

June 7, 2009 ASC Minutes

Ben C. Opened with the Serenity Prayer

Roll Call

Better Late Than Never – Absent

Crossroads – Absent

New Attitudes – Present

New Hope – Present

Reflections – Present

Serious Undertakings – Present

Hope Without Dope – Inactive

Freedom Train – Inactive

Secretary Report (emailed from Carrie, read by Billie S.) Accepted

Treasurer Report (will be emailed by Cherri B.)

RCM Report by Marty C (with additional added by Ben C.)

There are several Policy changes being discussed (See Marty's notes for full details). "Adopt an Inmate" Program is still a hot topic. Suggestions made to take back to group for possible solutions to be given from local group level. Discussions on whether or not to allow the Executive Body to continue having voting rights. Regional spreadsheet was passed around to update local group information.

H & I Report by Don K.

Don and Marty attended TDCJ Orientation and Learning Day held on May 30th. Retraining by attending an orientation is now required for all volunteers every two years as well as for those volunteers who have failed to go into a unit within a calendar year. (See Don's notes for full details)

PI Report by Ben C.

Schedules were handed out to those in attendance. Get with Ben C. if your group still needs schedules or needs additional schedules. The schedule changes cost more than the \$150.00 voted on by the group in the May meeting. Actual cost was \$225.00.

Activities Report by Don K.

Volleyball fundraising from the TNA Group was 276.00 towards FBTL. T-shirt sales were 900.00 for FBTL. The 7th Tradition basket collection was 193.75 from FBTL. Fellowship By The Lake was a success. The only comments made were regarding teenage children that attended early, stayed after parents went home, or attended on behalf of their parents. It was stated that some thought that parental supervision was needed. Flyers were handed out for the following (See attached for details): Celebrate a day of

Unity hosted by Recovery South Group (Austin, TX)– June 27, 2009, HACNA 10 Fundraiser to benefit HACNA10 – July 2010 will be held July 11, 2009 in Corpus Christi, 25th annual Recovery By The Sea hosted by Coastal Bend Area held July 24-26, 2009 in North Padre Island.

Group Reports

New Attitudes – Billie S. In the Month of May we had two (2) one-year celebrants; Held a unity day - BBQ picnic, plan other unity day get-to-gethers; will hold elections for open group positions; would like others in group to take a more active role; Friday night meeting attendance is building; \$26.00 donation

New Hope – Robert M. All is going well at meetings. Just a reminder that the meeting location has changed: 17703 Nonesuch Rd Grangerland, TX 77304. This change has been updated in the new meeting schedules.

Reflections – David E./Jackie For its members, the FBTL was a success; meeting attendance is up; internal controversy is subsiding and unity is increasing; Reflections has two(2) meeting locations: Coldsprings and the other is Point Blank

Serious Undertakings – Don K. June 23 & 25 they will be meeting at Kate Barr Ross Park due to VBS @ the church (see attached map); donation of \$60.00

Old Business

Actual costs for re-printing of schedules was \$225.00, not the \$150.00 that was approved by the group; Ben C. will donate the \$75.00 cost difference

New Business

Don K. to ask for check for H & I Literature – not to exceed \$300.00 for ordering of supplies. Don K. made a proposal to have the FBTL surplus funds split between a donation to Region and the other half to Area. Seconded by Jackie and unanimously voted by all present. Donations to area are \$26.00 from New Attitudes, \$60.00 from Serious Undertakings. Receipts turned in by Robert from FBTL and receipts turned in from Marty for RSC in Beaumont. Donation basket remained in Coldsprings.

Elections

H & I, PI, and Activities Chair still open. GSR's still need to go back to their groups and request for area positions.

Next ASC is Sunday, July 12 @ at Serious Undertakings in Huntsville. (Due to the 4th of July holiday, ASC is being moved to the 2nd Sunday of the month)

TDCJ –Orientation and Learning Day

May 30, 2009

Marty C. and I attended the Orientation and learning day that was organized by HASCONA's Hospital & Institutions sub-committee. The day started with the TDCJ Orientation and I learned that retraining by attending an orientation is now required for all volunteers every two years as well as for those volunteers who have failed to go into a unit within a calendar year.

