

CT Region Service Committee
2008

August 30,

Grace and St. Peter's Church 2927 Dixwell Ave, Hamden, CT

The meeting opened at 2:15 p.m. with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer.

Visitors: None.

Group members read the Twelve Traditions and the Twelve Concepts.

Roll call - RCMs from 8 areas were present. Alt RD and Alt Web Servant were absent.

Lois E. reviewed minutes from July. Minutes were voted on and accepted, 8-0-0.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Chair – OTF.

Vice Chair – Jim H. gave a written report. Prepared a calendar for September of all service committee meetings. Attempted to pick up mail today at P.O. Box in Meriden, but key to mailbox didn't work. Mailbox rent has been paid and check has cleared. Cathy W. (CCA RCM) will go to Meriden Post Office and find out why key didn't work. It was noted that we need to have 2 mailbox key holders on the Executive committee. Attended Regional H&I, where Buddy O. was nominated at the new Chair. He is here today to be voted in. Also attended Literature subcommittee meeting. See Lit. report.

Treasurer – Dwight presented a report for August. Opening balance: \$1,700.61 Area donations: \$1,617.60 Expenditures: \$652.27 Added Outstanding Checks: \$49.39 WSO Fund Flow: \$965.33 RSC Closing Balance: \$1,750.00. Schedule Closing Balance: \$691.19 Checkbook Balance: \$2,441.19 Report accepted, 8-0-0.

Alt. Treasurer – OTF.

Regional Delegate – Glen A. gave a verbal report. His commitment is over this month and thanks the Region for the privilege to have served! Reminds the Region that the next \$500 deposit to host the NEZF is due to the Courtyard Marriott in Cromwell by Nov. 15.

Alt Regional Delegate – Absent. Jim H. will call Melinda, as she has missed 2 consecutive RSC meetings.

Web Servant – Julie S. prepared a written report. Outdated events deleted and new events posted. Old flyers removed from the server. Area subcommittee page updated. A new link added to GHASC on the links page. Has been talking with GHA web servant about the possibility of using the world service database to maintain our online meeting list. This would provide a printable format and search options that we do not currently have. See first item in Sharing Session for continued discussion.

Alt Web Servant – Absent.

SUBCOMMITTEES:

B.O.D. – Mark L. gave a written report. All is well with convention and is moving along as planned.

Proposals from sites for the 2010 convention are being reviewed.

Convention – Kaye W. gave a written report. Registration flyers for 2009 convention will be available this week. Kaye will make arrangements with RCMs to distribute flyers to each area as soon as she receives them. Rooms will not be available to reserve at the convention rate until Sept. 15.

H & I Buddy O. gave written report. CCA will be holding a Learning Day on 10/18 in Wallingford (see Activities).

Literature – Meeting facilitated by Jim H. (RSC V-Chair) Only one area chair in attendance. Again asks for contact #'s for area Literature Chairs from RCMs. Also prepared a flyer to be distributed to the fellowship, in the hope to attract support.

PI/PL – Justin gave a written report. First draft of Areas map went out to areas for review. Poster drives are being done in several areas.

Schedules – Gary M. gave a written report. Subcommittee meets every other Wednesday at 50 Court St., Cromwell, CT at 6:30 p.m. at the Lutheran Church. Schedules available today.

WSR – Roberta T. gave a written report. Continued working on updates to policy. Committee has received over 20 letters from out-of-state writers requesting step guides each month. Also reports that her commitment is OTF, but she is continuing to act as chair until a new chair is elected.

AREA REPORTS:

CCA – Cathy W. gave report. Positions OTF: Alt. RCM, Alt. Treasurer, Alt. Secretary. PI/PL Chair, Activities Chair.

GDA – Bill B. gave report. Positions OTF: Area Chair, Vice Chair, RCM, Alt. RCM, H&I Chair, PI/PL Chair. Fund Flow: \$135.08

GHA – Bob F. gave report. States that the GHA Campout will no longer be held after this year. Positions OTF: RCM, PI/PL Chair.

GNHA – Ron D. gave report. Positions OTF: Alt. RCM, Alt. Treasurer. Fund Flow: \$904.75

GWANA – Absent.

MSUA – Megan O. gave report. Positions OTF: Area Vice Chair, H&I Chair, Retreat Chair.

SFCANA – Pedro F. gave report. Positions OTF: RCM, Alt. RCM. Fund Flow: \$303.82

TVA – Ray G. gave report. H&I needs support. Positions OTF: RCM, Alt. Treasurer, Lit Chair, Policy Chair. Fund Flow: \$1,000.00.

