

Area 83 Eastern Ontario International

Area Committee Minutes

December 1, 2018

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December 1, 2018 Area Committee Meeting

1. OPENING

Good morning!! I'm an alcoholic a member of the Ajax Area Group in District 26 and my name is Kimberley. It's an honour to serve Area 83 as your Chairperson.

Let's open this meeting with a moment of silence, followed by the serenity prayer. Can we have that moment now please?

Moment's Silence – Serenity Prayer

12 Traditions: District: Edeline A – D26 - GSR

12 Concepts (Short Form): District: Will H – D14 – Incoming DCM

Welcome to Quinte West. It's great to see everyone here today. This is our seventh and final Area Committee meeting of the 2017-2018 term. This is your meeting and it is an opportunity for you to share what's happening in your Districts. The Area committee is where recommendations to the Assembly are discussed and formulated and where tasks assigned by the Assembly are carried out. It is where your questions are answered and concerns addressed. Please feel free to voice any concerns or questions you may have. There may be someone in the room who has the same question and it helps to share. It is important for all of us to remember our First Tradition - "Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity". We are here to ensure that Alcoholics Anonymous remains unified and strong in Area 83 Eastern Ontario International. Our personal recovery, as well as the recovery of the still suffering Alcoholic, depends upon it.

When someone is speaking, please do not speak to those around you. Let's be courteous to all who give reports and during motion discussion.

Some reminders

This is a non-smoking facility. This includes e-cigarettes and vaping. A break will be called sometime around 11:00 AM and again in the afternoon. Lunch is not shown as an agenda item, but we will break around noon. Please turn off your cell phones or anything else that might interrupt the meeting. Also, please be considerate of those with perfume allergies when applying scents. The church has asked us to be extra vigilant when we are disposing of our recycling and garbage. Please pour any liquid that you are disposing of in the bucket before putting the cup/container/bottle in the appropriate bin.

At this time I would like to introduce our Area Committee.

(If you could hold any applause you might want to give until the end it will speed things up)

On my immediate right, our Panel 67 Delegate,	Kim S
On Kim's right, our Alternate Delegate,	Rob M
On my immediate left is our Secretary,	James O'D
Beside James is our Treasurer,	Sue B
Beside Sue is our Registrar ,	Amy L
Our Panel 65 Immediate Past Delegate,	Joyce S
And I'm your Chairperson ,	Kimberley M
Area Sub-Committee Chairpersons	
Public Information Chairperson	Les M

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Cooperation with the Professional Community Chairperson	Jim S
Correctional Facilities Chairperson	Rob M
Treatment/Accessibilities Chairperson	Marty M
Grapevine Chairperson	Robert B
Self-Support Chairperson	Ray R
Archives Chairperson	Eddy G
Service Information Day Chairperson	Shane H

These are your Area Officers and Sub Committee Chairs for 2017- 2018

Also with us Today we have:

Panel 63 Past Delegate Mel C

And in Appointed positions we have:

Area Alternate Webmaster - George McQ

Housekeeping:

Our meeting schedule for tentative dates in 2019 will be included in the minutes. These dates are booked and secured with the hotel and church. Some are listed as tentative as the date of the following Assembly/Meeting is approved at the end of each meeting. We will have an Area Committee meeting January 5, 2019, if approved later today, and the next Assembly will be March 29-31, 2019.

Year	Date	What	Where
2019	January 5 <u>Approved</u>	Area Committee Meeting	Westminster United Church
2019	March 29-31 <u>Approved</u>	Area Assembly	Ambassador Hotel
2019	June 1 <u>Tentative</u>	Area Committee Meeting	Westminster United Church
2019	September 7 <u>Tentative</u>	Area Committee Meeting	Westminster United Church
2019	October 25-27 <u>Tentative</u>	Area Assembly	Ambassador Hotel

Assembly rooms cannot be booked online. Call the Ambassador hotel and quote the group name AA Assembly March2019. Our discounted block of rooms is held until 30 days before the Assembly. Please remind your new GSR's to book well in advance of the Assembly to secure a room. Hopefully everyone has already booked their room!!

The agenda for the Assembly is sent out at least 6 weeks in advance. It is sent to DCM's to distribute to the GSR's. This is so that groups will have time to discuss the items and vote at the group level and at the district level prior to the assembly.

Food:

Lunch has been arranged by our District 34 DCM Gord, at a cost of \$5.00, per serving. Tickets will be sold at the break prior to lunch. You must have a ticket to be served.

Thank-you Gord for organizing the lunch, refreshments, and snacks.

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Seating:

As much as possible – District Committee Member's and Sub-Committee chairs sit on the outside of the tables. Alternate District Committee Member's on the inside. Visitors and Past Delegates are asked to sit at the tables set up at the sides of the room. This seating arrangement helps to facilitate the voting.

Who votes?

All Area Officers, including the immediate past Delegate, but not the Chair. All Area sub-committee Chairs. All District Committee Member's of Districts in Area 83; in their absence, the Alternate District Committee Member may vote on behalf of their District. There is one vote per person.

How do we vote?

Procedure:

Alcoholics Anonymous has traditionally made decisions by 'substantial unanimity'. In practice, this has translated to 2/3 majority. At times, I may ask for a show of hands to get a 'sense of the meeting'. This is not a vote, and anyone may raise his or her hand. I believe that the first part of the agenda today can be handled under simple majority. The items under new business are of such a nature to be under 2/3 majority and I will ask for a motion when we get to that point in the agenda. If, at any time, you think that we should move to a 2/3 majority, please make the motion.

Minority Opinion:

A.A. has always protected the voice and opinion of the minority. When we have a vote, unless the voting is unanimous, or if the vote was to cover items such as acceptance of minutes, I will ask if anyone wishes to speak to the minority. To be able to do this, you must have voted with the minority on the motion. If, after the minority has spoken, someone from the majority side of the vote wishes to change their vote, that person may make a motion to reconsider. If this is seconded and passes by a simple majority, we start discussion again on the original motion.

Calling the Question:

During the discussion on a motion, a member, once recognized by the Chair, may move to "call the question". This is a motion to end discussion and move to the vote. This motion needs to be seconded, is not debatable, and requires a 2/3 majority to pass. If it passes, we go directly to the vote of the motion or amendment we were discussing. I would caution you not to use this privilege too often or too early – many good points and opinions will come out in any discussions, and if discussion is prematurely cut off, we will not get to hear them.

Who may address the committee meeting?

It has been the practice at the Area committee level to use the same principle as we do at the Assemblies: only voting members of the Committee have a voice. This is important for two reasons

- It keeps the focus on the fact that this Committee is in effect the steering committee of the Assembly – members are representing their District's positions or Area's in the case of our Officers, rather than their own.
- It also maximizes the time available for members to voice the opinions and needs of their District. All who are attending may say their piece during sharing time.

I respectfully ask for your cooperation in this. If you don't have a vote, as I mentioned, please keep your input for sharing time which is scheduled for later this afternoon. At that time all in attendance are welcomed to participate and their opinions will be heard.

Floor Motions

If you are making a floor motion for the Area Committee to consider today, it would be much appreciated if you would write your motion out and give it to our secretary James.

I would entertain a motion now to carry out the first part of today's meeting by simple majority:
May I have a motion for simple majority?

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MOVED: MIKE B – D62 – DCM

SECONDED: JIM S – AREA CPC CHAIR

DISCUSSION? NO

All those in Favour? ALL

All those opposed? 0

Any abstentions? 0

Motion was passed.

2. REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Are there any other items that should be added to today's agenda?

OLD BUSINESS TO BE ADDED

13. (a) Clarifying the motion that has been deferred to the Spring 2019 Assembly.

"We close the Friday and Saturday night speaker meetings with the Responsibility Declaration AND the Lord's prayer. All the workshops close with the Responsibility Declaration only." – Shane H – D02 - DCM

NEW BUSINESS TO BE ADDED

13 (e) "Discussion. Delegate to bring to the GSC floor in May 2019 that the GSC Final Report only be issued in anonymity approved digital form. Reasons: 1) cost savings 2) distribution easier." – Rob A – D10 - DCM

May I have a motion to accept the agenda as amended?

MOVED: RAY R – AREA SELF SUPPORT CHAIR

SECONDED: JENNY C – D66 - DCM

DISCUSSION?

All those in Favour? All

All those opposed? 0

Any abstentions? 0

Motion was passed.

3. ROLL CALL

Our Area Registrar Amy has circulated the attendance sheets – please sign in the appropriate spot – there is also a separate section for visitors.

4. Review and acceptance of minutes of the Area Committee Meeting of September 8th, 2018.

Minutes of the September 8th, 2018 ACM were distributed by email and a hard copy was placed in your folders today. Is there anyone who would prefer we defer this until after lunch? No.

Are there any errors or omissions in the minutes? No.

I would entertain a motion to accept the September 8th, 2018 ACM minutes as submitted (or amended)

MOVED: BILL C – D74 - DCM

SECONDED: DAVE L – D26 - DCM

DISCUSSION? NO.

All those in Favour? All

All those opposed? 0

Any abstentions? 0

Motion was passed.

5. District committee members' reports (Sequence of reports drawn from the hat)

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We have requested written reports from all Committee members, including District Committee Members. Members are asked to keep in mind the 2 minute time limit for verbal reports. Written reports may be as long as you like and will be included in the minutes in their entirety, if given to James, our Secretary.

I would ask members to come up to the mic to give their report. Order is determined by drawing District numbers from the bag. I will announce who is up and who is on deck. If you are "on deck", please come up to the front and be ready to give your report when the DCM before you steps down. Please clearly state your name, your position and your District when you are up here, thank you.

Let's get started:

District 02 Malton

Shane H

Hello friends I am an Alcoholic my name is Shane, District 2 has 50 percent of the groups active at the table at our last meeting. A vote to have one chair take care of public information and cooperation with the professional community all were in favour.

We purchased 10 service manuals at the assembly to give to new GSRs.

We have a motion to present today on: The groups of district 2 ask that Area 83 form an ad hoc committee to look into the possibility of stand alone Access Ability committee with its own Chairperson for the panel 71 term 2021-2022.

In closing this has been a wonderful experience yours in service Shane Harvey DCM Mallon District 2.

District 06 Mississauga

David B

No report submitted.