Sgt. Marvin Driver started the orientation presentation. He emphasized that Security always must come first and that good volunteers follow policy. He stated that volunteers should stay focused and remember that the volunteer's job is to carry the message. He stated that the inmates #1 focus is to find ways to manipulate and control. He stated that inmates have many hours a day to size up volunteers and discover weaknesses that they can use to gain leverage in their attempts to play games, trick, and con volunteers. Sgt. Driver stated that some of the pitfalls for volunteers are; over-identifying with the inmates, setting no boundaries, going in alone, developing relationships, becoming complacent and losing control of the meetings. He warned that inmates will try to get volunteers to break policy in some small way and then use that against them in order to manipulate the volunteer into breaking the policy again and in a more serious manner.

Captain talked briefly about emergency situations such as hostile inmates, fights among inmates, riots, or fire. The main points were to remain calm and notify security. He also went over what to do in hostage situations and stated if you are taken hostage; do not be a hero, follow instructions of your captor without hesitation, be patient and prepare to wait for help to come.

Chaplain went over the dos and don'ts. He emphasized again the security is always in charge and warned against over-involvement with inmates. He stated that volunteers should never go in alone and that men going into female units need a female volunteer to go along and that female volunteers going into a men unit needs a male volunteer to go

along. The chaplain stated that we must notify security if an inmate has a prior relationship with you and to always dress appropriately. He reminded that volunteers must have that picture ID's and to remember to always sign in and out. He stated that volunteers should never wear expensive jewelry or watches, see through attire or over-tight clothing. He emphasized that volunteers must never engage in fighting and always be ready to submit to searches of their person and/or vehicle. He stated that carrying in tobacco or a cellular phone is a criminal offense and that security has no choice except to press charges if any contraband is found. He stated that volunteers should never give anything to an inmate except approved literature and should never accept anything from an inmate. He stated that volunteers must never withhold information and should always report any information regarding illegal activity, homicide or suicide. The Chaplain emphasized that volunteers should never share their address or phone number with an inmate, become an advocate for an inmate or be placed on an inmate's visitation list.

The orientation ended with the Chaplain checking ID's with the sign in sheet and checking any new applications for completeness.

After a lunch of Hot Dogs., HASCONA's H & I sub-committee gave a presentation on some of the basics of H & I, a mock H & I presentation to a facility administrator, and some do's and don'ts. An addict named Al led the presentation and stated that an H & I meeting/presentation is a service provided by the area service committee through the H & I sub-committee, that an H & I meeting is always held under the support of the H & I subcommittee, and that any meeting not linked to the service structure is not an H & I meeting. Al explained that the purpose of a H & I meeting is to carry the NA message of recovery to addicts who do not have full access to regular Narcotics Anonymous meetings and that treatment facilities, correctional facilities, psychiatric hospitals and forensic units are some of the places H & I meetings are held. He explained that usually H & I meetings are started either by a facility requesting an H & I meeting or by the H & I subcommittee contacting the facility to propose a meeting. Al also stated that an H & I meeting should always be started through the H & I subcommittee and that addicts should

never act alone. The subcommittee should always consider and be certain that H & I can support an H & I meeting at the facility.

Before the mock H & I presentation, Al described the process of holding a presentation for a facility. He stated that in advance the subcommittee should find out who is the appropriate administrative person at the facility to contact, the correct person should be contacted to determine interest and schedule a presentation. He explained the H & I subcommittee should work with the P I subcommittee on the presentation. Al reminded that when making a presentation to dress appropriate and to be courteous, remembering that we're representing Narcotics Anonymous. He stated that we should bring pamphlets, literature and local meeting schedules to the presentation, discuss what NA is all about and to be prepared to answer any questions the facility administrator might have.

After the mock presentation, Al went over some of the dos and don'ts. He stated that we should always clarify the rules with anyone attending the H & I meeting with you, to arrive early to set up the meeting, to obey the dress code, exercise common sense and to make sure that all panel members carry a clear NA message of recovery. Al emphasized that we should never go alone, bring any contraband or take messages or carry letters out of a facility.

In Service,
Don K.

