



South Suburban Fireside Area Service Minutes

March 5, 2009

Meeting opened at 7:00 PM by Chris

19 members in attendance.

Introductions:

12 Steps read by Matt

12 Traditions read by Will

12 Concepts read by Chris

Call for quorum: 17 voting members

February minutes accepted. Motion by Mark, 2nd by Kevin

Passed 7th Tradition, collected \$14.00

GSR reports:

Woodbury Freebirds: 6:00 PM Sunday

GSR (Garrett L.): present (Scooter)

Average newcomers: 2 Average Attendance: 10

H&I Activities: announce H&I meeting

ASC Donation:

Step by Step: 7:00 PM Sunday

GSR (Jocelyn): present

Average newcomers: 2 Average Attendance: 17

H&I Activities: announce H&I, activities, & outreach

ASC Donation:\$25.00

Never Alone: 7:00 PM Sunday

GSR (Jeromie H.): not present

Average newcomers: Average Attendance:

H&I Activities: Not yet, interested!

Concerns: Need sponsors (female) any will do.

ASC Donation:

Monday Night in the Grove: 7:00 PM Monday

GSR (Kevin S.): not present

Average newcomers: Average Attendance:

H&I activities:

Concerns: Need female sponsors

ASC Donation:

Monday Night Round Robin: 7:00 – 8:30 PM

GSR (Tim B.): present

Average newcomers: 2 Average Attendance: 15

H&I activities: announce

Concerns:

ASC Donation: \$20.00

Ties That Bind Us: 7:00 PM Monday

GSR (Will C.): present

Average newcomers: 5 Average Attendance: 35

H&I activities: Announced, Members attend commitments

Concerns:

ASC Donation:\$50.00

Tuesday Morning Women's Recovery Group: 10:00 AM

GSR (Pat W.): present

Average newcomers: Average Attendance: 3

H&I Activities:

Pig Fund Raisers: Pass the Pig

Concerns: Need female support (especially seasoned females for sponsorship of newcomers). Would like to be the meeting of the month.

Pig Donation:

ASC Donation:

T-N-T; Tuesday Nights Together 7:00 PM Tuesday

GSR (James M.): present

Average newcomers : 1 Average Attendance: 12-15

H&I Activities: announce activities

Concerns:

ASC Donation: \$10.00

Addicts In Recovery: 7:00 PM Tuesday

GSR (Catie O.): present

Average newcomers: 1-2 Average Attendance: 5-10

H&I Activities: announce activities

Concerns: Need support, Sponsors needed

ASC Donation:

Northfield NA: 7:00 PM Wednesday

GSR (?): not present, no report

Average newcomers:

Average Attendance:

H&I Activities:

Concerns:

ASC Donation:

Midweek NA: 7:00 PM

GSR (Sage): present

Average newcomers:3

Average Attendance: 35

H&I Activities:Announced

Pig Fund Raisers: St. Patty's Day Speaker Mtg & Potluck Tuesday March 17th 7p.

Concerns: Need more sponsors, clean time

ASC Donation:

Too Damn Early: 9:00 AM Thursday

GSR (Mark M.) : present

Average newcomers:

Average Attendance: 5-8

H&I Activities:Announced

Concerns:

ASC Donation:\$35.00

Young People in Recovery: 7:00 PM Friday

GSR (?) : not present

Average newcomers:

Average Attendance:

Concerns:

ASC Donation:

Peace of Mind: 7:30 PM Friday

GSR (Paul B.): present

Average newcomers : 2

Average Attendance: 25-30

H&I Activities: announced

Pig Fund Raisers: Pass the piggy, talking about setting up a fund raiser.

Concerns: Female sponsorship

Pig Donation:

ASC Donation:\$10.00

NA Day: 7:30 PM Friday

GSR (Cecilie): not present

Average newcomers: 1-2

Average Attendance: 20-25

H&I Activities: make announcements

Pig Fund Raisers: Chili feed for Pig Fund Raiser successful

Concerns: none

Pig Donation:\$642.12

ASC Donation:\$197.62

Still Waters Run Deep: 7:00 PM Saturday

GSR (?): not present no report

Average newcomers:

Average Attendance:

Concerns:

ASC Donation:

Lakeville Basic Text Study: 9:00 PM Saturday

GSR (Lisa F.) : present

Average newcomers: 2

Average Attendance: 15

H&I Activities: Taking mtg. lists to treatment centers.

Concern:

ASC Donation: \$25.75

Basic Text Meeting in Hastings: 7:00 PM Saturday

GSR.(Matthew T.): present

Average newcomers: 2

Average Attendance: 15

H&I Activities: announced

Pig Fund Raisers: announced

Concerns: note:

ASC Donation: \$40.00

Clear Eyes: 9:30 AM Saturday

GSR.(Chris C.): present

Average newcomers: 1

Average Attendance: 8

H&I Activities: announced

Concerns:

Pig Donation:

ASC Donation:

Committee Reports: Scheduled meetings are at 7:00 PM on the 2nd Thursday of each month at Faith Methodist Church, 1530 Oakdale Ave., W. St. Paul, MN

Sub-committee's are merging responsibilities to cover what is needed in our Area.

RCM: (Skip H.): Come January 1st of 2009 the UMSO **will not** ship orders out. You must go to the UMSO to pick up your orders at the Sabathani Center. It has been suggested that meetings get together and put in an order to save on time and gas. Buying in bulk is not a bad idea. The UMSO did not make this decision lightly. Due to lowering sales they must do this to keep the UMSO **open** to us. Also, as of January 1st we will have a new web master for our Region, Jamie of the Northern Lights Area. Also the UMSO may not be open on the day you need your literature, if there is no one to staff the office, so you may want to call ahead of time to make sure they are open before you go to pick up your literature. They need volunteers for 2 hour shifts once a month. Please consider this service work. We would like to keep our Service Office open. We also need volunteers for the phone line, so the suffering addict can reach out to us. Again, this is a short shift and greatly needed. Clean time requirements for volunteers 1 year. The UMSO is NOT open on Wednesday's.

