

MRSCNA Meeting Minutes

August 2, 2009

Hosted by Southern Mid-Michigan Area

1. Opening

- a. Patty K. opened the meeting at 9:00am with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.
- b. The Twelve Traditions were read by Ryan M.
- c. The Twelve Concepts were read by Al L.

2. Roll Call

- a. Absent – Website Contact
- b. Visitors – Nicholas

3. Chair Report

No report

4. Secretary’s Report - Accepted Minutes

5. Treasurer’s Report – Accepted

			Credit	Debit	Balance
MRSCNA Jun. 2009 Report					\$3,536.29
Deposits/Credits					
Check					
#	Source	Description	Dep.Date		\$3,536.29
	Saginaw Bay				
1148	ASC	Area Donation	6/11/2009	\$150.00	\$3,686.29
	Washtenaw				
1636	Area	Area Donation	6/11/2009	\$600.00	\$4,286.29
	Northwoods				
281	ASC	Area Donation	6/11/2009	\$50.00	\$4,336.29
573	SWMASCNA	Area Donation	6/11/2009	\$150.00	\$4,486.29
2576	CASCNA	Area Donation	6/11/2009	\$14.82	\$4,501.11
3092	Flint ASC	Area Donation	6/11/2009	\$53.64	\$4,554.75
2881	CASCNA	Area Donation	7/7/2009	\$8.34	\$4,563.09
4111	Battle Creek NA	Area Donation	7/31/2009	\$10.00	\$4,573.09
				\$1,036.80	
Payments/Debits					
Check					
#	Source	Description	Chk.Date	Cleared	\$4,573.09
3807	Patti K.	Mileage and lodging	6/7/2009	Y	\$4,364.40
3808	Lizzie S.	Mileage and lodging	6/7/2009	Y	\$4,170.31
3810	Pablo P.	Mileage	6/7/2009	Y	\$4,104.73
3811	Jim B.	Mileage	6/7/2009	Y	\$4,014.73
3812	Marybeth G.	Mileage	6/7/2009	Y	\$3,934.73
3813	MZF	Donation	6/7/2009	N	\$3,834.73

		Valley Plaza 2010/11				
3817	Al L.	deposit	6/7/2009	N	\$317.00	\$3,517.73
3799	WSO(naws)	World Donation	2/1/2009	N	\$400.00	\$3,117.73
					\$1,455.36	

Ending Bank Balance as of Jul. 31, 2009 was \$4215.43.

Ending MRCNA Bank Balance as of Jul. 31, 2009 was \$6609.23.

Greetings Family:

The WSO has not received the \$400.00 check that I mailed to them in February 2009. This report is not complete as I have not yet seen the bank statements for July of 2009. Our current balance is \$3,117.73.

I received an email from Jim B. stating an area had requested the MRSCNA PO box# for the purpose of mailing donations to the region. We currently don't have a PO box. Brian H. was receiving checks mailed to his home address, as have I. We have in the past received mail at the MSO PO box and I'm assuming this is still an option. I am experienced with the costs(~\$60?/year) and footwork(~weekly trips to a post office) associated with maintaining a PO box, and do not recommend the region having one.

I have been working over the last month with Barb P.(MRCNA 24-25 Treasurer) to both pay all the bills associated with MRCNA 25 and document all of the regions revenues/expenditures for 2008, so our accountant can file our tax return by Aug 15th.

Yours in respectful
service,
Bob P.

6. RD Report – Accepted

RD Report Aug. '09

Hello Family, Les and I attended the MZF in Columbus Ohio. The day started with a recovery meeting @ 9 with the business meeting after. I made our \$100.00 donation and was informed that future donations can be mailed to the MZF treasurer (Blynn Morris 5460 Low Gap Rd. Martinsville IN.46151)

The web servant reported that he finally had access to make changes to the mzf site but without changing servers he would not be able to make the changes to the format he thought where needed. He provided an example of the way he would like to see the site formatted and it strongly resembled the world site. He was given the go ahead to change servers and has since launched the new site. It is the same address which is mzfna.org please go check it out. We are going to be able to conduct working groups more readily with the new format as well maintain address books, and discussion boards.

The next MZF will be Oct. 16-18 in Wisc. Where we will be facilitating a workshop on rural recovery, trying to generate interest in starting NA meeting that are not directly tied to a major highway. They provided a map which showed how every meeting in the state was located on or very near a major highway with a huge void in the middle of the state where there are no meetings at all. We will also be meeting Sat. afternoon to get the

admin. and regional reports done so the meeting on Sun. won't be so rushed. There was a motion brought to the Wisc. Region by an area asking to discontinue the new IP For the parents and guardians of young addicts due to traditions violation. That motion died at that meeting as no violation was found. In order for me to go to this meeting I will have to drive 455 miles taking 8 hrs. one way which comes to \$227.00 for mileage @ .25 per plus \$200.00 for lodging. We have been staying off site to save the region money (see the \$68.00 hotel bill for mzf) but I don't want to drive from place to place having driven 8 hours to get to the place in the first place. I don't know what it would take Les to get there and he doesn't charge for mileage (neither did I for the mzf trip) but I don't know if it would be prudent to send us both.