**Ever Wonder Who Wrote
“ I Found the Only N.A. Meeting in the World”?
Ever Wonder What it Was Like to Have
WSO in the Trunk of Your Car?
or
To Serve the
N.A. Fellowship for Over 45 YEARS?**

**COME JOIN US AND HELP
CELEBRATE A DAY OF UNITY
HOSTED BY RECOVERY SOUTH GROUP OF NA.
WE CORDIALLY INVITE ALL ADDICTS TO THIS
GATHERING OF 25 PLUS YEARS IN NA,
SHARING FOR 25 MINUTES EACH.**



JUNE 27, 2009

**5:00 PM SHORT HOME GROUP HISTORY
5:30 TO 6:30 PM LETS EAT POTLUCK FOOD
6:30-6:55 PM (DEBBIE) EXPERIENCE WITH UNITY
7:00-7:25 PM (GEORGE) EXPERIENCE WITH UNITY
7:30-7:55 PM (MARY) EXPERIENCE WITH UNITY
8:00-9:30 PM BOB B. MAIN SPEAKER
9:30 PM CLOSING PRAYER
9:30-10:00 PM CLEANUP**

(YOU CAN HELP IF YOU WANT) THANKYOU ALL

RECOVERY SOUTH GROUP

2701 S. LAMAR AUSTIN, TX. 78704

WWW.CTANA.ORG FOR MAP

CONTACTS: RUBEN 512-554-7245 VIC 512-415-5555

JEFF 512-291-1871 SANDY 512-917-0932

Together We Can

HACNA 10 FUNDRAISER

Located @ Grayson Community Center
13828 Corpus Christi
Houston, TX. 77015

(All Proceeds To Benefit ... HACNA 10 July 2010)

JULY 11, 2009

Featuring 3 Guest Speakers: *Jim P., Gino H., & La Donna T.*

Activities included: *Food, NA Jail, and Professional D.J., Dance, & Auction*

Meet & Greet	2:00pm	2:45pm
1st Speaker : <i>Jim P. Houston, TX. (40 Years)</i>	3:00pm	4:00pm
2nd Speaker : <i>Gino H. Galveston, TX. (34 Years)</i>	4:30pm	5:30pm
FOOD & AUCTION	6:00pm	7:30pm
3rd Speaker : <i>La Donna T. Austin, TX. (15 Years)</i>	8:00pm	9:00pm
D.J. & DANCE : <i>Greg C. Serenity Productions, Ft.Worth, TX.</i>	9:30pm	12:00pm

Prices:

\$ 5.00 for Food, \$ 5.00 for Dance OR if you purchase early \$ 8.00 for both!!

*For more Information you can contact: David B. 832.282.0114 or visit us at
"Together We Can" group located at: 12243 Market st., Houston, TX.77015*

Registration

Name: _____
Clean Date: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
E-mail Address: _____

Pre-Registration : \$ 15.00 per person

Qty _____ @ \$15.00 = _____

Main Shirt (S/S) __SM__M__L__XL \$20.00

Color _____ 2XL__3XL +\$3.00

Main Shirt (L/S) __SM__M__L__XL \$20.00

Color _____ 2XL__3XL +\$3.00

PreReg Shirt (S/S) __SM__M__L__XL \$20.00

Color _____ 2XL__3XL +\$3.00

PreReg Shirt (L/S) __SM__M__L__XL \$20.00

Color _____ 2XL__3XL +\$3.00

Fishing Tournament (entry fee) _____ \$15.00

Newcomer Donation: \$ _____

Total enclosed: _____

The main shirt will have the sailboat graphic and the PreReg will have a special secret design

Why Pre-Register?

Registration pays for the convention and helps to carry the message of recovery in Narcotics Anonymous

Mail registration to :
CBANA/RBS
P O Box 331367

Corpus Christi Texas 78463-1367

Make checks/money orders payable to
CBANA/RBS

Or register on the convention website at
www.rbs.cbana.org

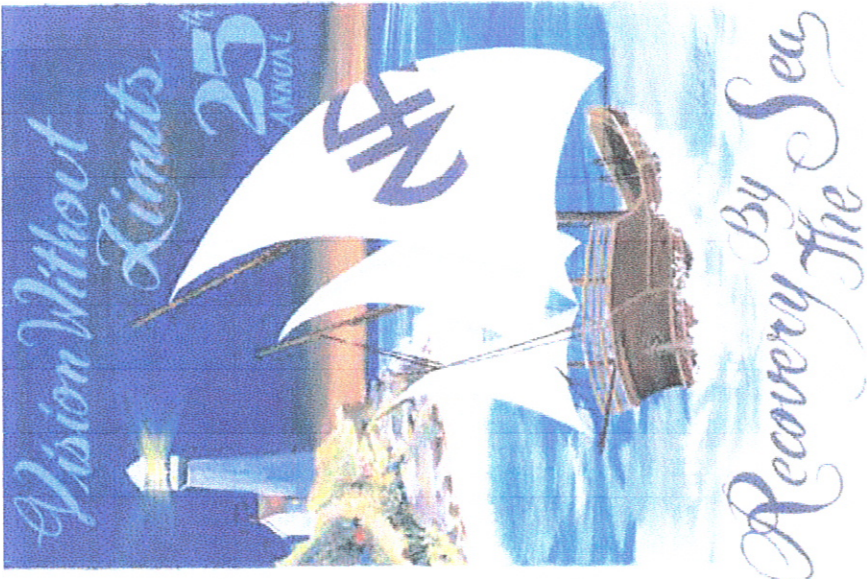
Shirt Color Choices

We are offering different color on preorder shirts this year. Please indicate your color choice with your order:

