

Hey Regional Family,

Everyone in CKA had a great time at the convention and now that we're all rested up we're getting geared up for the campouts. We have 2 functions coming up, both on Sunday June 10th. Russell will be having their 5th annual picnic in Memorial Park in Russell. The fun starts at 3p.m. also on June 10th, Great Bend will have their 1st activity since starting back up. The fun starts at 1pm in Brit Spough Park.

The Hoisington Group is in a new location at 107 Walnut. These meetings are still Monday and Thursday @ 7:30p.m. Thankfully everyone is all right after the tornado. Great Bend has had such good attendance that they have added a 2nd meeting on Sunday afternoon at 3p.m.

We are planning a Area function. No clear details are available at this time. More will be revealed.

The Larnard Group is taking an H&I meeting into Sunrise the last Wednesday of the month. Our Area is praying for an H&I chair so we can resume spreading the message to those unable to come to the rooms. We have many service positions open and would welcome new faces with fresh ideas and perceptions.

Our RCM will be back next RSC; he was unable to be here today as his wife had a baby boy Wednesday morning. Congratulations to them!

Our Area has had a surplus of Regional Meeting Lists each quarter. We would like to receive 200 instead of 300 this time. We do not need any phone line cards unless there were changes. 100 copies of The M.A.N. would be sufficient for our Area.

Grateful to serve,
Sally R. RCMII, CKA

These are our votes on the motions:

#1 No
#2 Yes
#3 Yes

Fellowship For Freedom Report

Hi my brothers and sister of MARCNA,

We would like to say thanks for all the help the Steering Committee, Regional Chair, and everyone else that was there on April 21st.

We have all positions filled (except for Treasurer) in the Area. We are starting a Steering committee for the area. We hope to have an inventory in the Area. We lost a group to hope to get them back to our Area.

We have a new alternate RCM, Kathy B. This is her first time as the alternate. Please make her feel welcome.

We voted on the motions that was taken back to the area.

We feel like our Area will come together through a lot of good guidance, prayer and hard work!

Our H&I is rocking & rolling.

PI is coming along and we got an Activity Committee now. The convention is going through a lot of good changes.

With that I would like to thank everyone one more time for all the help the Region gave us.

Love and Service,

Dave R.

Just For Today

Report to M.A.R.C.N.A.

May 20, 2001

Patrick Poull, JFT Area RCM

Just For Today Area continues to thrive, with at least 11 local groups. Meetings are being added by several groups, attendance improving at most existing meetings, and increasing area committee activity are indications that recovery is alive and well in East/Southeast Kansas.

JFT Area grateful for local group support that allows \$100.00 donation to M.A.R.C.N.A.

Local meetings lists updated at area-level periodically. Rod D. facilitates this vital service, maintains reports to region.

JFT Activity Committee busy planning August 10-12 area campout flyers out soon. Fundraiser June 30 in Chanute; flyers available. This committee planned and administered a M.A.R.C.N.A. fundraiser February 24 that donated \$923.00. Very good workshops by regional committee members at this event, also.

JFT Literature workshop on Sponsorship pamphlet at August campout.

JFT H&I taking meetings into Girard ATC. Area provided 100 "little white" pamphlets. Still having mixed results with attempts to maintain or take meetings into several different county jails.

JFT PI committee getting close to a final recommendation on Area-wide telephone line with information on all Area meetings. Has made video PSA's available to all Area meetings and will help facilitate production of specific spots with local cable TV companies.

JFT Outreach committee has encouraged "Addicts on Asphalt" across area. New meeting in Altoona recently attended by representatives from several existing meetings. Young People's meeting at mission in Emporia has folded; some interest but misunderstandings with mission staff remain an obstacle.

Miracle Area Report

Howdy,

Recovery is alive and well in Douglas County with miracles happening every day.
New H&I meeting at juvenile detention center.
There are new Saturday night and Sunday noon meetings at 311 E. 9th in Lawrence.
Leavenworth, KS meeting visited our area meeting and is interested in joining Miracle Area.
We are bringing a motion about the convention to the region.

In Service,
Jim C.

Unity Area
5/20/01

Hello everybody. Things are starting to grow in the Unity Area. People are slowly stepping up for service work. I would like to see someone take over for H&I in our Area.

Unity Area is planning a family day, more information to come at a later date. Hope everyone is doing ok.

I would like to thank the convention committee for a very nice time at M.A.R.C.N.A.. Thank you Toby for doing the Spiritual circle.