We have been asked for a financial statement showing the amount of money spent sending reps to the mzf by each region.

Mark G from Chicago will be nominated for the co-facilitator position at the WSC by the MZF.

The next CAR workshop will be held Feb. 6th at the O'Hare Hyatte. This is the multi-regional workshop formerly held in Kalamazoo. The MZF will meet Sat night and Sun. that weekend as well.

The MZF has a current balance of \$829.73 to give you an idea they started with \$1887.46 spent \$1480.76 and took in \$423.03. There is expected to be a donation of \$660.00 from Chicago region as well.

In hopes of having a more open line of communication between region and addict I would like to see an RD section on our web page where people could click on and see what is happening in regards to NAWS news, workshops, IDTs and the like. Perhaps an addict will see this and ask his or her area to plan a workshop and invite region to facilitate, which is what we have been trying to do already, carry the message to areas.

I do have a receipt for \$6864 for our lodging at the mzf but no travel/mileage request for then or this weekend either, just happy to serve.

ILS Dave T

7. RDA Report – Accepted

RDA Report

Morning y'all, glad to be amongst Family once again. Attended the MZF Workshops on Saturday, July 25th. The facility was a permanent tent added on to the Hotel, and with the rain coming down, it made for a wonderful environment. I feel they were facilitated very well by Craig and Chriss from the World Board. Craig also did a fantastic open talk at the fund raiser for OCNA 28 that night. I would suggest him as a MRCNA speaker anytime.

There was a NAWS project update time slot before the workshops started. We want to revise the Vision Statement to reflect a more world wide view. There was hardly any input on the revision of "In Times of Illness." Motion dead line for WSC 2010 was over yesterday, August 1st. 3 new Regions will be seated: Malta, Lithuania, and Denmark. A new service being provided by World is each Board Member is being assigned 6-8 RD's to communicate with through out the Conference Cycle. The kinks of miscommunication are being worked out as it progress's. A reminder of the World Wide Workshop being held in Boston on November 20-22. The next two will be in Japan and the Middle East. Times not yet announced. We were given a financial update

that we are \$220,000 under contributions, and are cutting cost and facing financial realities. We did provide over \$625,000 worth of literature in support of our primary purpose. WCNA has over 4,000 addicts from over 54 countries pre registered. As part of cost cutting, there will be no big name entertainers. NA Meetings world wide: global doubled the US in growth in recent years. Future WCNA's: 2011-San Diego, 2013-Phily.

The first Workshop was "Our Freedom/Our Responsibility." We started with about 40 in attendance and finished up with around 70. The 2nd Workshop was "Our Service System-Communication in NA Service" The 3rd Workshop was the "Living Clean Project." It started with around 90 and ended with about 55 in attendance. They all went very well, though we did not have enough time to do much on the Living Clean Project. That should be done with a lot more time dedicated to it. We are coming up on the deadline real fast for input on the Outline and first two chapters, September 15th.

These Workshops all have Session Profiles on line, and attending these helps build up my courage to co-facilitate them here at home, so as per Dave's and my duties, we are offering to facilitate these IDT's or Living Clean Workshops for Area's on request. After talking to Craig from World, and the feed back we got after the workshop we facilitated at R&R at the Fort, I think my and there expectations were to high. Mostly these are to share practices used across the Fellowship, and possibly come up with a new piece of literature or two for all of us to be up to par with each other, on what works best for the rest of the fellowship. If you're really involved in the fellowship and discussing things we all do, then it may seem insignificant. But in the broader scheme of things, like an MZF, it brings out practices I was unaware of. Plus they can be done in a fun, social event, sort of format which addicts of all aspects of recovery can participate in and enjoy equal participation. All the information gathered gets sent back to NAWS, and edited in from workshops all over the World. So invite us to your Area, and something you share may just end up in an IP. I know there's a lot going on in Washtenaw that could help other Area's, so let's all share what works best for you with us.

One thing that came up when I was inquiring on when we would be hosting the MZF next was that it should not be on a Holiday weekend. I've also been hearing feedback in my Area that addicts can't attend MRCNA because it's the 4th of July weekend, and they like spending it with family. I wonder if we should do a survey to see if it would help MRCNA attendance if it was held on a non holiday weekend. Maybe this could be one of the inventory topics. Well I've held you hostage long enough. Hope you all stayed awake through my report, Love Les.

8. MRCNA Report – Accepted

Well, it is over. The individual reports from the different sub-committees are in the first set of minutes from the MRCNA XXIV secretary. I just want to say that each and every member of this committee really did an outstanding job. We went through some things that I have never had to deal with in all the time that I have worked on MRCNA. This includes having to remove a subcommittee chair. This could have torn the committee apart. Instead, everyone pulled together and did their jobs. As a result we had a very good convention. I will let the treasurer tell you how we did on the financial end of it. I will say this every vendor I heard from did very badly this year as far as revenue was concerned. The fact that we did not lose our shirts this year was entirely due to the efforts of the Grand Rapids Area in fundraising and the Merchandise committee in pre-convention sales and at the convention itself.

