

**San Diego-Imperial Area Committee**  
**2650 Melbourne Drive, San Diego CA**  
**Minutes of the April 19, 2012 meeting**

**Meeting Called to Order**

The Committee was called to order at 7:03 pm by Jane G., Area Chairperson with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer, then A.A.’s Declaration of Unity.  
 The Twelve Concepts were read in English by Tanya and in Spanish by Cruz.

**Introductions and AA Birthdays, Voting Procedures**

New DCMs and Committee Chairs introduced themselves.  
 Birthdays occurring since the February Area Committee meeting were celebrated.  
 Jane explained operating and voting procedures.

**Roll Call**

Monty C., Area Registrar, conducted a roll call of the Area Committee, and declared that the requirements for a quorum had been met. All Officers were in attendance. Those not in attendance at time of roll call were: Dist. 11, Dist. 17, Dist. 23,

**Approval of February Area Committee Minutes: Roxane R., Secretary**

Minutes are available in digital format. If you did not receive the March 2012 minutes please contact the Area 8 Secretary and she will send you a copy via email. If your alternate would like a digital copy, let the secretary know. MSP to approve March 2012 minutes as submitted.

**Treasurer’s Report: Arturo L., Treasurer**

- Written report.
- Ask groups to get their contributions in each month.

<b>April Financial Report</b>	<b>April 2012</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>2012 Budget</b>	<b>Variance with Annual Budget</b>
Group contributions:	1,901.11	9,849.29	38,480.00	-28,530.71
Individual contributions:	59.00	446.84		
District contributions:		32.47		
Total contributions:	1,960.11	10,428.60	38,480.00	-28,051.40
Total budgeted expenses:	0.00	9,702.99	38,480.00	0.00
Contributions less budgeted expenses:	1,960.11	725.61		

Total unbudgeted expenses:	0.00	480.00		166.26
Total expenses:	0.00	10,182.99	38,480.00	166.26
Contributions less total expenses:	1,960.11	245.61		
Previous month ending balance	7,545.62			
Cash on hand:	9,505.73			

## Master Calendar

<b>Event</b>	<b>Host</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
General Service Conference	GSO	April 22-28	2012	New York
Delegate's Report (Post Conference) Assembly	Dist 16 & 23	May 19	2012	*8:30a Encinitas Community Center
Unity Day	Area 8	June 9	2012	10:00 a Admiral Baker Park, S.D.
Women Sponsoring Women	Dist. 16	Aug 18	2012	TBA Encinitas
40 <sup>th</sup> Hispanic Convention		Aug 31- Sept 2	2012	Radisson Hotel-Los Angeles Airport
Regional Forum	GSO	Sept 14-16	2012	Fairbanks, Alaska
Big Day Business Assembly	Dist 4,11,15	Sept 22	2012	*8:30a Torrey Pines Christian Church-La Jolla
<i>Southern California Convention</i>		<i>Sept 28-30</i>	2012	<i>San Diego-Town and Country Resort</i>
November Assembly	Dist 21, Dist 3	Nov 17	2012	*8:30a TBD
<b>ROOTS (Remember Our Old Timer's Stories)</b>	<i>Archives</i>	<b>Nov 18</b>	2012	<b>2-4 pm</b> <i>Torrey Pines Christian Church-La Jolla</i>

Note: **\*\*Non-Bolded Events Are Not Sponsored or Hosted By Area 8 Service Entities and are listed for planning purposes only. Updated March 17, 2012. Information is subject to change. See the calendar on the area website for the most up to date information.**

### Delegate's Report: Tom M.

Tom M, our Delegate is at the General Service Conference in New York.

### Alternate Delegate's Report: Dean B.

61<sup>st</sup> General Service Conference starts this week. Tom M. left this morning. He said he felt overwhelmed but ready.

