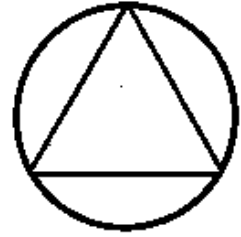


District 7 Newsletter



July 2012

DCM Report

Greetings District 7!

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer. I've been able to get out to some meetings in our district but still have a lot to get to. It's been hectic with a wedding to plan for, work, etc.—but, I truly love this fellowship and am eternally grateful for this opportunity as your DCM.

I want to thank Bob and everyone else who helped out at the picnic—although I was unable to attend, I heard it was a great success and am very happy to hear it!

This weekend on Saturday is the Area 35/36 Joint Workshop in St. Cloud. It runs from 12:30 to 4:30 PM at Calvary Community Church on Roosevelt Road. I've brought 5 copies of the flyer and agenda—it would be a great event to go to meet AA's in our Area as well as Southern MN (Area 36). Also to learn more about CPC, Corrections, and more on the AA Meeting Locator on the Web.

Our next Area Committee meeting is coming soon—it will be on August 5th in Aitkin. Generally, all district chairs should attend as there are breakout sessions for each area of service. GSRs are also welcomed to attend—the meeting is a great place to meet and talk to our Area Officers as well as other District Chairs from Northern MN. Did I mention the fantastic lunch served there?

We decided to have an AA info booth for PI at this year's CWC Fair which begins on 7/31. In addition, we decided to have it manned so there are opportunities for volunteers to help out. Please familiarize yourself with speaking to the public and what AA does and does not do before volunteering. This info is all available at www.aa.org or call me if you have any questions. May you all enjoy the rest of your summer and I hope to see you soon!

In service,
Neil F.



District Committee Meeting

District 7 holds a District Committee Meeting the third Thursday of every month. The next meeting is scheduled for: **Thursday July 19th 2012** at 7:00 PM at the First Congregational Church, 415 Juniper St. the SW corner of Gregory Park, Brainerd All AA members and especially all GSR's are encouraged to attend.

If your home group does not have a GSR, you can elect one! Discuss with your home group members.

District & Area Events

July 19—District 7 Meeting at 7 PM in Brainerd

July 21—Area 35/36 Joint Workshop 12:30PM-4:30PM in St. Cloud

August 5—Area 35 Committee Meeting in Aitkin 9AM—3PM

August 8—District 13 Treatment Workshop in St. Cloud 6PM—9PM

August 16—District 7 Meeting at 7 PM in Brainerd

Additional Events: www.area35.org

AA Traditions

Tradition Seven:

Every AA group ought to be self-supporting, declining outside contributions.

District 7 Opportunities!!

1. **Alternate DCM**—this position fills in for the DCM should he/she be unable to perform his/her duties as needed. Duties include attending all monthly district meetings as well as Area meetings each quarter and assemblies in the Spring and Fall.
2. **Public Information (PI)**—this position is responsible for making AA accessible when anyone reaches out for help. Duties include attending all monthly district meetings, ensure meeting schedules are available and up to date, follow AA guidelines for PI. Also attend Area meetings each quarter and assemblies in the Spring and Fall.
3. **Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC)**—this position provides the professional community (which comes into contact with alcoholics) with information about what AA is, what AA does and does not do, and how to contact local AA. Duties include attending all monthly district meetings as well as Area meetings each quarter and assemblies in the Spring and Fall.
4. **Archives**—the archivist collects, organizes, and stores historical materials which are pertinent to the district. Duties include attending all monthly district meetings, reporting acquisitions, and providing access to materials when appropriate/requested.

Would you like to get involved in AA service work? Please consider coming to district and expressing your interest in an open position. Your involvement can help ensure the services we provide in our district for the still-suffering alcoholic are the best we can. Generally, 2-years of continuous sobriety (current) are recommended. All positions are filled by election from the district body.