

**The Greater Providence Area (GPA) Service Committee of NA**

**November 22, 2009**

**The next meeting is December 27, 2009**

**Area Meeting Times:**

Administration	12:30-2:00pm
Literature Sales	1:45 to 2:45 pm**Note time change
H&I Panel Leaders Orientation	1:30-2:00 pm
Subcommittees	2:00-3:00 pm
New GSR Orientation	3:15-3:30 pm
Area Service Meeting	3:30-5:30 pm

**Area Service Meeting Agenda:**

1. Meeting called to order / Moment of silence / Service prayer
2. Reading of the Twelve Concepts
3. Introduction / Roll Call / GSR Report
4. Secretary Report
5. Treasurer Report
6. Vice-Chair Report
7. RCM Report
8. BOD Report
9. Subcommittee Reports including:  
Activities, Finance, H&I, Literature, Phone Line, Policy, PI, Convention, Ad-Hoc
10. Old Business
11. New Business
12. Motions (submit at beginning of ASC meeting)
13. Open Forum

**Roll Call and GSR Reports:**

**Groups in Attendance (17)**

**Total Area Meetings (41\*)**

**Groups that made a donation are marked with \$**

**Groups that attended ASC meeting marked with @**

**Addicts "R" Us**

**Breakfast Club...\$**

**Blackstone NA**

**Choose Life**

**Clean & Crazy...@**

**Dig Deep**

**Faith in Recovery...@.\$ needs active members and support**

**Gimme Shelter...@..\$**

**Hardcore Recovery...@.\$**

**Jamestown NA**

**K.I.S.S...@**

**Late Nite...@**

**Living Free**

Loveline..@..\$  
Lie is Dead...@\$  
Meeting Street Meeting..@\$  
Narragansett Recovery System  
Never alone again...@\$ needs active members and support  
New Associations...@\$  
New Way of Life  
Opt for Life...@. needs support  
Ray of Hope...\$  
Recovery and Beyond  
Recovery in the Chapel..@\$  
Recovery in the Country..@\$  
Recovery in the Lake  
Recovery is More than Abstinence...@  
Resurrection  
Road to Recovery...@\$  
Sisters in Recovery  
Smith Hill NA...\$  
Start your Nite Right  
Starting Over...@\$  
Step Sisters  
Stepping into Recovery  
Straight Today  
Stepping Out Wednesday....\$  
Sunday/Insanity...@\$  
Surrender or Die...\$  
We do Recover...@  
Why are we here...@\$

## **Administrative reports**

**Vice Chair: Delia F**  
Present – No Report

**Secretary: Dawn J**  
Present – No Report

### **BOD: Kevin V report given by Kim L ( BOD )**

The BOD met on November 6th at the John Hope Settlement House. All six members, the ASC Vice Chair, and the Chair and Vice Chair of the H&I Subcommittee were in attendance. We discussed in length the possible legal situation facing the Area concerning the H&I Subcommittee, and discussed whether to address a letter to the ACI, drafted by the BOD on the behalf of the H&I Subcommittee. The vote to draft and send this letter, subject to approval, was passed. Our next meeting will be the first Friday in Dec.

### **Treasurer Report: Please see attached reports**

#### **RCM: Brian C**

Hi Family, The NA Worldwide Workshop was held in Peabody MA the weekend of Nov. 20 –22. It was a great success well attended by NA members representing both RI Areas. Special thanks to Bill H. and Andrew L. of the NE Region for the work they did in helping to host this event.

There is no other news to report other than the NE Regional Service Committee will meet again on the weekend of Dec. 12 – 13 at the 1<sup>st</sup> Evangelical Lutheran Church at 900 Main St., Brockton, MA. All are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

In Loving Service, Brian C.

## Subcommittee Reports:

### H&I: Bob (not present), Stephen reports

Chairperson not in attendance for the 2<sup>nd</sup> month in a row, Area Vice Chair notified and she will be sending out a letter. Positions filled Thurs night 7–8pm RWD Tara B. Appointed 2 position. Wed. nights 7:15–8:15 Butler Kent Unit A1 B also Sat 10:30–11:30 RW 4<sup>th</sup> Tim H. Had to impeach Alan T from Position RW4th due to lack of attendance. Open Positions Sat. 10:30–11:30 RWD.

