The Zonal itself was very informal. Some of the RDs were not in attendance due to having to go to the World Services Meeting the following weekend. Their alternates were in attendance. Present were the Upper Rocky Mountain Region, Iowa, OK, Neb., S.D., and Mid-America. Dickie from Mississippi and a few folks from Wisconsin were also there. There was no World Service representation at this Zonal.

Topics for discussion were:

- 1.) What action do we as a fellowship need to take to retain our experienced members with substantial clean time.
- 2.) Meds in Recovery.
- 3.) GSR Assemblies.
- 4.) Funding and Accountability.

Input amounted to:

1.) What action...time. It appears that most of the input on topic 1 was about why people drop out of service if not NA as a whole after they have some clean time. Reasons cited were.

- A) Burnout due to high expectations of others.
- B) Numerous reasons with a common theme of resentments.
- C) Lack of good N A Sponsorship.

Betty and Tim can elaborate more on each of these topics.

2.) Meds in Recovery had a more solution focused discussion. The discussion varied from it is an outside issue and N A needs to stay out of it to it is a dilemma that adversely affects our ability to carry a message of recovery to some of those on

meds. It appears there is an increase in the number of individuals in NA who are being prescribed medication for various reasons. There are many of our members who do need medications and would probably not be able to function at all without their meds. These are the individuals with a serious debilitating, psychiatric disorder or extreme physical ailments which make medications necessary. There are also some members of our fellowship who should be taking some form of medication and are trying to tough it out or are intimidated by the "complete abstinence" part of our literature which they believe prohibits them from taking meds that can be helpful if even for a short duration. The court is also sending more individuals with a dual diagnosis to our fellowship, many of whom do find recovery in our meetings.

However, the number of individuals being prescribed meds for the depression and/or anxiety that is a normal part of the recovery process is also on the increase. This is no small wonder considering the impact managed care agencies and mental health reform have had on rehabilitation facilities. Many managed care companies operate from a medical model perspective and will not pay for a persons A&D rehabilitation if the person does not also have a psychiatric diagnosis that requires a doctors supervision and with that comes medication intervention. Mental Health Reform often includes the same criteria depending on what facility the individual goes to. In any event, NA probably does not have an opinion on what these agencies, HMOs, and the Mental Health Reform movement. We do, however, have a responsibility to inform the professionals who are willing to listen about the recovery process and that medicating someone too soon in that process can not only hinder the recovery process itself but often sends the message to the newly recovering person that they were right, they can't live a normal life without drugs, they were just using the wrong ones.

Some solutions that came out of this discussion include: informing the medical profession about NA; informing managed care companies about NA; good sponsorship which includes getting to know our sponsees and informing them about when meds should and shouldn't be used and if we don't have any experience in this area taking them to someone who does; and, lastly, the need for meds is individualized, not everyone in rehab. or our fellowship needs meds but some may not survive without them.

3.) GSR Assemblies: Some regions are meeting with resistance from GSRs who don't see a need for an assembly. The solution of which is to inform the groups and GSRs of the advantages of getting together to help each other in our efforts to make NA more available to the addict who still suffers. The overall consensus of the people at the Zonal was they felt GSR assemblies helped increase the unity within their region and help increase communication within the region.

4.) Funding and accountability. I don't know what the current stats are but at one time more money was lost annually in NA through misuse of funds than the annual World Services budget.

Solutions to prevent problems with misuse of NA funds were:

- a) Give clear guidelines prior to funding any project.
- b) Allow latitude to fulfill assigned tasks bearing in mind all individuals are accountable and funds are to be accounted for.
- c) Don't sit on large sums of money.
- d) Trust our HP and the funds will come.
- e) Keep site of our primary purpose and the reasons for fund raising.
- f) Don't put people in situations they can't handle.
- g) Allow people to make amends without trying to hang them or condemning them.