USA – Vicki McN. gave report. Two meetings are still not listed online. Positions OTF: Vice Chair, Alt. Treasurer, RCM, Alt. RCM, PI/PL Chair. Fund Flow: \$231.98

SHARING SESSION:

~Julie (Web Servant) started discussion regarding the possible use of the world service database to maintain our online meeting list. After lengthy discussion, Buddy suggested that an ad hoc committee be formed. See Motion #1 under New Business.

~Gary (Schedule Chair) asked about protocol regarding moving the location of the Schedule P.O. Box closer to where he lives, in order to make it more convenient to pick up mail on a weekly basis. This raised concern with how to notify professionals of the change of address after the post office stops forwarding mail to the new address. It was noted that there should be 2 key holders for the box, so more than one person can retrieve the mail. It was also stressed that we need to make sure that we read the requirements for all service commitments to people who volunteer or are nominated before they accept the position. This will avoid confusion later about what the expectations are. Looking at the Policy revealed that it is not as up-to-date for all subcommittees with information regarding pertinent info re: P.O. Box details, who holds keys, etc. It was mentioned that the Executive Committee used to meet prior to the RSC every 3 months to review / update Policy – perhaps this should be done again?

~Julie (Web Servant) brought up the topic of lack of support for NA Service. Looking for ideas for ways to generate more support for all areas of service. Noted that CCA is having a Learning Day focusing on service. Suggests that someone make a flyer and she will post it on the website. Everyone encouraged to announce open positions at meetings.

~Bob F. (GHA RCM) asked if a Treasurer or Alt. Treasurer at an ASC level can simultaneously hold a Treasurer's position at the RSC? Consensus was that there is nothing in Regional policy against holding both positions at once.

~Vicki (USA RCM) noted that her area was unwilling to participate in the mapping of meetings in their area that was requested by PI/PL.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

ELECTIONS:

Chair: Jim H. was nominated by Buddy O. 2nd by Megan O. Jim accepted nomination & qualifications for position

were read. Jim qualified for position and was voted in. Congratulations Jim!

Secretary: Vicki McN. was nominated by Buddy O.; 2nd by Lois E. – declined. Lois E. was nominated by Buddy O. – declined. Cathy W. was nominated by Ray G. – declined. Lois volunteered to continue filling in for a couple months until someone is elected. Remains OTF.

Alt. Treasurer: Glen A. was nominated by Ron D. – declined. Remains OTF.

RD: Tabled until next month. Remains OTF.

H&I Chair: Buddy O. is the nomination of the H&I subcommittee; 2nd by Vicki McN. Buddy accepted, qualified and was elected. Congratulations Buddy!

Literature Chair: No nominations or volunteers. Remains OTF.

BOD for TVA out 'at large' to the fellowship: Bill B. nominated by Buddy O.; 2nd by Vicki McN. Qualifications explained.

Asked if he would be willing to provide a report to the TVA if he is elected. Bill said he would be willing to email his report to TVA each month, but due to the distance, he would not be able to attend their ASC.

Bill accepted nomination, qualified and was elected. Congratulations Bill!

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion #1: 8/30/08 Create ad-hoc committee for recommended steps to coordinate the Schedule Committee, the Website and World Services meeting database.

Intent: Create single point of accountability for schedule change information, coordinate within the service structure, serve the newcomer and provide better use of available technology.

Maker: Julie S. (Web Servant) 2nd By: Megan O. (MSUA RCM)

Motion Passed, 7-0-0.

Chair of the Ad hoc committee will be Julie S. -- Gary M. volunteered to serve as a committee member. They will discuss when / where they will meet. Will report back to the RSC in September.

The meeting closed in the usual manner at 5:06 p.m.

In Loving Service,
Lois E.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

Visit www.ctna.org Activities page for directions and events in other regions.