District 10 Toronto South Central

Rob A

Hello everyone. I'm an alcoholic, a member of the Twelfth Tradition Group & currently serving as DCM for District 10, Toronto South Central and my name is Rob A.

It has been a pleasure to serve my district. I have learned a lot about AA and service work. My district continues to do well both financially & spiritually. We have approximately 30 groups in our District and the District meetings are well attended. We continue to put on a lot of Service Meetings both inside and outside our District.

Our Alternate/Incoming DCM Doug is here with me today and I know District 10 will be left in good hands.

Thanks for my sobriety. YILAS - Rob A

District 12 Toronto South West

Mark B

(Report read by Alt DCM Denis M)

I am an alcoholic, a grateful member of the Westmoreland group and incoming DCM for District 12. We are in good shape covering our service commitments and our financial responsibilities. The new GSR's will be showing up in early January 2019, our new secretary is Ed V. of Deerpark Group. And our new Treasurer is Steve S of Glenholm Group. Yours in Service Dennis McC

District 14 Toronto North Central

Dave B

No report submitted.

District 16 Distrito Hispano De Toronto

Victor M

My names I Victor M, my home group in Grupo Amistad. I have the privilege to be the DCM of the Districts Hispano de Toronto #16 as DCM. I do not have much to report. All I have to report is that on Saturday December 22nd we are going to hold the election of the new committee.

Yours in Love & Service, Victor M – DCM distrito Hispano de Toronto #16

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District 18 Toronto City East

Glen G

Good morning friends. I am an alcoholic, member of the East York group, having the honour, privilege and responsibility to serve as current, and incoming, District Committee Member and outgoing chair of Grapevine committee, for Toronto City East District 18. My name is Glenn.

We've had some personality distractions at the District table this last term. This has provided the opportunity for members to ramp up the AA 3 legacy program in all aspects of their lives. As a result, many members of the District 18 table are noticeably emulating the spiritual principles of the program. Our big book reminds us: "Love and Tolerance of others is our code."

The table motioned, approved, scheduled, and held, at our November meeting, a mid-term inventory, facilitated by Kim, our Area 83 Delegate. Thank you Kim! The first question posed was "What do you want the district table to be like and how do we get there?" The inventory also focussed on safety issues in AA; referencing both F-211 "Safety card for AA groups" and SMF-209 "Safety and AA; Our Common Welfare". District table members used this opportunity to share: concerns, experience and suggestions. This has been the start of a useful process; from which I expect the District to adapt, learn and grow.

Our District 18 committee chairs and officers, as well as our groups and members, continue to strongly facilitate the carrying of the message to the alcoholic who still suffers. They honour weekly service commitment meetings: parole board, two hospitals, a men's detox. They serve in tandem with other District chairs on Greater Toronto Area Intergroup committees. Most of our committees also work in concert with surrounding Districts. Most recently, these events included: District 22 Service day, Gratitude Conference, Scarborough Roundup, Toronto Intergroup joint sharing, GTA Archives Breakfast. Planning/Cooperation is underway for: The Ontario Regional Conference, East Toronto Archives breakfast and AA Information day.

We have approximately 25 groups in our District. Our District boundaries stretch roughly from Lake Ontario to Lake Simcoe, bounded loosely by Bayview and Victoria Park. Members of the District table visit approximately half of these groups each month.

Our District 18 officers are in place for the next term! Christy F. joins me as our Alternate District Committee member. We have already had many planning discussions. Christy is with us today! Greg R. takes over as Treasurer, Sue H. continues as Secretary and Candice F. will be our Registrar. Our officers are scheduled, at the bank, on December 20, to adjust signing authorities and also hope to meet afterwards, for dinner, to discuss next term goals.

We also have elected many of our sub-committee chairs: Gord for Accessibility, Jeff for PI, another Jeff for CPC, Jennifer for Treatment, Rick for Archives. My hope is that the District table fill the remaining Chair and Alternate positions in January. From there, with help from our alternate DCM, Former and current Self-Support Chairs, the plan is to recruit additional committee members from our District 18 groups.

As this term comes to an end I wish to thank everyone in Area 83, at all levels of service. I have often heard it said "give a little money, give a lot of time". I like this philosophy. Thank you for the opportunity to share this journey.

Yours in both gratitude and loving service,

Glenn G.

District 22 Scarborough

Tom S

Hi Everybody; I'm an Alcoholic, member of the Saturday Morning Discussion Group, and currently District Committee Member (DCM) at Scarborough District 22. My name is Tom S.

Scarborough District 22 Service Day; Theme: 40 Years of Service – Still Going Strong.

It was a great success. We had service panels, speakers, a free lunch and DJ Social in the evening.

Committee Participation; Scarborough District 22 will again be co-hosting the East Toronto Archives Breakfast (ETAB) with Toronto East District 18 on May 5th, as well as being represented on the Information AA Day committee, holding the event on June 8th.

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Congratulations; to the new Area officers. Thank you to the outgoing officers and the Service Information Day committee for a job well done.

Elections; So far we have a DCM, Lynn E. and AltDCM, George W. as well as a Treasurer. No Registrar or Secretary yet. None of the Sub-committee Chairs are filled.

We'll see what happens in January when new GSR's attend at the table. Members who have been around the District table awhile could pitch in, but they tend to stay back and let the newcomers to the table have a chance at the positions first.

In the meantime, we are fulfilling our commitments at the Metro East Detention Centre as well as the Scarborough General Hospital service meeting. Financially we are sound and contribute to other levels of service.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.- All the best!

District 26 Lakeshore West

Dave L

Good morning friends, I'm an alcoholic, a grateful member of the Liverpool Group and my name is Dave. It is my honour and privilege to serve as the District Committee Member for District 26. Our District is doing well financially and meeting all of our commitments. Attendance at the table is hovering around 65% and we are meeting our commitments at the Renascent treatment centre.

The Public Information committee is offering monthly speakers from young AA members to a youth shelter in Durham Region (JoAnne's House). The committee has been very focused on developing the AA Durham Youth website that is expected to go live shortly.

The Co-operation with the Professional Community committee continues to move forward with several presentations to classes of health care professionals at Durham College and the Ontario University of Technology.

District 26 held our elections in October with all positions now filled. I am confident that the District is in great hands with Terry N. stepping into the DCM position and Edeline A. serving as the Alternate DCM. They are both attending today's meeting.

We are looking forward to the numerous gratitude meetings around the district and our 24hr Alcathon December 24-25. I would like to thank the Area for the support in the last two years. I have made many good friends through the Area's activities and look forward to my continued involvement with Area 83.

Thank you for always reminding me to place principles before personalities. With every new service position, it has been a very rewarding experience with so many opportunities for growth. Thank you for my sobriety and I am always grateful for the opportunity to serve.

Dave L.

District 28 Lakeshore East

JoAnn P

I am an alcoholic, member of Courtice 12 & 12 serving as District Committee Member for Lakeshore District 28 East and my name is JoAnn P.

Fall is a busy time in Lakeshore District 28 East. Our Co-operation with the Professional Community committee planned a successful Bring a Professional event November 8th at the Unifor local 222 Hall in Oshawa. The evening was chaired by Dan L, District 28 CPC Chair. There were 3 speakers; an AA member from Winnipeg, a member of Al-anon and a professional friend of AA from the Durham Distress Line. The committee is to be congratulated for their commitment to carrying the message of recovery to the Professional Community. Next year District 26 will take the lead role in organizing this annual event. The 31st Fall Roundup was held in Saturday, November 10th in Bowmanville at the Garnet B. Rickard Arena. The event was well attended, and the speakers were fantastic. Our District meeting was November 11th and District 28 Alternate District Committee Member Eileen S chaired the meeting.

The annual Lakeshore Districts 26 & 28 Alcathon will be held again on December 24th and 25th at the Alano Club in Oshawa (200 Thornton Road North). Gratitude style meetings will be held every hour on the hour from noon on December 24th ending at noon on December 25th. The event is well attended, and it is an important service to provide to the still suffering alcoholic. If you are in the Oshawa area for the holidays, please stop in to the Alcathon. We would love to see you.

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I am grateful to have been given the opportunity to serve District 28 Lakeshore East.

District 28 is supported by many committed individuals and we are continuing to carry the message of Recovery, Unity and Service.

Yours in Love and Service, JoAnn P - District Committee Member - Lakeshore District 28 East

District 30 Quinte West

Ian W

I'm an alcoholic, member of the Alderville Pioneer Group, currently serving as District Committee Member for District 30, Quinte West, and my name is Ian.

Since the last Area Committee meeting we held our District elections. Past District 30 DCM Pierre B. facilitated, and all positions were filled on the day. It looks like a strong mix of experienced service people and enthusiastic new recruits. I'm happy to report our Alternate DCM, Rick W., will be stepping in to the DCM role in January, our partnership at the District over the last two years has been a pleasure.

I'm sure Rick, and Maria, our new Alternate, will do a great job!

Our District Secretary, Jan W. has compiled a full roster of the newly elected committee members, ready for the Area, and is still working on completing the new Group change information.

After receiving word that AAWS had licensed the Meeting Guide technology, our District voted unanimously include our meeting list last month. This issue had prompted a lot of lively tradition discussion around our neck of the woods over the last year. I wanted to thank the Area committee for the discussion we had at last January's ACM. Our District had voted not to participate at that time. We are now happy to be on board, believing our group conscience of caution was the proper route, until the app was AA approved.

We have a date for our District 30 Roundup, Saturday, April 27, at the same venue, Trinity St. Andrews Church in Brighton. We encouraged more people to get involved planning and putting on last year's event and had good feedback when reviewing it at the next District meeting. This year we have a new dedicated, elected, committee looking after things, so it should be another great day.

I want to thank the Area Committee for the privilege of serving with you all these last two years.

Yours in Love and Service, Ian W., District Committee Member, District 30

District 34 Quinte East

Gord T

No report submitted.

District 36 Kingston & the Islands

Martin St-L

District 36 is in very good hands for 2019. It was a blast to serve in such a great District. We came from far but ended up way more strong than we were two years ago. If some person are not agree just ask them this question. How many position is still vacant? And when the person tell you no one it will be hard to keep stating that district is not going well.

At our election we did not have enough chairs for everyone and I would say that around 10 person were standing and stay for the election.