Newly elected Correctional Coordinator Lewis S. Lewis will give his report this month. In open forum Learning Day between Free Spirit and Providence Area discussed. Members from Free Spirit attended. I will have an open line of communication with Joe L of Free Spirit about Learning Day.  
In Loving service Stephen C

### Phone Line: John D

12 messages came in. 11 hang ups. 1–message from R.W. Detox regarding a Thurs commitment. They were referred to Vice Chair of H&I. Was notified by the Vice Chair of Free Spirit and asked to serve month to month to answer the messages since they do not have a phone–line chair.  
ILS, John

### Policy: Robin D

Hi Family, Policy met on 11.17.09 at Borders in Garden City to review the Convention Committee's Policy, we will meeting again on 11.24.09 at Borders for more information Contact Robin at 345–8636.  
ILS, Robin

### PI: Lewis S

Hi Family, There were corrections made on the GPA web site Thursday Nite “ New Way NA “ meeting time was not correct only on the web site that will made to 7:00pm–8:30pm we changed the meeting list from summer to winter schedule'  
Love an Service Lewis S ( [lminor02@yahoo.com](mailto:lminor02@yahoo.com))

### Convention Committee: Wayne G

Hi Family, The Convention Committee has continued to conduct it's purpose of discovery of information– Gaing support and the Sub–committee gathering to get members. Active members are needed on all sub–committee The F&E sub–committee will be holding a meeting on December 4<sup>th</sup>,2009 location is Dunkin Donuts on Broad at 6pm.

The Convention Committee does wish to accept possible Logo/Themes for the 6<sup>th</sup> Convention, Please Submit your ideas and themes to Wayne G 401–471–1749 or come to our next meeting which will be January 10<sup>th</sup> 2010 at Nickerson House Delaney St, Providence at 5:00pm.

There is a need for Sub–committee Chairperson for Arts & Graphics/ Merchandising and Convention Information.

Also the Convention Committee is seeking a Convention Treasurer anyone interested in this position, please attend the ASC meeting.

ILS, Wayne G

### ADHOC Committee on Area History: Steve S.

Over the last month I attended the anniversary meetings of several members in RI who were celebrating 21+ years. All responded favorably to the idea of participating in “ History Project” I also met with a member of the committee which is writing the history of NA in NYC, ( My Sponsor ) who provided me with the framework which they using.

Over the next month I will be exploring the ways which the web site might be utilized to help gather information. This is the last information required before formal establishment of a full committee.

Please announce at your group that any home group member who has meeting lists, t–shirts from NA events or pictures to please email them to the below email address.

ILS Steve S. (401)–338–1937 ( [srstorti@aol.com](mailto:srstorti@aol.com) )

### **Finance: Tom C**

The Finance committee met once this month to continue its work. We started the process of putting together both a monthly and annual budget. We are approximately 2/3 of the way through the process and should have it completed by next month. We are waiting for copies of some records which include the previous year's ledger sheets. Our goal is to present a draft budget to ASC for review at the December meeting.

Good news...the accountant has completed the 2008 taxes. They are ready for signature and then will be filed.

We will continue to meet to complete the budget and address other issues as they arise. Anyone who is interested in participating is encouraged to call the chair for more information.

In service, Tom C. Cell:401-441-8632

### **Literature Report - Kyle resigned from position No Report was given** Greater providence area Literature report

### **Old Business:**

\*\*\*\*This motion passed\*\*\*\*

102509m1 Submitted by Steve S. Seconded by John D.

That the following announcement be included in the minutes so that groups may or may not read and or discuss this at their group.

(SEE ATTACHED)

### **New Business:**

\*\*\*\* Back to Groups\*\*\*\*

112209m1-Submitted by Wayne G Seconded by Susan W

Motion: To Have the Qualifications and Responsibilities of 2 New Executive Committee of the Convention Committee.

Intent: To Stay within the guidelines and polices of area and the policies and guidelines of the position which were previously voted upon.

The 2 positions are:

- 1) ALT Treasurer
- 2) ALT Secretary

To be designated by the Area as is written with the policies of Area responsibilities & qualifications of the Treasurer and Secretary to which reads as included with this motion.

Alternate Secretary:

Qualifications: Two (2) years clean time, Service experience and good typing skills, as well as service experience to ensure that accurate minutes are distributed to the committee members.

- a. Assist secretary in all duties noted above.
- b. Performs secretarial duties in his/hers absence.

Alternate Treasurer

Qualifications: Five (5) years clean time, demonstrated stability in the local and NA communities, accounting skills, service experience with conventions or other large-scale Fellowship activities, and accessibility to other committee members, especially the Registration

- a. Assists Treasurer in all duties.