Speaking of inventories, it appears there are a variety of opinions on how to approach our proposed Regional inventory. Some believe it should be a region wide inventory. Some believe it should be the RSC only. Some feel the inventory should be presided over by individuals outside our region. Some feel the Areas and Groups should take the RSCs inventory. I believe they are all correct and none of these approaches are mutually exclusive. I hope our fellowship is taking this proposed inventory seriously and as many people as possible provide input into formulating a good inventory instrument. Our ability to communicate with each other and carry a unified message of recovery depends on keeping our house in order.

On a much lighter note, I received some old regional minutes from a former trusted servant which I have brought to go into our archival pool. I have also brought a box of past world and regional stuff to add to the pool and so I don't lose it.

In Loving Service,  
Carl K., R.D. Mid-America Region

**RD2 Report**  
**Zonal Forum**  
Sept. 18, 1999  
Piedmont S.D.

Dear Family,

1. We discussed how to keep people with time to “keep coming back”. Suggested to allow people with time to be human, allow mistakes. We discussed a sponsorship workshop at this time
2. Definition of “abstinence” was discussed - referred to Basic Text. Much, much discussion!
3. GSR assemblies: Kimberly of Rocky Mountain Region suggested calling it a service workshop or assembly - make it appealing. Set it up like our Soul to Soul
4. Discussed funding and accountability - need all receipts produced for accountability

Business Portion

\$ 409.25

31.20 April minutes.

378.05 Balance

Next Zonal is 1<sup>st</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in Council Grove Iowa - February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2000. There will be a CAR workshop.

This workshop was seated in the Black Hills of S.D. It was so spiritual - also their convention was like our Soul to Soul atmosphere.

In Loving Service,

Betty P.

RD II

The following is a copy of the Plains States Zonal Forum minutes as submitted by Carl and Betty.

**Plains States Zonal Forum**

Sept. 18th, 1999

Elk Creek Resort - South Dakota

Bright thoughts - Black Hills”

Our facilitator, Randy D. (S.D.), opened the meeting Sat. afternoon. The meeting was split into two sections, topic discussion and business. 7 regions were present (*South Dakota; Mid-America; Iowa; Upper Rocky Mountain; Nebraska; Oklahoma; and Louisiana*). Louisiana of course was visiting from the Southern Zonal Forum, which we openly welcome. Our first discussion topic was “what action do we, as a fellowship, need to take to retain our experienced members with substantial clean time?” After much discussion, four ideas; or points were recognized:

- **Allow experienced members to have a voice at an R.S.C., or any level service, regardless of title or position.**
- **Hold down expectations and allow experienced members to be human.**
- **Teach balance early In service.**
- **Improve communication from all categories, early member to old timer.**

The remaining topics (*see April '99 minutes*) were only briefly discussed with little input documented.

After a short break, we re-convened in a business setting.

Tim S. (Mid-America) read past minutes followed by the Treasurer’s report:

Starting balance - \$409.25

Sec. Expenses - \$ 31.20 (April minutes)

Sept. Total - \$378.05

*Note: A general consensus was taken to pay secretary expenses.*

Reports were then read. *See pages 2-3*

Charlotte S. (Iowa) reported that W.S.C. will only send world participation to one zonal meeting a year, it was easily decided that ours would be the Feb./March C.A.R. workshop meeting.

Due to our rotation, It was asked if Iowa would host the next meeting, which happens to be a C.A.R. workshop. The date was set at the first weekend in Feb. Dickie D. (Louisiana) gave us a lot of insight on the Southern Zonal history and operating procedures, thanks Dickie for the valuable information, communication is the # 1 tool in N.A. service.

**Reports:**

Iowa: Greetings from Iowa. We are extremely glad to be here. The Iowa Region has been involved in a regional inventory. It’s been very informative to our region. More will be revealed hopefully at our next zonal meeting. As always, it feels great to be here. Love ya, Charlotte

South Dakota: Has officially decided, by consensus, to be an active part of the PSZF. The S.D. region at the last RSC used consensus decision-making procedures and it worked well. We are happy to be able to host this meeting of the PSZF and hope members attending are enjoying the scenery and convention. Randy D. S.D. R.D.

