

**Louisiana Region of Narcotics Anonymous
Committee Meeting**

Meeting convened at 10:00 am Date: July 08, 2018
12 Traditions – Ron G
Concepts – James G
Purpose – Pixie S

Administrative Committee

Chairperson – Lori C	Absent	(504) 939-2999
Vice-Chair – Pixie S	Present	(225) 335-4941
Treasurer – Wanda McD	Present	(423) 903-0012
Secretary – Nikki B	Present	(337) 884-0231
Regional Delegate -	Open	
RD Alternate – Ronald D	Open	
RD Elect – Lee P	Present	(972) 898-2796

Standing Committees

A&F - Melissa R	Absent	(985) 517-0257
H and I - Tyrone D	Present	(337) 693-9630
Outreach– Robbie L	Present	(318) 446-4474
Public Relations –	Open	
Policy – Doug F	Present	(318) 447-1241

Interested Parties

BOD Chair – Bob S	Present	(225) 335-4940
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Area Service Representatives

Acadian – Terry V	Present	(337) 693-9630
Greater Baton Rouge – Jessie G	Present	(225) 288-7280
Bayou Recovery – Elmore B	Present	(225) 663-0313
Central – Frank A	Present	(318) 446-4474
Lake – Scotty H	Present	(337) 304-3419
New Orleans – James G	Present	(504) 234-1120
North – Ron G	Present	(337) 513-9855
Northshore – Trent H	Present	(985) 801-9281
Unity – Steven H	Absent	(504) 377-7491

Vice Chair Report

Hello Everyone:

We had a great Regional Convention here in Shreveport this past May. Thank you to all that helped put it on as well as those who attended and made it a success. I want to also thank Lee P. for stepping up at the last minute and representing our Region at the World Service Conference. Can't wait to hear what's happening at the World Service level.

To all our ASR's, I hope you each brought from your areas the Yearly Report that was requested during our last Regional Service Committee Meeting. It is located under "Reports" and "Yearly Reports". Those questions need to be answered and given to our Regional Delegate. It does state in Odd Years but it was requested we bring this to our even year to get into the habit of having this information available.

To all Committee Chairs, it was requested that you contact all the committee chairs from each area to have them attend Region on Saturday as that is the purpose of Region on Saturdays. You were also supposed to have your agendas and budgets for the upcoming year.

I really want to thank everyone for allowing me to serve. I appreciate having the ability to give back to this fellowship. I am humbled and honored.

Thanks for listening.

Sincerely,
Pixie Storer

**Motion to accept Jan 2018 minutes
Passed**

ASR Reports

Acadiana

Hi everyone

My name is Terry V representing Acadiana area. Everything is going well. Acadiana area has 10 meeting places with 31 meetings a week. Attendance is well and all service positions are filled. H&I has 5 commitments that are all filled and doing well with bringing 18 meeting a month.

In loving service

Terry V

Bayou Recovery

Bayou Recovery Area has 16 home groups carrying 41 meetings each week. Our H&I carry 4 meetings into local facilities and 4 units at dci prison in Jackson, LA as well as LCIW. Meetings at DCI are bi-weekly and LCIW has gone from bi-weekly to weekly. Areas are encouraged to support these prison meetings by attending the DOC orientations. See attached scheduled.

In loving service,

Elmore B

Bayou Recovery Area ASR Alt

Central Area

Hey family

Central Area is doing well. We currently have 9 active groups and 24 regular meetings each week. Now I'm not for certain so don't quote me but the area fluctuates from 150-300 active member. The treatment centers as well as other facilities have been coming to our meetings. H&I currently host 3 presentations a month at pathways, edgefield, and longleaf. We will be hosting our 4th annual Unity Day at Chicot state park on Sept. 21-23. Today we have a donation to the region of \$71.67

Thanks for allowing me to be of service

Frank A

ASR CLANA

Greater Baton Rouge Area

Good morning family.

The great Baton Rouge have 9 home group 30 meeting a week 50 to 60 new comer. We have our business meeting every 2nd sat of each month our area have a donation of \$92.60

Thank you for letting me be of service

Jessie G

Lake Area

Hi Family,

I am representing the Lake Area. Our area has 7 groups and 38 meetings a week.

We have 3 groups that are no longer holding meetings since the last region. The Hope Group that meets in Leesville, LA are being contracted because of their rogue status. The Lake Area is working with Outreach to deal with the group and help them follow traditions of NA.

The H&I commitments are to the local state funded treatment center on Sundays and the Calcasieu Parish Jail on Fridays and Tuesday's Lake Area Freedom, Agape and Spirt of the Bayou all have monthly speaker meetings. The Howl group has quarterly speaker meetings. Upcoming events are

Agape and Freedom's anniversaries. Agape is in July and Freedom is in August. The Agape group is currently searching for a new building for their meetings as their lease is up in November.

Lake Area will be hosting Region in October.

Lake Area has a 7th tradition of 200.00. Please see flyers for all events.

In Loving Service

Scotty H.

New Orleans Area

New Orleans Area currently has twenty-eight home groups and fifty-two meetings per week. We also have six weekly H&I commitments being fulfilled. Our last Area meeting we've had some new developments in that PR/PI (which myself and Lee P are involved in) have begun an endeavor to create a packet of Informational Pamphlets to put in the hands of the appropriate health care professionals to disseminate in their respective institution/facility/treatment center in the New Orleans area.

We also have two workshop/NA related learning events happening soon in our Area. The first is an H&I Learning Day that will happen from 11:00am to 4:00pm at 3101 Erato St. on Saturday, July 14th. The other is a Post-CAR Workshop where Lee P will be sharing and presenting information related to the CAR and CAT from the WSC. This will also be happening at 3101 Erato St. on Sunday, August 19th and will start at 12:00pm (noon). Our Area's Treasurer was not able to attend our last Area meeting so I will be collecting a Regional donation next week at Area and mail it as soon as possible.

