

Officers of SCANA P = Present

Chair: Carrie B. P. Vice Chair Tim D. P.
 Treasurer: Debi D. P. Secretary Jeanie W. P.
 R.C.M. Jeff Mc. P. R.C.M. Al Peter B. P.

South Central Service Committee

Meeting August 5, 2007

Subcommittee Chairs

Public Info. Ullonda S P. H. and I. Paul B. P.
 Literature Victoria R P. Activities Tya P.

**No June 2007 Area Met this year.*

SCASO Randy J. P.

Sunday Group	G.S.R.	Aug.	July.	May.	Apr.	Mar.	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.
10:30 a.m. SCANAMOSA	Steve B.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
7:00 p.m. Sunday Nite 7 p.m.	John L.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
7:00 p.m. Free On The Inside	Jackie W.	X									
7:30 p.m. Eastside Recovery	Kim H.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Monday Group											
12:00 p.m. Our Primary Purpose	Becky	X	X	X	O	X	X	X	X	X	X
7:30 p.m. Spiritual Hour	Lloyd	O	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	O	O
7:30 p.m. Never Alone (Adel)	Bobby T.	O	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Tuesday Group											
7:00 p.m. Harbor of Serenity	Jason W.	O	O	X	X	O	X	X	X	X	X
7:30 p.m. Unity In Action	Janus M.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
7:00 p.m. Unity Of Women	Jess F.	O	O	O	X	X	O	O			
7:30 p.m. Balancing Act of Recovery	Matt J.	O	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Wednesday Group											
12:00 p.m. Just For Today	Mike C.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
7:00 p.m. Recovery on the River	Tim N.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
7:30 p.m. We Came To Believe	Clifford F.	X	X	O	O	X	X	X	X	X	X
8:00 p.m. We Found Hope	Scott K.	X	X	X	X	O	X	X	X	X	X
Thursday Group											
7:00 p.m. Prncpls of Rec. The Steps(2x)	Denis W.K.	X	X	O	O	O	O	X	X	X	O
7:00 p.m. The Uncut Group	Tonya P.	O	O	X	X	O	X	X	X	X	X
7:00 p.m. Found a Way Out		O	O	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
7:00 p.m. We Do Recover	Jay F.	O	X								
Friday Group											
12:00 p.m. Found A Way Out	Ross K.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	O
7:00 p.m. Free Addicts Recovering	Haley	X	X	O	O	X	X	X	X	X	X
7:30 p.m. New Beginnings	Matt C.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
8:00 p.m. Free on Friday	Traci D.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Saturday Group											
9:00 a.m. Sat. Morn. Basic Txt Study	Tim G.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
7:00 p.m. Saturday Nite Live	Julie R.	O	O	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
7:30 p.m. Saturday Night Salvation	Dawn M.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
7:30 p.m. Living Clean	Scott F.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Group Assemblies											
Mon./Thurs. Serenity JFT	Luther B.	X	X	X	O	X	X	X	X	O	X
Courage To Change	Cory	O	X	X	X	X	O	O	O	X	X
Truth or Consequences	Alicia E.	O	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Wed./Sat. Ames		O	O	X	X	O	X	X	X	X	X
Seekers of Serenity	Jim	O	X	O							
Central City	Julie W.	O	X	O	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Port of Entry	Emily W.K.	X	X	O	O	X	X	X	X	X	X

Visitors: Dell J., Tina M., Leon D., Jackie W., Tom D.

Quorum: We had a floating forum, not 2/3 to vote. Decided only need 50% for voting

Groups recognized by SCANA, not in voting status:

Note to GSR's: Three consecutive absences will result in a group being removed from the roll call and the termination of voting privileges until the group attends 2 subsequent meetings. Voting privileges will be reinstated on the 2nd consecutive attendance.

X=present O=absent

Service Motivation- Denis W.K.

12 Traditions- Scott F.

12 Concepts- Traci D.

Officer's reports:

Chair: Stated that she would have to leave at 4 p.m. and then Tim D. would take over. Discussed that we would be covering the Convention update and the new meeting schedule. Otherwise, no report., Carrie B.

Vice Chair: Greetings Area.: I did not make it to all the sub-committee meetings today. I am sure and have confidence that the sub-committee chairs will inform you all on what I missed. As for the rest of my report, just ask because I hate to write. I.L.S., Tim D.