Oklahoma: The OK Region has voiced concerns over the issue of the Plains Zonal becoming too large geographically. Our concern is over cost of sending Reps. long distances. In Grateful Service, DeWayne B.

Mid-America: Our region is alive and well. Some members believe we are having too which tends to isolate areas and create disunity. We are also, preparing a questionnaire for a proposed region wide inventory. Our service assembly has been moved to spring but dates are not set yet. Although lack of funds is not currently a problem, how to use the funds has created some lively discussion at R.S.C. We are having some difficulty filling service positions but live in the hope that they will be filled soon. Most of our last R.S.C. was consensus based decision making rather than motion driven. Our "road to recovery" is constantly under construction and we continue to make progress in keeping pace with our ever-evolving fellowship. In Loving Service, Carl K.

Nebraska: We had our 1<sup>st</sup> G.S.R. Assembly last July. I thought, and the general opinion, was that it was successful. Consensus based decision-making forum discussed and tried. Most people expressed great interest in continuing that form of decision making. We have another assembly scheduled for September 25<sup>th</sup> in Grand Island. We intend to pursue this same line. Our regional convention will be held in Columbus, NE Oct. 8-10 at the New World Inn. We hope to see y'all there. Dale B.

Upper Rocky Mountain: Hello from Upper Rocky Mountain Region. Our region is alive and well as we can be. At our last R.S.C. we discussed, once again, our officially joining PSZF. There was a lot more enthusiasm at this meeting. They even voted to reimburse my travel expense to this forum, which is quite a step for my region since we generally have only funded travel to W.S.C. They are positive and anxiously awaiting the results of this forum's discussion. We seem to be moving toward to more openness to participating in multi-regional events outside our region. This again is growth, my region has in the past been primarily concerned with what's going on within it's own boundaries. We will be participating in the Multi-regional C.A.R. workshop in March, hosted by the Utah Region. It was decided to send me and the R.D. - A. to it. We are in the process of planning our first regional convention next year and we are also contemplating a name change. Some R.S.C. members feel that Upper Rocky Mountain doesn't reflect who we are geographically. The question still remains - what exactly will be our role in a zonal forum and how do we as a region benefit in participating? I'm glad to be here today and I look forward to the day when my region finally decides what it wants to do. In Loving Service, Kimberly M.

*Secretary's note: apologize for not getting these out in a timely fashion. They will be sent to a// who attended as well as those in my database. A couple of things I would like to throw out to you a//, and maybe be discussed later is:*

- *Picking just one topic from WS.C. and maybe draw from a list of local topics so that our input could be more detailed and thorough.*
- *Re-wording our purpose statement to make it more personable.*
- *Maybe think about producing "T" shirts. (I think Charlotte has a connection to help us out).*

*Our growth needs to come from within, not just adding regions to make bigger.*

## **Gratefully Serving**

**Tim Stewart**

### **Plains States' Zonal Forum Purpose Statement**

**Zonal forums are service-oriented sharing sessions that provide means by which NA communities can communicate, support, and grow with one another. Basically, it is several regions getting together to share problems and solutions and to open up communication lines between neighboring regions.**

Letter from the Chair, Billy C.

To: M.A.R.S.C.N.A.

It is with deep regret that I must resign from my position as regional Chair. When I took this position I had every intention of completing my commitment to this region, however; do to my job relocating to Texas, I find that I will be unable

to do so. As of this date I'm not sure exactly when we will be moving to Texas but I'm sure we will be moving in the near future.

We look forward to our move yet we shall miss you all. We got clean here in the Mid America Region and we have a lot of friends here. That's the hardest part of our moving, the separation from our friends. However; as we all know, in our fellowship there are no strangers there's only friends we haven't met yet. I look forward to sharing with the fellowship in Texas the kind of recovery that we have here in the Mid America Region. A recovery united with Quality and Commitment so that no addict seeking recovery ever needs to die.