In loving service,

James G

North Area

Currently in the North Louisiana Area there are 11 meetings and nine homegroups, with about 40 active members. We carry the NA message to CADA (treatment facility) every Tuesday night at 7pm. Richard T. is our new PI chair and he has designed one of the sleekest websites in the region. The website is NLANA.net. There is a PSA spot running on Friday and Saturday nights on a local radio station. The regional convention, recently held in Shreveport, was a rousing success, exceeding expectations. We really appreciated the help with the convention fundraisers and will try to reciprocate with a convention fundraiser in the near future. Camp Recovery will be held 9-11 Nov and registration is \$40.00 till 28 Oct. Upcoming events are the aforementioned Camp Recovery, a Halloween party, and (hopefully) a convention fundraiser. In addition the No Name Group will be trying to hold quarterly speak and eat meetings on Saturday in the near future. One member will be working on getting oral history's down from local old timers in the next few months. We are making a donation of \$331.00 to region. Started with \$300.00 seed money for regional meeting, total expenses - \$497.49, and brought in \$516.00. Money and receipts were handed to Wanda.

Thanks to everyone,

Ron G.

Yearly Report:

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2. 40 active members
3. Carry the NA message to CADA (treatment facility) every Tuesday at 7pm.
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5. Camp Recovery will be held 9-11 Nov 18.
6. Right now none, trying to fill committee chairs
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9. One member will be working on getting oral history's down from local old timers in the next few months.
10. Love and happiness.

In service,

Ron G

Northshore Area

Hello La. Region,

My name is Trent H, I'm an addict.

The Northshore Area is doing well and growing. We currently have 17 home groups with 40 meetings weekly. We are fulfilling all of our H&I commitments, supporting Fountainbleau, ADU and Tangipahoa Parish Jail. On motion 2018-01-04 the Northshore Area voted "yes". We have a donation of \$332.98 for Region at this time.

Thanks for allowing me to serve,

Trent H

Unity Area

N Report

Standing Committee Reports

Treasurer

Working Balance \$12,624.15

See attached reports

Regional Delegate

No Report

RD Alt.

No report

RDA Elect

Hello Regional Members and Participant's,

I am very pleased and happy to inform you that the 2018 World Service Conference was a wonderful, spiritually flowing event. It wasn't like anything that I had experienced in past service to Narcotics Anonymous! We worked with a "loose flowing version" of Consensus Based Decision Making. All voting was based on a 2/3 majority with few exceptions and it worked. This was the first World Service Conference with no formal business session using parliamentary procedure. Decisions about CAR- and CAT- related business were made with a form of consensus-based decision making that continues to evolve at each WSC. We approved the method of Consensus Based Decision Making and it worked superbly well. Another first at a WSC was with participants attending through a internet connection. The Delegate from Iran and the alternates from Iran and Australia were unable to obtain Visas and participated through the internet link with WSC Approval. Iran was also given voting right's through conference approval. In addition to that another conference first was because of a motion passed at the 2016 WSC allowing representation at the conference with Zonal Representatives. Five Zones, the Asia Pacific Forum, the Canadian Assembly, the European Delegates Meeting, the Russian Speaking Zone, and our Southern Zonal Forum sent Delegates as non-voting participants to the 2018 WSC. With that said we did a great deal of work on the C.A.R. and the C.A.T. Along with Elections. It may be time for us to consider why are we operating under 17th & 18th Century Rules of Order? And please don't say, "It's because this is the way that we've been doing it"!

I'm very unhappy to inform you that I don't know if our Region has grown, or our Area's. Some have shrunk, and I wasn't a part of the team when this information was compiled. ("We asked whether the number of members in regions seemed to be growing, shrinking, or staying the same. Of the 113 regions that responded, 54% report that they are growing, 41% report they are staying the same, and 5% report that they're shrinking. These figures suggest a continued decrease in growth based on the figure from 2014 and 2016. 33 of the 46 regions that reported static growth are within the US, which represents 50% of the US regions, and is an increase from 2014 and 2016.)

Please ask yourself what is it that we are doing in this assembly? Then try to realize the potential of what we "could do"! Your true potential and contribution to this effort. Please visualize this! Have you ever thought about our founder's vision? Jimmy K. said and I quote "But it's going to take all of me, and it's going to take all of you, and all the people that you are going to talk to, and all the people that you are going to carry the message to , to make this a greater reality. There are people out there dying of our disease. There are people all over this world dying of our disease and, believe it or not, we are truly the only people who can help them. Let's never forget that. You and I have been given, through illness through suffering and through our disease, a talent for helping other human beings like ourselves. Let's never forget that we have it and are responsible for others. All of me... all pf you... if we are going to make this Greater Reality. Contrary to popular belief we ain't there yet, it's still going to take all of us. If we don't show up who is going to show up?"

Last year in 2017 this new drug Fentanyl which is used to cur Heroin killed more people that the Vietnam War! Could we have possibly reached some of those people that died? Absolutely! Are our Regional efforts at maximum capacity, doubtful...? Can we do more, Yes! Then let's do something meaningful together!

Here's something that I find fascinating and awe inspiring! Every seven (7) minutes somewhere on the planet, a NA Group is saying the Serenity Prayer opening their meeting! We are truly a Worldwide Fellowship! Yet, that's not enough. This is scary, last year more than Fifty-Eight Thousand (58,000) Addict's died from the disease of addiction. Let that sink in for a moment. I have no idea if they got to hear the Message of Narcotics Anonymous. I really feel that we must do more!

I am prepared to start discussion on DRT/MAT and people are coming to our meetings under these circumstances. Question? Is your Home Group welcoming these addicts, are you as a NA Member welcoming them? How is this any different than those that came in to NA on the Methadone Program in the past? Please answer this for me when you get a minute. And I hope that we are prepared to do more, reach one more "still suffering addict" because that is our Primary Purpose!

My predecessors made it extremely easy for me to get clean I am eternally grateful for what was so freely given to me. I try very hard to give this back and I am sure that I fail from time to time.

Our exiting RD neglected to coordinate with the past Convention Committee a Post Conference Workshop (slot). I attended the Convention in Shreveport and it was a good one. Thanks to all involved in that service. I also attended the NOASC PR/PI Committee last month, some really good ideas were brought up and we're waiting for the Literature to come in to start a new campaign. ASC had corium and business was attended to. New Orleans ASC is hosting a Post Conference Agenda Workshop on August 19th at noon before ASC. All are welcome to attend, it's at the boxing gym 3101 Erato Street NOLA. I am willing to share this information with any Area that is interested in the information. The C.A.R. results that are included in this report was sent via text/email to all ASR's that I had contact with.