As I have said in the past I do not know what sort of employment I will have or where I will be this time next year so I will not be able to work on this year's convention. It has been an honor and a privilege to have worked with a fantastic group of addicts that were involved in this year's convention.

In loving service
MRCNA XXIV

**MRCNA 25
Income and Expenses**

<u>Date</u>		<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance</u>
8/17/2008	Funds deposited by region (pre-registrations)	1,100.00		1,100.00
	Pre-Registrations - T&R (\$10 ck/\$80 cash) (Sabrina)	90.00		1,190.00
	MRCNA 24 Merch sales (cash)(Eric S)	20.00		1,210.00
	MRCNA 24 Merch sales (check)(Cat L)	15.00		1,225.00
	MRCNA 24 Merch sales (cash)(Donna S)	50.00		1,275.00
	Donation - No Name Home Group Picnic (cash) (E&F) (Terry J)	58.00		1,333.00
	Pre-Registrations - T&R (\$76 ck/\$140 cash) (Sabrina)	216.00		1,549.00
	Flyers (E&F) (Terry J)		5.81	1,543.19
	Copies (Treasurer) (Barb P)		27.13	1,516.06
	Bank charges/checks/deposit slips (Treasurer)		79.55	1,436.51
	Mileage (186 x .35) (T&R) (Leon)		65.10	1,371.41
9/21/2008	Seed money for function - E&F (Terry J)		75.00	1,296.41
	Pre-Registrations - T&R (Sabrina)	35.00		1,331.41
	Mileage (120 x .35) - T&R (Leon)		42.00	1,289.41
	Natural Life Group Donation - E&F (Fred S)	100.00		1,389.41
	Trophies - E&F (Linda S)		36.00	1,353.41
	Wristbands - E&F (Linda S)		12.72	1,340.69
10/19/2008	Merchandise Sales - Merchandise (Lora V) ck	885.00		2,225.69
	Natural Life Group Donation - E&F (Fred S)	60.00		2,285.69
	TGIF Group Donation - E&F (Vonnee K)	20.00		2,305.69
	Copies - Secretary Exp. (Angela W.)		5.00	2,300.69
11/16/2008	Pre-convention merchandise order (Inv 2392A, 2391)			2,300.69
	(Jonny Logo) (check)		750.19	1,550.50
	Pre-convention merchandise order (Lora V) (check)		768.95	781.55
	Pre-convention merchandese order (Inv NA2421)			781.55
	(Jonny Logo) (check)		621.08	160.47

	(Lora V)		2,446.47
	Preregistrations (T&R) (Sabrina) (check)	15.00	2,461.47
	Donation - Natural Life Group (Fred S) (cash)	100.00	2,561.47
	Flyers (E&F and T&R) (Pablo)	26.50	2,534.97
	Donation - Christmas Brunch (H&H) (Angela)	6.00	2,540.97
3/15/2009	E&F - (airline 768.76, deposit 100, banquet 27.56, returned 3.68) from ckg	900.00	1,640.97
	E&F Fundraiser supplies (Latonya P)	31.39	1,609.58
	E&F - Banquet decorations (Heather)	70.00	1,539.58
	E&F Fundraiser Income (Heather)	39.00	1,578.58
	E&F -returned funds from check	3.68	1,582.26
	T&R - PreRegistration/Comedy Tickets (Sabrina)	20.00	1,602.26
	T&R - Old merchandise sales (Sabrina)	34.00	1,636.26
	T&R - PreRegistrations \$88cks/105cash (Sabrina)	193.00	1,829.26
	E&F - Massages - Donation cash (Pepe)	102.00	1,931.26
	Merchandise Presales \$232cks/623cash (Donna)	855.00	2,786.26
	Convention Information - Flyers (Cat L)	79.91	2,706.35
	Bank Charges (treasurer)	20.00	2,686.35
	T&R - Flyers (Cat L)	79.91	2,606.44
4/19/2009	E&F- TGIF Fundraiser Donation (cash)	85.00	2,691.44
	Merchandise (ck) (Donna S.)	1,500.00	1,191.44
	AirFare (ck) (Programming) (Rita)	1,356.80	(165.36)
	MRCNA Fundraiser (ckg)	240.00	74.64
	Donation - Natural Life Home Group (E&F) (Fred S)	80.00	154.64
	Pre-Registrations (194 cks/279 cash) (Sabrina)	474.00	628.64
	Merchandise sales (Donna)	651.50	1,280.14
	Mailing expense (T&R) (Sabrina)	75.00	1,205.14
	Pre-Registations (T&R) (Sabrina)	25.00	1,230.14
	Bank Charges (treasurer)	20.00	1,210.14
5/17/2009	Postage advance returned (T&R) Sabrina (cash)	8.57	1,218.71