Unity Day Picnic-June 9. Flyers for Unity Day available at Area Assembly. We have one more planning meeting on Saturday, May 5. We plan to do a final walk-thru. The main speaker will be Jay S. from Redondo Beach. He has extensive background in service and is an exciting guy to hear. His stories go all the way back to the Oxford Group and the founding of A.A. The 10 minute speaker will be Sean from NSDYPAA.

The next Area Assembly is May 19, at the Encinitas Comm. Center. This will be a great opportunity for group members to be part of an assembly. It is an exciting assembly where we get to hear what the Delegate will bring back to us. DCMS please encourage your GSRs to attend the orientation part of the assembly. It helps GSRs understand what to expect and an overall picture of what happens at this level. Marco, a past delegate does a great job explaining the General Service Process. This past month's travels have been extensive. I have recently had several different conversations where trust has been a topic. It lead me back to reading Concept 3. For me, common sense tells me to use the sense I had before I came into the program. While Tom is in NY this week he is representing a lot of people he has never met. That is AA trust. We have ways to handle situations that are not handled well. How do we trust trusted servants when they have no record of trust. Thank you for trusting me.

Need help at the planning meetings.

**UNITY DAY PLANNING MEETING SCHEDULE: (1 hour meetings)**

Saturday, May 5 9 am Final Details Review

Saturday, June 2 or 9 9 am Venue Walk-thru

**San Diego Central Office - 7075 Mission Gorge Rd # B, San Diego, CA 92120**

Contact: Dean B 760-274-5309c

**Policy Committee Presentation:**

*Clickers (Courtesy of Blaine, Dist. 1) were passed out to the committee to demonstrate a new and improved voting process.* Paul, Policy Chair, gave us some background info on an Ad Hoc report. When items must be discussed, anyone can make a motion. We have only 6 items left to discuss. We will submit guidelines for review to the committee. At that point it will be taken to the AA for a vote. Minor changes will occur then Policy will begin with the major motions. This will be a long process. Item 10 on the Ad Hoc considerations is a request for descriptions of duties of area officers which need to be updated. Each officer reads his or her guidelines for duties then decides whether the guidelines should be updated and presents their suggestions to the committee. Another area of concern pertains to quorum. Whether or not votes taken at the end of the day may be questionable. Policy has come up with 3 discussion points. 1- Would a 2<sup>nd</sup> quorum cause major delays? (doing business in a timely manner), 2-Are we conducting business outside of Concept 4? And 3-Are we operating without a full group conscious?

Discussion: The committee is not in agreement about a 2<sup>nd</sup> quorum. Members might leave the assembly to stop a vote on something. Suggestion: Do business in the morning. Can't we not count votes? Response: Quorum is based on the number of officers balanced with the number of GSRs. The assembly can pause and ask certain officers to leave to keep the proportion of votes balanced. When GSRs have bailed and we are looking at policy items we need to make a decision in advance as to how the number of officers is adjusted according to the afternoon count. Changing the count gives GSRs a reason to leave. Doing the business in the morning also makes this easy for GSRs to leave. Why are people leaving? Is there any way to streamline the day? Is there any way to keep them there? Should we start earlier? How many GSRs to Officers constitutes a quorum? Answer: Two GSRs for every officer, DCMs, or Committee Chairs.

**Here are results from the clickers:** Get your clickers. (One for yes, two for no.) 76% No, to revising Area 8 structure and guidelines to take a quorum later in the day. Do you want the policy committee to write a motion for taking a quorum later in the day? 72% said leave it alone. Would it be helpful to hold another DCM/Committee Chair Sharing Session? 61% said Yes, 39% said No. I think a good month for the DCM/Comm. Chair Sharing Session is: June 21%, July 24, August 55%. Should we give more discussion for the use of these clickers? Yes 78%, No 22%. Lastly, regarding late term vacancies. (Vacancies can be filled at next area assembly with 3<sup>rd</sup> legacy procedures.) There were additional questions about what to do when someone stops showing up or when someone resigns. Perhaps we need to take a look at the structure and guidelines.