Here are the results of the Conference Agenda Report:

- 1) To direct the World Board to create a project plan for consideration at WSC 2020 to convert the service pamphlet Social Media and our Guiding Principles into a recovery IP that includes fellowship input and review.~~Pass
- 2) Remove from the Narcotics Anonymous World Services catalog and inventory IP 27 For The parents or Guardians of Young People in Narcotics Anonymous~~Fail
- 3) To direct the World Board to create a project plan for a Step Study booklet containing questions derived only from sentences in the Basic Text chapter 'How It works', for consideration at WSC 2020.~~Commit to the Board
- 4) To direct NAWS to produce and add to inventory an MP3 digital download of the Basic Text Fifth Edition in Spanish, previously in inventory on audio cassette. By conference policy, NAWS is not authorized to publish a

fifth edition once a sixth edition is available. This motion would provide for a one-time waiver of the policy for Narcotics Anonymous World Services until the Spanish Sixth edition is completed.~~Fail

5) To approve an NA Service Prayer, utilizing the language that is already in the intro of the Basic Text, substituting the word write with the word serve, including it in the set of posters of the meetings for NA groups, as shown here:

"GOD, grant us knowledge that we may write serve according to Your Divine precepts. Instill in us a sense of Your purpose. Make us servants of your will and grant us a bond of selflessness that this may truly be your work, not ours, in order that no addict, anywhere, need die from the horrors of addiction."~~Pass

6) To direct Narcotics Anonymous World Services to produce and add to inventory keytags that reflect the growth of years clean in Fellowship Worldwide; specifically, Granite for one Decade, Purple for Decades Clean and Pink for 25 Years Clean.~~Fail

7) To direct the World Board to create a Service Pamphlet (SP) that clearly and simply outlines the rights of groups to reprint Narcotics Anonymous recovery literature covered under the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust and its bulletins.~~Fail

8) To replace the first paragraph under "What kinds of literature should we use:" in the group booklet as follows:

Original Paragraph

NA World Services produces a number of different kinds of publications. However, only NA-approved literature is appropriate for reading in Narcotics Anonymous meetings. Selections from NA- approved books and pamphlets are usually read at the beginning of an NA meeting, and some meetings use them as the core of their format. NA-approved literature represents the widest range of recovery in Narcotics Anonymous.

Replacement Paragraphs (split)

NA World Services produces a number of different kinds of publications. However, only NA-approved literature is appropriate for reading in Narcotics Anonymous meetings, and then only NA- approved edition(s) of literature that conveys a unified message as the most current edition(s). For Basic Texts, this would be the 3rd Edition Revised and newer. Older editions of our literature as well as approval drafts, while valid in history, and while they carry a message of recovery, all carry a message that in some way or ways contradict our current edition(s) of literature and are no longer in unity with the fellowship's conscience regarding our message of recovery.

Selections from NA-approved books and pamphlets are usually read at the beginning of an NA meeting, and some meetings use them as the core of their format. NA-approved literature represents the widest range of recovery in Narcotics Anonymous. It is suggested that meetings that utilize older editions of Narcotics Anonymous-approved literature acknowledge the current editions of Narcotics Anonymous-approved literature for the sake of NA unity.~~Fail

9) To direct the World Board to create a project plan for consideration at WSC 2020 to create or revise one piece of recovery literature to directly address Drug Replacement Therapy (DRT) and Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) as it relates to Narcotics Anonymous.~~Pass/amendment failed

10) Remove Bulletin #29, (WORLD SERVICE BOARD OF TRUSTEES BULLETIN #29, Regarding Methadone and Other Drug Replacement Programs) from publication and use.~~Fail

11) Remove "Narcotics Anonymous and Persons Receiving Medication Assisted Treatment" from publication and use.~~Fail

12) Assign a week each year as an NA PR week, beginning in 2019. Narcotics Anonymous World Services would establish the dates and would have information available for the whole Narcotics Anonymous fellowship a minimum of 90 days prior and also have available the possible contents of the program or the suggested agenda for such week.~~Pass

13) To authorize the World Board to define more special days, like unity day, in the yearly calendar.~~Pass

14) Fellowship Issue Discussion Topics (IDTs) will be selected based on the following process: By August 1 following the World Service Conference (WSC), NAWS will create a section on na.org for IDT submissions. The poll should be translated via available software into as many languages as possible. Any member, group, area, region or zone will be able to add an item to the poll. Beginning February 1 in the year before the WSC the

process of voting on the poll will start. Any member, group, area, region or zone will be able to vote on the choices in the poll. The poll will close on the final day as set by the Guide to World Services (GTWS) for regional motion submissions. The top six Issue Discussion Topics in the poll will be placed in the Conference Agenda Report and voted on in old business at the World Service Conference with the top three being the Issue Discussion Topics for that next conference cycle.~~Withdrawn by maker

15) To hold a 3 day meeting of 2 representatives from each of the existing zonal forums. The meeting will be planned by NA World Services who will also cover the expenses for the meeting itself. The zonal forums or their regions will cover the cost of travel and meals for the representatives with financial assistance from NA World Services if necessary.

This meeting will occur in the 2018-2020 conference cycle.~~Fail

16) That the World Board develop a project plan, including budget and timeline, for presentation at WSC 2020 on the role of Zones, their relationship to the wider fellowship, including integrating Zonal Delegate participation into the decision making process at WSC.~~Pass

17) To approve a change in the description of World Service Conference participants from regional delegates to zonal delegates. This change will occur over 3 conference cycles from 2018 to 2024 with the choice of representation left to the seated regions during this transition period. These three conference cycles will be used to develop details for the future. Any policies or ideas developed will be presented back to the fellowship in the CAR. Zonal delegates attending the WSC will carry a vote for all of their seated regions that are not represented by a regional delegate. No new regional seating requests will be considered during the transition.~~Withdrawn by maker

18) That any Zonal Forum with two or more zonally seated regions or communities that are not seated at the World Service Conference, may choose to send one Zonal Delegate to the World Service Conference to represent those regions or communities.~~Pass

19) If motion 18 is not adopted then the following will not be offered.