Black, Grey, Pink and/or Red

Fishing Tournament

Participants are expected to bring their own fishing equipment and Texas Fishing License.



The Coastal Bend Area
of Narcotics Anonymous
presents the 25th annual

Recovery by the Sea
North Padre Island, Texas
July 24-26, 2009

For more information please contact:

Chair: **Mandy S. 361-548-7189**

Co-Chair: **Katrina C. 361-742-1631**

This is an on-the-beach event, so we suggest that you bring the following items:

- camping gear
- water & food
- sunscreen & hat
- baby powder
- first aid kit
- chairs
- flashlight
- light jacket
- an attitude of fun
- a spirit of recovery

From IH 37 take 358 (Padre Island Drive) or from US 181 take 286 (Crosstown Expressway) to 358. Stay on 358 East to Park Road 22 (still called Padre Island Drive.) Take 22 to the Island (Padre Island that is) and continue south until you pass the Padre Island National Seashore welcome sign. The next beach access to the left will lead to the beach. Take a north (left) and drive about a mile and a half. You will see the tents raised and fellowship happening.

Note: If you make it to the entrance to the National Seashore, you have gone too far. Head back north to the above mentioned beach access road.

- **SPEAKER MEETINGS**
- **FISHING TOURNAMENT**
- **CLEAN TIME COUNTDOWN**
- **“JUST FOR TODAY” SUNRISE MEETINGS**
- **OPEN MEETINGS**
- **FUN & FELLOWSHIP**
- **BEACH VOLLEYBALL**
- **RAFFLES & AUCTIONS**
- **RECOVERY JEWELRY**
- **ALL THE COFFEE YOU CAN DRINK**
- **REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE**



For those that desire more comfort:

- **Best Western**
(361) 949-2300
14050 S. Padre Island Drive
- **El Constante Condominiums**
(361) 949-7088
14802 Windward Drive
- **Holiday Inn**
(361) 949-8041
15202 Windward Drive
- **Island House Condominiums**
(361) 949-8166
15340 Leeward Drive

PRE-REGISTER BY JULY 1ST

Registration will increase to \$20.00 after this date

NO SPECIAL RATES

Group:

Tomball New Attitudes

Accomplishments & Forthcoming Plans:

May - celebrate two (1) year participants
 Held TNA Group BBQ Picnic
 Hold elections for open positions
 Plan other TNA Group get-togethers

Problems:

-None-

• Would like others to take interest in group (positions, planning, showing up, etc.)

Upcoming Birthday Celebrants:

Yamit, - 4 years

Area Donation:

\$26.00

Meeting Address/Phone:

715 E. Carrell, Rm. 103 713.502.4364

Meeting Schedule

Day	Time	Open/Closed	Type	Avg. Attendance
Monday	6:30-7:30	open	Lit. Study	7
Wednesday	6:30-7:30	open	Open Discussion	12
Friday	6:30-7:30	open	Chairman's choice	8

Sub-Committee Representative

H&I: _____ Phone: _____ PI: _____ Phone: _____
 F&F: _____ Phone: _____ Lit: _____ Phone: _____

GSR/GSRA

GSR: Billie Stone
 Address: 12315 Westwood Dr
 City, Zip: Tomball TX 77377
 Phone: 832 496 4733
 Pager/Work: _____
 E-mail: family12315@Att.net

GSRA: _____
 Address: _____
 City, Zip: _____
 Phone: _____
 Pager/Work: _____
 E-mail: _____

AREA GSR REPORT FOR June, 2009

New Hope 17703 nonesuch rd
GROUP NAME Orange, TX 77304 **ADDRESS, CITY, ZIP** 936-718-9909 **PHONE**