Looking forward to this summer in recovery, hope it is a special one for everyone. Come join in with everyone and get recovery while having fun.

Thank you,
RCM Unity Area
Bryan Hatfield

Western Area RCM Report

Hello friends,

Things are going well in Western Area. We held the Whole Enchilada in Colby on May 5th and had a lot of food, fun, and fellowship.

Western Area is having their annual In-Tents Recovery Campout on July 13th, 14th, and 15th at Ford County Lake, East of Dodge City. Pre-flyers are on the table.

We are currently updating our Area Meeting List and they should be out soon.

We have several open positions on the Area level and are hoping for more participation.

We did elect an Alt. RCM at our last Area meeting, Micheal S. from Syracuse.

Not much else to report!

In Service,
Gary D.

Wichita Metro Area Report
May 20th, 2001

Hello from the Wichita Metro Area,

Julie J., our alternate RCM resigned due to her mother passing and moving from the WMA. That position is currently vacant. I was re-elected to serve the WMA as RCM for another term. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve NA.

The campout sponsored by the Unity group last weekend was a wonderful success. Thanks to them for a great time. More activities are being formulated and will be announced when more information is available.

The Wichita Metro Area was elected to receive a scholarship for one person from our area to attend the Literature Workshop in California this summer. John S. was elected to attend. We are looking forward to hearing what he has to share when he gets back. Have a great time in California.

We are making an \$80.00 donation to the Region.

- New group welcome: NE How in ICT. Elected officers and are wanting to be an active part of Wichita Metro Area.
- Updated meeting list given to John S. of the PI committee. Thanks to them.
- H&I is also active – beginning to take meetings into women’s facility in Wichita.

In Service,
Pat B.
RCM
Wichita Metro Area

Subcommittee Reports

Activities Report

Activities Subcommittee Report

Much discussion on meeting facility motion turn on.
We still don’t have anything on a location for service assembly.
Soul to Soul to raise registration form \$45.00 to \$50.00.
This is my last area to be Activities chair. Thanks for all the help I have received.
We have no nominations for chair out of committee because of lack of willingness.

In Service
Jim C.

Campout Committee

Campout Subcommittee Report

Hi everyone,
The committee members are doing a fantastic job. I am grateful to have them. Please let your areas know that we are going to try to revive the slo-pitch Softball tournament and will hold it at the ball field in Lucas, so field a team from you Area to try and win the traveling trophy!

We have a balance of 2345.84 and projected expenses of approximately \$2200.00.

The gates will open Thursday June 29th at 6pm. See ya there. Flyers with the schedule of events will be sent to all ASR’s for distribution. See that all your groups get a flyer and remind them NO DOGS or Fireworks allowed.

In grateful service,
Von P. and committee

Convention Committee

M.A.R.C.N.A. XIX

5/20/01

Hello NA Family,

I am looking forward to working with the convention committee to have the best convention to date. We had a short meeting yesterday after the M.A.R.C.N.A. XVIII meeting and we filled a few of the trusted servant positions. They are:

Registration Lee W.
Fundraiser Mike W.
Programming Jim C.

Those that are left are: Co-chair, Sec., Treasurer, Hotels & Hospitalities, Merchandise, Entertainment, Arts and Graphics. We did have a willing servant for entertainment but due to the number of positions he holds we tabled voting him in until a few of his current positions are fulfilled. We need warm bodies and willingness to fill the positions that are open. Please take this information back to your Groups. Our next meeting will be at the Holiday Inn in Great Bend on June 17th @ 2:00p.m. This is fathers day and I am sorry about that. I know how hard it is to do two or more positions at once on the committee, so if interested please be in Great Bend.

I would like to thank all who attended the convention and hope you all had a good time. So please keep coming back.

In service with a
Smile-I hope-just kidding,
Tom W. AKA

“Too Tall”

H&I

Hospitals and Institutions Subcommittee Report

Hello Family,

We had 6 areas represented even though most areas just had warm bodies to provide an update (Thanks guys!).

We had and still have Co-Chair open.

Our Sub-Committee Project is still to workshop in each area and Western Area have dates. Unity Area RCM and Central will work on getting dates set. Miracle Area and Fellowship for Freedom will have a joint Learning Date late in the year.

The main discussion throughout the meeting was lack of volunteers and cooperation from some institutions (PI and H&I cooperation was discussed).

Hopefully these workshops will help!

The sub-committee would like to stress the need for more participation by all members to get help to carry the message.