- b. Performs Treasurer duties in his/hers absence.
- c. Co-signer on bank account

### **Open Forum:**

Elections: Open Positions  
Activities Chair  
Convention Treasurer

### **Announcements:**

#### **Greater Providence Area Convention Committee meeting**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month 5:00 PM (next mtg. is November 15<sup>th</sup>)

Nickerson House 133 Delaine St. Providence, RI 02909

Positions Elections and openings

Treasurer

Arts & Graphics

Convention Information

Merchandising

Please come, looking for active members

#### **From 102509m1–to be read and/or discussed if group chooses:**

With the current H1N1 crisis we as a fellowship should review the concept of individual responsibility.

As many of our members live with secondary illnesses or have immediate family members who do, we as a fellowship must review our responsibility to ourselves and our fellow members.

While there are no musts, it may be in our best interest to not attend a meeting if we are sick or feel as if we might be.

While normally we do not condone nor promote non-attendance at meetings, in this situation it may be prudent.

We as a fellowship may be better served by calling other members, listening to a recovery CD or tape, accessing an online meeting or reading some of our literature as opposed to attending a meeting.

This virus is spread though micro-drops when we cough. The virus can live on objects/surfaces and is also spread through touch.

#### **Road to Recovery 24<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

December 15, 2009 Meeting 7:30–8:30pm

Followed by Countdown...

Riverside Congregational Church

347 Bullocks Point Ave. Riverside, RI 02915

#### **New England Region Service Committee Weekend**

December 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009

First Evangelical Lutheran Church

900 Main St. Brockton, MA

Saturday Regional Subcommittee Meetings

Starting at 12 PM in GYM–Montello St entrance

Sunday Regional Service Committee Meeting

Starting at 11 AM 3<sup>rd</sup> floor in church–Rear door

For more Info, Contact S.S.A.R.C.M.– Brian R (774) 240–6288

**To Thine own Self be True, 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Holiday Party**

Friday December 11, 2009 6 PM–Midnight  
Gaythorne Hall, 462 Broadway, Methuen, MA  
\$5 suggested donation  
Info Reggie G. (603)234-4488 or Rob K.(978) 943-3534

**The GSACC(Granite State Area) Programming Committee is looking for Speakers and tapes for their convention at Radisson Hotel in Nashua, NH on July 30, 31, and Aug 1, 2010. Tapes must be received no later than 4/1/10.**

Contact: John W. (603) 965-6127 or Peter M.(603) 738-3325

Mail tapes to: GSACNA VI Programming Committee (contd)

PO Box 564 Pembroke NH 03275-0564

\*Be sure to include speaker's name address phone number and clean date on tape or CD.

**Keep it Simple Saturday on Saturday 1-3pm @ St. Patricks Church on Smith St. needs active members.** Please Announce to your groups.

**Road to Recovery 24<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

December 15<sup>th</sup> , 2009  
7:30-8:30 Food, Fun, Raffles  
Riverside Congregational Church  
347 Bullocks Point, Riverside RI

**Recovery in the Country 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
8:00-9:15 Food, Fun, Fellowship, Raffle, Clean Time Countdown  
St Thomas Church  
Rt 44 & Rt 116 Greenville RI

**The Breakfast Club Na 22<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Breakfast**

December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
9:30-10:30 -Breakfast  
10:30-Noon- Meeting  
Epworth Church  
915 Newport Ave, Pawtucket RI

Greater Providence Area  
Treasurer's Report

November  
2009

Description	Income	Expenses	Check #
Literature Sales	904.95		
RI State Sales Tax Received			
Group Donations	752.61		
Free Spirit Area			
Church Hall Rent (2 months)		50.00	2012
Verizon		68.38/23.47	2013/2020
Answering Service		108.66	2018
Regional Phone line		49.55	2019
Secretary Expenses	2.70	30.00	2017
Treasury Expenses		8.55	2016
Literary Purchase		1390.37	2009
Meeting List Purchase		77.40	2005
H&I Subcommittee			
PI Subcommittee			
Activities Subcommittee			
Literature Subcommittee		30.08	2015
Policy Subcommittee			
RCM Expenses		72.38	2014
Sales Tax (Balance:)			
Convention Committee			
Region or World Donation			
Previous Balance Reported			<b>\$ 6,935.63</b>
Monthly Income			1,660.26
Monthly Expense:			441.07
Final Balance			<b>8154.82</b>
Area Prudent Reserve			3,500.00
Area Insurance (5) months Reserve \$173.30/mnt			1,039.80
<b>Available Funds</b>			<b>\$ 3,615.02</b>