	Pre-Registrations (T&R) Sabrina (90 cash/504 cks)	594.00	1,812.71
	Signage expense (Arts & Graphics) Rob (cash)	250.00	1,562.71
	Secretary expense/copies - Angela (cash)	2.50	1,560.21
	GRASCNA Donation for Hospitality Room (H&H) Cat (ck)	300.00	1,860.21
	Washtenaw Fundraiser (E&F) Heather (cash)	154.00	2,014.21
	Supplies (Arts&Graphics) Rob - cash)	66.99	1,947.22
	Merchandise pre-sales (Merch) Lora V (12 cash/48cks)	60.00	2,007.22
	Printing expense (Programming) Rita (cash)	75.00	1,932.22
	Bank charges (treasurer)	20.00	1,912.22
6/28/2009	Donation/Natural Life Group - Fred S (E&F)	50.00	1,962.22
	Banners - Rob M (Arts & Graphics)	435.00	1,527.22
	Johnny Logo -Donna S (Merchandise)	1,500.00	27.22
	Food/etc - Shomari M (H&H)	700.00	(672.78)

**MRCNA 25
Income and Expenses**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance</u>
		450.00	(1,122.78)
		573.60	(1,696.38)
	29.22		(1,667.16)
	154.00		(1,513.16)
	29.00		(1,484.16)
	1,630.00		145.84
		35.00	110.84
		80.49	30.35
		52.80	(22.45)
		98.00	(120.45)
	100.00		(20.45)
	200.00		179.55
		300.00	(120.45)

	Pre-Registratins (104 cash/25 ck) Sabrina	129.00		8.55
	Bank Charges (treasurer)		20.00	(11.45)
	Pre-registrations (Sabrina)	136.00		124.55
	Convention Income/Expenses:			124.55
7/2/2009	Huggers	255.00		379.55
	T&R	1,392.00		1,771.55
	Merchandise	1,117.00		2,888.55
7/3/2009	Huggers	123.00		3,011.55
	T&R	4,031.00		7,042.55
	Merchandise	2,211.00		9,253.55
	Band (D&F)		500.00	8,753.55
7/4/2009	Huggers	358.00		9,111.55
	T&R	3,274.00		12,385.55
	Merchandise	1,808.00		14,193.55
	Merchandise - Raffle Proceeds	437.00		14,630.55
	H&H return of funds	11.50		14,642.05
	DJ (E&F)		350.00	14,292.05
	Comedian (E&F)		1,700.00	12,592.05
7/5/2009	Jeweler Donation	251.25		12,843.30
	Huggers	120.00		12,963.30
	Photographer Donation	90.00		13,053.30
	Merchandise	1,464.21		14,517.51
	T&R	1,130.00		15,647.51
	Supplies (Programming) (Cat L)		7.00	15,640.51
	Taper Donation	100.00		15,740.51
	Funds collected for Chair gift	106.00		15,846.51
7/6/2009	Hotel Charges (H&H)		6,919.90	8,926.61
	Johnny Logo (Merchandise)		3,626.55	5,300.06
	Slick Shirts (T&R)		5,098.00	202.06

7/15/2009	Generations of Color (Huggers)	390.00	(187.94)
	Presto Print - flyers (T&R)	31.72	(219.66)
	Dandee Printing Co (Programming)	46.50	(266.16)
	Dandee Printing Co (E&F/tickets)	34.50	(300.66)
7/19/2009	Donation (Sat Nite Candlelight)	85.00	(215.66)

**MRCNA 25
Income and Expenses**

Date		Income	Expenses	Balance
7/15/2009	MSO (flyers, basic texts)		624.60	(840.26)
	Charge Sales (deposited to region acct)			(840.26)
7/2/2009	Registrations (T&R)	391.00		(449.26)
	Merchandise	177.00		(272.26)
7/3/2009	Registrations (T&R)	692.00		419.74
	Merchandise	309.00		728.74
7/4/2009	Registrations (T&R)	407.00		1,135.74
	Merchandise	143.00		1,278.74
7/5/2009	Registrations (T&R)	157.00		1,435.74
	Merchandise	118.00		1,553.74
7/15/2009	Adjustment for MRCNA 26 preregistrations sold		1,581.00	(27.26)
		34,030.93	34,058.19	(27.26)

9. Website Contact Report - Accepted

10. MSO Representative Report

Hello Family,

The MSO is still working on getting the website up and running. We are still experiencing problems and it is slowly moving forward.

the MRCNA 25 convention was pretty good for the MSO. Other than that everything is running smoothly and the 25th anniversary basic text is just about sold out.

In loving service,
Chris B.

11. PR Report

The MRSCNA body has decided to combine H&I and PI under the PR umbrella. In an effort to handle all requests in a timely manner, please send all requests to the following contact information.

Marianne G.
3020 Steamburg Rd
Hillsdale, MI 49242

The Regional PR representative will then work with Area H&I/PI chairs to resolve issues and answer requests.

12. Area Reports

a. Battle Creek Area



M.R.S.C.N.A.

Michigan Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous
Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report

Name: Andrew H.