That Zonal Delegates are voting members when in attendance at the World Service Conference. These Zonal Delegates would have one vote.~~Pass

20) If motion 18 is not adopted then the following will not be offered. Zonal Delegates are eligible to receive the same funding from NA World Services as regional delegates when attending the WSC. This funding includes travel, lodging, and meal expenses only.~~Pass

21) If motion 18 is not adopted then the following will not be offered. Alternate Zonal Delegates may attend the WSC with the same rights and limitations as is currently offered to Alternate Regional Delegates.~~Pass

22) To discontinue the WSC Conference Participants Discussion Board hosted and maintained by NA World Services Failed

23) Direct the World Board to develop plans to move to a three-year conference cycle. This plan would include quarterly web meetings, longer review time for the Conference Agenda Report, and would be developed in a way to provide an opportunity to include other ideas from conference participants.~~Fail

24) In new business the World Board will have one collective vote represented by the World board chair. Each World Board member votes only in Elections and may make motions in all sessions. ~Fail

25) To authorize the World Board to investigate and pursue ways for conference participants who are unable to attend the WSC due to visa and other issues beyond their control, to engage in sessions of the WSC.

~~Amended/Pass

I have copies of the WSC 2018 Draft of Summary of Decisions to hand out to all ASR's.

I am requesting reimbursement for the following:

Delta Airlines round trip airfare to the 2018 WSC - \$XXX.XX

Marriott Warner Center (Hotel) Woodland Hills CA – WSC - \$855.29

American Airlines round trip airfare to SZF (Kansas City MO.) - \$371.79

Post WSC report's (11) \$68.29

Total: \$1,295.37

Here's some of the work that we will be doing as a Conference for the 2018 – 2020 Cycle:

WSC of the Future

New Daily Meditation Book

Mental Health/ Illness Information Pamphlet

Training and Tools

I could go on and on and I won't as you guy's may or may not have the same level of interest in these matter's and that's ok. I appreciate the opportunity to serve the Louisiana Region of Narcotics Anonymous. Sincerely, thank you!

ILS,

Lee J. Pedesclaux (P.)

A & F.

Given by vice chair

Hi family

Sorry I wasn't able to make it this weekend to Region. I do have several things to report to the committee. We have been in planning mode for the 4th annual speaker jam which will be held Sept. 21-23rd at Chico State Park. Speakers have been chosen and we are going to have an exciting time year. I am asking all at region to please come out to support. There are 52 beds available in the group camps and 4 meals will be provided. Lets help bring Unity to the central area. Today I will be asking for \$350 to help with planning the weekend.

If anyone has any functions that they need help with or any need in the region please let me know

Melissa R

H&I

Verbal report given. No report turned in.

In loving service

Tyron D

Greetings from the world of H&I

The meeting at Angola is still going well. We have been meeting every other week at camp C and D, with the hope of one day expanding the meeting to the main prison. The people at the meeting are extremely grateful for the literature and as the meeting grows we will need more literature. We have had good turnouts at the orientation days, but still could use more support. The next orientation will be July 21st, 5pm to 7 pm, at the south Baton Rouge Church of Christ, 8725 Jefferson Highway, Baton Rouge. I am Ok now due to a donation of literation (yes, you or your homegroup can donate literature) but will be requesting literature at the next Regional meeting. Anyone that would like to get involved with the meeting at Angola or H&I can either contact me at maxglass@cox.net or talk to Elmore, who is more than likely sitting there listening to this report.

In Service

Bob S.

Outreach

Hello family, my name is Robbie and I am an Addict

There has not been very much activity due to my absence.

Moving forward, I would like to develop channels between each area to see how Outreach can be more involved in helping grow NA.

I would like to line out a budget for the next year:

Possible Litterature Purchase (Basic Text, IP's, Guides to local service, Etc.) -\$50

Travel Expenses - \$200

Total Budget Request: \$250

Yearly Plan:

For the next few months I will be reaching out to several contacts and try to get into several meetings to find out if they would like to become apart of a larger service body.

The first area we will be approaching is meetings in the Natchitoches area. Ron has given me his contact info and will be looking into who we should be in contact with to discussed helping grow knowledge of the NA meetings going on in that area.

I will also be planning to make a Leesville trip to meet up with Scotty H. to visit the group, "A Step Forward," to see if they would like some support from a larger service body.

We will also be in contact with Terry to try to see how we can help the New Iberia Area and Elmore will be checking in the Baton Rouge area to see who we will have contact with for new outreach programs.

I am currently interested in continuing to serve as outreach chair and if re-elected

I will continue to fulfill these agendas that are laid out in this report.

Thank you for allowing me to serve,

Robbie L.

Outreach Chair

318-201-9383

Public Relations

Vacant

Greetings from the person who talks to the guy managing our web site

The web is going well, Steve is doing an Awsome job. We are paid up for the year, thanks Wanda, and are looking forward to another year of growth. I forwarded your requests for changes to the webhost and hopefully everyone is happy with the changes. I think that the website is one of those things that gives us good value for the money that we spend. I'm sure that all of you are aware that you can go to the meeting section and print a Regional schedule. Or that you can go to the cover page and post your or your friends, loved ones, casual acquaintance, or whoever's clean date. Did you know that there is a direct link to the Regional conventions website and can register for the convention on that website? Or did you know that you can find any meeting in the state that has taken the time to register, either by day of the week or by the city. Hell, you can even get a map showing where the meeting is.

Sounds wonderful doesn't it? It is; however, I have been acting as the web whatever for the last 5 years, and it is time for someone else to have the opportunity for this wonderful experience. This will be one of my last funny and insightful reports to you on this matter. The next regional meeting report will be my last. I would prefer to be able to transition someone else into this position, but hey, you can't always get what you want. Until then.

Bob S

Policy

My name is Doug and I'm an addict. We had a meeting Saturday and discussed a few things. We talked about getting new minutes ready for next year and how to do it. We will try to have a meeting to get the policy together. Anybody interested let me know. There must not be no problems with any area dealing with policy.