Treasurer: Treasurers report August 5, 2007. Greetings area. Let me first start by apologizing for my behavior last month at area. I have not yet learned how to not react when I'm attacked (it's a work in progress). Today's opening balance is \$2143.63 which is still \$2315.59 below prudent reserve. I would also like to take this opportunity to say a few things. It's been brought to my attention that there are a few people who would like to ask for my resignation as your area treasurer. I'm confused as to why as I have researched the reason for removing an officer from their position and to my knowledge I have not violated any of them. Last month at area I as the treasurer did not hid the fact that there were 3 checks written in June to provide money for the June Activity. Nor did I hide the fact that there were only 2 signatures on the checks. This appeared to upset some people as policy does require 3 signatures. I could have said nothing and entered the checks in with July's as no one but the people who got the checks would have known but I chose to be honest and let you all know and for my honesty I was chastised. This is not the first time there have only been 2 signatures on checks as a matter of fact there have been past treasurers that only used one signature and said nothing to anyone. This was the first time that I've not secured 3 signatures on a check but I can guarantee you, it will not happen again as long as I'm area treasurer. Which leads me back to people who want to ask for my resignation my questions is why as I stated above, I to my knowledge have not violated any of the criteria as stated in policy for which officers can be removed but, if you chose to ask me to step down I will do so. There is a lot of disunity continuing to spread itself throughout our monthly area meeting as well as the meetings themselves and I'm starting to understand why people walk away with substantial clean time in our area. It's extremely difficult for me to watch what is happening to our area, the lack of respect, the bickering, the taking other peoples inventory, and the outright meanness of others is becoming something that I as a member of Narcotics Anonymous do not want to participate in. I understand that we don't all like each other; I understand that it's difficult to practice principals before personalities but if we don't start to respect, and appreciate others good and bad qualities, we are going to destroy our fellowship. NA can and will survive without us but we will not survive without NA. I have tried my best to fulfill my duties as your area treasurer and will continue to do so for the balance of my term if you chose to leave me in this position but I will not allow people to walk all over me and not stand up for what I believe in. In service to God and NA, Debi D – Area Treasurer

Secretary: Greetings Area. Seems like a long time since we have met here at Area. Not much to report, just be sure to put your name and address/email address at the bottom of the report. I don't know why people do not get their minutes. I mailed out 17 and e mailed 15. I sent one to Victoria because another G.S.R. lives with her and then I also emailed her one. As for the others, I cannot tell you why you didn't get it. I sent them out with what addresses I have. Thanks, In Gratitude to Serve Scana, Jeanie W.

RCM: Hey – As you all know the next Region will be August 18th 2007 @ The Boys and Girls Club on 14th and Nebraska St., Sioux City, IA. Subcommittees meet @ 10:00 a.m., Literature Subcommittee and Lunch @ Noon, Open Forum @ 1p.m. IRSC@ 2:00p.m. The items on the agenda are: Old Service: A)

Literature Subcommittee Policy B) Nominations/Election of IRCNA Standing Subcommittee Officers: i) Chairperson (1) Charlotte S. ii) Vice Chairperson (1) Tim G. iii) Treasurer (1) Jeff M. iv) Secretary (1) Dick M. New Service: A) Nominations i) Secretary ii) Treasurer In Service, Jeff McD.

RCM ALT: Greetings Area – No Report – looking forward to I. R. S. C. in S.C. Aug. 18th. Grateful in Service, Peter B.

Public Information: Good afternoon SCANA AREA, In P.I. this month we had a total of 3 in attendance. This month there was 116 calls on the phone line, a lot of out of town visitors. On the web site we have hit a 3rd time high of 6,220. Just a little reminder, P.I. subcommittee has plenty of positions that need to be filled. May we encourage you to come on in, sit right, give a little back to N.A. instead of just taking from it!! In Loving Service, Ullonda S. More will be revealed!! P.S. At the Regional level, we did find out that we are not getting the State Fair Booth this year. We will keep trying.

Hospitals and Institutions: Greetings Area. It was a calm day in H. & I. Don't forget about the H. & I. Learning Hour this Saturday at Jester Park at 6 p.m. H. & I. Chair - Paul B.

Literature & Archives: Hello partners in recovery. We had a very productive meeting this morning. A lot of business was handled. The newsletter was finalized and will be ready for September distribution. The next newsletter topic is, "The 12 Steps of N.A: How do they work for you?" Please be sure to announce this at your groups. We are hoping for lots of submissions. Along those same lines, we also elected a new Alt. Editor, Tom D. Although we are a somewhat smaller sized subcommittee in attendance numbers, we carry on strong. This does not mean we don't need more members, we do. Come join us at 9:15 a.m., the same day as A.S.C. meeting. Victoria R.