Date: 8/2/09

Area: Battle Creek

Area Meeting Location: United Methodist Church

Area Meeting Day / Time: 4th Saturday/mo, 12 noon

AREA INFORMATION

Number of Groups..... 12 w/ at least 2 per day
Number of Meetings..... 26
Number of H&I Meetings..... 1
Total 7th Tradition Collected..... _____
Region Donation..... \$10.00

AREA CONTACT INFORMATION

	NAME	PHONE	EMAIL
RCM	Joe B.		
RCM alt	Percy D		
Area Chair	Dave R.		
H&I Chair	Andrew H.	month to month	
PI Chair	Joe M.	month to month	
Web Servant	Rob H.		

Greetings from Battle Creek. The # of groups in Battle Creek Area total 12 groups. There is at least 2 meetings a day. We have 26 meetings a week. There is 1 H& I meeting a week at the VA Medical Center on every Wednesday from 8-9pm. Our H&I chair is Larry W. that at this time is month to month. Area chair is Dave R. meet 4th Sat of month. RCM alt is Percy A. We have a donation of \$10.00

Thanks
Andrew H.

b. Capitol Area



M.R.S.C.N.A.

Michigan Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report

Name: Pablo P.
Date: 8/2/09
Area: Capitol
Area Meeting Location: St. Lawrence Board Room
Area Meeting Day / Time: 2nd Sunday

AREA INFORMATION

Number of Groups..... 28
Number of Meetings..... 40
Number of H&I Meetings..... 12 x month
Total 7th Tradition Collected..... n/a
Region Donation..... n/a

AREA CONTACT INFORMATION

	NAME	PHONE	EMAIL
RCM	Pablo P.		
RCM alt	Mari M.		
Area Chair	Jim P.		
H&I Chair			
PI Chair			
Web Servant	James M		
Greetings Family:			

The Capital Area is doing well. Our meetings are listed in my report form. We have no activities planed at this time. Our financial situation continues to slowly improve. We will soon over prudent reserve. Meanwhile we will continue to send a percentage of what we get at Area as a donation to Region.

In Loving Service

Capital Area RCM

c. Flint Area



M.R.S.C.N.A.

Michigan Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report

Name: Heidi D.
 Date: 8/2/09
 Area: Flint
 Area Meeting Location: Victory Church, Brown St.
 Area Meeting Day / Time: last Sun of month @ 1pm

AREA INFORMATION

Number of Groups..... 25
 Number of Meetings..... 34
 Number of H&I Meetings..... 3
 Total 7th Tradition Collected..... ?
 Region Donation..... \$49.00

AREA CONTACT INFORMATION

	NAME	PHONE	EMAIL
RCM	Ron Winters		
RCM alt	Heidi Dayringer		
Area Chair	Kip Peck		
H&I Chair	Ben		
PI Chair	open		
Web Servant	Gary Reed		

Good Morning,
 Flint Area held a marathon meeting from 10am to 10pm on the 4th of July. Next on Labor Day. We cut costs in our H& I program through greater management. Cost cut by 1/2. Wanda C. and Lia resigned their regional position. We have a new group starting 9/21/09 that will be M-F 5-6:30.

The church where we hold marathon meetings has asked us to move. They are having great financial difficulties. We are looking at other facilities.

d. Greater Grand Rapids Area



M.R.S.C.N.A.

Michigan Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report

Name: Ryan M.

Date: 8/2/09
 Area: Greater Grand Rapids Area
 Area Meeting Location: Faith Lutheran Church
 Area Meeting Day / Time: 4th Wednesday, 7pm

AREA INFORMATION

Number of Groups..... 11
 Number of Meetings..... 31
 Number of H&I Meetings..... 1/month
 Total 7th Tradition Collected..... n/a
 Region Donation..... \$114

AREA CONTACT INFORMATION

	NAME	PHONE	EMAIL
RCM	Ryan M		
RCM alt	Roger M		
Area Chair	Fred S.		
H&I Chair	Terrance W.		
PI Chair	Michael B.		
Web Servant	n/a		

Things are going good. We are in desperate need of service positions! We have no secretary, co-secretary, in desperate need. We made a regional donation of \$114. August 29th – predecessors appreciation day – Faith Lutheran Church August 14th – 16th. Natural Life Campout in Belding, MI. H&I has started up meetings in jails, and a monthly H&I meeting.

Still no feedback on regional inventory.

e. Greater Muskegon Area



M.R.S.C.N.A.

***Michigan Regional Service Committee
 of Narcotics Anonymous
 Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report***

Name: Michelle Tennison
 Date: August 2, 2009
 Area: Greater Muskegon
 Area Meeting Location: Bethany Parish
 Area Meeting Day / Time: Third Sunday Feb, April, June, Aug, Oct-Dec. @ 1:30pm

AREA INFORMATION

Number of Groups..... 11
 Number of Meetings..... 26
 Number of H&I Meetings..... 4 once a week
 Total 7th Tradition Collected..... unsure
 Region Donation..... \$20

AREA CONTACT INFORMATION

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PHONE</u>	<u>EMAIL</u>
RCM	Michelle		
RCM alt	Holsey		
Area Chair	Pat		
Treasurer			
H&I Chair	Randy		
PI Chair			
Web Servant	Jeff		

Men's Jail meeting continues once a week. Women's meeting forming, background checks for volunteers being done. Area treasurer has been physically ill but other previous servants in this position are stepping up and helping. Different groups are having summer picnics and get togethers. Bethany group has a dance every other week on Friday.