In Loving Service,  
Billy C.  
(AKA Dragon Boy)  
:0)

### Elections

- **RSC CHAIR:** Carl K nominated **Tim S.** Tim C. Seconded. Qualified and Elected.
  - **RSC CO-CHAIR:** Dave R. nominated **Tony K.** Too Tall Seconded Qualified and Elected.
  - **RSC TREASURER:** Kirk B. nominated **Debbie S.** Tim S. Seconded Qualified and Elected.
  - **ACTIVITIES CHAIR:** Committee nominated **Carl K.** Qualified and Elected. (NOTE: Accepted until May 2000)
- Congratulations to Tim, Tony, Debbie and Carl!** Thank you for your willingness to serve.

**Lunch 12:00 - 1:00 Turkey dinner - thanks to all who contributed, it was GRRRRRRRRREAT!!!!!!**

### Old Business

**Note: all motions have been copied *verbatim* from the written motion that was turned into me.**

**Note: this information is found in the Treasurers report section of the Committee Reports - I put it in both places on purpose.**

#### **Add Hoc Budget Recommendations:**

1. To use the budget process as is. (follow the guidelines)
  2. Focus on real dollars
    - a. how much we have, take in, spend and an ending balance
  3. Focus on fiscal responsibility at all levels of Region
- Make sure funds usefulness is maximized before they are sent on.

#### **Bad Checks:**

**Pony Boy** Billy C. informed us that he wrote Pony Boy but has had no response from him.

**Maria:** Tim C. told us that she has had her baby and probably won't be able to pay off her debt.

- **Jon Mc. Moves that we write off this account. Many seconds to this motion.** There was much discussion concerning the message that this sends to the Fellowship.

**\*The motion passed.**

**Doris:** Tim C. informed us that she is working and has the means to pay the debit.

- **Ray G. moved that we write off this account. Dave R. seconded.** There was much discussion concerning the difference between not being able to pay a debit and just not paying a debit.

**\*The motion passed.**

#### **Break 1:55 - 2:10**

- **Von P. moved that we write off this account. Ray G. seconded.** It was pointed out that there was no difference between Pony Boys account and the others - all had been outstanding for 3yrs. or more.



**\*The motion passed.**

**Storage unit -**

We reevaluated the advisability of having a Regional storage unit. Those who have been using it have found it to be a useful item for the region and seemed to feel that the money that was spent on it was well spent. There was some question concerning insurance, and it was determined that the storage unit is uninsured. There was further question as to whether the value of the goods stored was equal or greater than the cost of the unit. We determined that they are.

➤ **Motion: Tim C. moved that we keep the storage unit in McPherson and pay for a full year of rent.**

**Financial impact: \$440.00**

**Jerry D. seconded and the motion was passed.**

John S. reported that the meeting lists that were requested by the RCM's last quarter were mailed out. Before they were mailed, the list was updated. Thanks John.

**MOTIONS FROM LAST REGION THAT WERE TAKEN BACK TO GROUPS!!!**

➤ **Motion: (Tim S., Seconded by Kirk B.) produce wallet size cards containing but not limited to Area help line numbers, Area contact numbers, WSO number and e-mail address, and Regional e-mail. This will supplement the Regional meeting list.**

**Intent: to provide a more viable source of current information that is easily accessible to all members.**

**Motion seconded and passed. (take back to groups)**

***THIS MOTION PASSED.***

➤ **Motion: (brought by the Just For Today Area) the Mid America Regional Service Committee shall start at 8:am (motions and request for funds) and end at 5:30pm or at the discretion of the Regional Chair.**

**Intent: To be considerate of our members who have to drive considerable distances; to be sure we've done our part to insure their safety.**

**Financial Impact: unknown, but none foreseen**

***THIS MOTION PASSED.***

**Break: 3:00 - 3:15**

**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM LAST REGION THAT WERE TAKEN BACK TO GROUPS!!!**

➤ 1.) RD and Alt. should continue on a two year rotation and the Region send the delegates to the WSC Interim meeting on the off year of the World Service Conference.

Financial Impact: Should save us money as the interim meeting will be shorter in time than the conference.

**\*Note:** There was much confusion concerning whether the was a motion or a recommendation. Some Areas didn't even take it back to their groups. As a result, Billy asked that this be taken back as a motion.