A Tee Shirt project was adopted and we hope all RCM's will help in passing the word.

H&I Tee backside – All H&I meetings placed on a map of the region with a star or dot. The front of the shirt needs a design, and we would like the fellowship to help. – (The design chosen will receive a shirt and free admission to workshop on learning day dance??)

We would also encourage the use of the full wording i.e. Hospitals and Institutions in all references to this Sub-Committee so the newcomer knows what we're talking about.

Public Information and Hospitals and Institutions continue to work together on workshops.

In Service,

John S.

Literature Report

The literature committee mainly discussed the MAN and its distribution. We will most likely distribute the MAN to MARCNA during that quarters issue. Those groups that do not receive the MAN at MARCNA will be mailed.

Discussion on some way to allow subscriptions for those outside our region. This would mainly offset the cost of printing and distribution to those out of state members requesting the MAN.

An email distribution list will be compiled with the ability to subscribe at our website, www.midamericaregionna.com.

We are looking at including an editor for the MAN to help reduce the workload placed upon the publisher (Kirk B.). Cat showed interest and we will most likely be voted into this new position next RSC.

Due to the increase in population of addicts in our Region, we will increase the number of printed newsletters. This will increase our cost and are therefore requesting an additional \$200.00 over budget.

We are also requesting that each regional committee member give us an estimate on how many copies of the MAN they need.

In Service,

Bob K.

The M.A.N. 2/20/2001

Hello Family,

Once again, thank you for your contribution and support of this newsletter. The success of the publication is yours, not mine. I continue to receive compliments and encouragement and these belong to you.

This will be my last issue unless no one steps forward to continue the work, in which case I will continue as long as the Fellowship wants me to or someone else expresses a desire to do the job. I currently know of one individual who has expressed interest in becoming the editor and I hope that she does step forward. I know that she would do a wonderful job and is eminently qualified. If she does step forward I hope that you will show her the support and consideration that you have shown me. This support is what has made this job doable.

I/we handled the distribution of the newsletter and meeting lists a little differently than we have in the past. The newsletter was included in the registration packets for the convention and surpluses were distributed along with the meeting lists to the RCM's at the convention. This accomplished three things. First of all, it got The M.A.N. to you earlier than it otherwise would have. Secondly, it got the newsletter to individuals who wouldn't otherwise have gotten it. (Those

individuals from out of state.) Thirdly and by no means least importantly, it saved us mailing costs. We hope that you found this method of distribution satisfactory. Feedback will be welcome.

I have our printer produce 250 more copies of The M.A.N. than we normally get. This was to accommodate the convention and additional people who received it (the newsletter). As a result our printing costs were higher than normal. The following is a financial breakdown for the last issue.

	Description	Quantity	Unit price	Total
Newsletter	1000		\$0.36	\$320.00
			Mailing costs: None	

I have been getting great material and encourage The Fellowship to continue sending me this “stuff”. This is **your** newsletter and the credit for its quality (or lack there of) lies with you. Remember, this is not English 101. You don’t have to create the perfect article to share your Experience, Strength and Hope. We all have stories that are worth telling. All you need to do is be honest, a Spiritual Principal that we should all be working on. I can be reached at the following addresses:

Kirk Brown
 PO Box 975
 Baldwin City, KS 66006
 Phone (785) 594-2148
 e-mail klbertha@aol.com

The following table is an accounting for the yearly budget ending at the close of business on Sunday at the May 2001 RSC. I will be including this in my future reports.

Quarter/month	4 th Quarter March 2001
Starting Balance	\$ 632.45
Spent	\$ 320.00
Ending Balance	\$ 312.45
Projected expenses to date	\$ 1,400.00
Actual expenses	\$ 1,087.55
Budget surplus	\$ 312.45

In Loving Service,
 Kirk B.
 The M.A.N. Publisher

Outreach Report

Mid America Regional Outreach Committee Meeting
 5/19/01

Tony opened meeting with Serenity prayer
 Three in attendance Discussion ensued at to purpose and need for outreach as a regional subcommittee.
 Agreed that work was being done at area level and that region needed a project to work on at this level.
 We purposed that we initiate a project to identify isolated groups and individuals in areas and bring back information for a mapping project. We request that all areas bring to next regional meeting information about groups in their area including which groups are active in the area, which groups are not active and isolated individuals that would be interested in starting a group. Also identify communities that should be large enough to support a meeting but don’t have one. We would like to have meeting size and addresses to keep up the mailing list. We also need people interested in chairing this committee. We also discussed using the web as a tool for outreach.