Livingston County Area



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Name: Marty D _____

Date: 8/2/09 _____

Area: Livingston County _____

Area Meeting Location: Livingston Alano Club 5754 Whitmore Lake Rd.

Brighton

Area Meeting Day / Time: 5:00 PM 3rd. Sunday _____

AREA INFORMATION

Number of Groups..... 10 _____
 Number of Meetings..... 10 _____
 Number of H&I Meetings..... 1 _____
 Total 7th Tradition Collected..... _____
 Region Donation..... _____

AREA CONTACT INFORMATION

	PHONE	EMAIL
RCM Marty D. _____		
RCM alt John D. _____		
Area Chair Joe B. _____		
PR Chair Chris B. _____		
PI Chair _____		
Web Servant _____		

Livingston County is doing well. Our July 18 picnic went well; even though the weather conditions were not favorable it was still well attended. As of right now we have no events plan. Our meetings seem to be doing well. Our mail box has been re-opened and our phone line should be working this week.

Thanks Marty D.

f. Northwestern Area



M.R.S.C.N.A.

***Michigan Regional Service Committee
 of Narcotics Anonymous
 Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report***

Name: Dave Thomas
 Date: 8/2/09
 Area: Northwestern
 Area Meeting Location: Traverse City
 Area Meeting Day / Time: 3rd Sun 4pm 5th and Oak

AREA INFORMATION

Number of Groups..... 7 _____
 Number of Meetings..... 17 _____

Number of H&I Meetings..... 3
 Total 7th Tradition Collected.....
 Region Donation..... \$200

AREA CONTACT INFORMATION

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PHONE</u>	<u>EMAIL</u>
RCM	open		
RCM alt	open		
Area Chair	Jake T.		
H&I Chair	Ben E.		
PI Chair	Guy R.		
Web Servant	Pat H.		

Much chaos in the area. The living clean group recently lost its meeting place @ 5th and Oak after 20 years of holding NA meetings. We are currently searching for a new home. We lost the place due to addicts hanging out in front of the church smoking and such and the neighbors got tired of putting up with us when a pair of addicts got into a confrontation in front of the church. Remember you are Public Image. More will be revealed. Area Elections Later this month and hopefully we will get a new RCM.

ILS,
 Dave T.

g. Northwoods Area



M.R.S.C.N.A.

Michigan Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous
 Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report

Name: Jim C.
 Date: 8/2/09
 Area: Northwoods Area
 Area Meeting Location: Rotates
 Area Meeting Day / Time: 3rd Sunday @ 3pm

AREA INFORMATION

Number of Groups..... 6
 Number of Meetings..... 24
 Number of H&I Meetings..... 1
 Total 7th Tradition Collected..... n/a
 Region Donation..... \$50

AREA CONTACT INFORMATION

NAME PHONE EMAIL

RCM Jim Clifford _____
 RCM alt _____
 Area Chair _____
 H&I Chair _____
 PI Chair _____
 Web Servant _____

Northwoods Area is still struggling w/trusted servants, but we are still alive and serving its groups. Our area changed our meeting time and day to 3rd Sunday @ 3pm. We elected a RCM Alt (Loren) who was unable to attend today due to personal commitments. Our next area fundraiser is the end of the summer camp out, which is at Whispering Camping in Manatoba. Check our website for details.

In loving service,
 Jim C.

h. Saginaw Bay Area



M.R.S.C.N.A.

***Michigan Regional Service Committee
 of Narcotics Anonymous
 Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report***

Name: Matt F
 Date: 8/3/09
 Area: Saginaw Bay

Area Meeting Location: _____
 Area Meeting Day / Time: _____

AREA INFORMATION

Number of Groups..... 46
 Number of Meetings..... 30
 Number of H&I Meetings..... 3
 Total 7th Tradition Collected..... n/a
 Region Donation..... \$300.48

AREA CONTACT INFORMATION

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PHONE</u>	<u>EMAIL</u>
RCM	_____	_____	_____
RCM alt	_____	_____	_____
Area Chair	_____	_____	_____
Treasurer	_____	_____	_____
H&I Chair	_____	_____	_____
PI Chair	_____	_____	_____
Web Servant	_____	_____	_____

Good Morning Reg Family,

I am grateful to report that all is well in the Saginaw Bay Area. We've recently celebrated another 25 year roast for Bill V. and have another one coming soon for Lisa G. We love celebrations. God is good. I received no feedback on Regional Inventory. Everyone expressed confidence in trusting our trusted servants. A lot of excitement about 2010 Convention. We did have a small but financially successful SBA Retreat at Higgins Lake. We voted to donate \$248.00 of that revenue to the region.

