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May 2009 GSR Minutes

White Lake

May 03

Alt DCM Terry W. opened meeting with a moment of silence for the alcoholic still suffering. Followed by the Serenity Prayer. John N. read The 12 Traditions. A sign-in sheet was passed; there were 15 in attendance representing Crivitz, Carter, Lakewood, Shawano and Wausaukee.

A motion to accept the minutes from last months GSR meeting as printed in The Chronicle, was asked for by John N., Jerry K., 2nd MC.

EDUCATIONAL TOPIC

District Inventory Question 8, Does the District operate in accordance with The AA Steps, Traditions and Concepts?

There was a brief discussion on the spirit of rotation with regard to all the service positions and the need for rotation.

OLD BUSINESS

Mary C. reported on The Fun Fest, everything looking good: still looking for an alateen speaker for 4PM time slot. Website discussion about meeting list phone numbers being at risk for identity theft: if we don't have phone numbers listed how does anyone find the meetings? Further discussion was tabled until next month.

Terry W. brought up the need for a PI Chairperson. There was some discussion after which Mary W. nominated Todd E., Gloria O., 2nd, vote taken and Todd E. is our new PI Chairperson.

NEW BUSINESS

Terry W. suggested that we print in The Chronicle the positions to be filled in October.

Mary C. suggested we keep in mind The International Convention in San Antonio, TX July 1-4, 2010.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PI - New Chairperson no report.

CORRECTIONS - Kimmery R. reported she had attended Moose-N-Goose Corrections Fund Raiser, it was well attended and raised \$2043.00 after expenses. This will be put into buying literature for the prisons and jails. Only problem was they ran out of food. Kimmery R. also reminded us of the Corrections Workshop in Appleton June 27th.

NEWSLETTER - Brian V. reported no news is good news. Everything going okay.

ARCHIVES - Terry S. absent

GRAPEVINE - Mary B. absent

LENDING LIBRARY - Mary W. mentioned there are some CD's and a DVD that have been checked out for a long time and has had inquires for the DVD on Bill W. story, please keep mentioning the Lending Library List at meetings.

Gloria O. made a motion to accept The Committee Reports, John N. 2nd., MC.

Announcements were made. Mary C. made a motion to close the meeting, Gloria O. 2nd, MC. Terry W. closed meeting with Lord's Prayer at 2:45PM.

Respectfully submitted

Mary W. acting Secretary

District 09 Treasures Report

Balance	2049.73
Corrections	176.80
Intergroup Cede Money	175.79
Prudent Reserve	600.00
<u>Website Fund</u>	<u>141.30</u>
Available Balance	955.84

Deposits

Monday Night's Women's	14.80
April GSR meeting basket	25.00
Monday Noon Big Book	75.00
Tuesday One Day at a Time	<u>25.00</u>
Total	139.80

Withdraws

Terry S. (Archives)	48.00
Mary B. (Grapevine)	25.00
St. Augustine Church	<u>15.00</u>
Totals	88.00

Donations may be sent to District 09 Treasurer

Terry Spice
160 Beebe Ave
Peshtigo, WI 54157

Or

Area 74 Treasurer
Mary Jo Rone
2437 Sherman Creek Rd
Eau Claire, WI 54703

Green Bay Central Office has a
new phone #.

(920)432-2600

AA in Hell?

Two AA members die and go to Hell. When they finally get to the demon who completes their intake interview he says, "There must be a mistake."

The demon goes to Satan and says, "These are in the wrong place." and hands Satan the intake report..

After a quick glance Satan says, "You are right." He picks up the phone and calls St. Peter and tells him, "Pete, we've got 2 AA members down here. They are in the wrong place. I want to send them to Heaven."

St. Peter answers, "God doesn't make mistakes. They are in the right place. Just watch them for a while and give me a call back."

A week later Satan calls and reports, Pete. They started and AA group and they have 2 meetings and 21 members. Can I send them all to you?"

Pete replies, "I told you, God doesn't make mistakes. Just watch them for a while and get back to me."

A month later Satan calls again. "They have 14 home groups and 52 meetings now. They have formed an area. I don't understand any of this. What in Hell is going on?"

Pete suggests, "Why don't you go to a meeting and check it out?"

Satan agrees and promises to call back after the meeting.

After not hearing from Satan for 2 months St. Peter is concerned, (After all he is a saint and even worries about Satan.) He picks up the phone and calls Satan,

The phone is answered, "When Hell Freezes Over Region of AA. I am an alcoholic named Satan. How may I serve you today?"

Submitted by Sue C.

"HEARD IT THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE"

The "AA Grapevine" is AA's national monthly magazine fondly referred to our "meeting in print" and is a splendid tool of recovery. The "AA Grapevine" has been published continuously since its first issue in June 1944. In addition to a monthly magazine, the Grapevine also produces anthologies, audiocassette tapes and audio CDs based on published articles, an annual wall calendar, and a pocket planner as well as many books. The complete list of Grapevine books and other materials are available in the Grapevine catalogue, available through your Group or District GvR.