I will lye saying this was easy. This is the first position in AA that people will tell without hesitation that you are doing it wrong.

We have change the Phone service from alliance to Callture and for a fraction of the price this service work very well. The only interrogation point is that when we received a call we do not know it is an AA help line call if someone can express a solution for this it will be appreciate.

I will thank everyone that help me keeping this district strong. And I am not too far gone since AA is my only Solution.

Martin St-L. DCM district 36

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District 42 St. Lawrence International

Ted R

(Report read by David **D Alt DCM**) The District 42 Web committee members Milner G. and Webmaster Bob S. completed an overhaul of the Web page. The page is now a single district meeting list. It had included neighbouring District 19, this became more difficult to manage when 2 recovery club houses opened in that district. Multiple meetings at the club houses with frequent changing formats and meetings moving to the club houses and out of the club houses. Milner did most of the work reorganizing so that there is a list of meetings by day on the page as well as a downloadable list to be printed on an 8 ½ x 11 paper.

Yesterday, Friday, was the last Roving District meeting of the year. There were 3 others around the district. The thought being that maybe more exposure to people that had not attended a district meeting would get this opportunity. The first 2 had a few attendees and the last 2 the regular few. Our regular meetings in Canton have been the core few since June. Looks like the district officers and committee chairs will remain the same into the new service term.

District meeting is the 4th Wednesday, that day being December 26th we are going to have a holiday gathering instead of a regular meeting. The only formal part, DCM Ted R. will speak on a A.A. topic limited to 10 minutes. What alcoholic doesn't love a party; and may be a way to get rid of Christmas leftovers!

The rehab Hamilton Hall located on the St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center in Ogdensburg NY is starting a process to get clients out to AA meetings. The District will try to supply drivers, they will provide the van.

The detox unit formerly at the hospital in Potsdam has moved to Gouverneur hospital. This move has caused some volunteers to drop this service meeting as it is 30 miles further southwest for them. Looking for new volunteers.

Corrections - the county CF is serviced by 4 volunteers; Ted, Milner, Louise, and Caroline. This covers the men and women in the facility. Gouverneur CF is covered by Tim A. and David H.; Riverview CF in Ogdensburg is covered by myself and David T. of D62 - Ottawa; and Ogdensburg CF is covered by Wayne L, Charlie McG, and Mike C. of D48 Seaway Valley North.

District 42 Inventory was moderated by Sue B. of Ottawa assisted by another member of her group. As I reported at the June ACM, canceled in May due to a snowstorm, hoping for better weather Sunday - 29 July! It was a beautiful day. I was attending the AA NYS Information workshop in Utica, NY. Milner, Ted and Allan attended. Sue said she enjoyed the day.

Yours in Love and Service - David D.

District 48 Seaway Valley North

Winnie S

(Report read by Wayne L Alt DCM)

Good Morning Friends. I'm an alcoholic and my name is Winnie. I have had the honor and privilege of serving this last term as District Committee Member for District 48. I apologize for my absence today. Family and work had to prevail.

It is with mixed emotions I give this last report of term. However, I am very confident in the new committee headed up by Wayne L.

Plans are in the works for our annual Round-up in Feb. and I think Wayne has flyers with him today.

The district Finances are in good shape and we are having good turnouts at our District Table.

I will not be putting my name out for any position today but I wish all of you the who are standing the best of luck.

I extend much gratitude for the experience of the last two years as well as the friendships I have made. I will miss you all.

Yours in Love and Service Winnie S.

District 50 Cornwall

Steph L

No verbal report – no report submitted.

District 54 Ottawa Rideau

Bartosz W

Good morning everyone, I am the District Committee Member for District 54 Ottawa Rideau, my home group is Search for Serenity on Wednesday nights on Old Tenth Line Road, I am an alcoholic and my name is Bartosz.

Our District is doing very well. Group representation remains at approximately 50% with all positions filled apart from Registrar, Secretary and PI CPC. Recently Steve D. a member from Alfred, ON reached out asking what can be done for service given his location far east of Ottawa. He was given Ottawa Intergroup contact information for setting him up with answering phone calls from his location and was also invited to help with our District service positions that are still open. For anyone asking for help or to do service

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work that is east of Ottawa but west of Montreal please refer them to District 54 as our boundaries go all the way out to Hawkesburg which is shown on the Area 83 map that was recently updated by Marty.

A new mediation group is being started in Orleans which is to be at 7pm on Tuesdays nights. This fits well with our Stepping Ahead meeting which is at 830pm so providing members the opportunity to attend both meetings. Walter H. has stepped up as the contact person for this group and has been sent the group registration form for processing and was also invited to attend our District 54 business meetings.

The Ottawa PI CPC Committee is attempting to get going again with elections being held December 17. All positions are up for election: Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary and Intergroup Liaison. The current Chairperson Nigel L. reached out to advise the Ottawa DCMs of this and District 54 has been spreading the word at our meetings in order to raise awareness.

On a final note this will be the last time I will present on behalf of District 54 at the Area Committee so thank you all for the opportunity to serve and I hope to be with you again soon.

Yours in gratitude for service,
Bartosz W.

District 58 Ottawa Bytown

Michel D

Hi, my name is Michel D. and I am an alcoholic, a member of the Secular Sobriety Group and am the outgoing District 58 Ottawa Bytown District Committee Member.

The district had its elections in November and I am pleased to report that all of the Executive positions were filled:

Kim B. – DCM

Chantal F. – ADCM

Courtney S. – Treasurer

Dave B. – Secretary

Travis H. – Registrar

I should tell you that we even held an election for one of the positions – a first in recent memory and we also have a registrar, a position that has never been filled (outside of the ADCM taking the position) as long as I have been attending district meetings. This shows that there is a lot of enthusiasm at the district and it bodes well for the district and I know that Kim will do a great job as DCM.

The district also contributed funds to various committees in Ottawa – the Alkathon (which is an event that is held at noon Christmas Eve until noon Christmas Day and again at noon New Year's Eve until noon New Year's Day), Correctional Facilities and Treatment as well as Archives. We also helped with the expenses of a GSR attending the Assembly.

I would end my report by saying that I very much enjoyed my experience as DCM the last two years, and I have the GSRs and officers at my district, the Area Executive and my fellow DCMs to thank for that.

Yours in service, Michel D., District Committee Member, District 58 Ottawa Bytown

District 62 Ottawa West

Mike B

I am an alcoholic and am a member of the Parkwood Hills Group and have the honour and privilege of serving as the District Committee Member (DCM) for Ottawa West District 62. My name is Mike B.

District 62 remains healthy Spiritually and Financially and attendance remains good at the Table.

OPERATING PROCEDURES:

An ad-hoc committee was recently formed to review our operating procedures and bring back any suggested amendments or changes to the table. The ad-hoc committee did a fantastic job of painstakingly going through the Procedures line by line to come up with suggested changes or amendments that are meant only to benefit future District Committees. Last month the changes were presented to the Table and were voted on and were passed. We added one new position at the Table. Just like at Area 83 the immediate past District Committee Member will remain at the table for 2 years with a voice and a vote for continuity purposes.

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DISTRICT ELECTIONS:

We held our District elections in September and I am pleased to say by October all our Table positions were filled. Frank V. of the Westboro Big Book Study Group (who is present today) was elected as our incoming District Committee Member and Gene M. of the Freedom Group was elected as our Alternate District Committee Member and Self Support Chair.

Awareness Builder Kits:

You might remember, at the beginning of this year I spoke about the AA Awareness Builder Kits that District 62 had created? If not, they are 50 small A.A. pamphlets displayed in a cardstock holder and AA members are asked to place these pamphlets in Professionals offices in the Ottawa region. District 62 was able to place thousands of these pamphlets in offices throughout the region where Professionals may come in contact with people who might have a drinking problem. These pamphlets serve as a gentle way to increase awareness of A.A. for people visiting the offices of local professionals. It helps people who may have a problem with alcohol become aware that there is a solution; that they are not alone. We recently ordered 2,500 more pamphlets and the incoming District Committee will be well stocked to continue carrying the message to the Alcoholic who might not have found us yet.

CONCEPT STUDY:

District 62 has always strived to help our Members understand our Third Legacy. This year we facilitated a 12 Concepts Study/workshop held before our regular monthly meeting and it was not only informative, it was also FUN!. The turnout was great and I hope more workshops like this will continue in the future.

Group Inventories:

Groups in Ottawa West kept us busy this term. 22 Groups held Group Inventories over the past 2 years. Looking in the mirror might be the best way that we can better carry the message to the Alcoholic who still suffers.

ALKATHON:

If you happen to be in Ottawa over Christmas or New Years', please stop by our ALKATHON at the Bronson Centre. There will be 24 hours of meetings starting Christmas eve and New Years eve.

In closing,

Enthusiasm Breeds Enthusiasm!! I hope that the Enthusiasm I see in District 62 continues to spread throughout our District for many years to come and I also hope as our District Committee rotates out, we were able leave the campsite in a little better shape than when we found it.

It truly has been an honour and privilege and a pleasure to serve. I ask myself, WHAT'S NEXT....? God will let me know.

Yours in Love & Service,

Mike B. District Committee Member - Ottawa-West, District 62

District 66 Golden Triangle

Jenny C

Hello I'm a member of the Smiths Falls Saturday night group. Currently serving as District committee meeting for District 66. I'm an alcoholic and my name is Jenny C.

I'm excited to be here today with our incoming alternate district committee member Theresa L.

At the end of the term the District table is left ready to be taken over by a new group of eager excited members. All service positions have been filled. And our attendance still sits consistently around 75% of groups in attendance.

Financially the District is sound. Ready to send Neil P our incoming District committee member to CERAASA and make contributions to Area and GSO in the beginning of the new term.

We were successful in adding adding 3 service meeting to our weekly commitments this term. Making sure we are doing our best to help the new comer.

We are continually providing corrections with literature. This time of year there seems to be an extra need for support.

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Thank you all for the opportunity to serve and grow with you over the past 2 years. It has truly been an honour and a pleasure

Yours in love and service, Jenny C. DCM District 66

District 70 Renfrew Pontiac

Seanna B

(Report read by Secretary) I am an alcoholic, member of the Keep It Simple Group , currently serving as DCM for District 70, Renfrew Pontiac. My name is Seanna B.

