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Area Minutes for June 10, 2013
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Open: 7:02 the meeting opened with a moment of silence, the Serenity Prayer, 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts and the Service Prayer.

Welcome to all new Gsrs, Alternate Gsrs and visitors!

Welcome to Scott who is visiting, and Jim (Gsr) No Joke on Oak Welcome!!

Mail: No mail as post office hours changed! Lobby closes at 5:30p.m.; mail will be picked up on 6-11-13.

Roll Call: 19 of 25 groups present

Service Orientation: Part III Rules of Order Section C, Motions, page 4 of revised policy

Announcements: None at this time

Reports

Secretary minutes – Steve (Over the wall) did not receive minutes from May ASC meeting. Megan (After the Weekend) made motion to accept secretary minutes seconded by Mike J. (Stepping Free). *Secretary minutes accepted 19-0-0.*

Treasurer report – Adam gave written / verbal report. Motion to accept Treasurer's report by Jerry P. (Stepping Thru it All), 2nd by Mike J. (Stepping Free). *Treasurer's report accepted 20-0-0.*

RCM – AI (RCM) gave written / verbal report. Convention Committee and BOD will not meet the 3rd Sunday in June due to Fathers Day. They will meet on Sunday June 23rd at 1:00pm at the Church of the Holy Trinity in Middletown, 381 Main St. *Regional minutes can be accessed at CTNA.org*

Subcommittee Reports:

Activities – Dave (Vice Chair) gave written / verbal report. Elections were held Dave R. is now Vice Chair and Colin W. is Secretary. Congrats!! Activities is planning a Learning Day / Dance, and is looking for locations tentative dates are August 17th or the 24th. Activities has changed its meeting time and place. *Activities is now meeting on the 3rd Saturday of every month at Faith Lutheran church at 8p.m. prior to the 'Basically Lit' meeting.*

H&I – Chris (Chair) gave written / verbal report. H & I gave a presentation at the Ct. Juvenile Detention Center on May 30th. The presentation went very well the sub-will decide if they will take on this new commitment. *H&I now meets the third Monday of every month at First United Methodist Church located at 24 Old Church St. New member orientation begins at 6:30 followed by the regularly scheduled subcommittee meeting at 7:00.*

Literature – Michael (Chair) gave written / verbal report and provided the body with an inventory as per policy. *MSUA Literature meets at the Portland Senior Center prior to the ASC meeting at 6:15, all are welcome.*

Public Relations – Gene (Chair) gave written / verbal report. Poster drive was held on June 8th. Karlene was voted in as Secretary. Congrats!! Vice Chair and Spanish Phone Line Coordinator are OTF. *Public Relations usually meets on the 4th Sunday of every month at Holy Trinity, 381 Main St. 5:00pm is new member orientation followed by the regularly scheduled subcommittee meeting, however in lieu of Memorial Day we will meet on the 3rd Sunday, May 19th. Vice Chair, Spanish phone coordinator and Secretary OTF*

Retreat – *Retreat Subcommittee will not begin meeting regularly until September on the 2nd Monday of the month at 6:30 prior to ASC meeting.*

Adhoc Committee – Nothing to report at this time

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Group Reports: 20 out of 25 groups present

A New Awakening- Jim- AIW	Off the Hook Freedom Book- Colin- AIW
After Lunch Bunch- Absent	Saturday Night Sanity- Absent
After the Weekend – Megan – AIW	Serenity Check – Maureen - AIW
All About Change- Absent	Stepping Free –Mike J.- AIW
Basically Lit –Mark T.- EVENT	Stepping Into the Weekend –Jerome- AIW
Came To Believe –Katie- AIW	Stepping Thru it All – Jerry– AIW
Coming Alive- Renee - AIW	Stepping Up – Orlando – AIW
Living Clean- Greg B. – Alt Gsr, Treasurer OTF	Straight Lace –Gail – AIW
Miracles –Adam D. – Absent	Surrender to Win- Ed - AIW
New Freedom –Ivan – Alt Gsr OTF	The Other 23- Kate- AIW
New Perspectives –Leonard- Alt Gsr, OTF	Where We are Going – Absent
No Joke on Oak – Jim- Secretary OTF	Whole Lava Love – Joe – AIW
Over the wall- Steve- AIW	

2nd Roll Call: 20 out 25 groups present

Sharing Session: Mike J.(Stepping Free) brought up a concern regarding anonymity and social media. He mentioned that during Google searches of an addict name or phone number that has been on a flyer uploaded to the regional website may show up under Narcotics Anonymous. Discussion opened from the floor. Gene (PR Chair) stated that World sent out a flag about anonymity and face book. Megan (After the Weekend) commented that each individual has to decide for themselves how they want to serve NA. It was agreed that we are in a new age with social media and we all need to be vigilant against ways anonymity can be violated.

Old business: Administrative Committee / members look for other places, return to the July ASC with some ideas, and financial figures.

Elections: All positions are filled at this time.

New Business: None

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Upcoming Events

Group level changes:

“Stepping Up” which meets on Thursday nights from 7:30- 9:00pm on Thursday nights at St Vincent DePaul Soup kitchen has changed its format. They will now be a beginner step meeting, covering steps 1-3 followed by a speaker. Come show support!!

“All About Change” which meets on Wednesday nights at Bethany Lutheran church in Cromwell has changed its format. Topics will be chosen by a stick on the second week, there is a topic on the 1st and 3rd week, followed by a speaker on the last week. Come show support!

“Stepping Thru it All” which meets at Wesleyan on Wednesdays from has changed its location. We will still be meeting in the Science Center just in a different room. We will be meeting in the Woodhead Lounge from now on.

“Surrender to Win” has changed its meeting location. We now meet at Holy Trinity church, 381 Main St. every Saturday morning from 10:00- 11:00am. Come out to support our group!!

Upcoming Events:

“No Joke on Oak” 5 Year Anniversary July 25th Food, Fun, Fellowship, 5:30pm to 6:00pm meeting from 6:00pm to 7:00pm.

Save the date...**Saturday June 29th 2013, NA is having their 60th Anniversary Unity Luau Learning Day..**stay tuned for more info.

“Surrender to Win” will be celebrating its **annual Independence Day picnic on Saturday July 13, 2013 at Veterans Memorial Park in Middletown.** Food, fun, and fellowship from 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$7 the day of the event. Food donations are welcome. Come out and have some fun!!

“Basically Lit” will be hosting its **5 Year Anniversary on Saturday July 27th 2013 from 3:00pm- 12:00am** at 300 Washington St. Outdoor BBQ, live music, face painting!! Food fun and fellowship begins at 3:00pm followed by a speaker meeting at 7:00pm. Dance starts at 9pm. Pre-sale tickets are \$5 and \$10 on the day of the event. Come out for some fun!!

“Stepping Free” will be celebrating **7 Years** of recovery on **Monday August 19th.** Food, fun, and fellowship is from **6:30 – 8:00,** followed by the meeting which has a special format. Come out for some fun!!

“Stepping Thru it All” Feast Before the Feast planning has begun.

The most efficient way to convey meeting changes to region is to visit regional website “ctna.org”, then proceed to “service subcommittees” (on left side of the page), click on the “CTRSC” link. Go to “RSC Forms” then click on the “Ct. Regional Schedule Meeting Information Form”. Please fill out form and at the bottom of the page it will say; “Choose Area to Send’. Once the MSUA has been chosen the information will be sent directly to our RCM.