We have a number of activities in the up and coming near future. Aug 9th canoe trip at pinrods in Grayling 11am sharp. Bring a bag lunch, towel and swimsuit. It will be fun. Aug 22nd Barcelona Bonfire in Indian Town 5pm. Potluck 7pm speaker and open bonfire meeting in honor of the world convention in Barcelona Spain.

Grateful to be of Service,

Matt F.

i. Southern Mid-Michigan Area

M.R.S.C.N.A

Michigan Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous

Southwestern Michigan Area

Name: Al L.

Date: August 2, 2009

Area: Southwestern Michigan

Area Meeting Location: Buchanan Fellowship Hall

115 N Red Bud Trail, Buchanan, MI

Area Meeting Day / Time: 4th Sunday, 3:00pm

AREA INFORMATION

Number of Groups: 37
Number of Meetings: 75 per week
Number of H&I Meetings: 13 per week
Total 7th Tradition Collected: \$783.00
Region Donation: \$ 0.00

AREA CONTACT INFORMATION

		PHONE	EMAIL
RCM	Al L.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 400px; height: 150px;"></div>	
RCM alt	Dave W.		
Area Chair	Eric S.		
H&I Chair	Al L.		
PI Chair	Benium J.		
Web Servant	Jim B.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 120px; height: 30px;"></div>	kascna@michigan-na.org

REPORT

Hello family. Our Area meetings were held on June 28, 2009 at the New Beginnings Community Church, 63022 North M-66, in Sturgis, MI. and July 26, 2009 at the Big Chicken Barbeque in Nottawa, MI. We elected a new PI Chair, Benium J.

Convention Committee held a fundraiser softball game the weekend of July 25th. A lot of fun was had by all who participated, and the visiting team from Holland went home with the trophy. The Convention Committee is soliciting suggestions for their next fundraising activity.

A local church which allows three of our weekly meetings at one of its facilities has added a sign to its marquee with the name Narcotics Anonymous on it. Some members of our Area expressed concern that this could be in conflict with several of our Traditions. Our new PI Chairperson Benium J. contacted NA World Service for direction on this issue, and received a response stating that this issue should be handled locally between the home groups and the facility. They also stated that they would be available for further direction on this issue if it cannot be resolved in that manner.

We still have not been able to decide on any specific requests for items to be included in the Regional Service Committee's inventory, or if our Area should conduct an Area inventory.

A copy of the PR Guidelines Area Inventory outline was included in our last Area minutes for consideration by the home groups.

Our H&I sub-committee continues to receive requests for meetings at various facilities. Careful consideration of our resources has prevented us from entering any new facilities at this time.

Due to the fact that we are substantially below our established prudent reserve, we are unable to make a financial donation to Region at this time.

The question of Area supplying a webcam for online Region meetings was raised, but no conclusion was reached.

There are lots of fun events planned in our Area for the coming months. Information on all of them is available on the michigan-na.org website courtesy of our web servant Jim B. Please remember that R&R at the Fort is coming up August 14 -16 at Camp Fort Hill in Sturgis, MI.

In Loving Service,

Al L., RCM

j. Washtenaw Area



M.R.S.C.N.A.

Michigan Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous

Name: Bob P.

Date: Aug. 2, 2009

Area: Washtenaw

Area Meeting Location: Peace Neighborhood Center, 1111 N. Maple St, A², MI 48103

Area Meeting Day / Time: 5:00 pm. Second Sunday of the month, except May

AREA INFORMATION

Number of Groups.....29_____

Number of Meetings.....24_____

Number of H&I Meetings..... 6_____

Total 7th Tradition Collected..... ~\$840.00 in June 2009 and July 2009

Region Donation.....\$366.33_____

AREA CONTACT INFORMATION

POSITION

PHONE

EMAIL

RCM Bob P.

RCM-Alt. Julia O.

Area Chair Nicole W.

PR Chair Brett W.

Activities Chair Thomas J.

Web Servant Rick D.

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REPORT:

Hello Family, my name is Bob and I'm an addict, Greetings from the Washtenaw Area:

Things are well in the Washtenaw Area, our ASC meeting continues to be well attended. We have merged the H&I and PI committees into one committee on a trail basis and it still seems to be working. Kudos to Brett W.

Thanks to our Activities Chair Thomas J., who has been busy, we continue to host Games Nights on the third Saturday of the month at the Library for the Blind, we held an area picnic June 28th at Gallop Park, an "Old School" Speaker Jam on July 25th at WCC each event was a resounding success. We have a Unity Day Event/Ice Cream Social slated for August 22, 1:00pm-6:00pm at the Washtenaw Alano Club complete with satellite hook-up to the world convention in Spain, and a Putt Putt Golf Event scheduled for Sep. 5, 6:00pm-10:00pm at Putterz Miniature Golf Course, 2675 Washtenaw Ave. in Ypsilanti, MI. See our website for more information.

We have a \$366.33 donation to region today.

Yours in service,

Bob P.

k. Westshore Area



M.R.S.C.N.A.