I am so grateful that I asked Mary Anne H. a question 2 years ago. "So, what's involved with serving as DCM?". It has been an honour, and privilege, and the most wonderful learning experience. Thank you to everyone in District 70, and Area 83 for this.

Congratulations to all those continuing on in service, Area 83 in in good hands.

AA is alive and well in District 70, many celebrations took place in November; 60 years Harry S.! I can finally say someone got sober before I was born! Thank you Harry for all you have given to us. Other celebrations ranging from 1 year to 38years!

We held our election in November, facilitated by Jack from Cobden (last initial escapes me), all but one chair filled. Congrats to Lisa C, incoming DCM, the new GSRs and thanks for those staying on, District 70 is in good hands.

As the holiday season approaches, there are gratitude meetings coming up, a Sober New Year's Eve Evening of Speakers, sharing, music and dancing and lunch.

What a miracle maker AA is.

Two years ago , when I asked that question, I thought I had no reason to be alive. Today is a very sad day for me, it's the anniversary of my son's death, 3 years today. Thank you District 70. You gave me purpose, and Area 83, you guided me through. I simply cannot find words to express my gratitude.

I wish everyone a safe and sober Christmas and New Year, one day at a time.

I truly love you, all of you. Yours in Love and Service, Seanna B

District 74 Pembroke

Bill C

I am an alcoholic and have the privilege of serving as DCM for District 74 – Pembroke and parts of the Ottawa Valley. My home group is the West End Group in Pembroke. My name is Bill C.

We have lost a long-time member of the Triangle Group, Skip R, who passed on 26 October 2018 at 86 years. Skip was an active member in AA as well as being a mentor to his Aboriginal community and the Education community in the Ottawa Valley and beyond.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, we had to postpone our Elections. In District 74, we turn over half the District Table – with officers being elected in the even years and Chairs in the odd years. The elections will be held at our next District meeting in two weeks.

Financially, we continue to be in good shape.

All positions at the District Table are filled.

It has been an honor to have had a chance to serve with the members of the Panel 67. I am very grateful for this opportunity to serve. It has provided many opportunities for growth and being able to carry the message.

Yours in Love and Service, Bill C,
District Committee Member for District 74.

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District 78 Madawaska Valley

Anne Marie V

No verbal report. No report submitted.

District 82 Victoria Haliburton

Janice D

My name is Janice D and I am an alcoholic. And a very grateful one. I am a member of Minden Centennial Group in Minden and serving my final month as District Committee Member of District 82. I want to express my gratitude to my district who had enough faith to allow me this experience. And I want to thank the Area for their patience and understanding as I learned my role. This has been an unforgettable experience and I thank you from the bottom of my heart. I was so hesitant at accepting this position and I have learned so much from everyone and my confidence has grown.

Our District is healthy and meeting all our obligations. We had our elections in November and all the positions were filled except for our Archives chairperson. I expect this position to be filled soon.

Our conference committee has been working hard and has filled all the speaker positions for our one day conference on May 4th. More information and flyers will be presented in the New Year.

Our Public Information Committee has been working diligently updating meeting lists and getting advertisements ready for this Christmas and New Years season.

Jim S. has stepped into our Webmaster Chair for the next term and an alternate webmaster position was created so that Jim can train this person and pass the position over smoothly when it is time.

I am still encouraging groups to fill out the Archives Group Membership Survey. I have one more to turn over to Eddie and just love his big grin when he hauls in another filled out survey.

I now have that warm comfy feeling in my stomach in this position and everyone is beginning to feel like family so I know it's time to step aside and allow someone else to take this position. Glenn B. will be our new District Committee Member for District 82 for 2019 and 2020 term and Michelle L. has accepted the alternate District Committee Membership position.

So once more – thanks for this opportunity

Yours in Love and Service, Janice D. District Committee Member - District 82

District 86 Kawartha

Larry D

(Report read by Alt DCM Tim F)

Good Morning Friends, I am an alcoholic, proud member of the Freedom Group and currently serving as Alternate District Committee Member of District 86 and my name is Tim F. I attended another great assembly and as always was amazed at the election process. I believe it's a truly spiritual process when a name is pulled from the hat.

We are meeting all our financial obligations and attendance at our District Meetings, are 80% or better. We have had our Treatment chair vacant for many months but I have more than welcomed the chance to fill in as Alternate. That position will be filled as of tomorrow due to an election for this position. We are in the process of filling our next District table and it has been a slow process. We still have two positions open which hopefully will get filled at our District meeting tomorrow. So far all but two positions have been filled by acclamation.

Our District will be holding a Potluck Memorial Candle Light meeting December 18th at Intergroup. It is to remember the members who passed away during the year. Sadly, there have been many this year, including Bernie S who has been the keeper of this list and chair since I got sober.

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I have enjoyed my time as Alternate District Committee Member and am looking forward to working with the Area and District Committee's in the role of District Committee Member over the next two years. I have much respect for this table and the people who serve it. Wishing you and your family a safe, sober and Merry Christmas and holiday season.

Yours in Gratitude, Love and Service, Tim F.

6. Committee Member Reports

We now come to our Area Sub-Committee Chair reports. As with the Districts, written reports may be as long as you like and will be included in the minutes in their entirety, if given to our Secretary. We rely on your humility and compassion to keep your verbal reports brief. I would ask the committee members to stay at the front after their reports to answer any questions, if any.

FRIENDLY REMINDER TO DCMS THAT ITEMS SHARED IN THESE REPORTS ARE MEANT TO BE SHARED WITH GSR'S AT YOUR NEXT DISTRICT MEETING. PLEASE ASK GSRS TO THEN TAKE THIS INFORMATION BACK TO THEIR GROUPS. THIS IS HOW WE KEEP OUR MEMBERS INFORMED.

Our first report will be from our.....

a) Public Information Chairperson

Les M

Good Day everyone, I'm a alcoholic, a member of the Foxboro Friendship Group in District 34 and with much gratitude I have the privilege to serve Area 83 as Public Information Chair. my name is Les M.

Since this is my last report, things here have being very slow, still get the minutes from the Districts in Area 83, which I read and send thanks to the sender. I have 3 PIC Kits & 3 PIC Workbooks for sale here today at a bargain price.

This term has being a real highlight in my Service Journey, and at this time I would like to give Thanks too all of you for a wonderful ride. I would thank you for allowing me to be of service for Area 83. Also thanks to all the Public Information Chairs for doing a wonderful job in their District and helping me out. Cheers.

At this time from our home too yours may we { Carolyn & Les } wish to you a Sober and Joyous Holiday Season.

Yours in Love, Service & Hugs in AA

Les M

b) Cooperation with the Professional Community Chairperson

Jim S

Good morning. I am an alcoholic, a member of the Sunday Nighters group in District 82 Victoria/ Haliburton, and my name is Jim S. It is with gratitude that I have served you as the Cooperation with the Professional Community Chair for this term.

These two years have gone by so quickly and I want to thank each of you for allowing me to be of service to not only the Districts in Area 83 but Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole. I have had the opportunity to work with some dedicated, strong members of A.A. who hold the position of CPC Chair in their respective Districts. I thank them for their dedication and service. I do hope they continue their journey of service to A.A.

I have been blessed to have held three other Sub Committee positions for the Area and I must admit this position has been the quietest. Over the term I did not receive any invitations to do workshops for the Districts, but I was asked by the General Service Office to put up a display and populate it for the weekend at the People in Motion Conference held in Toronto at the Queen Elizabeth building. I did this with the help of several Districts. I had been asked several times for advice by the Districts on different situations and have given advice to the best of my ability.

Even though things have been quiet that does not mean there have not been challenges at times during the term. I want to thank the members of the Area Committee Executive, especially Kim our Delegate, Robb our Alternate Delegate and Kimberley our Area Chair for their support. And of course I would be remiss if I did not thank Joyce S my service sponsor for her help, support and guidance.

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I encourage each of you who are eligible to stand for a position today to do so. My journey in service has meant so much to me and has changed my life and journey in A.A. I would not like anyone to miss those same opportunities that I have experienced.

Wishing you all a safe drive home and that you all have a Merry and blessed Christmas .

Yours in the Love and Service of A.A.

Jim

c) Correctional Facilities Chairperson

Rob M

Hi everyone, I'm an alcoholic, a member of the Motor City Group in District 28, and my name is Rob M. I'm currently serving as interim Correctional Facilities Chairperson for Area 83 Eastern Ontario International.

At our Correctional Facilities meeting in Kingston during Assembly weekend it was noted that the District Correctional Facilities Chairpersons have no way to contact each other should the need arise. I sent the Area Correctional Facilities Chairperson contact list to all the District Chairs, so they now have each other's contact information.

Earlier this month I received two Bridging the Gap requests from Area 86 Western Ontario. One was for a client returning to Newmarket in District 14, the other was returning to Toronto in District 02. The client returning to Newmarket was being released that day, so rather than forward the email, I called the District 14 Correctional Facilities Chair. I was unable to get hold of him, so I tried Will, the Alternate DCM. Will was able to get a woman member of his home group to make contact with the client. The client returning to District 02 was also a woman, and De, the Alternate DCM agreed to make contact with her. Thank you Will and De for bridging the gap.

I continue to check the Area Correctional Facilities email daily, and will reply to any that I receive.

If I can be of service to your Groups or Districts please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours in Love and Service, Rob M

d) Treatment/Accessibilities Chairperson

Marty M

Hello everyone, I am a grateful alcoholic; my name is Marty. I'm a member of the Open Hands Group in District 6, Mississauga and very grateful to serve as your Treatment/Accessibility chair for Area 83 Eastern Ontario International.

Since the Assembly, I have received and sent out an additional 12 Bridging the Gap requests. This year's total is 73 Requests for a temporary contact. Last year at this time we had 87. Still 73 people reaching out for help is awesome. This tells me the Bridging the Gap program works. Even if half of these people make it and stay sober it's a home run.

Last Saturday I was at the District 2 Service Day giving a talk on Treatment. Thank you to De and Shane for inviting me and for hosting this great event.

I did start up a new service meeting at the WoodGreen Community centre in Toronto. I ran it for a few weeks, then handed it over to district 10. I want to say a huge thank you to District 10 for taking this service commitment on.