IN LOVING SERVICE, DOUG F

Information of Interest

B. O. D. Chairperson

Members and Trusted Servants of the Louisiana Region:

As is our custom, we are including minutes for the Shreveport HCC meetings (4/29, 5/16, 5/20, 5/27), and the Northshore HCC meeting on 4/29, and the LRCC Board meetings (3/25 and 5/13). Both Shreveport and Northshore have had one additional meeting, for Shreveport that was their final meeting sometime in June, but minutes for those are not yet available and I'll include them with our report at the next RSC meeting.

Speaking of Shreveport, although we do not have final numbers yet because our meeting to close out our books for the fiscal year and finalize accounting for the convention will be next weekend, it looks like we will have at least a \$4,000 donation for the RSC.

You heard over the course of the past year that we expected lower attendance for the Shreveport convention in comparison to the average attendance for areas in the southern part of the state. This was mostly because of the location and also because of a competing convention in Texas on the same weekend. At the meeting on 5/29, the registration chair reported that there had been 158 pre-registrations and 120 at the door for a total of 278 paid registrations. There are always a number of people who come to the convention and don't register, so the actual number attending was probably more like 350, but from a business and accounting perspective we have to focus on the number of paid registrations. And while 278 is clearly less than the 470 Baton Rouge had, the income per person for Shreveport was actually better!

Here's what I mean. Baton Rouge had 470 paid registrations and had a total profit after paying expenses of \$6,532.31. If you divide that profit by the number of paid registrations, you get an income per person amount of 13.90. In Shreveport there were 270 paid registrations and the total profit looks like it will be in the range of \$6000. That is a per person income of 22.22!

Again, we have not finalized all the numbers from Shreveport yet. We will do that at our meeting next weekend. That means that the numbers I'm giving you are only estimates based on the information I have so far. That information suggests that the way Shreveport was able to do so well was by staying within their budgets and keeping expenses down. Income for the weekend including credit card purchases was about \$13,500.

Income breakdown for convention weekend

<i>Friday:</i>	<i>2525 Registration</i>
	<i>2620 Merchandise</i>
	<i>2330 Credit Cards</i>
<i>Saturday:</i>	<i>960 Registration</i>
	<i>683 Merchandise</i>
	<i>2236 Credit Cards</i>
	<i>1685 Auction</i>
	<i>485 50/50 raffle</i>

At the upcoming Board meeting, we also will be taking input from the Shreveport HCC in reviewing the Convention Guidelines for changes where appropriate. So, if you think there's something that should be a part of the convention, or that is but shouldn't be, let me know that and I'll bring it up as part of our review of the guidelines.

Regarding the next LRCNA which will be in the Northshore area. We have had some difficulty getting

a good contract from the proposed hotel and even held a special meeting of the board to review one of the hotel's proposals and decide on how to respond. We think we have an acceptable contract at this point, although we did not get everything we wanted. For example, all the hotel contracts include a clause that says if we default, there are penalties and fees that we will have to pay them. The contract typically does not guarantee us any compensation if they default on us though. This actually happened in Alexandria a couple of years ago. The hotel ownership changed and they voided the contract! We may have to consult with our attorney on how to language into these contracts that protects us better in case that happens again. Nonetheless, we think we now have a contract proposal we can sign and will be reviewing that too at our meeting next weekend.

Now, for some challenges we have had. You may remember us telling you that we set up two separate accounts for credit card sales. One account attached to the bank account for conventions in even years (Shreveport), and one attached to the bank account for conventions in odd years (Northshore). When these were set up we were told there were no annual fees and the only charges would be transaction fees. Those of you who are familiar with business credit card accounts will know that you also have to file forms every year to attest to the security measures in place to protect credit card information collected when people make purchases. If you don't file those forms, your credit card company can charge you additional fees, a penalty fee. For 2018 I filed this form for our accounts, but the credit card company only applied it to the account for even years. Since they did not apply it to the other account, the other account was charged a penalty fee of about \$50. The credit card company also changed its policy regarding annual fees and decided to charge all accounts an annual fee of \$99.99, and took that annual fee from both our accounts. On the even year account, Shreveport, we didn't even notice this because of other activity in the account. On the odd year account, which only had \$100 in it to keep it open and ready for the next year's HCC, we didn't notice it for a while because we didn't expect any activity at all. That account was supposed to be dormant.

When we did notice it, the company apologized for the penalty fee and said they would reverse the charge. For the annual fee, they claimed they had sent us a notice that this would happen, but also said they would reverse the charge for this year. We thought this resolved the problem. It didn't. The penalty fee brought the account balance to about \$50, and the annual fee of \$99.99 overdrawed the account. The bank put some kind of hold on the account and the reversals never occurred. The bank also said they sent overdraft notices, but we never got those either. After 30 days of no activity on the account, and it being overdrawn, the bank shut that account down and we were not able to reinstate it.

That meant that we had to open an entirely new bank account for Northshore, and we had to figure out what to do about the credit card company and the money that they still owed us. It also prompted us to reconsider what company we were using and whether we really need to keep two accounts or if we could manage with only one account that gets moved back and forth each year. In the end, Bob Singer (our treasurer) is working on getting the money back, and the board voted to pay the fees associated with keeping two accounts as there were just too many problems likely to come up with trying to only use one and switching it back and forth.

What to do with convention banners has been an ongoing challenge. First, hotels are reluctant at best to hang the banners without charging us an arm and a leg. Second, they don't want us hanging them because they're afraid of damage to the property or someone getting hurt falling off a ladder. Finally, some of the banners were not constructed of durable materials and are deteriorating badly. So, at the last board meeting we decided the time has come to move in a different direction with banners. At our last meeting we voted to get high quality digital images of banners to allow for future reproduction and allow the host committee to decide what to do with the actual banner after the convention. We also will get digital images of all the banners we currently have in storage and future conventions will be able to print posters of the banners for display, display the images by projection, or use other technology to display them. This will eliminate the problems with deterioration and we will no longer need to rent a

climate controlled storage unit (which as you might know, is much more expensive than a non-climate-controlled unit!). “What will they do with the old banners?” you might ask. Great question. The answer is, we don’t know yet. Some ideas have been to auction them off at fundraisers for the convention. Another is to auction them off online through the web site. If any of you have ideas on this, please let me know and I’ll be glad to voice them at the meeting.