***Michigan Regional Service Committee
of Narcotics Anonymous
Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report***

Name: Michelle D.
Date: 8/3/09
Area: Westshore
Area Meeting Location: Manna Church, 9th and Central
Area Meeting Day / Time: 3rd Sun/month @ 4:30pm

AREA INFORMATION

Number of Groups.....5
Number of Meetings.....12
Number of H&I Meetings.....0
Total 7th Tradition Collected.....n/a
Region Donation.....0

AREA CONTACT INFORMATION

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PHONE</u>	<u>EMAIL</u>
RCM	Michelle D.		
RCM alt	Sandy P		
Area Chair	Jeff S.		

H&I Chair Chris D.

PI Chair Dave G.

Web Servant Nick S.

Greetings Family,

Our new area is doing well. Our Road to Recovery group has moved locations to the 70 x 7 ministries building on 22nd and pine. M, T, Th, Sat 8-9:30. Our annual picnic is planned for August 23rd @ Smalenburg Park @ noon. We are attempting to put together a PR workshop for this event. Our Westshore Area Retreat will be held September 25-27 in Hastings, MI. We are currently raising funds for a scholarship program to absorb the costs of a few addicts in our area who want to attend and cannot afford the cost of the weekend.

All area positions are filled and attendance at our area service committee meetings continues to be consistent. We have no regional donation at this time as we are still getting our financial bearings.

ILS,

Michelle D.

13. Old Business

a. Regional Inventory – 1st Draft

Regional Inventory

- RCM's may decide to send this to home groups in their Areas or simply answer the questions themselves using the 1-5 scale such as:
1. Not at all 2. Needs improvement 3. Adequate 4. Outstanding 5. Excellent

When the numbers are totaled for each question, the Region can see what most needs improvement, and what is working well.

How well does the Region serve the Areas?

- How well does the region communicate with areas? _____
- How well does the region respond to the needs of areas? _____
- How well does the region mentor its trusted servants? _____
- How well does the region encourage areas to ask for help? _____
- How well does the region assist areas with public relations issues? _____
- How well does the region foster communications with areas? _____
- How well do RCM's improve that communication? _____
- How well does region assist areas in outreach? _____

The following questions are to be answered in a paragraph or two.

- What function does region provide other than putting on a convention?

- Should the region continue to participate in the zonal forum?

- How can the region improve the way information is passed on to areas?
 - email suggestions to Dave T. dc-freedom@hotmail.com
 - Question #1 – isn't that question re: RCMs? Do we have a solution for problems that may be identified by survey?
 - Our service literature (PR Handbook – inventory section) maps out this problem.
 - Post survey online for people to fill out – no paper?
 - RCM is a SERVICE position with work involved. This is an opportunity to educate and be educated.
 - Remember some of us are newer at service – but we can reach out for help
 - Is this an inventory that Region is doing on itself or are Areas inventorying us?
 - Similar to a 4th step – areas are to provide feedback on what we may want to look at. Then Region will inventory itself
 - Dave T. will revise draft and bring back to next regional meeting.
- b. Webcams?**
 - Majority “no”.
- c. Phone line?**
 - No new information.
 - Taking time, but will be worth it.
- d. PR Umbrella – area suggestions?**
 1. PR Chair with H&I and PI Subcommittees
 2. No one way to do it – WSO doesn't even dictate what
 3. Inventory area to find out where needs are – schools, jails, youth, universities.
 - There is no “formula” at this time.
- e. MZF – October 15-16th in Wisconsin**
 - \$427 for either RD or RDA
 - RD's (Dave T.) thoughts on whether or not we should participate in this MZF?
 1. Personally questions whether or not we should participate. No. Not fiscally prudent.
 2. Should we be spending the \$ to participate in MZF in general?
 - a. In the future, the fellowship may grow to the point of necessitating a representative from MZF will represent multiple regions at the World level.
 - Neither the RD nor the RDA will attend.
- f. PSA's (that are very outdated) in Metro-Detroit Region?**
 - Dave C. reports that not much progress has been made. Suggested a joint effort.
 - MRNA was the region that brought forth the motion to update PSAs last WSC.
 - Suspend WSO donations and use funds for WSAs?
 - Concerns about cost, PR Guidelines, egos.
 - Dave C. will look into actual #s, figures, and Metro-Detroit's intentions and will report in October.

14. New Business

a. MRCNA Attendance

- Holiday weekend issues – survey areas regarding this issue. Would attendance be affected by date change?
- Conventions are held on holiday weekends primarily b/c of hotel availability/cost.
- July 4 is a dangerous holiday for addicts. Good to have a safe place to go.
- “Something about Tradition”
- Extra day off for those who work.
- Holiday actually limits some areas from participating due to tourist season.

b. Membership Surveys

- can be found at <http://questionnaire.disc.na.org/index.php?sid=64131>
- Take to home group members?
- Can access

c. Southwestern Area to be hosting next Regional Mtg

15. Take Back to Areas

a. Membership Surveys <http://questionnaire.disc.na.org/index.php?sid=64131>

b.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

ILS,

Lizzie S.

Secretary

MRSCNA