Accessibility is only busy before and during the assembly. It's been challenging taking on both roles, but I have learned a lot and I am grateful for the opportunity. I also believe taking on the Chair position at the Toronto Accessibility committee has been beneficial as well. I think I have been able to spread some of what I've learned on to others, which is what it's all about; sharing our experience and knowledge.

It has been a great two years serving Alcoholics Anonymous in Area 83. I am extremely grateful to be on this journey with all of you. I want to thank everyone for their help and support.

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I wish you all a safe and happy holiday season.

Yours in Love and Service, Marty M

e) Grapevine Chairperson

Robert B

Area 83 Grapevine Chair Robert B. of the Rexdale United Group.

Subscription for Canada

Subscription Grapevine magazine \$35.00 (US) = I paid Jan 2018 \$41.32 (CDN)

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NEW BOOKS - AA IN THE MILITARY

- ONE BIG TENT (Atheist and agnostic AA member's stores)

Grapevine Free shipping for December.

Grapevine Challenge, Ontario 273 new subscriptions 2018.

Toronto Intergroup has lowered cost of most Grapevine Books to \$13.50.

I would very much like to thank the Grapevine Chairs and all the Grapevine Reps. For all their work and enthusiasm in informing the fellowship about Grapevine.

I would also thanks Deirdre for all her work in in taking munities and organizing the bulk orders of Grapevine books as well as the two pocket planers and calendars orders

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Thanks Robert B. Area 83 Grapevine Chair

grapevine@area83aa.org

f) Self-Support Chairperson

Ray R

I'm an alcoholic, a member of the last chance group, in District 2, and serving as your panel 67, area 83 self support chair, my name is Ray R.

The last assembly proved to be, at least for me, the best one. It was well attended, and had great energy, with lots of questions and comments. I reminded everyone, that no matter how you serve your group, district, intergroup, or area, you were in fact contributing to self support. The message seemed to be well received.

Later that evening, I met with 8 district self support chairs, where we exchanged ideas, shared what was working in their districts, as well as the challenges. the minutes of that meeting will be sent to all the district self support chairs.

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Other activities include, participating in the District 2 service day, which was well organized, with quality presenters. I will be meeting with the GTA Self Support Chairs on Dec 28 for our rap-up meeting, at 234 Eglinton.

This is both a sad and exciting time for me as I will be soon rotating out of Self Support. There'll be a lot of great memories, the people I've met, and things that I've learned. But knowing this is not the end of my journey, but the beginning of a new chapter, I will embrace what I've learned, and take it with me, and I'm sure I'll meet a lot of the same people as we travel the road to happy destiny.

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g) Archives Chairperson

Eddy G

Good morning everyone, I am an alcoholic, a member of the Beaches Group & serve as your Area 83 Archives Chairperson and my name is Eddy G.

-All our literature that has been published is Archives and is yesterday's history. Today is tomorrow's History. Please be mindful of Archives and let others be aware of Archives.

-50 Year Medallion- Paul McA., Beaches Group-Toronto on Tues. Dec.18, 2018 at 8 pm.

-Holiday Gift Book Package- on the GSO Website there is a 4-volume book gift set available until mid-January 2019 for \$30.00 US. The books are- Commemorative First Edition Reprint of the Big Book Alcoholics Anonymous, Pass It On, Dr. Bob and the Good Old-Timers & AA Comes of Age.

Area 83 Website (area83aa.org) & GSO Website (aa.org) -There is a wealth of archival information on these two sites. Pass this on to your GSR's & your District Archives Chairs.

"The Eighty-Three" Archives Newsletter- Next Issue will be out before the 2019 Spring Assembly. Past issues of the newsletter are on the Area 83 Website at area83aa.org/resources/archives

"The Eighty-Three" Archives Newsletter Articles- If your District & groups are interested in helping out with writing & submitting an article on the history of your District or groups we would appreciate it. DCM's please pass this on to your GSR's. Also if you would like to see an article on a specific topic let us know. Articles can be submitted to the following: archives@area83aa.org or archivist@area83aa.org

Area 83 Archives Group Membership Survey- So far we have received surveys from 9 groups, and the total number of members that have participated is 140. That's great!! When the Area did an inventory a few years ago the total number of members that participated was approx. 108. I left a copy of the survey in each DCM's folder. Please DCM's pass this on to your Incoming DCM's & remind them to ask the GSR's to bring it back to their group and read the purpose of the survey and the instructions first before they conduct the survey with their group members at the business meeting. The survey will be emailed out again to the DCM's. Also the survey is on the website.

-District Minutes- Thank you to all the districts for sending me your district minutes.

Thank You- Area 83, for all your help and allowing me to serve as your Area 83 Archives Chairperson these past two years.

Election of Area 83 Archives Chairperson 2019-2020 term- eligible members please let your name stand. There are past Area 83 Archive Chairpersons- Gord H., Milner G., Peter N., Gary C., our Immediate Past Area 83 Archivist David T., Linda McQ. our Area 83 Archivist and me to help you in this position.

Keep in Mind a Quote- from Carl Sandberg (from the GSO Archives Workbook)

"Whenever a society or civilization perishes there is always one condition present:

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They forgot where they came from".

Area 83 Archivist Report - Linda McQ. - Linda is starting to receive the group membership surveys & she will be totaling up the numbers.

AA Items- if you have any AA items or you're not sure what to do with them you can contact Linda at archivist@area83aa.org

Also Linda is looking forward to working with the Incoming Area 83 Archives Chairperson.

Planning with the following items:

- the Eighty-Three Archives Newsletter (out before the Spring Assembly),
- the Archives Workshop at Service Information Day at the Spring Assembly,
- the Area 83 Archives Committee Meeting Saturday night after the banquet speaker,
- the Area 83 Archives Group Membership Survey (reminding GSR's to get survey filled out),
- the Area 83 Archives Workshop in Kingston end of April 2019.

Thank you for your patience & tolerance,

Yours in Service, Eddy G - Area 83 Archives Chairperson

h) Service Information Day Chairperson

Shane H

Hello friends ! I'm an Alcoholic my name is Shane, what an amazing experience it was serving at this level, if you are an incoming DCM please let your name stand for this committee. you will not regret it. This report is short since our job ended after the Assembly .

I would like to thank the Committee Dave L, Mike B, Jo Ann p, Rob A, and Dave B for your hard work.

Yours in Service Shane H panel67 Area 83 eastern international service information day Chairperson

7. Registrar's Report

Amy L

I am an Alcoholic, a member of the Liverpool Group of District 26 in Pickering and my name is Amy. I am grateful to be of service as Area Registrar for Area 83.

The roll call for the Area Committee of December 1, 2018 is.

13 Area Officers (including Alternate Area Webmaster), 1 Immediate Past Delegate, 1 Past Delegate, 18 District Committee Members, 13 Alternate District Committee Members and 17 Visitors.

For voting purposes, we have: 13 Area Officers eligible to vote (including 1 Immediate Past Delegate) and 18 District Committee Members plus 4 Alt DCM for a total of 35 votes. Total delegation for this meeting is 65.

I cannot tell you what a pleasure it has been working with all of you. With only 10 unknown Groups at this time I would have to say all of the districts have done very well to keep the groups in your districts connected to AA as a whole. That is awesome.

The information I am sharing here, should be considered more of a reflection of your hard work than anything else. Over the course of my term I have been keeping a record of my FNV entries for Group updates. It is a quick way to keep track of what I have done and any outstanding issues. I have tracked over 900 FNV group information changes. Area 83 has 569 groups, and while a few of those changes represent a group that has experienced multiple GSR/AGSR shifts in this term, I think it is safe to say that we have made contact with most groups in Area 83. All groups have been either updated in this term, or was updated in the latter part of Sue B.'s term.

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I have heard from the Records Manager in GSO that the FNV database will not be available to update some service position until December 16th. As far as I understand, this does not affect

- Groups (adding new, making changes, requesting changes to names, status);
- GSR and alternate GSR changes (Includes Primary and Secondary contacts)
- DCM and DCMC records. These records can be updated.

I have not heard anything further regarding the new Database software ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning system) and GSO's intentions for rolling it out in the new year.

This database which if you recall is a platform that will allow GSO to integrate all facets of their operations into one repository (Group and service records(FNV), publications, order entry records, contribution records as well as GSOs accounting, procurement and production information).

For all those groups that are electing and installing their new GSRs and Alternates in the 2019-20 term, you can start to pass those updates on to me at any time by way of your district Registrars.

I do have hard copies of New Group forms at the back of the room with the Dave L, the incoming Registrar's address at the bottom. Very soon we will have an electronic version of this and the New Group form on the Area website. <http://www.area83aa.org/resources/area-registrar>. The form from this term and the next are identical, except for the mailing address listed on the bottom. If you are sending it electronically, it doesn't matter which version you use as long as you send it to registrar@area83aa.org.

Finally, it was nice to step back and take a 30,000 ft view of what I witnessed in the last 2 years. I saw the doors close on 25 groups in Area 83. One district did a big clean up of inactive groups, which took 9 groups off their books, while the remaining closed groups were in 12 other Districts. I was happy to see that 2 groups that were formerly inactive were made active again, and 12 New Groups were registered with GSO.

We have approximately 200 groups with 10 members or less, 75 with 5 members or less. We have 95 groups with 50 or more members, and 16 groups with 100+ members. I flag that as possibly a reflection of people overlooking that part of the Group information Sheets. Regardless, we all know the saying that all it takes is two alcoholics getting together and you can call yourself a meeting. Thank you to everyone who keeps those 569 doors open 365 days a year.

I cannot thank you enough for this opportunity to be of service. This and other AA responsibilities has given me a sense of purpose and so much gratitude and the ability to give back.

Yours in Love and Service, Amy L

8. Treasurer's Report

Sue B

Hello friends. I am an alcoholic, a member of the Parkwood Hills Group in District 62, and my name is Sue. It continues to be both an honour and a privilege to serve as your Area 83 Treasurer.

In each of the District Committee Members mail folders, I have provided the General Service Office (GSO) District Quarterly Report as of September 30, 2018, regarding contributions from each group received by the General Service Office. I have not provided Area 83 contribution envelopes as the address of where contributions are to be sent will change effective January 1, 2019. I have provided JoAnn, our incoming Treasurer, with a box of blank envelopes. JoAnn will bring envelopes with her address on them to the January 2019 Area Committee Meeting that may be picked up and brought back to the Districts at that time. Contributions for the month of December are still to be sent to myself. I would like to thank all the Groups that provide your Group Service Number and a return address either on the envelope or the cheque; it certainly helps to know where the letter of receipt is to be sent back to.