Discussion: Committee officers need to be replaced as soon as possible. The alternate is there for that purpose. Now it says that 3 no shows is grounds for removal from roster. Area Assembly voted to let last vacancy ride because it was so close to elections. Dean did a lot of research. Alternate does assume the position. Looked at history. Originally it was a

motion not to determine when the assembly would meet but whether not showing up 3 times meant that person resigned. The committee is a steering body and can handle situations like this. From administrative point of view there should be more discussion on this. Let the committee decide whether it needs to go to election or not. This committee has the responsibility to make these decisions. The structure and guidelines are just that: Guidelines.

Who wants the guidelines to be rewritten with more flexibility? 60-40

Ad Hoc Committee: Cooperation with the Elderly Community (CEC) Gary: Recent U.S. Census say we have 404,000 people over age 60 and they project that in 5 more years there will be 624,000. Send suggestions to the DCM at Dist 14 about what this committee needs and how contacts can be made. The committee is gathering a consensus and anyone who would be interested in having suggestions that focus on the elderly community within AA.

### **Chairperson's Report: Jane G.**

A 10-question survey was sent to over 60 other AA Areas regarding their inventory practices, results, and follow-up actions. A summary report of this survey has been sent to the Translation Committee. It will be sent out electronically after we have the document in both English and Spanish.

I met with the Ad hoc Area Inventory Committee on Wednesday, April 4, 2012. The committee is made up of one Past Chair, two Past Delegates, three AA members at large, and me. We discussed the overall aim of the inventory am looking for several volunteers to participate in the next steps of the inventory planning process.

Our first decision was to begin working with the questions from the 2008 inventory. There are too many questions to work with when holding the discussion session(s). Our first step will be to gather data, via a survey, on the preferences of the 2008 Area 8 Inventory questions. We will also provide questions to allow the submission of new questions for the committee's consideration. DCMs will work with the GSRs in their respective District to communicate to groups about the existence of the survey to invite participation of our Area's AA members at large.

Reminder: Get the GSRs to attend the District meetings and the rest will follow.

Continuing Needs:

- ASL Interpreters
- Spanish Interpreters
- Volunteers to the Translation Committee - English to Spanish (Critical Need)

*Please ask interested individuals to contact the Area Chair at [chair@area8aa.org](mailto:chair@area8aa.org).*

### **Area Committee Meeting**

The Area Committee meets monthly on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 7 PM to 10 PM. The location is 2650 Melbourne, San Diego, CA. All AA members are welcome to attend. To get an item on the agenda, please contact [chair@area8aa.org](mailto:chair@area8aa.org) to begin the process. If required, your specific request or proposal will be directed to the assistance of one or more of our Area's standing committees. The Area Committee meeting and all other General Service meetings are open to all AA members.

**Alt Chairperson's Report:** Mike: No report

### **Liaison Committee Reports**

**Coordinating Council:** Rick: [SDACO@aol.com](mailto:SDACO@aol.com) Report by: Gary

**BUSINESS COMMITTEE REPORT:** Book of the month is Experience, Strength and Hope.

## January 2012 Financial Statements' Summary:

- a. Our Mar. 2012 Net Revenue is \$786.75
- b. Our 2012 YTD Net Revenue is \$1,625.59.
- c. Literature Sales Revenue and bank interest was \$
- d. Total office and committee expenses were \$

## Manager's Report

1. April's Book of the Month: "AA Comes of Age" (History of AA) On sale: \$7.50 reg. \$8.50. May's Book of the Month: "As Bill Sees It" soft cover on sale for \$6.60, reg. \$7.60.
2. Daytime phone shifts available: Wed. 1-5 pm. Always a need for fill-ins.
3. New 2012 Spring-Summer Schedules are here.
4. Central Office offers Gift Certificates for \$10- \$25 increments.
5. Coordinator Newsletter: June's theme: "Rule 62" ...Sign-up for a FREE subscription electronically by email. Send an email [sdaaco@aol.com](mailto:sdaaco@aol.com) or call 619-265-8762. Hardcopies available at Central Office. Submissions welcome. Currently emailing 1,400.
6. Desire link on SD Intergroup website.
7. Program Comm. in planning stages for Founders' Day Picnic.
8. Checking on locations for pancake breakfast.

## PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE: *Projects we are currently working on:*

1. *Driving schools in East and South County, leaving flyers and pamphlets.*
2. *Placing PSA s in 2 local publications: Reader and City Beat.*
3. *Lincoln H.S. Booth: Spring into Health Resource Fair. Juvenile Hall Open House, Ocean Beach's Foot Wash Fair, Chula Vista Mission and Ministry Faire at Methodist Church.*
4. Sponsoring a booth at the SD County Probation Juvenile Hall Open House in May.
5. Co-hosting a booth with N.C. Intergroup at the Del Mar Fair. Signups for even numbered days.
6. Sending out letters to Senior Citizen Facilities along with a reply post card, ongoing.
7. Continuing to solicit volunteer groups to sponsor a "rack" for a school for \$20 donation.

**North County Intergroup:** Janine: March enjoyed generous contributions and NCI currently out of the red for 2012. The Traditions Breakfast was a successful event with approx. 650 sober attendees. The event featured an incredible speaker and brought in over \$3K in contributions.

**East County Intergroup:** Gary: We meet 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday. We supply and deliver literature to individuals and groups. Literature is sold at cost. A flyer to reintroduce the E.C. Intergroup was discussed. Liaison, Butch M., reported on proposed motion to be present at GSC. Visit our website: [www.eastcountyyaa.org](http://www.eastcountyyaa.org)

**Oficina Central Hispana:** Marina, chair, reported: We wish you all well. We have 21 groups, and in March we had 17 attend our meeting. We have already completed visitation to every group. We had our 8<sup>th</sup> Congresso on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of March. We discussed having a prudent reserve at the Central Office. Our 28<sup>th</sup> anniversary is the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June. Next month we will bring flyers with info. The officers meet on Wed at 6 pm. Every Thurs we have our business meeting with reps. from 6:30 to 8pm. We have a 12 step call service and during the month of March we took 236 calls. We made a budget for the year; \$16,200 is the cost for the year. The committees are answering phones, Literature, Cooperation and the newsletter.

**Oficina Intergupal Condado Norte:** Malacio, chair, reported. In this office we have 23 groups and 6 committees. We have a new location: 830 E. Vista Way, Suite 116, Vista. They meet every week, Wed. Discussion on corporation and they are current on taxes.

**Oficina Intergupal Sur, Chula Vista:** Alicia: Tuesday meetings, 7:30-9p, We have 7 groups in our area and all are being represented. We have a literature comm., PI comm., Special Events Committee, who report each Tuesday. The Central Office of Mid Southern Ca meet the last Sat of each month. Last Sat was in Indio Cal and 23 Spanish speaking central offices were represented. They celebrate the AA anniversary in one area and our area was selected

to host the next event. The person who is the Chair, Juan, already has the venue and flyers are done. June 10 is the date and next month there will be flyers for this celebration. We visit groups twice each week. Most of our committees are filled.

**GSDYPAA:** No one present.

**NSDYPAA:** (from Jeremy): Working to bring ICYPAA to San Diego. Committee is preparing bid to be awarded at the convention. Working with Mexico's young peoples' group (Mexypaa) and we are hosting an event with Mexican young people in AA. Call 760-810-4157 or email [LarsenJeremy83@gmail.com](mailto:LarsenJeremy83@gmail.com) if you are interested in serving on this committee or want more information. We had 3 young peoples' panels at the SD Roundup. Looking for support letters to attach to the bid.