➤ **Motion: Carl K. moved that this recommendation be taken back to the Groups in the form of a motion.**

**Second: Too Tall**

**Passed - take this back to your Groups.**

➤ 2.) **RCM take back to the Groups for a condenses the idea of our RSC officers going to a two year length of term, having to be reelected at the end of the first year.**

**Reason: With only 4 meetings a year, about the time that their duties and responsibilities are learned, it is time for them to rotate out.**

**Financial Impact: None.**

**\*Note;** This got taken back as a motion and not as a recommendation.

➤ ***THIS WAS PASSED AS A MOTION.***

**New Business**

➤ **Outreach subcommittee** is requesting the RCM's obtain information from their Groups and Areas. Do they want to have the RSC rotate, in an alphabetical order, between the Areas? Do they have an interest? Do they have the facilities and the manpower to do so? If so, how would they like to see it done (logistics)? Etc.

Currently we are renting the 4H building in McPherson for \$200.00 for the weekend. In addition, we are giving the activities committee \$200.00 for seed money. Usually the RSC pays for itself with the dance, raffle and auction.

It is felt by the Outreach committee that rotating the RSC would promote unity in the Region and give the local Area's people a chance to get involved.

*\*NOTE: this is NOT a motion, but rather a fact or information seeking REQUEST! (KB)*

**Break 3:55 - 4:10**

➤ **Motion: (out of subcommittee):** H&I receive \$462.69 over their budget in order to place "Just For Today" in all the (county?) jails (in the state of Kansas?).

**Motion passed - JFT will go to the jails.**

*\*Note: H&I has agreed to have as many of these books taken into the jails by addicts in close proximity to them as possible and thus cut mailing expenses.*

➤ **Motion from Unity Area:** That the Mid America Region cease sponsoring and funding of the World Unity Day.

**Intent:** the last World Unity Day was not well attended and was in conflict with other Area or Regional events. It is costly and it seems that this should be a Area sponsored activity.

**Financial impact:** Savings to the Region.

This motion precipitated much discussion and was **defeated.** The Region will continue to host World Unity Day.

➤ **Motion: (out of PI subcommittee, Miracle Area and Unity Area):** To discontinue printing of Regional meeting lists and in its place print small wallet cards with Area and Group phone numbers including surrounding Regional numbers as well as the World Service information.

**Financial impact:** Substantial savings.

This motion **passed** and needs to be taken to the Groups for them to make the final decision.

➤ **Motion: (Dave R.)** the Region produce 2000 meeting lists for immediate distribution.

**Second by Too Tall**

This motion **passed.** John S. will get these done as soon as possible.

➤ **Motion: (Western Area)** mailing addresses for all Groups in the Region be included on the Regional meeting list.

**Intent:** to better inform and have better communication within the Region.

**Financial impact:** unknown.

*\*this motion was tabled until after the vote on the discontinuation is taken.*

➤ **Motion: (Carl K.)** the M.A.N. be removed from the roll call list at the Region.

**Reason:** the M.A.N. is a subcommittee of the Literature committee and has a voice on the floor through that committee already.

**Financial impact:** none.

This motion **passed.**

➤ **Carl K.** requested \$100.00 over budget to attend the Zonal.

**Passed.**

➤ **Motion: (Dave R.)** the prudent reserve be increased from \$500 to \$1,000.00

**Seconded by Von P.**

This motion **passed.**

❖ **Announcement from Treasurer:** the amount to be sent to World this quarter, per policy, is \$5538.55. We donated \$1,951.05 to World in May. Total donations to World from the Mid America Region this fiscal year so far total \$7,489.60.