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Contributions can also be made using PayPal. Please remind Groups to include their six-digit Group Service Number with any contributions using PayPal to ensure the group will receive credit for the contribution. The place to enter the group number is the screen after entering the credit card information. PayPal charges a fee of 2.9% plus 30 cents per transaction. So far this year, there has been four contributions using PayPal.

Also, in the District Committee Members mail folders, as well as the Area Committee Members folders, you will find copies of the Financial Statement as at November 23, 2018. Copies of these are also available on the side table; let's go through these numbers now, please.

Page 1 is a financial summary. It shows our reserve account, which is set aside for unforeseen circumstances, has a balance of \$20,000 and is in the form of a GIC paying 1.4% interest maturing September 11, 2020.

Income for the period:

- 7th tradition collected at the previous three Area Committee Meetings and both the Spring and Fall Assembly = \$7,488.00.
- Cost Recovery = \$403.00; this is from the sale of Service Manuals at the Spring Assembly in Kingston, and two more since then. Also, our Grapevine Chair, Robert, sold 19 Grapevine Books which had been left over from a few terms ago, for a total of \$224.00.
- GSO Flow Through = \$60.00 (A Flow Through is when a Group sends a cheque for ie \$120.00. They request a certain amount of the monies be allocated to Area 83, ie \$60.00, and the remainder be sent to the General Service Office. This is shown as Income as the total cheque is deposited.)
- Grapevine Seasonals = \$3,890.00 was collected for Pocket Planners and Calendars.
- Group and District contributions \$51,103.89.

Total income for the period is \$62,824.89.

Expenses for the period:

- Committee expenses are \$43,877.81.
- Area Contribution to the General Service Office = \$5,000.00.
- January, June and September Area Committee Meetings for rent and refreshments = \$1,089.50.
- General Service Conference Assessment = \$10,386.94 CDN (\$8,200.00 US).
- Bank service charges = \$177.34
- PayPal Fees = \$28.75
- Forum, held in Victoriaville, Quebec = \$2,319.34
- Grapevine Seasonal = \$3,920.51.
- GSO Flow Through - \$60.00.
- Ontario Delegate's Conference (ODC), held in Thunder Bay = \$1,603.80.

Total expenses for the period are \$68,343.99.

To date income is \$5,179.40 lower than expenses.

The bank balance on November 23, 2018 was \$39,038.33. As of that date, all cheques received have been processed, and letters of receipt, along with return contribution envelopes were mailed out.

The opening bank balance as of January 1, 2018 was \$44,557.43. Total income of \$62,824.89 less expenses of \$68,343.99 leaves a balance of \$39,038.33 in the operating account as of November 23, 2018.

The bank reconciliation has been done and the balance in the operating account is accurate.

Page 2 shows details of expenses. Here we see an itemized breakdown of expenses for the period for each Area Committee Member, as well as all other expenses to date.

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Just to clarify some of the numbers that you see here:

Under Committee Expenses:

- The amount shown for Treatment/Accessibility under Literature, \$341.94, is for an order purchased from the GSO. Both displays required replenishing as this has not been done in a few years.
- The amount shown for the Spring Assembly under Literature, \$526.55, is for the order of Service Manuals purchased from the GSO. Monies from the sales is then placed under Income in cost recoveries. There is no mark up in price.
- Beside both the Spring and Fall Assemblies, under meals, is an Assembly expense which covers coffee/tea/pop, cleaning of the atrium, meeting rooms, and staff etc. We are also not charged for the majority of room rentals during our Assembly weekends. Under Miscellaneous for the Assemblies are costs for the rental of the Archives room, DVD rental, data projectors and the set up of the ballroom.

Under Other Expenses:

- Area GSO Contributions = \$5,000.00 which had been approved at this years Spring Assembly.
- The General Service Conference (GSC) Assessment. At the Spring Assembly in 2007, a motion passed stating that "provided it doesn't affect our prudent reserve, Area 83 will pay to GSO the full annual expense for our Delegate to attend the General Service Conference." The cost for Delegates to attend this year was \$8,200.00 US, or \$10,386.94 CDN and has been paid in full.

You do not see an Expense summary at the bottom of the page here as we did not have an ACM last December, however looking back to November 24, 2017, the amount in the account at that time was \$38,064.34 compared to \$39,038.33 on November 23rd of this year.

Page 3 shows contributions by District. These amounts include contributions from Districts, as well as Groups within the District. You can see that 153 Groups and 18 Districts have made financial contributions to Area 83 so far, this year.

The total of the 7th collected today is \$280.10.

The rates for the 2019 Spring Assembly, being held March 29 – 31, will be as follows:

Room Rates:

- Traditional, 2 Queen Beds - \$107.00 + applicable taxes. A valid credit card is required to guarantee all reservations. When making reservations, contact the Hotel at 1-800-267-7880 and quote the Group Name "Spring Assembly Area 83". (You cannot email your reservation)

Our block of Hotel rooms will be held until February 25, 2019. After this date, you will not be guaranteed a room.

Food and Beverage Prices:

- Saturday Dinner Buffet – \$39.50 per person including gratuity and tax
- Assembly Fee – \$17.25 per person including gratuity and tax

Thank you to the Districts that send me your Minutes; I truly enjoy reading them.

Once again, I wish to thank the 153 Groups and 18 Districts that have made financial contributions to Area 83 this year.

In closing, thank you for allowing me to serve as your Area 83 Treasurer for the 2017 – 2018 term. I thoroughly enjoyed the position, meeting so many of you, and I had a lot of fun!!! I absolutely love Area 83 and wish all those involved in the 2019 – 2020 term all the best.

I wish you all a happy and joyous Christmas season!

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Yours in Love and Service, Sue B - Area 83 Treasurer - Panel 67

9. Secretary's Report

James O'D

It has been a pleasure to serve Area 83 as your Secretary for the last 3 years and I am amazed at how fast the time has passed.

Thank you to all the DCMs who have sent in their new District updates. As was mentioned in the most recent email, the GSO will be suspending updates to the FNV a database for at least the first two weeks of this month. Panel 69 updates are being sent to our incoming Secretary, Amy, so that she will have the necessary data to prepare entering the information with the help of our new Registrar Dave.

It is imperative before you leave today that you confirm that I have received at least your incoming DCM's full name and email. If you have all of the information (address, telephone number, etc) so much the better. We need the full name to create tent cards and name tags so that we can properly welcome the new members of the Area at our upcoming ACM in January. Emails are essential so we can seamlessly continue to keep the groups (via the DCM) in contact with the GSO and send out welcome letters and agendas. Also, we would like to keep essential services like Bridging the Gap operational.

If you would like to keep your name or tent card as a memento please make sure that you leave with it today – all district and officer folders will be purged (passed Delegates are exempted). If you could, please leave the plastic card pouch on the back table beside the committee folder boxes – they can be reused.

During the last month since the Assembly I have been busy getting the minutes out (in record time, I might add!), working with Amy to organize her transition to Secretary and also working with Kimberley to demystify the Chairperson position. I am very excited to begin this new adventure!

I would encourage everyone who is eligible and has the time and energy to commit to the sub committees to put their name forward in the elections today.

Once again, thank you for allowing me to serve Area 83 as your Secretary, thank you for allowing me to continue my service journey as your Chairperson and most importantly, thank you for my sobriety.

10. Alternate Delegate's Report

Rob M

Hi friends. I'm an alcoholic, a member of the Motorcity Group in District 28, and my name is Rob M. It's an honour to serve Area 83 as Alternate Delegate for this term.

November 19th was the Remote Communities Conference call. There were 9 of us on the call, with much sharing about carrying the message in Remote Communities. Cathie from Area 84 volunteered to take on the Chairperson position for this committee next year, and Tami from Area 78 agreed to be the Secretary. Some of the members on this call have been elected as Delegate so it will be nice to meet them in New York after talking on the phone the last 2 years.

On November 24th I took part in a concepts workshop hosted by the GTA Intergroup. It was a great day of learning with approximately 60 members in attendance. Thanks to Bert J, Toronto Intergroup chair for organizing this day, and thanks to past Delegates Joyce, Mel, and Roy, as well as Zobie, and Richard for their participation.

I look forward to facilitating a group inventory for the Silverbirch Group in District 22 next Saturday.

If you are eligible, I encourage you to continue your journey in general service by letting your name stand for subcommittee positions today.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve Area 83 as Alternate Delegate. It really has been an amazing experience, one that I have thoroughly enjoyed. I've always said the best part of being involved in General Service is all the great members I meet, who I otherwise may not have. It's been a pleasure getting to know many of you this term.

Thank you for being of Service and best wishes for the holiday season.

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Yours in Love and Service, Rob M

11. Delegate's Report

Kim S

Hi everyone, my name is Kim, I am an alcoholic and your Panel 67 Delegate. The cool thing about being a Panel 67 Delegate is that although I rotate out of the Delegate position, I will always be the Panel 67 Delegate.

Since the Fall Assembly I facilitated a safety inventory for District 18 on November 13. It was an interesting evening and the feedback I received was very positive.

I also facilitated an inventory for District 12 with our Registrar Amy taking the minutes on November 14. It was a fun time.

I also participated in the District 2 Service Day on November 24th. It was a great day on service with a few new people attending. There was a love of service everywhere that day. I heard it and saw it. Thank you to everything for putting the day together and inviting me to participate. It was truly a beautiful love filled day.

I am booked for CERAASA in Laval for February 23-25, 2019 as I will be attending as the Immediate Past Delegate for Area 83.

In 4 weeks you will have a new panel and I am grateful to be a part of that panel as the Immediate Past Delegate. I know Rob will be a great Panel 69 Delegate.

I want to say thank you to this group of DCMs, Chairs and Area Officers. Thank you for everything in the last 2 years. Your trust and support has been appreciated. For my fellow area officers, thank you. I really feel we were a great team.

Thank you to Joyce for all her help this term. You have been so helpful and supportive. It is much appreciated. Thank you to Roy who is always there for me. Your support and help is so much appreciated.