**Remote Nations:** Jeff S, (Chair): This committee meets the last Mon. of the month prior to the regular Pala Monday Night Carry the Message to the Native American meeting at 6:00 p.m. The meeting starts at 7:30 but we hold a pot luck prior the speaker meeting. You are all invited to attend. It is the committee's long standing goal to encourage cooperation and mutual attendance between the Northern and Southern reservations. Two members, Jeff S. and Wolf D., attended the NAIGSO board meeting on March 24. NAIGSO compiled and will print a "manuscript" of spiritual quotes from well known Native Americans that is tied in with corresponding quotes from AA literature.

The committee's visiting activities included attendance at the Mesa Grande meeting near Ramona and the Soboba Reservation meeting which is not part of Area 8 but could help us support at least the Mesa Grande meeting and others north. Several people, including two members of the Soboba meeting will attend the Mesa Grande One-Two-Many meeting on Friday night. ([jestruve@san.rr.com](mailto:jestruve@san.rr.com))

## **DISTRICT REPORTS**

District 1: Blaine: District One is hosting an "Issues in AA" workshop, pizza party, and dance April 28 at the New Community Church in Vista. There will be speakers and roundtable discussions related to three issues: Thirteen Stepping, Court Cards, and Outside Issues. The District will treat all attendees to pizza, salad, and beverages, and a rock band will perform. Most of this month's meeting dealt with finalizing plans for the event.

District 2: Wilma: We have a new chairman for Labor Day Picnic, Doug. Labor Day Picnic is at Calaveras Park in Carlsbad on Labor Day. Nov. 10 is the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Sobriety Cruise Event. We carry the message through music and comedy. Last year was very successful. If interested in serving, we would love to have your input, call (760)966-1812.

District 3: Guy: Nothing to report.

District 4: Michelle: Welcomed 2 New GSRs. We went over some outreach strategies. We had a discussion about NOT smoking at the Area Assembly and the consensus was that it was not okay.

District 5: Vince: Rock and Roll on the Sponsorship Workshop. Costs should be appreciatively less than last year. We are looking for volunteers for serving breakfast. Would like to ask committee for use of sound system and coffee pots. One GSR resigned and another replaced him.

District 6: Renee: Discussed need for district registrar. Possibility of having 3 speakers throughout the New Year's Alkathon. GSRs received a handout on visiting dark meetings. Dist. 19 offered to help with Alkathon.

District 7: Richard: Cancelled workshop in favor of visiting dark meetings and informing them about area events.

District 8: Tanya: March 17, Women Sponsoring Women Workshop had ASL supported fully with a \$250 donation from Dist. 8, however the workshop returned the amount as it was fully self-supporting.

District 9: Don (Alt): Voted on more literature for Calipatria Prison, and approved.

District 10: Paul: We have 5 GSRs now. With numbers come issues. Packet for visitations being discussed. Mentioned experiment that we want to do. Workshop on visitations also being discussed. We want to be a part of that. After last assembly a GSR took info back to group. Delegate made it sound like we got a vote. His group was upset that they should have been able to get a group conscious on these agenda items before the area assembly.

District 11: Al: (No report.)

District 12: Connie: Discussion around visiting groups in district by GSRs. We used and reviewed the guide. We are going to develop a Dist. 12 newsletter whether they have a GSR or not. Inquire at the group level: How can we serve you. Movie night scheduled for Thurs May 3 with popcorn and "Dots". Each GSR brings one person with them to introduce what we do. Movie is "Markings on the Journey". Continued discussion for a Dist 12 workshop. What do you want us to have for you? GSRs will form the committees.

District 13: John (alt): No report.

District 14: Gary: Mailed inquires to dark meetings using current contact info. Beginning to get responses from those contacts. We co-hosted a preconference workshop and the Meditation Workshop with help from other districts in March. Planning meeting for a new Sponsorship Workshop with Districts 5,6 and 19.