Activities: Greetings Area. All went well with Activities today. September event has been changed to a Spiritual campout. I.L.S., Tya B.

From SCASO: Thank you, Randy J.

GROUP REPORTS:

SCANAMOSIA- Greetings Area from SCANAMOSIA We have had an average of 15 people per meeting and 2 newcomers. We also continue to carry a strong message of recovery to all. In loving service, Steve B.

Sunday Nite 7 p.m. Everything is going well at Sunday Nite 7 p.m. We are giving a strong message of recovery. We had 15 new comers with an average attendance of 35. Our rent was paid, literature and supplies were paid and we gave Area a donation. Group concern, no minutes, never have. - I.L.S. John L.

Free on the Inside- Hello, my name is Jackie. I am a new G.S.R. for the new women's meeting of Narcotics Anonymous named "Free on the Inside". We meet every Sunday night at 7 p.m. @ 18th and Woodland in the Beacon of Life. At this time, we are requesting a starter kit from Area. We are a fully self supporting meeting. All Narcotics Anonymous Traditions are being carried out. Please pick up flyers to take back to your groups. Thank you, Jackie W.

Eastside Recovery- Due to my absence at the last business meeting for Eastside Recovery, I have no report other than we elected a new G.S.R. Alt., Misty S. Eastside is still sharing a strong message of recovery. We had an Area donation of \$22.21. I.L.S., Kim H.

Our Primary Purpose- Dear Area: As of last Monday OPP was informed that we will be needing to find a new place to meet. Thanks to a member we will be meeting at 25th and University at the First Christian Church, room 314. Take the elevators up. It will start on Aug. 13th. Thanks to the member for coming together on that. Sept. will be my last month as G.S.R., so there is a service position open. They are also needing a secretary. I.L.S. Diane C.

Monday Night Spiritual Hour- The total attendance for the month was 88 with 8 newcomers. The total 7th Tradition for the month of July was \$141.93. We are spending \$116.30 on literature and supplies, and donating \$25.63 to the ASC. We should mention that two months ago we changed policy concerning G.S.R.'s for our group. We have done away with the G.S.R. Alt. and by group conscience have decided to have two G.S.R.'s, a "Senior and a Junior". If there are any questions concerning this, it can be explained next month. Come down and see us on a Monday night. In service through illness, George M.

Never Alone- (Adel) Thanks everyone for your continuing support. I.L.S. , Bobby T.

Harbor of Serenity- Everything is still going good. I.L.S.W.M.G., George F.M.

Unity in Action- Hello Area. We continue to carry a strong message of recovery. Attendance continues to grow, a long with the number of new comers. We spent \$82.75 on Literature and materials, and donated \$62.25 to Area. \$25.00 was held back for the possibility of hiring a babysitter. Janus M.

Unity of Women- No report ~ Jess F.

Balancing Act of Recovery- (Ankeny) Greetings Area. Matt J.

Just For Today- The meeting is going strong averaging 15-30 addicts in attendance each week. All positions are filled. There is an average of 1 – 3 newcomers each week. Mike C.

Recovery On The River- Greetings Area. All is good at Recovery on the River. See us there for a strong message of recovery. I. L. S., Grace - Tim N.

We Came To Believe- Greetings Area. All is well, attendance was at 200 this month with 19 new comers. We have had a good month. We purchased \$119.40 in literature and bought tags. We gave \$55.56 to Area. I. L. S., Clifford F.

We Found Hope- Greetings family from We Found Hope. Our mid week meeting continues to carry the message of experience, strength and hope. Our average attendance for July has been about 20 people per week and have welcomed 6 newcomers this month. Hope everyone in my N.A. Family is doing well. I.L.S., Scott K.

Principals of Recovery: The Steps, The Steps, The Steps- Hello Brothers and Sisters! First, I wish to thank the Sat. Morning Text Study for allowing me to serve them and N.A. for the last 2 years as their G.S.R. Tim G. is their new G.S.R. and will do an excellent job. Now, for my report... “The Principles of Recovery: The Steps, The Steps, The Steps”, (Not Fleur Step Study), is doing very well with Solid focus on what helps us stay clean, (we will be on Step 4 on Thursday, August 9th, 2007). We purchased supplies and paid rent. Grand Sponsor’s and Sponsor’s... bring your sponsee’s to the meeting that teaches the principles, (and has great “Meeting After the Meeting” @ Cup O’ Kryptonite at 8:45 – 9:00 p.m. or so). Do you want...