Honestly, there really are no words to fully say how I feel. Just know that I am grateful for the opportunity to represent Area 83 as your Delegate. I am so proud of our Area and it has been a pleasure!

12. Chairperson's Report

Kimberley M

Good afternoon, I'm an alcoholic, a member of the Ajax Area Group in District 26 and my name is Kimberley. It has been an honour to serve Area 83 as Chairperson for this term.

Thank you for this incredible opportunity to serve Alcoholics Anonymous. I have thoroughly enjoyed serving as Chairperson, and have learned so much. I believe our Area Committee has worked well together, and thank all of you for your service to Alcoholics Anonymous.

This is the time when the outgoing chairperson has the opportunity to make recommendations. I have thought about this and do have a couple of recommendations to consider.

At the Dec 3, 2016 ACM, before this term began, there was a report from the ad Hoc committee on the Area Inventory Results. In that report they said:

"There were several concerns noted about the flow of information throughout the Area. It seems evident that communication between the Area, the District and the Groups could use some work. Many of the concerns of GSR's was that they were not getting the information that they felt they should be getting."

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As a past DCM, I acknowledge that capturing the information shared at these Area meetings and preparing a report to the district that is brief and accurate is not an easy task. I feel that expecting the GSRs to read the ACM minutes is not as effective as having the DCM take the time to share with the GSRs what was discussed. GSRs then have the opportunity to ask questions so they are better prepared to in turn share the information with their groups. As a DCM you are the conduit by which information flows back and forth between the Area and the GSRs. So my first recommendation is to challenge the incoming DCMs to increase the flow of info to your GSRs. The goal being to keep the GSRs well informed and included. Set the example for your GSR's who are challenged with the same task of bringing information from the District table to their groups.

A second recommendation has to do with the website. Have we been using the website as effectively as possible?

Did you know....Our operating procedures state that :

"Information such as event information, location, time, agenda, registration forms, etc is allowed for display on the area 83 website for the following types of activities:

Firstly, AA General Service functions (quarterlies, assemblies, conferences, special forums, workshops, etc)"

Secondly, Fellowship activities (round ups, speaker meetings, picnics, dances, campouts etc).

Recently there were a couple of gals from Quebec that were looking for all day AA events to go to on a road trip outside of their little town. Not finding the information on the Area website, they sent an email requesting information. They were redirected to intergroup websites to find flyers about round ups. It might be helpful to have these events posted on the Area website.

So my second recommendation is that DCMs submit events occurring in your district to the Area webmaster to be listed on the Area 83 website.

For those of you who are willing and able to let your name to stand for a Committee Chair position today, I wish you the best. There is always much to do in service. Being in service is not what has kept me sober, but it has greatly enhanced the quality of my sobriety. I am grateful for the opportunity to continue my service journey. I hope you have that same opportunity.

With gratitude, Kimberley

Note: At this point in the agenda, I would like to recommend that we move to 2/3 majority.
May I have a motion to move to 2/3 majority?

MOVED: IAN W – D30 – DCM

SECONDED: MICHEL D – D58 - DCM

DISCUSSION?

All those in Favour? All

All those opposed? 0

Any abstentions? 0

Voice of Minority? None

Motion was passed.

13. OLD BUSINESS

a) Clarifying the motion that has been deferred to the Spring 2019 Assembly.

"We close the Friday and Saturday night speaker meetings with the Responsibility Declaration AND the Lord's prayer. All the workshops close with the Responsibility Declaration only." – Shane H – D02 – DCM

Notes on brief discussion: This was brought up solely to clarify the motion. It seems that many were confused as to its scope. The motion speaks for itself and was asked to be brought back to the District tables (and then the groups) for discussion. As this motion has been deferred to the Spring Assembly there will be ample time for everyone in the Area to discuss it thoroughly.

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This motion is about two meetings only – Friday and Saturday evenings

Q. What will we be using in the Spring:

A. At the moment it is up the Service Information Day (SID) committee as motion will be voted on at the Assembly.

14. NEW BUSINESS

a) Discussion: How did we do at our Election Assembly? Comments for 2020

One member was disappointed that so many people left during the elections. Why not put the elections on the Saturday?

Third Legacy Procedures were not read at the beginning. Some couldn't read the overhead.

One member directed new GSRs to the Third Legacy workshop. They appreciated it and made the elections easier to follow.

b) Appointment of Webmaster, effective January 1, 2019 for 2 years.

Kimberley M. Chairperson

Our Operating Procedures state that the Webmaster is "To be appointed (or re-appointed) for a two year term by the Area Committee, on a recommendation of the Area 83 Chairperson after consultation with any other members of Area 83 deemed suitable for advice by the Area 83 Chairperson." There is no vote. Instead, I ask if there's any dis-approval.

I recommend that we appoint George McQ as webmaster effective January 1, 2019 for a 2 year term. Does anyone disapprove??

No Disapproval. Congratulations to George McQ our new Webmaster.

c) Motion: Update Operating Procedures, Appendix B: List of Eligible Candidates. Add Archives Chair and remove DCM District 38 Thousand Islands.

James O'D, Secretary

It was explained by the Secretary that this is purely a house keeping motion.

- 1) The Area has always included the Archives Chair in elections as an eligible candidate as they are a part of the Area Committee. For some reason it just didn't make it into the Operating Procedures. This motion is to remedy that mysterious oversight.
- 2) District 38 withdrew from the Area around the Fall of 2014 and no longer exists – anywhere!

MOVED: James O'D, Area Secretary

SECONDED: JOANN P – D28 - DCM

DISCUSSION? NO

All those in Favour? All

All those opposed? 0

Any abstentions? 0

Voice of Minority? None

Motion was passed.

d) Ad hoc Committee to investigate a stand-alone Accessibilities Committee

The groups and membership of District 2 request that the Area 83 Committee form an ad hoc committee to research the

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idea of a stand-alone committee with its own chairperson for Accessibilities.” Shane H – D02 – DCM

Motioned by Shane H – D02 – DCM

Seconded by Glenn G – D18 – DCM

Discussion:

- What is the current sub committee's workload regarding Accessibilities?
- Treatment/Accessibilities Chair said that not very much goes on during the year but around Assemblies it is heavier (ie: two workshops)
- The motion is to “research” the idea only – not to decide on if we require another committee. Explorative only.
- Perhaps we can look at how other Areas do things.

VOTE

Yes – Majority

No – 1

Voice of the Minority – No

Motion passed.

e) Election of 2019/2020 Area Sub-Committee Chairpersons by Area Committee.

I would now like to turn the meeting over to Mel C., Panel 63 Past Delegate, who will facilitate these elections.

FOR THE POSITION OF: PUBLIC INFORMATION

	CANDIDATE NAME	BALLOT #1	BALLOT #2	BALLOT #3	BALLOT #4	BALLOT #5	THE HAT
1	JANICE D	4	2				
2	BILL C	11	15	17	18		
3	BARTOSZ W	1	0				
4	TOM S	3	2				
5	DAVID B	5	2				
6	<u>RAY R</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>16</u>		<u>*HAT*</u>
	TOTAL VOTES CAST	34	34	34	34		
	2/3 OF TOTAL VOTES CAST	23	23	23	23		
	1/5 OF TOTAL VOTES CAST		7				

Motion to go to the 5th Ballot. Michel D – D58 – DCM, Seconded by Jim S – Area CPC Chair

Yes – 6

No – Majority

To the hat!

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FOR THE POSITION OF: CO-OPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY

	CANDIDATE NAME	BALLOT #1	BALLOT #2	BALLOT #3	BALLOT #4	BALLOT #5	THE HAT
1	JANICE D	1	0				
2	<u>BILL C</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>*23*</u>				
3	DAVID B	3	1				
4	LES M	10	10				
	TOTAL VOTES CAST	34	34				
	2/3 OF TOTAL VOTES CAST	23	23				

FOR THE POSITION OF: CORRECTIONS

	CANDIDATE NAME	BALLOT #1	BALLOT #2	BALLOT #3	BALLOT #4	BALLOT #5	THE HAT
1	JANICE D	0	0				
2	MICHEL D	11	9	10	10		
3	MARTIN ST-L	0	0				
4	TOM S	2	1				
5	DAVID B	2	1				
6	EDDIE G	2	1				
7	MARY M	6	7	5			
8	<u>LES M</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>*20*</u>		
	TOTAL VOTES CAST	34	32	32	30		
	2/3 OF TOTAL VOTES CAST	23	22	22	20		
	1/5 OF TOTAL VOTES CAST		6				
	1/3 OF TOTAL VOTES CAST			10			

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FOR THE POSITION OF: TREATMENT/ACCESSIBILITY

	CANDIDATE NAME	BALLOT #1	BALLOT #2	BALLOT #3	BALLOT #4	BALLOT #5	THE HAT
1	JANICE D	7	8	6	6		
2	TOM S	1	1				
3	DAVID B	8	6	6	7	11	
4	<u>SHANE H</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>*HAT*</u>
5	EDDIE G	4	0				
	TOTAL VOTES CAST	31	30	30	31	31	
	2/3 OF TOTAL VOTES CAST	21	20	20	21	21	
	1/5 OF TOTAL VOTES CAST		6				
	1/3 OF TOTAL VOTES CAST			10			

Motion to go to the 5th ballot.

Motioned by Gord T – D34 – DCM, Seconded by Ray R – Area Self Support

Yes – Majority

No – 2

Vote went to the 5th ballot.

FOR THE POSITION OF: GRAPEVINE

	CANDIDATE NAME	BALLOT #1	BALLOT #2	BALLOT #3	BALLOT #4	BALLOT #5	THE HAT
1	JANICE D	2	2				
2	<u>JENNY C</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>*22*</u>			
3	MIKE B	8	8	10			
4	TOM S	2	1				
5	DAVID B	5	4				
6	MARTY M	5	4				
	TOTAL VOTES CAST	31	32	32			
	2/3 OF TOTAL VOTES CAST	21	22	22			

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FOR THE POSITION OF: SELF SUPPORT

	CANDIDATE NAME	BALLOT #1	BALLOT #2	BALLOT #3	BALLOT #4	BALLOT #5	THE HAT
1	JANICE D	2	2				
2	<u>MIKE B</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>14</u>		<u>*HAT*</u>
3	TOM S	3	1				
4	DAVID B - D06	4	3				
5	DAVID B – D14	2	1				
6	MARTY M	9	11	18	18		
7	EDDIE G	2	1				
	TOTAL VOTES CAST	32	31	31	31		
	2/3 OF TOTAL VOTES CAST	22	21	21	21		
	1/5 OF TOTAL VOTES CAST		6				

Motion to go to a 5th ballot.