District 15: Nicolas: Met last Friday, April 13th. 27 present including GSRs and committee chairs. There is a business meeting each week. We have 11 groups. DCM working on PRASSA report. 4<sup>th</sup> of May will hold elections for comm. of general service representatives and the CPC committee. 4<sup>th</sup> Loco Forum with visiting groups coming soon. Our next business meeting we will have flyers to give to Alt. Chair to put in master calendar. 26 Aug. Everyone welcome.

District 16: Crystal: Voted to distribute surplus funds evenly between Area 8, SD H & I, North County Central Office and GSO, New York. Tabled a motion to support the Serenity Cruise Ship event sponsored by District 2. Secretary Workshop planned for July 1<sup>st</sup>. Discussed sending Alt. DCM to Regional Forum in Fairbanks Alaska, in September.

District 17: No one present.

District 18: Pedro: We have 12 GSRs and Chairs. representing CPC, La Viña, Public Information, and Archives. On the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon we have a step study meeting of the Concepts. On the 4<sup>th</sup> Mon. we have the GSRs reports. We have turned in our PRASSA report to the groups through the GSRs. We are working on a Sponsorship Committee. Corrections Committee meets every Tues. PA committee to traffic school every Monday.

District 19: Jennifer: Groups discussed usefulness of pamphlets to give to non-English speaking AAs sent by the courts. Working on their Dist. inventory while creating Dist. Guidelines they are deciding which regular events we want to support or not and how to best inform General Service conference results to AA members.

District 20: Margo: Thank you to Tom and Dean for leading the Pre-conference workshop; New GSR; Two meetings not contributing to area and district and that has been resolved.

District 21: John: We have decide on Lutheran Church in Escondido for Nov. Area Assembly. Flyer available soon. We are trying to figure out the smoking issues. Grapevine/La Viña chair presented at their district meeting.

District 22: Tom: attended pre-conference assembly. Dist meets first Tues. We are currently reworking District Structure and Guidelines format. (Financial and Processes) Continue to support "project outreach" to attend reservation meetings. Archives Committee visited.

District 23: Mark: not present.

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Accessibilities: Alan: Sign language fund (gold can) currently funds 5 meeting each week at a cost of \$600-650 a month. Coming into April the fund was down to \$150. Any groups interested in adding to this fund, contact chair. Accessibilities is asking interested groups to add new brochure or special needs to their literature collection.

Agenda: Karen: We discussed using *Survey Monkey* as a tool like an "exit poll" after an assembly. We look forward to working with the ACM to make communication better. Agenda will develop questions and present results that may change future agenda modifications. Blaine presented option of using electronic "clickers" for vote counting at ACM as a test for possible future assembly use. Agenda to review area inventory questions to create practical list.

Archives: Carrie: Next Open House is on May 26 at Central Office, S.D. We elected a new alternate, Wes. We figured out who our "ROOTS" speakers will be. We realize we need to get some key archive material translated. Joe, archivist, last weekend at H & I Convention. Group history forms are available on the website in Eng./Span.

CPC: Jeremy: We were approached to reach out to the Asian Community. PI put a lot of work into a plan, but we need more committee members and we need a new Officer Liaison. The CPC committee is available to attend workshops.

Finance: Paul: Finance is supporting the treasurer in developing the 2013 budget. *Contributions continue to track below projections. Share what the area does for the fellowship to inspire groups to contribute.*

Grapevine/LaViña: Suzanne: Planning for Unity Day's continental breakfast. Also working on a skit for Unity Day. Visitation for districts are being assembled. Remote Nations visited at our last meeting. If you want us to visit let us know. We will visit Dist. 11 in April. Contact numbers are on Area 8 roster.

Information Technologies: Steve: PDF flyers are being "spidered" and the flyers are being taken and searched for private names and numbers. We have a couple of solutions. You can use an alias phone number. We can create more security for you if you send the flyers to us before they are posted. If you are getting spammed using your alias through your assignment then let Steve know.

Literature: Ray: We are in the process in previewing all available videos so we can be more knowledgeable and helpful as to what is available.