AREA CONTRIBUTIONS: well **PROBLEMS:** going

UPCOMING FUNCTIONS: None

MEETINGS: SMOKING? YES NO **WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE?** YES NO
BOUNDARY FREE? YES NO

MEETING SCHEDULE				
DAY	TIME	OPEN/CLOSED	TYPE	AVG ATTENDANCE
<u>Sun</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>open</u>	<u>/</u>	<u>10</u>
<u>Tues</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>open</u>	<u>/</u>	<u>10</u>
<u>Fri</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>open</u>	<u>/</u>	<u>15</u>
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GROUP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
CHAIR: Eddy B **PHONE:** _____ **VICE CHAIR:** _____ **PHONE:** _____
SECRETARY: SBM **PHONE:** _____ **TREASURER:** Cindy B **PHONE:** _____

SUB-COMMITTEE REPS
H&I: _____ **PHONE:** _____ **PI:** _____ **PHONE:** _____
ACTIVITES: _____ **PHONE:** _____
LIT: _____ **PHONE:** _____ **POLICY:** _____ **PHONE:** _____

GSR/ALTERNATE
GSR: Robert M **GSR:** _____
ADDRESS: 4545 South Panther Creek **ADDRESS:** _____
CITY, ZIP: #312 Woodlands 77381 **CITY, ZIP:** _____
PHONE: 281-961-4902 **PHONE:** _____
COMMENTS: None **COMMENTS:** _____
EMAIL: sbm1212@yahoo.com **EMAIL:** _____

Daniel

Northside Area GSR Report for 6-7, 2009

Group: Reflections

Accomplishments & Forthcoming Plans:

~~We~~ Accomplished The Campout was a success
And meeting Attendance is up

Problems:

internal Controversy is subsiding and unity is increasing

Upcoming Birthday Celebrants:

Area Donation:

Meeting Address/Phone:

851 Highway 150 Coldspring Tx 77331

Day	Time	Open/Closed	Meeting Schedule Type	Avg. Attendance
10891	Monday 8:00	open	N/A	6
Point Blank TX				
and Monday Step Study Meeting				
LAST Mon. Birthday Night Non Smoking				
Fridays 7pm	open	NA	Non Smoking	
2nd Friday step study Meeting				
Last Friday Birthday Night Non-Smoking eat @ 8pm meet @ 9pm				

Sub-Committee Representative

H&I: _____ Phone: _____ PI: _____ Phone: _____
 F&F: _____ Phone: _____ Lit: _____ Phone: _____

GSR/GSRA

GSR: _____
 Address: _____
 City, Zip: _____
 Phone: _____
 Pager/Work: _____
 E-mail: _____

GSRA: David E.
 Address: P.O. Box 191
 City, Zip: Coldspring Tx, 77331
 Phone: 281 620 1467
 Pager/Work: _____
 E-mail: jameserson@yahoo.com

Northside Area GSR Report for June, 2009

Group:

SERIOUS UNDERTAKINGS

Accomplishments & Forthcoming Plans:

JUNE 23 & 25 WE ARE MEETING AT KATE BARR ROSS PARK
DUE TO V.B.S. @ CHURCH.

Problems:

LACK OF ATTENDANCE

Upcoming Birthday Celebrants:

Area Donation:

\$60.00

Meeting Address/Phone:

WESLEY U.M.C. 700 E. HWY 30

Meeting Schedule

Day	Time	Open/Closed	Type	Avg. Attendance
<u>T</u>	<u>8:00 pm</u>	<u>OPEN</u>	<u>DISC.</u>	<u>5</u>
<u>TH</u>	<u>8:00 pm</u>	<u>OPEN</u>	<u>DISC.</u>	<u>5</u>

Sub-Committee Representative

H&I: _____ Phone: _____ PI: _____ Phone: _____
 F&F _____ Phone: _____ Lit: _____ Phone: _____

GSR/GSRA

GSR:	<u>Don K.</u>	GSRA:	_____
Address:	<u>2213 BADGER LN.</u>	Address:	_____
City, Zip:	<u>HUNTSVILLE, TX 77320</u>	City, Zip:	_____
Phone:	<u>936-662-3554</u>	Phone:	_____
Pager/Work:	_____	Pager/Work:	_____
E-mail:	<u>don.knight_06@msn.com</u>	E-mail:	_____

On the following dates: Tuesday 6/23/2009 and Thursday 6/25/2009
 Serious Undertakings Group of Narcotics Anonymous is meeting at Kate Barr Ross Park, due to church activities that require the entire church.

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*RSU
 of front
 behind
 park*



For more information contact: Don K. at 936-662-3554 or Christy L. at 832-671-7844