Yes – 4
 No – Majority
 To the hat!

FOR THE POSITION OF: ARCHIVES

	CANDIDATE NAME	BALLOT #1	BALLOT #2	BALLOT #3	BALLOT #4	BALLOT #5	THE HAT
1	JANCE D	8	7				
2	TOM S	3	1				
3	DAVID B	5	1				
4	<u>MARTY M</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>*23*</u>				
	TOTAL VOTES CAST	32	32				
	2/3 OF TOTAL VOTES CAST	32	32				
	1/5 TOTAL VOTES CAST						

Motion to destroy the ballots:

Motioned: JoAnn P – D28 – DCM
 Seconded: Tim F – D86 – ADCM

Yes – All No – 0 Abstentions – 0 Motion Passed.

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Congratulations to those of you who were elected.

14 (f) Discussion: “Delegate to bring to the GSC floor in May 2019 that the GSC Final Report only be issued in anonymity approved digital form.

Reasons: 1) cost savings 2) distribution easier.” – Rob A – D10 – DCM

- Stop being afraid to moving to digital format.
- Clarification – this is not a District motion – it is coming from only one member of District 10.
- Let’s get some numbers. Several DCMs still have most of their paper copies. Maybe half should be printed.
- Decreasing the numbers of printed reports would be a good idea. It’s a start at least.
- DCMs to bring back to the GSRs for discussion and a motion possibly be added to the agenda in January.
- Some members just need a printed copy.
- Archives will need a printed copy. Or do they?
- Possibly just print 5 copies per District and make the digital copy available for download.
- What happens now? If the groups feel strongly then it should be brought to the District for more discussion and then brought back to the ACM and possibly off to the Assembly.

That concludes our new business.

I would like to again thank you for the opportunity to serve as Area 83 Chairperson. I have learned much, and truly enjoyed serving with all of you. I hope James has as much fun as I did.

James, with this gavel and these chips I turn this meeting over to you as our Panel 69 Chairperson. (At this point the incoming Chairperson, James, graciously accepted the offerings and continued on with the meeting.)

15. Rotation of Area 83 Chairperson – hand over district chips and gavel to James.

16. Sharing - what's on your mind?

As the day was quite long the sharing portion was quite short. Several anniversaries were mentioned and a few events were announced. It was reiterated that all events may be posted on our Area website as per our Operating Procedures.

17. Next area committee meeting.

I would recommend the next committee meeting be held here at Quinte West on January 5, 2019. Would someone be willing to make a motion to that effect?

MOVED: SHANE H – D02 – DCM

SECONDED: JENNY C – D66 - DCM

DISCUSSION? NO

All those in Favour? All

All those opposed? 0

Any abstentions? 0

Voice of Minority? None

Motion was passed.

Reminder: The Spring Assembly will be held at the Ambassador Conference Centre in Kingston March 29-31, 2019.

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18. CLOSING

It is now 7:17p.m. and I would like to thank everyone for their participation today and wish you all a safe drive home. I look forward to seeing you in Kingston.

May I have a motion to end this meeting?

MOVED: BILL C – D74 – DCM

SECONDED: SUE B – AREA TREASURER

DISCUSSION? NO

All those in Favour? All

All those opposed? 0

Any abstentions? 0

Voice of Minority? None

Motion was passed.

CLOSE WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION

I AM RESPONSIBLE...
WHEN ANYONE, ANYWHERE, REACHES OUT FOR HELP,
I WANT THE HAND OF A.A. ALWAYS TO BE THERE.
AND FOR THAT
I AM RESPONSIBLE.

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APPENDIX A

Financial Statements

Area 83 Eastern Ontario International
Details of Expenditures
as at November 23, 2018

Position	Accommodations	Meals	Travel	Long Distance	Postage	Printing	Literature	Stationery	Misc.	Total	Approved Spending Guideline	Balance +/-	YTD Usage
COMMITTEE EXPENSES													
Delegate	0.00	333.24	1474.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1808.14	\$2,352.00	543.86	76.88%
Alt. Delegate	0.00	657.02	657.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	53.74	0.00	63.80	984.96	\$1,645.00	660.04	59.88%
Immediate past Delegate	0.00	259.12	1001.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1260.82	\$1,200.00	-60.82	105.07%
Chairperson	0.00	117.52	638.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18.00	773.92	\$1,050.00	276.08	73.71%
Secretary	0.00	196.89	763.70	0.00	0.00	1216.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	2177.02	\$2,916.61	739.59	74.64%
Treasurer	0.00	180.00	731.93	0.00	264.54	362.64	0.00	24.84	0.00	1563.95	\$2,305.00	741.05	67.85%
Registrar	0.00	118.34	446.90	0.00	0.00	15.15	0.00	0.00	134.58	823.64	\$1,370.00	546.36	60.12%
Area Web Site/Webmaster	244.42	148.69	584.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1037.81	\$1,935.00	897.19	53.63%
Archives	0.00	174.91	584.15	0.00	0.00	69.83	0.00	0.00	7.90	836.79	\$1,270.00	433.21	65.89%
Cooperation with the P.C.	0.00	188.38	162.05	0.00	0.00	11.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	359.85	\$510.00	-150.15	70.56%
Corrections Facilities	0.00	141.26	700.70	0.00	0.00	92.41	0.00	0.00	45.20	885.26	\$1,772.00	918.74	49.95%
Public Information	0.00	92.44	116.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	191.24	0.00	0.00	538.19	\$1,225.00	686.81	43.93%
Self Support / Accessibility	0.00	199.00	392.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11.30	0.00	0.00	773.69	\$1,215.00	441.31	63.88%
Treatment / Accessibility	0.00	267.66	506.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	493.50	\$1,560.00	1066.50	31.63%
Service Info Day Cmte	0.00	135.19	893.90	0.00	0.00	15.09	99.14	0.00	0.00	873.00	\$1,090.00	217.00	80.09%
Spring Assembly	1710.94	1064.19	1164.56	0.00	0.00	127.50	341.94	43.98	476.33	1906.43	\$1,995.00	88.57	95.56%
Fail Assembly	2810.83	5997.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	526.55	6.60	60.01	4660.35	\$5,145.00	484.65	90.58%
TOTAL	3578.60	\$6,639.96	142.80	0.00	0.00	249.17	0.00	0.00	1113.00	9921.48	\$10,200.00	-1196.01	97.27%
OTHER EXPENSES	\$ 8,649.21	\$ 16,611.23	\$ 11,257.01	\$ -	\$ 264.54	\$ 2,159.52	\$ 1,223.91	\$ 184.09	\$ 3,528.30	\$ 43,877.81	\$1,555.61	\$ 7,677.80	85.17%
Adhoc Committees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$15.00	15.00	0.00%
Area Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,089.50	1,089.50	\$1,325.00	235.50	82.23%
Area GSO Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,000.00	5,000.00	\$5,000.00	0.00	100.00%
Bank Charges	547.40	162.74	1,552.70	-	-	-	-	-	-	177.34	\$187.00	9.66	0.00%
Forums	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	56.50	28.75	\$40.00	-11.25	0.00%
Grapevine Seasonal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,319.34	2,319.34	\$2,100.00	219.34	110.45%
GSC Assessment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,920.51	3,920.51	\$4,200.00	279.49	93.55%
GSO Flow Through	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,386.94	10,386.94	\$10,386.94	0.00	100.00%
Ont Delegates Conf.	605.88	156.89	742.81	-	-	-	-	-	98.42	1,603.80	\$1,603.80	0.00	100.00%
CERASA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$0.00	0.00	0.00%
TOTAL	\$ 1,153.08	\$ 319.63	\$ 2,295.51	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,920.51	\$ -	\$ 16,631.36	\$ 24,466.18	\$ 24,737.74	\$ 280.31	98.90%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 9,802.29	\$ 16,930.86	\$ 13,552.52	\$ -	\$ 264.54	\$ 2,159.52	\$ 5,144.42	\$ 184.09	\$ 20,159.66	\$ 68,343.99	\$ 76,293.35	\$ 7,938.11	89.58%

Income Summary:	
November 23, 2018	7,485.00
Bank Interest	-
GSO Flow through	60.00
Contributions	51,103.89
Cost recoveries	403.00
Grapevine Seasonals	3,890.00
Total Income	\$ 62,824.89

Income To Date	
Expenses To Date	62,824.89
Net Change To Operating Account	\$ 5,519.10
Contributions	\$51,103.89
Contributing Groups	153
Contributing Districts	18

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GROUP & DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS as at November 23, 2018

District	0	Unspecified, Paypal	\$0.00
District	2	Malton	\$1,281.75
District	6	Mississauga	\$3,710.00
District	10	Toronto South Central	\$7,478.35
District	12	Toronto South West	\$833.35
District	14	Toronto North Central	\$2,646.05
District	16	Hispano De Toronto	\$240.00
District	18	Toronto City East	\$2,410.00
District	22	Scarborough	\$2,035.00
District	26	Lakeshore West	\$2,882.16
District	28	Lakeshore East	\$1,715.35
District	30	Quinte West	\$1,938.75
District	34	Quinte East	\$2,305.00
District	36	Kingston And The Islands	\$2,855.00
District	42	St. Lawrence International	\$939.63
District	48	Seaway Valley North	\$250.00
District	50	Cornwall	\$885.00
District	54	Ottawa Rideau	\$770.00
District	58	Ottawa Bytown	\$730.00
District	62	Ottawa West	\$4,300.80
District	66	Golden Triangle	\$3,407.00
District	70	Renfrew Pontiac	\$1,550.00
District	74	Pembroke	\$1,770.00
District	78	Madawaska Valley	\$680.00
District	82	Victoria Haliburton	\$1,825.00
District	86	Kawartha	\$1,665.70

Total Contributions YTD: \$51,103.89

Total from Groups	\$37,295.41	153
Total from Districts	\$13,698.48	18