In loving service,
 For the LRCC Board
 Bob Storer, LRCC Chair

OLD Business

2018-01-04 to change regional guidelines, pg 16 under financial guidelines
 #3 “travel fund approval” to Rd and Alt travel fund approval bring back to areas
 Passed 5/0/2

New Business

Motions:

2018-07-01	\$300 to put on next region in lake area.	Passed 9/0/0
2018-07-02	\$50for gas h&l learning day budget	Passed 9/0/0
2018-07-03	\$300for unity day activites budget	Passed 9/0/0

Nominations

Vice Chair	Wanda McD	Accepted
Treasurer	Trent H	Accepted
Secretary	Nikki B	Accepted
Rd	none	take to areas
RD Alt	Lee P	Accepted
Activites	Melissa R	Accepted
H&I	Scotty H	Accepted
	Tyrone D	Accepted
Outreach	Robbie L	accepted
PR	vacant	take to areas
Policy	vacant	take to areas

Regional Rotation

October 6-7th 2018 - Lake Area
January 5-6th 2019 - Acadian Area
April 6-7th Greater Baton Rouge
July – 6-7th Northshore

July 7, 2018

Beginning Balance

\$ 15,226.59

Donations:

Central Area	\$	71.67
Bayou Recovery		232.00
Unity Area		200.00
Northshore		332.98
Lake Area		200.00
GBRANA		92.60
North Area Reimbursement		<u>331.00</u>

1460.25

Expenses:

Lee P.	RD Elect	\$ 1295.37	# 1687
Nikki B	Sect	33.37	# 1666
Lee P	RD Elect	97.44	# 1668
Wanda M	Treasurer	\$ 100.00	# 1669
Lake Area		\$ 300.00	# 1670
Tyone D.	HI	\$ 50	# 1671
Melissa R	A&F	<u>1350</u>	# 1672

\$ 2226.18

New Balance \$14460.66

NAWS	\$ 1446.07
SZF	<u>390.44</u>

\$ 12,624.15

2017

Deposit		Expenses
JAN	1463.63	754.37
Feb	-	-
MARCH	-	-
April	1098.15	881.52
May	-	-
June	-	-
July	8842.96	1706.78
Aug		250-
Sept	-	250.00
Oct	771.45	1521.13
Nov	\$ 100	\$ 190
Dec	-	-

SECRETARY REPORT 2018

JAN 2017

Motion – 2017/01/01 – Wanda McD second by John R
To allow the BOD to get copies of the past bank statements
Intent: for tax status

Passed 7/0/0

Motion – 2017/01/02 – Kory P second by John M
To issue travel expenses of \$177 to Kory Pitre to cover hotel cost for travel to SZF in Jackson, MS on January 27-29th. Kory will present gas receipts for reimbursement upon return. Current budget \$4000 spent \$0 Balance \$4000

Intent: to cover lodging & gas expense for travel to SZF for the RD & RDA

Passed 7/0/0

Motion – 2017/01/03 – Jessie G second by Ike E
\$300 to host nest region

Intent: self-supporting

Passed 7/0/0

Motion – 2017/01/04 – Pixie S second by Melissa R

To remove literature committee section from the policy manual which is not in use / nonfunctioning

Intent: to clean up policy manual

Passed 6/1/0

APRIL 2017

Motion – 2017/03/01 – Pixie S second by Trent H

To participate May 9-11, 2017 at the Louisiana Association of Drug Court Professionals Conference.
Cost around \$900.

Intent: To further the message of recovery

Notes: see if possible this year to get a booth. Ad-Hoc appointed Kory, Paul and Melissa

Passed 8/0/0

Motion – 2017/03/02 – Bayou Recovery Area

\$300 to put on next regional meeting July 8-9, 2017

Intent: to continue to carry the message of recovery with the support of regional service

Passed 8/0/0

Motion – 2017/03/03 – Melissa R second by Pixie S

\$250 to throw the 3rd annual gumbo/volleyball tournament in Hammond, LA

Intent: H&I fundraiser for angola literature / activities budget

Passed 8/0/0

Motion – 2017/03/04 – John R second by Nikki B

To pay annual insurance

Intent: provide coverage to the region

Passed 8/0/0

OCT 2017

Motion – 2017/10/01 – John R

\$300 seed money for Region in January 2018 to be held @ 20234 Hwy 36 in Covington

Intent: Fully self-supporting

Passed 8/0/0

Motion – 2017/10/02 – Melissa R second by John R

Request \$150 to aide in funding of 3rd Annual Unity Day camp-out to be held in Nortshore Area

Intent: Carry the message.

Passed 8/0/0

Motion – 2017/10/03 – Kory P second by Tyron D

Approve travel to SZF in San Antonio Texas Oct 27-29th. Hotel cost \$169.50

Intent: travel expenses for representation at SZF for the Region

Passed 8/0/0

Motion – 2017/10/04 – Joe F second by Doug F

To write check for \$28.96 made out to River City Clubhouse for funds not collected.

Intent: Help replace funds spent to refill the region tote. Items: sugar, creamer, cups, bowls, coffee and water.

Passed 8/0/0

Motion – 2017/10/05 – HB second by Tyrone D

Instruct the RD to procure from the WSC copies of the CAR for each area and the RSC. Funding will be provided by the RSC in the manner deemed most efficient by the RSC in consultation with the RD up to \$150

Intent: carry the message

Passed 8/0/0

Motion – 2017/10/06 – Tyrone D second by Pixie S

Asking for \$240 to purchase basic text for Angola H&I

Intent: carry the message to the addict who still suffers

Passed 8/0/0

Motion – 2017/10/07 – John R second by Pixie S

To nominate & vote to elect Denise H to BOD by phone call

Intent: to carry the message

Passed 6/0/2

ALL HIGHLIGHTED YELLOW IS POLICY CHANGES AND HIGHLIGHTED RED WAS SENT BACK TO GROUPS.
IN LOVING SERVICE :]