Tony K Regional Co-Chair

PI Report
5/20/01

Well, we had 6 out of 8 Areas there and went through reports. Most Areas are doing well and doing a lot of work on PSA's. (Public Service Announcements.)

OLD BUSINESS

Fair-we are set. We need to get lists of volunteers. We need two people to man the booth; it doesn't need to be manned at all times, but when it is manned we need to have two addicts there at all times. No one is to man the booth by them selves. Entrance to the fair is free for the day for those manning the booth on that day.

We are requesting \$245.80 for literature. I have attached a copy of the contract.

RCM's, we need a realistic count on the numbers of meeting lists and wallet cards your Areas need. Please give them to John S.

The World Flyer Drive is July 15, though your Area/Group can do it when you want to.

NEW BUSINESS

Workshops will be available at the Western Area Campout at Ford Lake on July 13.

We would like the RCM's to check with your Groups and see if there is interest in having a Regional Phone Line. Current estimate for a answering service and 1-800 number is \$200.00/ month.

Budget for Fair	\$1,000.00
- Fair Booth	615.00
- Literature	<u>245.80</u>
Remaining	139.20
Meeting List Start	\$ 700.00
- Minuteman Press	127.21
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Remaining	445.58
Sec, Workshops, Etc. Start	\$ 300.00
Web site service fee	110.00
Gas money	<u>20.00</u>
Remaining	170.00

BUDGET LEFT

Fair	\$139.20
Meeting Lists	445.58
Sec, Workshops, Etc	170.00

Note: the PI chair position will be open in August.

I hope that is all,
In Loving Service
Alan B.

P.O. Box Report
PO Box Report
5/20/01

Hello Family,
The mail is coming in and going out.

In Loving Service
John S.

Steering Committee Report

STEERING COMMITTEE (05/20/01)

Steering recommends for election to the committee 3 members (new): John S. (Wichita), Billy C. (Hutchinson), and Brian H. (Junction City). Members for reelection are: Sue W. (Newton), Gary D. (Colby), Wayne M. (Salina), and Kirk B. (Baldwin City). We elected (recommended for election at RSC) new Chairperson, Sue W. On Saturday we elected Kirk B. as secretary, and Billy C. as Co-chairperson. Still working on the Guidelines. Hopefully they'll be done next RSC. A special thanks to Jeanie M. and Jim W. for all their hard work and dedication on the committee for the last 4 years. Also, thanks to Burnalee for serving the last 2 years on the committee (she chose to not be reelected to the committee). At the last Interim meeting we worked on the article for the website. The next Interim meeting is 06/16/01 at 1:00 p.m. at Marion Lake (GOL Campout).

In Service,
Sue Waller (acting Chair in the absence of the present Chair, Jim W.)

RD
Regional Delegate Report
5/20/01

The Zonal was held at the M.A.R.C.N.A. XVIII on Sat. March 31, 2001 in Hutchinson KS. We had representatives from North Dakota, Canada, Minnesota, Oklahoma, Texas, Iowa, Nebraska, & Kansas. There were about 30 people in attendance.

We discussed Resolution A for a while, took lunch break and discussed World Board news flash topic one "How can we continue to provide services to our fellowship and at the same time decrease our reliance on funds from events and conventions?" and topic two "How can we create a bridge that builds and maintains a connection to service for Home Group Members?". I have copies of the minutes for those who would like them.

The next Plains State Zonal will be in Council Bluffs Iowa on July 6, 7, & 8, 2001. I will be asking \$200.00 for John S. and I to attend, and anyone else who is interested let me or John know. Rooms are \$59.00 a night at the Best Western Crossroads, phone # 712-322-3150.

Next Zonal Texas will host tentatively scheduled for convention in Lubbock TX on Nov. 9, 10 and 11, 2001. Will know more following the Iowa Zonal.

John S., RD II and I, RD, will be attending World Unity Day Sept. 1, 2001 in Vienna, Virginia. This is the interim meeting this year instead of the conference. It starts on Fri. August 31. I am requesting \$1,000.00 for airfare and hotel and \$25.00 a day for food allowance, hopefully won't need all of that.

Additionally I am requesting \$1000.00 to go to the Worldwide NA workshops in Vancouver.