Really Want to be part of the solution and of Unity in this area, Your/our fellowship and our personal recovery? Learn, Teach and Practice the Principles! See you maybe on Thursdays. See You Thursday, Yours in Service, Denis W.K.

Uncut Group. Thursday night. I.L.S., Tonya P.

Found A Way Out Indianola- No report

We Do Recover- Greetings from the We Do Recovery meeting. We averaged 20 in attendance, greeted 9 newcomers, paid \$20.00 rent, purchased \$19.20 in supplies, and donated \$27.58 to Area. The meeting is now air conditioned. I.L.S., Jay F.

Friday Noon/Found A Way Out- Meeting is going good. Attendance is steady. Lots of newcomers. 7th Tradition distribution – Rent Paid until September – Lit. \$15.40 – ASC Donation - \$20.45. Ross K.

Free Addicts Recovering Together- Greetings Area, I. L. S., Hayley D.

New Beginnings- Greetings Area ~ New Beginnings meeting is alive and strong. We had a total of 152 addicts in attendance and a total of 5 newcomers. We brought in some money, paid rent and the babysitter, and bought supplies. I.L.S., Nikki H. G.S.R. Alt.

Free On Friday- Hello All! Free on Friday is happy to report we are carrying a strong message of recovery. One way we do this is to give a Basic Text to every “first timer” who finds their way into our meeting. Attendance has been down some over the summer, with an average of 75 per week. Our 7th Tradition took in \$139.81. We spent \$128.00 on supplies and donated \$11.81 to Area. I. L. S., Traci D.

Somos Milagros- (Bi-Lingual/Spanish) No report

Sat. Morning Basic Text Study- All goes well Saturday morning. Thanks to Dennis W.K. for being G.S.R. I hope to fill the position by serving this group as best I can in the next year. I. L. S., Tim G.

Saturday Night Live- Greetings Area. I.L.S. Julia R.

Saturday Night Salvation- Greetings Area. All is going well at Saturday Nite Salvation. We had a total attendance of 93, with 13 newcomers for the month of July. Our total income was \$110.30, \$84.15 being spent on rent and literature, with a donation of \$26.15 to Area. Come share your experience, strength and hope with us on Saturday Night at 7:30 p.m. In loving service, Dawn M.

Living Clean- Living clean is carrying a strong message of recovery. Our meeting is growing with 16 newcomers and 59 in total attendance. We spent \$52.80 on Lit. All money spent on Lit. order and none left for Area. We will bring some in next Area to help support carrying the message of recovery. I.L.S., Scott F.

GROUP ASSEMBLIES:

Seekers Of Serenity (Ames) Monday – 7 p.m. & Wednesday – 8:30 p.m. –Loving Service, Jim D.
Mon./Thurs. Serenity Just For Today (Ames) – Our group is doing well. We’ve had the guys from the Youth & Shelter Services at both our Monday and Thursday meetings. They say they appreciate our welcoming them and like coming to the meetings. We’ve averaged 15 to 20 people per meeting. After expenses we were able to pass on \$49.59 to Area. We had a few newcomers and hope they come back. Sincerely, Luther - Addict.

Mon./Fri. Truth Or Consequences- 4 Ever Grateful, Robby E.

Wed./Sat. Seekers of Serenity- (Marshalltown, IA.) Dear Area, In Loving Service., Randy J.

Port Of Entry- Meetings continue with a house full every Friday and Monday night. We are fully self-supporting and care is our own Guardian N.A. angel. I. L. S., Emily JWK.

Central City- No report.

CLEAN TIME ANNIVERSARIES SINCE LAST AREA

30 Days-

90 Days

9 Mo.s -

18 Mo.s – Haley D., Scott F.

60 Days – Nicki B.

6 Mo.s - Dell J.

1 Year- Cliff F.

Multiple Year –Ullonda S. and Paul B.

Key Tags – Thanks for the person in the fellowship who helped out with the keytags.

Motion

Emily W.K. made a motion for a vote of confidence in our Area treasurer, but it appears that has already been done, and this was out of order.

Intent: To keep Deb from stepping down as some people in the fellowship feel want to happen.

The Motion was never even seconded and declared out of order.

Motion never voted on, disregarded.