NIKKI B

Yearly Report Bayou Recovery Area 2018 July

- ① # of meetings: H&I groups & total # of meetings
Bayou Recovery Area has 16 home groups carrying 41 weekly meetings. H&I carries 5 meetings into facilities and are heavily involved in carrying the message regional H&I commitment into Angola Prison.
- ② our local fellowship has approximately 300 people.
- ③ H&I Activity - We carry 4 meetings Bi-monthly into DCI, 4 meetings into LCFW, Detox, CARP and Angola. We also participate with regional H&I with the yearly learning day activity.
- ④ PI activity handles the area phonecalls, web page and meeting schedules
- ⑤ Activities Committee puts on five (5) yearly functions: FEB-Valentine Party which is a regional fundraiser for regional convention.
April Unity Day: June - Game Night - August mid Summer Night of Fun: Oct - Moonlight Madness Camp-out.
- ⑥ Major accomplishments in cooperation with kothis service. we have a joint meeting schedule with Greater Baton Rouge Area.
- ⑦ nothing unusual.
- ⑧ Plans for upcoming year: increase service work commitments
- ⑨ N/A
- ⑩ N/A

Loving Service
Elmore R

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Please bring a valid form of photo identification, driver's license, State ID, etc.

For more info contact: Elmore B. 225 349-9961

Jerry S 225 3153896

Bob S. 225 9784749

Nancy S 225 2414680

Note: Women wishing to attend LCIW, please contact Nancy S.

Meeting Name	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Hope in Recovery Group 811 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., Lafayette - Acadiana C.A.R.E.S.	10:00 AM O/D	8:00 PM O/BT		8:00 PM O/D			
Recovery in General Group 1214 Coolidge St., Lafayette - Lafayette General Owens Auditorium	6:00 PM O/D						
Providence Group 119 Jefferson St., New Iberia-- First United Methodist Church	8:00 PM O/D	8:00 PM O/D	8pm O/D	8:00 PM O/BT	8:00 PM Candlelight	8:00 PM O/D	8:00 PM O/D
Freedom Group 145 Martin Luther King Dr., Lafayette - Our Lady Queen of Peace, Meeting Hall	8:00 PM O/D		8:00 PM O/D		8:00 PM C/BT		
A New Way of Life Group 105 Monroe Blvd, Lafayette - Behind Asbury Methodist Church on Johnston St.							12:00 PM O/D
High Noon Meeting, Sponsored by the Freedom Group 811 Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr., Lafayette - Acadiana C.A.R.E.S.		12:00 PM O/D	12:00 PM O/D	2:00 PM B/T	12:00 PM O/D	12:00 PM O/D	
New Attitudes Group 105 Monroe Ave., Lafayette - Behind Asbury Methodist Church on Johnston St.				7:00 PM O/D		7:00 PM O/D	6:00 PM O/D
Friday Night Freedom (sponsored by the Freedom Group) 1130 Johnson st. across from the pink building						8:00 PM O/D	
Sermy Group 721 South st. Opelousas	7:00 PM O/D				8:30 PM O/D	8:00 PM O/D	6:00 PM O/D
Simplicity Group 1119-C Johnston St., Lafayette - Behind Domino's Pizza			8:00 PM O/D		8:00 PM O/BT		8:00 PM O/D
Project Hope 609 Pellerin., Jeanerette					7:30 PM O/D		

Meeting Abbreviations

- O - Open Meeting (All are welcome)
- D - Discussion Meeting
- SS - Step Study
- C - Closed Meeting (Addicts only)
- BT - Basic Text Study
- S - Smoking Meeting

If you are a member of NA, please feel free to reproduce this list.

July 2018

Lake Area ASR Yearly Report

1. Number of meetings: H&I, groups, and total # of meetings – Lake Area has 7 home groups carrying 38 meetings. Our H&I carries 4 meetings a month into a local treatment center, 2 meetings a week into the local parish jail.
2. Size of the local fellowship – Our local fellowship and approximately 300 people
3. H&I Activity – We carry 4 meetings into 8 meetings into the parish jail a month. The area puts on one H&I activity training a year. The parish jail conducts training one time a year in order to be approved for the year.
4. PI activity – They handle the area phonenumber, webpage and meeting schedules
5. Other committee activity – Activities puts on 3 yearly functions- Jan- Speaker Jam fundraiser for the Unity Campout, March- Lake Area Unity Campout, October- Halloween Bash, convention fundraiser.
6. Major accomplishments in cooperation with hotline service, area service office(s), clubhouses, Nar-Anon, cooperation with professional groups. Our area had 15 NA members approved to go into the Calcasieu Parish Jail to carry the message to the addicts in jail. This is the largest number of members oriented.
7. Specific problems or situations. Our area is starting to have better attendance. We have many positions open but are reaching out to meetings in our area trying to fill all positions. We have one rouge group in Leesville, LA and are working with Outreach to rectify any issues.
8. Plans for the upcoming year: try to get more recovering addicts to participate and to do service work.
9. Brief history of N.A. in your area from the first meeting until now.... Started in the 1980's. Enough said!
10. Brief summary of what your area would like to accomplish at the World Service Conference. Support the conscience of the Region

2018 Yearly Report

7-7-18

Clana,

H&I currently has 3 presentations a month. The area has 9 home groups. A total of 24 meetings a week. The local fellowship varies from 150 members at the least to 300 members at the most.

H&I has a regular subcommittee the second Saturday of every month. They (H&I) have 3 presentations a month. Activities subcommittee also meets the second Saturday of every month.

Public Relations also meets the second Saturday of every month.

Our biggest problem in the area is participation. The areas plans for the upcoming year is to put a bid in for the upcoming 2020 convention.

There has not been much happening in the area this year. The few things that have happened are as followed. The home group New Attitudes folded. Another group formed in its place Clean & Serene home group. We had a Valentines Day Dance. As well as our annual convention committee fundraiser.