NCAIC: Rich: Orientation meeting, 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday, Oceanside Alano Club; H & I Conference at the Bahia in Mission Bay on weekend of April 13th. A new panel to begin at La Costa Glen, a senior living community in Encinitas.

Newsletter: Chris: Editor resigned. Perhaps at next mtg. we can get a new committee member to take over this commitment. We prefer word docs. The last newsletter chair, Cindy, is quite helpful. We have received both the minutes and both Area Chair and Alternate Delegate's reports. Next meeting will be during lunch at Post Conference Assembly, May 19<sup>th</sup>.

Policy: Paul: (Progress on ADHOC considerations) Progress report: If you have a flyer for an event send it to Policy first so we can make sure you have everything in order. It is a check before Translation gets them.

*Discussion:* Alt. Delegate reminded us that the Policy Committee has the authority to make grammatical corrections.

**ADHOC REPORT:** Reworded item 27. See attachment. After consideration, we've decided changes and motions should be presented to the committee one month in advance, allowing DCMs to discuss them with their groups. Bring the report with you. Each month we will give you a 30 day lead on items to be discussed and voted upon.

SDIAC: Chris: (First time conference ever in S.D.) *Last weekend we were rocketed into the 4<sup>th</sup> dimension.*

Translation: Ruben: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, new location in Escondido, more central. This year our translation load has really increased. It is difficult to get it all done for our Delegate and others. We also volunteered to compose the Spanish newsletter for that committee before the last assembly. We have been successful recruiting part time translators for this committee. We have one new translator in Mexico. Another professional interpreter who is currently in Barcelona, Spain. The ACM can help distribute Spanish flyers to your groups even if your group is not a Spanish speaking group. In Jane's visits there is also a opportunity to distribute Spanish flyers. We are still having problems staffing the committee. Please do not send flyers for translation as PDFs. These are difficult to recreate. Translation wants to acknowledge the assistance we are getting from members who are sending in their stuff with more leave time.

Archivist: Joe: No report

CEC *Ad Hoc* (Cooperation with the Elderly Community): Gary: We have gathered resources submitted by various members and asked P.I. Comm. and CPC For feedbacks and information. We will continue to discuss this among committee members. Will be connecting with other areas that have CEC Committees. This ad hoc comm. looks toward July to be able to report back. Statistic: 10,000 seniors celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> birthday today and this will continue for the next 19 years.

## **AREA COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

### **Registrar**

Monty: The registrar is responsible for keeping a current list of all our groups. Every group has a number and this number does not come from Central Office. The number from the area does not correlate with Intergroup. If a group does not have a number the group does not exist as far as General Service is concerned. Visiting groups which are listed in the Meeting Schedule, but do not appear in the Area's registry, is vital. When a group has an area number but does not have a GSR it is like that group does not exist. When making announcements at any meeting that does not have a GSR be brief. Bring pamphlets and only hit target points—Informative but not talkative. If a visitation takes place, please share about how the "meet and greet" went. Keep an index card file of the meetings that need visitation. Spread the cards face down on a table and have GSRs choose one card and let the visitations begin. It is recommended that visitations take place in pairs or more. Elect a registrar for your district and that person could be the lead on this trek. Set that meeting up to be visited in 2 months. Once again, promote their attendance at the District Meeting.

Discussion: What takes GSO, New York so long to register new GSRs? Monty will research this delay. Districts can send their new GSR information to New York immediately. If you go on the Area 8 Website you can download a copy of the GSR pamphlet.

**Ad Hoc Committee for Area Inventory:** Jane working on this. Once we have a single document it will be send to the Area 8 website and a link will be created. No action was taken from the last inventory that was made in 2008. The Area not serving the young people and elderly.

Jane: We need some volunteers for clean up.

Meeting adjourned, 9:45 p.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Roxane R., Panel 62 Area 8 Secretary and Gonzalo, Area 8 Alt. Secretary*