Of Intrest:

- Deb shared that we had to pay \$10.00 for counting \$60.00 in change. This was the first time we were charged for that service. It is \$10.00 for one bag of change. Please try to cash your change in before you bring it to Area.
- Deb also shared about members in the fellowship wanting her to step down from her position as treasurer. She read the report above. Emily W.K. gave a vote of confidence in her as our Area treasurer. Emily stated that she has known Deb for 20 years and she has given of herself, overcome financial and emotional stress. She felt that she has never violated her sacred trust with N.A. and that she has a passion for N.A. Denis W.K. also shared that it is easy to character assassinate someone when you don’t have to step up, and make up rumors. You will not destroy this fellowship. There will be a price to pay for it. Victoria called for a point of order. Carrie added, “Done!” Carrie said, “You voted us in. We didn’t choose to be up here and we are moving on.”
- Russ asked, “Should we read reports?”
- Jackie W. was requesting a starter kit for the new meeting on Sunday nights at 7 p.m. The meeting is called “Free on the Inside” and will be held at the Beacon of Life located at 18th and Woodland in Des Moines. No males under 12 yrs. old allowed.

- **Convention Update:** Tim shared that we finally got in touch with the detective. He called and was told that the detective wasn't getting any cooperation from the bank, so he can't do anything with out that help. He can't do anything unless we want to make a Civil Court Case. If we chose to do that we would have to sue everyone on the committee, so we decided why should all the people perish for the actions of some. What it comes down to, is that we chalk it up to experience and make sure it doesn't happen again to this Area. We need protection put in place so we don't repeat our mistakes. Tim stated that if this would have been put into place, it would have had a whole different outcome. We have already seen it. Arguing and bickering and there's nothing we can do about it. We can only blame ourselves and need to take care now and move on. We need to bring our Area back together.
- We should have had 35 people (G.S.R.'s) here. We will continue to get smaller and smaller if we don't step up and act accordingly.
- Peter didn't want to drag it on more, but he wondered if we could continue to look into it, pressure the bank or are we just going to screw it.
- Deb stated that the checking account was not set up correctly. The bank only looks at one signature. She mentioned that we did have a name of a women that we talked to previously at the bank.
- Tim D. had a conversation with the bank and the bank doesn't want anything to do with what is going on.
- Denis W.K. asked if we have a copy of World Recommendations, any information or suggested guidelines, so we can get something put in place for our next policy. The way we have G.S.R.'s involved - stop talking shit, start talking recovery, start getting involved and be a part of the solution – you're the problem.
- Tya said that the bank may not even have a tape anymore, maybe that's why they don't want to cooperate.
- Mike C. stated that this should have been taken care of right away. We have a responsibility to take care of this fellowship, it should not take 3 months to get around to it. We need to form a policy. It would not have happened it policy had been in forced. Now the fellowship is owed a bunch of money and the fellowship is going to shreds.
- Tim N. stated that when we first made the motion, we wanted it to be dealt with immediately and nib it in the bud. We thought it was a done deal. Others agreed with Tim with that assumption that it was going to get taken care of right away.
- For One, the checking account needs to be set up right – 3 signatures and those three should be held responsible. Maybe we should check out another bank. We don't want to get personal.
- Tya said that the only other alternative is to sue everyone on the committee. She cried that she needed N.A. and stated, "I had nothing to do with it. This is my life." She added that people had taken from her too. She proceeded to walk out.
- Mike C. stated that we need to get the investigation right. No one said that we would do that. (Meaning sue to whole committee).
- Paul shouted, "I was a member of the committee, if you do F_ck you All!"
- Tim explained that their is other alternatives.
- Carrie stated that we were having disunity.
- Mike C. said that we need a legal procedure.
- Carrie said that we can ask the detective.
- Tim N. stated that it would have been best to talk to the bank people in person because by talking to them on the phone, they blew Tim D. off. He stated that he would never do that over the phone.
- R.C.M. announced that their will be a new meeting schedule made. Marshalltown will be taken off and so will Grinnell. Wednesday meeting at Lutheran has moved to the B level. That will be changed also. Carrie mentioned any changed to give to Jeff right now so they can be made.

- Some mentioned leaving Marshalltown on for awhile and Mike C. said, no, that they are not a part of this Area, so we don't need to do that. We need to find out what the boundaries are. Cities themselves have decided where they want to go.
- It was shared that there will be a Spiritual Campout the 21st and 22nd at Jester Park at 6 p.m. We will have an H. and I. Learning Day.
- It was discussed that we didn't get the booth at the State Fair because we were late getting the application in time.

Opening Balance: \$2,143.63

Closing Treasurer Report: \$2,917.00 **Approx. Below Prudent Reserve:** \$1,864.51

Floating prudent reserve fluctuates. Because of the change of policy this will always vary from month to Month.