Will be looking at the Emergency Room Project and the Library Project. Also, there are other project's that need addressing, in particular the phone line, helpline and MNNAC.

We need project leader's, volunteers for projects. We also need Fellowship Service Committee members positions filled. All were open as of this month except co-chair which will be open in April. JJ is running for RD.

MN Region Website has info. On projects so far.

Activities: (open) **Area Service Learning Day, Saturday, March 28th, 2009 1pm to 5pm.** Workshops and Speakers on: Public Relations, Hospitals & Institutions and Outreach. Beverages and Snacks will be available. Location: First Presbyterian Church, 535-20th Ave. N., So. St. Paul, MN. This event is **free** to attend.

Hospitals & Institutions: (Brent F.) Meeting at 7:00 PM, 2nd Thursday at Faith Methodist Church, 1530 Oakdale Ave., W. St. Paul, MN

Concerns: We need addicts able to go into the jails & prisons (2 years off paper & 6 months to share).

4th Monday of the month: Red Wing Juvenile Facility: Buddy K., young people to carry the message.

Dakota County Drug Court, looking into H&I possibilities.

Groups to take meeting lists to Treatment Facilities, etc.

Workshops or Learning Day (March) H&I, PR and Outreach, Monday Night Round Robin to host.

Donating 5th Edition Basic Texts to Hospitals and Institutions.

Current commitments as follows:

2nd Tuesday of the month: Avalon, 6-7 PM Panel Leader: Vern B.

3rd Wednesday of the month: Cochran, Hastings 7 PM, Panel Leader: Lee Ann J.

3rd Thursday of the month: Lino Lakes Prison 7PM, Panel Leader: Dan W.

2 person presentation

4th Thursday of the month: Hastings Detox : 7 PM. Panel Leader: Chris C.

2 people share story

Every 3rd Month starting in January, The Haven, Woodbury 6 PM. Panel Leader: Garrett L.

Outreach: (open) Need a new chair and co-chair. Scheduled committee activities are the newsletter and select the meeting of the month.

Put out newsletter, please contact Jocelyn to add personal stories or monthly step contributions. GSR's please encourage your group members to submit contributions to the newsletter. We need submissions on the steps & traditions for the upcoming month and personal stories. Anything recovery related would be of help.

NEED volunteers to help write.

Meeting of the Month will be : Sunday Never Alone 7pm in Lakeville

PIG: (Kyle M.): We still need volunteers. Meeting 1st Thursday each month before ASC.

We also need all those that have held PIG positions in the past to please write a description of the position held so we can set up bylaws. Thank you.

The PIG committee needs support. The following positions are open:

Co-treasurer

Co-Gate chairs (1)

Food chair

Co- Food chair

Co-Breakfast chair

Co-Merchandise chair

Activities chair

Co-Activities chair (1)

Kids Activities chair

Co-Kids Activities chair

Co-Concessions chair

Co-Outreach chair

Co-Coffee chair

Clean-up Chair

Message from the Pig Chair: I want my Pig Committee member's to be more accountable for all money coming in and going out. Charting in progress.

Public Relations (open): Group inventories were passed out to be filled out by each group and turned in as soon as possible.

Old business:

Discussed Groups taking meeting lists once every 3 months to facilities in their area. There are groups interested and we need more...**please** ask your groups to volunteer to help the still suffering addict by taking literature to facilities in your area. Packets now available through H&I. List of facilities is being compiled to help with the process.

New business:

Elections that are due: PR chair, Activities, Outreach, Co-Treasurer and Vice Chair.

Scooter motioned for a \$150.00 for Learning Day, Matt 2nd, passed.

Cecilie expressed interest in Activities Chair. She has seven months at this time. There is a 1 yr. Clean time requirement for this position. She expressed the willingness to be ready in 5 months.

Other Business:

Function's and Fundraisers! Recovery can be **FUN!** Let's have some fellowship! Talk to other groups and combine activities possibly with Speakers.

We are presently trying to simplify the web address to our Area. More information to come.

Presently our web address is: www.ssfa.naminnnesota.org

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance: **\$1004.60**

Cash in:	PIG	ASC
7 th Tradition		14.00

Group ASC Donations

Hastings Basic Text		40.00
Lakeville Basic Text		25.75
Ties that Bind		50.00
Step by Step		25.00
Too Damn Early		33.00
Round Robin		20.00
TNT		10.00
Peace of Mind		10.00
NA Day	642.12	197.62

Total cash in: 642.12 411.37 ttl:\$1053.49

I New Balance: \$1067.49

Cash out:

Rent: 1 st Presbyterian Church:		30.00
TCASC- Phone-line:		50.00
SSFA PIG Committee		642.12
Copies		45.92

Newsletter 11.21

Total cash out: \$929.25

Ending Balance: \$1142.84

Announcements:

South Suburban Fireside Area's website is at: www.ssfa.naminnnesota.org

You can have your group or committee function's & flyers put on this site by attaching them to an e-mail and sending them to: kevinmoy@comcast.net Acceptable formats include, Microsoft word, works, publisher, or excel, Adobe illustrator or acrobat (.pdf files) windows text files (.txt or .rtf) , or Word Perfect (word process only)

Motion to close by Scooter, 2nd by Will