Total I am requesting is \$2200.00

In Loving Service to NA and my HP
Betty P.
RD

RD II
Alt. Regional Delegate
5/20/01

The Zonal @ M.A.R.C.N.A. was well attended, even by Regions that are looking for a Zonal to participate with. Betty will talk about that and our next Zonal meeting.

The "Event" held in Topeka concerning "Those Concerns" was attended by a lot of Regional Trusted Servants – the Regional chair, all of the Steering Committee, myself and others. There were a lot of addicts from FFF Area. This meeting was heartbreaking for me. 3 1/2 or 4 hours of discussion, accusations, justifications and a lot of mistrust. It was however a beginning in the healing process. Most of the members I've talked to since agree that it was just that-a beginning-I have visited with a lot of FFF members and United Survivors members since and a solution to some if not all of the concerns is still unresolved or there is an unwillingness by some to come to a resolution. This is sad. I also attended FFF's Area meeting at the end of April and this invitation came from the Area Chair. The Area attendance was substantial and I felt welcome. The issues concerning the withdrawal of United Survivors was not a formal agenda item but it was discussed concerning the inclusion of United Survivors Group on the meeting list. (this will happen.

My feelings concerning this is that the mistrust and discontent that is present not only in the FFF Area but in the Region will have to be resolved on an individual basis-through sponsorship and prayer. The Service Committee won't be able to address these concerns but our member can overcome this problem only with honesty, open-mindedness, and of course the willingness to change those attitudes and behaviors which have resulted in this problem in the first place.

My recommendation to the Regional Chair is that this problem is something that we as a Service Body can't control but if our help asked for it should be given – FFF is looking to do an inventory and our help may be requested – I will serve our Region and my neighbors in FFF when called upon – and sometimes when not called upon. A lot of prayer talk and more prayer were in play to make this conclusion. "It" won't be resolved until individuals make some internal changes and practice the basic recovery principles of our program.

I'm looking forward to the next few road trips. The Zonal, Regional, and WSO-WSC meeting, but most of all the newest adventure for the Big Green Bus is the trip to groups in north east Kansas. Leavenworth (the R.I.P group) is looking for a new area to participate with, and Miracle Area's Public Information and Hospitals and Institutions subcommittee are all ready starting to help. The new and outgoing efforts by that group. I made a visit to that group at their request and they come to our area meeting as a result. More will be revealed.

Thanks for your support,

In Service
John III

Old Business

Moved and seconded to pursue recovery of secretary expenses with a promissory note due November 15th. Steering committee was asked to develop policy regarding collection of monies.

Results of Motions that went back to groups:

1. That minutes from subcommittees be sent to area chairs → Failed
 2. The Amendment of Article XII → Passed
 3. Increase RSC rent budget → Passed
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New Business

Motion to extend term of Treasurer to coincide with the fiscal year. MSP

Motion to send money to the world.

There was much discussion this motion was finally tabled until next regional when a more complete treasurers report will be available.

TO BE TAKEN BACK TO GROUPS

Motion (from Miracle Area) : **To Rotate the MARCNA around the region.**

Intent: To get to more of the local communities within the fellowship.

Financial impact: Unknown

Motion (from Literature Committee): **That the Literature budget be increased \$200.00.**

Intent: To offset the costs of increased Mid America Newsletter printing and mailing.

Motion (from Activities Committee): **Moves we hold regional meetings at friendship center in Salina, KS starting Feb. 2002.**

Intent: Saving of \$90.00 a quarter, better access to hotels, restaurants, air-conditioned, better responsibility on booking.

Motion to close Passed

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

SATURDAY AUG 18, 2001

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	(UP)	H & I
	(DOWN)	LITERATURE
11:00 AM - 1:00 AM	(UP)	CONVENTION
	(DOWN)	CAMPOUT
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM		LUNCH BREAK
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	(UP)	ACTIVITIES
	(DOWN)	P I
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	(UP)	STEERING
	(DOWN)	OUTREACH
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM		SPEAKER MEETING
8:00 PM - 12:00 PM		DJ DANCE - AUCTION - RAFFLE
		FUNDRAISER FOR ACTIVITIES
		\$3 Per Person - No Addict Turned Away
SUNDAY AUG 21, 2000		
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM		RSC CHAIR/CO-CHAIR, SECRETARY & TREASURER
		RCM' S, ALT RCM' S
		SUB-COMMITTEE CHAIRS & CO-CHAIRS
		MOTIONS & REQUESTS
9:00 AM UNTIL DONE		REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETS
		CHAIR/CO-CHAIRS MOTIONS & REQUESTS