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LARNA's
4th Annual Unity
Speaker Jam Campout

• **Central Area** •

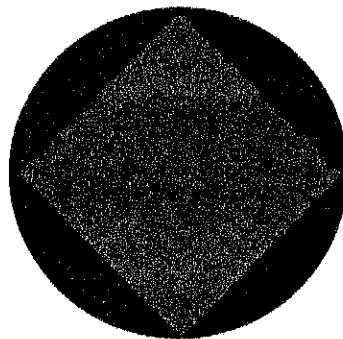
September 21-23, 2018

Chicot State Park

3469 Chicot Park Rd, Ville Platte, LA 70586

\$45 a person includes (52 beds):

- **Bunkbed in Air-conditioned camp**
- **Three meals on Saturday and Breakfast Sunday
am**
- **Food, Fun, and Fellowshiping**
- **Be a part of carrying the message**



Contact: Melissa R. 985-517-0257

Mail In Registration:
14660 Kraft Lane

Ponchatoula, LA 70454

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____

Clean Date: _____

Clean Time Breakdown:

Years: _____ Months: _____ Days: _____

\$40 until October 27, 2018

\$50 after October 27, 2018

Day Rate is \$15 per Person

Send check or money order to:

N.L.A.N.A. Camp Recovery

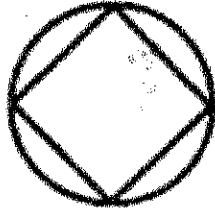
P.O. Box 44162

Shreveport, LA 71134

Number of Registrations: _____

Newcomer Donation: \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____



North Louisiana Area
Narcotics Anonymous

P. O. Box 44162

Shreveport, LA 71134

1-800-624-9776

North Louisiana Area of
Narcotics Anonymous

Presents:

Pre-Registration form for

Camp Recovery 2018

November 9 - 11, 2018

Lake Bistineau State Park

Group Campground #1

Doyle, La. 71023

For Info Contact:

Jamie C.

(318) 219-6406

Or

Micah C.

(318) 550-8584

Or

Brittani S.

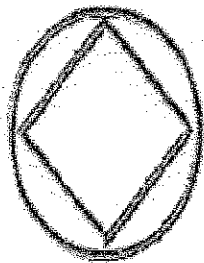
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CAMP



RECOVERY

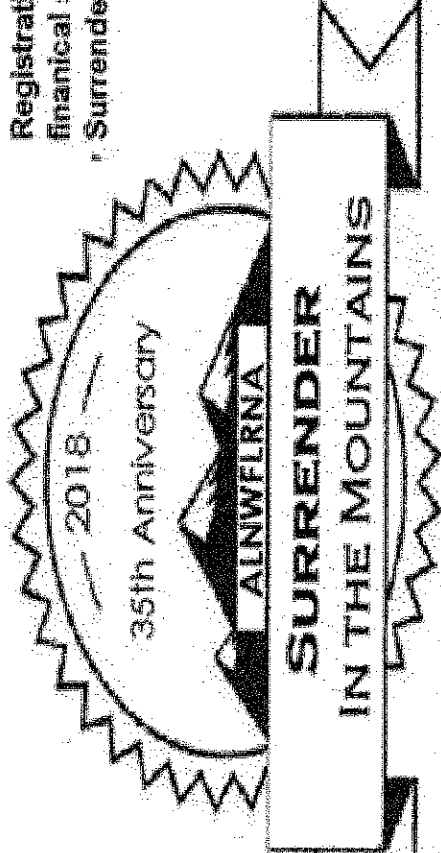
**Come join us for a
weekend of recovery,
fellowship and fun at
Lake Bistineau State
Park!**



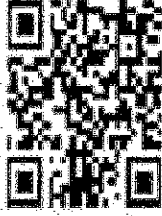
**September
21st - 23rd**

**Cheaha State Park
2141 BunkerLoop
Delta, AL 36528**

Registration is essential to provide
financial support needed for
Surrender in the Mountains.



Registration
QR Code



For hotel room, chalet, cabin, and campground reservations visit them online at
<http://www.alapark.com/online-reservations> and use group code 1942

For lodge room reservations call Philip 1(256) 310-1728 or email at
surrenderinthemountains@gmail.com

Please notify us in advance of special needs assistance or dietary restrictions.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

City: _____ Clean Date: _____

Email: _____

Pre-Registration \$30/person: _____ OR Registration after August 1 \$35/ per person _____

Newcomer Donation: _____ Total Enclosed: _____

Make all registration checks payable to "Surrender". Mail all registrations to P.O. Box 634 Ochaichee, AL 36271

If you have been on the committee previously please include the year and position you held.

Current Date: _____

WORKSHOP



Narcotics Anonymous®

**New Orleans Area &
Unity Area**

Conference Agenda Report 2018 Review

Come learn the results to the 25 motions voted on at the 2018 World Service Conference.

Sunday, August 19, 2018

**12pm-2pm
(Before Area)**

**Crescent City Boxing Club
3101 Erato Street
New Orleans, LA 70125**

Conference Agenda Report (CAR) is a publication that consists of business and issues that will be considered during the biennial WSC meeting. The CAR, in all the languages in which it is published, is available at no charge on the Web at www.na.org/conference.

Questions Contact: James G. 504-452-7577 or Robbie G. 504-427-4401



Northshore Area Annual Fundraiser

The Summer Fun Event!



*August 25th 11am - til at Fontainebleau State Park
at the Main Pavilion*

BBQ Cook off with free entry

Trophy will be awarded for first place!

If interested, contact

Sarah K. (985) 290-1081

or Amanda S. (985) 774-4660

\$5 Plates & \$1 Drinks



Speakers at 12pm & 2pm

Throwback field day games: Three legged race, egg drop challenge, cornhole, horseshoes, hula hoop contest, water balloon toss, & card table

Raffle for a free registration package for the 2019 Louisiana Regional Convention!

Silent auction held! To donate, contact Malysa W. (985) 774-7478 or Sean S. (985) 273-8036

\$3 park admission

No addict turned away!



Louisiana Region of Narcotics Anonymous Service
Committee Meeting

Surrender

Gratitude

Open-mindedness

Honesty

October 6 & 7, 2018
Hosted by the Lake Area

3809 Ryan St. (Agape)
Lake Charles, La. 70605

Saturday October 6, 2018

Breakfast 8:30am

NA Meeting 9:00am

Regional Business Meeting 10:00am

Lunch to be served

Dinner and Speaker Meeting

Eat at 7:00pm and Speaker at 8:00pm

Speaker to be announced

Unconditional Love

Forgiveness

Sunday October 7, 2018

Breakfast 8:30am

NA Meeting 9:00am

Regional Business Meeting 10:00am

Hotel information to follow!

Contacts: Scotty H. 337-304-3419 or Nikki B. 337-884-0231

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