

DISTRICT 7 MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES for November 9, 2023

District webpage - <https://lakecountyaa.com/index.html>

One new GSR was present.

Concept XI 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

Prior to meeting opening, Staci asked that everyone complete the AA survey by November 26, 2023. Open the Meeting Guide App, click on News at bottom and click on survey.

A quorum was in attendance, 21-In person and 2 on zoom. The GSR meeting was opened at 6:45 with Serenity Prayer by the group . Dave M . DCM7a ran the group this evening.

Registrar : Staci. Present.

Secretary : Donna C, indicated minutes from the October meeting were posted on the website . Bob W. had one change and a amended copy will be sent to Ron for posting website. Motion made and seconded to accept amended minutes. See <https://www.lakecountyaa.com/reports.html>

Treasurer Finance Committee Chair: Bill C presented financial and reconciliation reports for October 2023, found on District 7 report page at <https://www.lakecountyaa.com/reports.html> . Motion was presented and seconded to approve the reports.

DCM 7 : Dave M. Thank you to DCM 7B and Alt DCM 7B for planning and supporting the 2023 Gratitude Dinner. The event came off superbly!

I plan to attend the Southeastern States A.A. Service Assembly to be held at the Sheraton North Orlando, November 17 to 19, 2023. Participants can learn about various aspects of their own roles within our organization and gain from chitchat outside the sessions. A flier with information and a registration form are available on the District 7 website (look for SSAASA). I am not certain whether late registration is still open. If possible, because of the Orlando location, you might even want to participate on a single day basis. See https://www.lakecountyaa.com/uploads/3/4/4/1/34415702/registration_form_updated_2022_1227-2pgs.pdf

Alt DCM 7A : Open position

DCM 7 B : Bob W, does not have all receipts from Gratitude Dinner and will have report for next meeting.

Alt DCM B alt: Donna S. Present.

Accessibilities: Randi P. Not present.

Archives: Scott M. : I am the GSR for the Your Place Group in Sorrento, as well as the District 7 Archives Committee Chair. The Archive Display at the Gratitude dinner was big success. Archives has portable displays that can be brought to your event and location, just email me at archives@lakecountyaa.com

CPC-PI: open position

Central Office Liaison- Tasha attended last meeting at Central Office. It is a hybrid meeting, in-person and on zoom. She reported that Financial reports were 54K YTD. There were discussions and questions from group. Dale, previous Treasurer for Lake Sumter office indicated that monthly expenditure are approximately \$5K.volunteered to fill this position.

Tasha also said volunteers are still needed in the office and to take phone calls transferred to their home phones after hours. The office also has 12 step list for speakers. There is one paid position. The Office manager, Bill, was present and could answer any other questions after the meeting. See their website for info <https://www.aalakesumter.com/central-office.html> Click on the newsletter link for current activities.

Corrections: Patti , Volunteers contact: Corrections Chair: correctionschair@lakecountyaa.com. See District 7 Reports page. <https://www.lakecountyaa.com/corrections.html> has list of facilities and information on volunteering. Pink can report is posted at <https://www.lakecountyaa.com/reports.html>

1. TAVARES DETENTION CENTER: Requirements: 10+ Years Sobriety, Worked AA 12 Steps w/Sponsor, Home Group, Background Check, Fingerprinted, Attend 2 Hour Training w/Gina M.-Program Coordinator. She informs Key Leader volunteer training done. ***NEED MALE /FEMALE VOLUNTEERS.**
2. SUMTER DETENTION CENTER: Requirements: 2 Years of Sobriety, Worked AA 12 Steps with Sponsor, Home Group, Attend 2 hour Training w/DSS Strickland, -Program Coordinator, Pass Background Check, Fingerprinted. ***NEED FEMALE VOLUNTEERS.**
3. COLEMAN FEDERAL PRISON: CORRESPONDENCE PROGRAM: Requirements: 2 years of sobriety, Worked AA 12 Steps with Sponsor, sign a correspondence agreement and be familiar with prison correspondence requirements. ***NEED MALE VOLUNTEERS/SPONSORS.**
4. COLEMAN FEDERAL PRISON: Requirements: 2 Years Sobriety, Worked AA 12 Steps w/Sponsor, Home Group, Coleman Training Center: 4-Hr Training & Packet Signed, 2 References, Background Check, Fingerprinted. ***NEED FEMALE/MALE VOLUNTEERS, 4-Hr TRAINING 11/23.**
5. STATE/LAKECOUNTY/CLERMONT: Requirements: 2 Years Sobriety, Work AA 12 Steps w/Sponsor, Home Group, Background Check, Fingerprinted. ***NEED KEY LEADER, MALE VOLUNTEERS.**
STATE CORRECTIONAL SCI SUMTER COUNTY: Requirements: TBD. Awaiting Volunteer approval after COVID. ***NEED KEY LEADER, MALE VOLUNTEERS.**
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NEED: Corrections Pink Can/Treasurer: Requirements: 5 years Treasurer /Financial Reports Experience/Sobriety, Work Steps/Traditions

Grapevine : Open

Literature David C , not present

Treatment Chair: Jim S. Call text Jim S if you would like to serve on treatment committee 515-229-2553.

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

Paul Kehde is no longer available to chair the AA meeting at Harmony Hills due to work conflicts. The Treatment Committee needs to find a reliable AA Group...or group of AA individuals that can consistently drive to Harmony Hills to chair the 7:00 pm meeting...which can be held in the Gym on Sunday's (or Thursday's) The drive to Harmony Hills Treatment Center can take nearly one hour (each way) from The Villages! Please contact Jim Stafford if you can provide long term support: 515-229-2553

Website Chair: Ron O.

- Our Google Analytics report shows 257 users for the month of October. (10/1 – 10/31)
- Added dates for next year's meetings.
- Updated Corrections page.
- We sold 42 tickets online for the Gratitude Dinner amounting to \$1260.
- 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. Seeking volunteer to take over Zoom responsibility at monthly meeting.

Special Committees: Dave M is looking for suggestions from our groups for service/gratitude events. GSR's please continue to seek service/workshop suggestions from your group

OLD BUSINESS: Dave M- We are seeking to fill our open positions. Please Inform our groups that they are welcome to attend our meeting, even if they are not a GSR.

NEW BUSINESS. Lawrence J volunteered to fill position of DCM7a.He is currently GST of Big Book by the River and has 21 years sobriety. Motion was made and seconded by group that Lawrence fill this position.

Richard B. Volunteered to fill the Literature Chair and/or Grapevine Chair. Since the last report we received from Literature chair was in March, Dave M will reach out to him to see if he is returning. Richard is sober since 1974 and has previously been GSR, DCM and involved in area assembly.

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