❖ **Remember committee members, the Treasurer need to have your proposed budget for the next fiscal year submitted next RSC.**

❖ **Motion to close: (Made by many people) Seconded (By many people) Passed at 5:50pm.**

DATE <u>11/21/99</u>					LUNCH					
	NAME	9AM	10AM	11AM	12AM	1PM	2PM	3PM	4PM	5PM
<b>AREA RCM'S</b>										
CENTRAL	Jay F.	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
F.F.F.	Kelly P.	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
J.F.T.	Ray G.	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
MIRACLE	Jerry D.	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
UNITY	Tim C.	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
WESTERN	Too Tall	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
WICHITA MET.	Trent T.	H	H	H		H	H	H	A	A

<b>SUB COMMITTEE</b>										
ACTIVITIES	Carl K.	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
CAMPOUT	Von P.	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
CONVENTION	Jon Mc.	H	H	H		H	H	H	A	A
H&I	Dave R.	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
LITERATURE	Dori D.	A	H	H		A	A	A	A	A
M.A.N.	Kirk B.	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
OUTREACH	Denny C.	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
PI	John III	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
PO BOX	John S.	H	H	H		A	A	A	A	A
STEERING	Jerry D.	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H

<b>TRUSTED OFFICERS</b>										
SECRETARY	Kirk B.	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
TREASURER	Belinda C.	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
RD	Carl K.	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
RD 2	Betty P.	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
CHAIR	Billy C.	H	H	H		H	H	H	H	H
CO CHAIR										

Y= YES N = NO

DATE							
MOTION	CENTRAL	FELLOWSHIP FOR FREEDOM	JUST FOR TODAY	UNITY	WESTERN	WICHITA METRO	MIRACLE
Write off Maria	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N
Write off Doris	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N
Write off Pony Boy	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y
Rent Storage Unit from Nov. 99 - Nov. 2000	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Wallet cards - Area phone # - Pg. 30, 8/15/99 Min.	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	A
Regional meeting from 8am - 5:30pm - Pg. 30 Min.	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	A	Y
2 Yr. Term for officers - Pg. 31 Min	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
Motion to send back to groups - RD to Mtg. In off Yr.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
To Groups - Rotate RSC location - between Areas	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
H&I receive \$462.69 over budget for JFT in jails	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	-	Y
Region discontinue hosting Unity Day	N	N	N	Y	N	-	N
To Groups - Discontinue Regional mtg. List	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	-	Y
Print 2000 Regional mtg. List for this quarter	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	Y
Include mailing addresses for Groups TABLED							
Keep M.A.N. in Lit. subcommittee	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	Y
Carl K. \$100.00 over Bdgt. For Zonal	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	Y
Increase prudent reserve to \$1000.00	A	Y	N	N	Y	-	Y

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**RCM's for the  
Mid America Region  
August, 99**

This concludes the minutes for the November 99 RSC. Once again I hope that they include all the pertinent information and that they are accurate.

Thank you,  
Peace and Love  
(Old Hippie Talk)  
KB  
Regional Secretary

MID AMERICA SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING  
4-H BLDG Woodside & Hickory Streets, McPHERSON, KS

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 20,2000

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	(UP)	ACTIVITIES
	(DOWN)	P I
11:00 AM - 1:00 AM	(UP)	STEERING
	(DOWN)	OUTREACH
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	LUNCH BREAK	
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	(UP)	H&I
	(DOWN)	LITERATURE
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	(UP)	CONVENTION
	(DOWN)	CAMTOUT
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	SPEAKER MEETING	
8:00 PM - 12:00 PM	DJ DANCE - AUCTION - RAFFLE FUNDRAISER FOR CAWOUT \$3 Per Person - No Addict Turned Away	

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 21,2000

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	RSC CHAIR/CO-CHAIR, SECRETARY & TREASURER RCM'S, ALT RCM'S SUB-CONMTTEE CHAIRS & CO-CHAIRS MOTIONS & REQUESTS
9:00 AM UNTIL DONE	REGIONAL SERVICE CONMTTEE MEETS CHAIR/CO-CHAIRS MOTIONS & REQUESTS

IT WORKS HOW AND WHY page 130

**“Surrender and acceptance open the door to unity. As our trust in a Higher Power grows, it gets easier to let go of our personal desires and stop fighting for what we want. With an attitude of surrender, working together in a group becomes easier.”**