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### **June 2009 Grapevine:**

**The Grapevine features** stories from a hurricane survivor who loses everything; a former musician, screenwriter and cop who at last finds serenity; and a member who gets spiritual at Founder's Day: **Storm Surge:** Even though Hurricane Ike takes all she has, a storm victim still has her program. **The Good Life:** The fast-paced good times start to wear him down and he returns to AA. **Founder's Day Fun:** A biker attends Founder's Day in Akron each year as a form of spiritual maintenance. **Also:** Belly-up vulnerable; It's showtime; You've got to give to get. And MORE.

### **New from The AA Grapevine:**

**A new Book: Voices of Long-term Sobriety:** Old-Timer's Stories from the AA Grapevine. In this collection of stories from the AA Grapevine, old-timers share their wealth of experience in staying sober through good times and bad.

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Humor from Grapevines Past:

A well-oiled lady, spending the day comfortably in a gutter, asked a passing citizen what time it was. She was told the time and was heard to mutter, "I can't figure it out. All day long I've been getting different answers!"

The debonair souse to his wife during his fifth martini and her first: "Darling, you'd better not have anything more to drink. Your face is getting blurry."

One night, I dragged my wife out of a bar and all the way home, judging that she had had one too many. It wasn't until the next morning that I realized I wasn't married.

"**I think** I might be allergic to alcohol," a lady confesses to her therapist. "What makes you think so?" he asked. "Every time I drink I break out in handcuffs." She replied.

The husband of a chronic alcoholic decided to follow her to her favorite tavern one night. He sat himself down beside her and said to the bartender, "I'll have what she's having." The bartender put a shot of bar whiskey in front of the man, who took a sip and began to choke and sputter. "How can you drink this stuff?" he asked his wife. "It tastes terrible!"

"And all these years you thought I was having a good time," she replied.

"**If you give** up drinking," the doctor told his patient, "you will live longer." "It sure will seem that way," came the reply.

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AA members become Grapevine Representatives (GvRs) by volunteering or being elected to the position by their group. The GvR then registers through the Grapevine office at PO Box 1980, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163-1980.

Ph: 1-800-631-6025 or go to [aagrapevine.org](http://aagrapevine.org).

Does your group have an AA Grapevine Representative? If not, perhaps you can be the Grapevine Rep. It's a fun and easy way to do service. Contact me with questions or comments. I would love the opportunity to help. Love in the Fellowship and Yours in Service, Mary Bray – District 09 Grapevine Committee Chair. Ph: 906-864-0269..

## **To All Groups**

**This is an election year. In the spirit of rotation GSR's and all District positions should rotate.**

**District positions include**

**DCM and Alt. DCM**

**Treasure**

**District Committee Chairs**

**Public Information Corrections**

**Newsletter Archives**

**Grapevine Lending Library**

**Nominations will be in September at GSR meeting**

# So what is there to do?

## GSR Meetings

**May 31**

Menominee Alano club  
2218 13th Street  
Menominee, MI

**June 28**

1st American Lutheran Church  
511 Madison  
Oconto, WI

Meetings start at 2PM

**Upcoming Speakers  
Common Solutions Group  
7PM**

**Menominee Alano Club  
2218 13th Street  
Menominee, MI**

**Patti H from Menominee, MI June 24  
Nancy C from Menominee, MI July 22  
Dave D from Fon du lac Aug 26**

## Intergroup Schedule

**June 27**

Emmanuel Lutheran Church  
349 Main Street  
Seymour, WI

**July 18**

Good Shepherd Parish Hall  
62 E Main Street  
Chilton, WI

### **A 60 years sober celebra- tion**

for Germaine K  
**on Sunday June 14, 2009**  
at Emmanuel Luth Church  
2901 13th Street  
Menominee MI

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12:30pm Fellowship
1:00 Pot Luck Meal

Bring a dish to Pass
Fun and sharing to follow

Northeast Wisconsin Tristate Roundup

June 19-21

**Radisson Hotel & Conference
Center**

**2040 Airport Drive
Green Bay, WI**

**Darren J (920)360-5700
Char S (920)819-5509**

Wisconsin & UP Corrections Conference

**June 27
8:30-3:45**

**Thompson Community Cen-
ter**

**820 W College Avenue
Appleton, WI**

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dress. Make payment to District 09
treasure Terry Spice.

Newsletter may be sent free of charge
through email.

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By living One Day at a Time the following have reason to celebrate!!!

1-Jun-08	Scott	Shawano	1yr
6-Jun-91	Pattie H	Menominee	18yrs
8-Jun-95	D J	Oconto	14yrs
10-Jun-49	Germaine K	Menominee	60yrs
10-Jun-90	Tom H	Peshtigo	29yrs
14-Jun-79	Sonny P	Lakewood	30yrs
14-Jun-92	Susan S	Menominee	17yrs
18-Jun-91	Steve S	Marinette	18yrs
18-Jun-95	Ellie H	Oconto	14yrs
19-Jun-06	Adele G	Crivitz	3yrs
19-Jun-07	Renee	Crivitz	2yrs
24-Jun-85	Mary W	Shawano	24yrs
25-Jun-00	Karl	Crivitz	9yrs
30-Jun-06	Sue C	Menominee	3yrs

Remember we all still have TODAY!!!

In memory of George S.
1928-2009

Sobriety date July 30, 1972
Realized his wish, to die Sober
5-22-2009