DISTRICT 7 MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES for March 14, 2024

Please see https://lakecountyaa.com/reports.html for all reports noted below

Two new GSR's were present.

Concept III was read and discussed at 6:30 pm by all present. https://www.lakecountyaa.com/uploads/3/4/4/1/34415702/p-8_12_concepts.pdf

A quorum was in attendance, 19 in-person attendance. 3 on zoom. The GSR meeting was opened at 6:45 with Serenity Prayer by the group.

Registrar: Staci. Not Present

Secretary: Donna C, indicated minutes from February meeting were posted on the website. Motion made and seconded to accept minutes.

Treasurer Finance Committee Chair:Bill C presented financial and reconciliation reports for February 2024.Bill noted we are over prudent reserve, but expects expenses related to Area Assembly in April. He also reminded all present that Groups need to get a checking account for the group and not use their personal accounts. Motion made seconded to approve Financial reports.

DCM 7: As a reminder, District 7 is cosponsoring a Pre-Conference Workshop on Sunday, March 17. During the workshop, our Area 14 Alternate Delegate, Lori, will discuss the agenda items to be discussed during the April meeting of this year's New York conference. The workshop will be held at the Disabled American Veterans facility at: 9636 SE 58th Avenue, Belleview, FL 34420; 11:00am to 2:00pm. A poster about the workshop is published on the District 7 website. Any program participant can attend. That includes program members who are not GSRs. Often meeting attendees have served years ago while living in another state and might have an interest in hearing the current issues.

Area 14 Delegate, Mary, will be asking for a sense of the group in attendance during the April Assembly (April 6; 4:30 to 6:00pm) about the agenda actionable items. I encourage GSRs to attend the assembly and have their voices heard.

As a reminder, if a group does not have a GSR, one might be able to gain a vote between now and April 6 by holding a group conscience meeting and electing a new GSR. Elected GSRs will be welcome to vote during the Assembly.

I am continuing to participate with many districts around Orlando planning a service fair event in that area on October 19, 2024. Any members of District 7 are welcome to participate and attend the event. This evening the planning committee is discussing a flier we plan to make available during the April 2024 Area 14 Assembly at the Mission Inn. Any district or combination of districts can participate. Volunteer to present a topic or help with some aspect of the event.

Alt DCM 7A: Lawrence J. Present DCM 7 B: Bob W, Not present Alt DCM B alt: Donna S. Present

Accessibilities Chair: Randi P. I'm happy to report that we have new members joining the Accessibility Committee. These members originate from other areas in the district. This allows us to expand our effectiveness.

I have assembled another MEETING IN A BOX to leave with LIFESTREAMS. Central Office has contacted me regarding accessibility issues. I am confident that this will have positive results. I will be distrusting VOLUNTEER DRIVER LISTS to new GSRs to bring to their respective groups.

Archives Chair: Scott M. :I am also the GSR for the Your Place group in Sorrento as well as the District 7 Archives Committee chair. On February 17, I attended the 6th Florida Archives Workshop in Winter Park to meet with other archives people, to introduce ourselves to each other, to exchange information and Ideas , and just to generally gather in fellowship. Gail L. presented a lot of material about Akron and the acquisition of Dr. Bob's home. Don gave a presentation on ethics and copyright law I realized how fortunate we are to have the extensive collection of material we do have in our district archives. I extend my thanks to all those who held this position before me. I am preparing for the 67th State Convention in Jacksonville in August. Several groups have

expressed interest in having Archives displays at their local events. Email request to me at archives@lakecountyaa.com

CPC-PI: open position

Central Office Liaison- Tasha, Not present. However, Ted F. Was present to tell us about the new hotline that will be in place at the central office on April 1, 2024. He is always looking for volunteers, email him at hotline@aalakesumter.org or call 352 360-0969. The new hotline phone number is 352 362-2001.

Corrections Chair: Patti, Not Present. See our report page for volunteer openings and Pink Can Report.

Grapevine Chair: Richard B. is member of The Your place Group. The back table has literature and copies of grapevine. Please take them to your group. You can also request free pamphlets from Grapevine.

Literature Chair -open position

Treatment Chair: Jim S. Below are names, locations, and phone numbers of the three major treatment centers in Sumter and Lake County:

Lifestream 2020 Tally Road Leesburg, FL Phone: 352-315-7800 Also satellite facility in Claremont, FL

Harmony Hills 16121 Boys Ranch Rd Altoona, FL Phone: 352-269-9113

The Recovery Village 633 Umatilla Blvd. 352-771-2700

All Three treatment centers have regular AA meetings which meet at least once per week within the facilities. Harmony Hills needs assistance in chairing meetings...see info at the end of this report.

Call or text Jim Stafford, co-chair of the Treatment Committee (515-229-2553) if you would like to serve on the Treatment Committee

Bob Forster, who regularly attends monthly AA District 7 meetings as a GSR, has been the primary chair of the Harmony Hills weekly meetings! His cell phone number is: 631-764-0057. He was hopeful his home group would assist with the meetings, however he has been the primary chair for the last 8 to 10 weeks. Bob reported that he had been purchasing big books for attendees at the meeting. He was unaware that more than ten big books and a wide variety of AA literature are stored in a locked closet at Harmony Hills for use at the weekly meetings. He will begin to use the on-site materials at future weekly meetings.

Website Chair: Ron O. Not Present, however he emailed us the following report:

- -Our Google Analytics report shows inaccurate spikes in visitors pushing us to over 1000 visitors. I'll check with our web host and see if I can isolate what is happening.
- -Updates to Reports page.
- -Regular minor updates and corrections.
- -The events page, minutes, financial reports, and other areas were kept current.
- -Committee chairs, please review your page and see if revisions are necessary.
- -Please send me your committee meetings schedules, including virtual meetings, and I'll post them on the events page.

Tech Committee & Zoom Coordinator Donna S. Present

Special Committees: Rhonda from Central Office noted that the Unity Picnic will be May 4, 2024. She will forward flyers to Ron for posting on or website.

Lawrence, Alt DCM 7a, indicated that the Gratitude Dinner will be November 3, 2024

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: Ellen M GSR of Todays woman group in Tavares attended a workshop in Orlando, called 'Spiritual Life is not a Theory'. She will put a proposal for similar workshop held in our District. The group indicated that this is an excellent idea.

(These notes were prepared by Donna C, Secretary District 7, 3-24-24)