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| Friday, Sept. 5 thru
Sunday, Sept. 7 | Never Alone Campout, Camp Claire, Hamburg Cove, Lyme, CT 06371
\$50/weekend, \$25/day pass |
| Saturday, Sept. 6
New Haven, CT | 16 th Annual Comedy Night and Ziti Dinner, hosted by The Greater New Haven
Activities Subcommittee at the Annex Club, 554 Woodward Ave.,
Tickets: \$15 in advance. Doors open at 7 p.m. |
| Sunday, Sept. 14
Tickets \$5.00 in
bring a side dish | Recovery Rock Fest, presented by the United Shoreline Area at McCook's Point,
Niantic, CT. Music begins at 10:45 a.m. Food served at 1 p.m.
advance, \$6.00 at the 'door'. Kids 12 and under are free. Please
to share. |
| Friday, Sept. 19
clean! | Kick Off for the 26 th Annual Pig Roast begins at 9:15 p.m. at 190 Court St.,
Middletown, CT. 16 positions are available, starting with 6 months
All addicts welcome (male & female) |
| Sunday, Sept. 21 | The All Things Summer Event – more will be revealed (look for flyer) |
| Friday, Sept. 26 thru
Sunday, Sept. 28 | USANA Spiritual Weekend, Enders Island, Mystic, CT
Cost: \$180 per person. |
| Friday, Oct. 3 thru
Sunday, Oct. 5 | Free To Be Me Prayer and Meditation Retreat, Camp Wightman, Griswold, CT
Registration \$145 (includes lodging and 6 meals). Limited to 40 registrants, so
register early! |
| Saturday, Oct. 4
(rain date Oct 5) | Walk the Walk At The Beach, West Haven Town Beach – Meet at Captain's
Galley at 1 p.m. and walk to the Point. Speaker Meeting. |

Sunday, Oct. 12 best pot of	Between the Covers Chili Cook-Off from 11 a.m. til Dusk. P&F Pond, East Hartford, CT. All home groups are invited to participate! Bring your Chili and as many supporters of your home group and represent!
Saturday, Oct. 18	CCA Sub-Committee Learning Day – 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Community Lake, Wallingford. CT (look for flyer).
Jan. 23 thru Jan 25, 2009 reservations.	Northeast Zonal Forum (NEZF), hosted by the CT Region Courtyard Marriott, 4 Sebethe Drive, Cromwell, CT. All addicts encouraged to attend. Hotel phone # 860-961-9240 for Room rate: \$99 per night – must mention NEZF for group rate.

The next meeting will be on September 27, 2008 at 2:00 p.m.

The CTRSC Directions for the Months of September & October

Grace and St. Peter's Church 2927 Dixwell Ave, Hamden, CT. 06518 (corner of Dixwell & Whitney)

From New London – Take I-95 toward New Haven, merge on to I -91 north via exit 48 toward Hartford, merge on to CT-40 via exit 10 (Hamden /Cheshire), then take exit 1, turn left at the bottom of the ramp (Devine St.), at the next traffic light take another left, at the next traffic light take a right onto Dixwell Ave., just after your 4th traffic light (Dixwell & Whitney) the church is on immediately the left hand side.

From Hartford – Take 91 south toward New Haven, merge onto CT-15 South (Wilbur Cross Parkway) via exit 17, take exit 62 and at the bottom of the exit take a right, go to the second traffic light (Dixwell & Whitney) and take a left and the church is immediately on the left hand side.

From Fairfield – Take I-95 toward New Haven, take exit 38 toward CT-15 (Merritt & Wilbur Cross Parkway) merge onto Milford Parkway, then merge onto CT-15 (Wilbur Cross Parkway) toward New Haven/Hartford, get off exit 61 (Whitney Ave) at the bottom of the exit take a right, then go to the second traffic light (Dixwell & Whitney) and take a left and the church is immediately on the left hand side.

From Danbury – Take I-84 toward Waterbury, take exit 11 toward CT-34 (Derby/New Haven) turn right onto Mile Hill Rd., turn right onto Roosevelt Dr. (CT-34E) continue to follow for 10.3 miles and merge onto CT-15 N. (Wilbur Cross Parkway) toward New Haven, continue for approx. 9 miles and get off exit 61 (Whitney Ave) at the bottom of the exit take a right, go to the second traffic light (Dixwell & Whitney) and take a left and the church is immediately on the left hand side.

From Waterbury – Take I-84 E. toward Hartford, get off exit 26 (CT-70) toward Cheshire, turn right onto CT-70 (Waterbury Rd) continue for approx. 3.8 miles and turn right onto Main St. (CT-68/CT-70), in .03 miles turn right onto Highland Ave. (CT-10), continue on for 8.3 miles and turn right on Dixwell Ave (just pass the fire station), the church is immediately on the left hand side.

From New Britain – Take CT-9 south toward Middletown, merge onto I-91 South via exit 20S toward New Haven, Merge onto CT-15 South (Wilbur Cross Parkway) via exit 17, take exit 62 and at the bottom of the exit take a right, go to the second traffic light (Dixwell & Whitney) and take a left and the church is immediately on the left hand side.