

Arkansas



CENTRAL OFFICE COR MEETING REPORT

October 25, 2017. 10 attending. Melissa P.-F Street, Matt B.-Rock Group, Marci H.-Saints We 'Aint, Matt H.-Pig Pen & Board Member, Shannon L.-Bridging The Gap, Charlie H.-Beebe Group, Joy N.-Taproot, *Perry D.-Cosmopolitan, Jeannie S.-F Street & Board Chair and *Bob W.-Reservoir. *Bob W. is the Office Manager and Perry D. is the Liaison. **COR meets the 4th Wednesday of every month at 5:30pm**

What Did We Learn?

REPORT FROM SEPTEMBER WAS APPROVED
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Printing



and Donations

are still down compared with 2015 and 2016 YTD and quarterly. Sales although down from 2016 are up compared to 2015 and seem OK overall. Expenses are in line with the lowered income. The only real expense that was necessary was the new monochrome printer purchased that will handle the bulk of our printing. Bob says that now the Color Printer is on the fritz. He's asking for help with the printer and doing his best to keep it running. We need to watch the decreasing donations. All in all it's nothing major though. **Financial Report was approved.**



After-hours Volunteers Have New Instructions We are NOW fully implementing our new 12-step caller program. Of course, this is all about our primary purpose. Connecting the Alcoholic 12-stepper with spiritual tools to the still suffering alcoholic. **This is the most important thing your Central Office does!** If you are an after-hours volunteer and are not up to speed on the New Program please call Bob at Central Office.



And PC's For People.

We are in good shape volunteer wise. We may have one opening on Saturday if one of our volunteers doesn't become responsible for coming to their shift. We had a few **credit card errors** totaling around \$100.00 due to errors by a few volunteers not completing the transactions. It was made clear by Bob that when the Pay Pal App says that it is "PROCESSING", the transaction is not final. We had the locks **re-keyed** after about 1.5 years. We had 40 keys to pass out then and we purchased 40 this time as well. Volunteers are turning in their old ones for new ones. We have a new ISP. The change was not about the money. The old one was always dropping out and we were always resetting it. After research Bob decided to go with **PC's For People** which is set up for low income families and for non-profit organizations. So we have a really decent working internet provider for \$13.34 a month. Bob did a count on volunteers and found that we have 174 After-hours volunteers, 118 Women have volunteered for 12-step work and 163 Men as well. Our total is around 480 **AWESOME** Volunteers.



GRATITUDE SHOULD GO FORWARD Liaison Report: Gratitude month is less than a week away and Bob and Perry discussed what we are doing. We have distributed all the Gratitude Jars to all the District 9 Meetings and Gratitude Bags to the rest of Area 4. Bob bought a bunch of cheap grocery bags and has printed the information about Gratitude Month on them and Jeannie took these [Gratitude Bags](#) to Area 4 Assembly 2 and pass them to Sunny, Chair of the Group Relations Committee. Sunny got them to the DCM's at the meeting. We sent letters with these [Gratitude Bags](#) explaining what we are doing as well. Perry is still trying to get to as many meetings as he possibly can.

Fun With George And Martha Perry and Matt attended the annual Central Office Seminars early in October. They learned a lot about the struggles other offices seem to be having and attended 2 days of Workshops on Intergroup newsletters, web sites, cooperating with World Services, and the very important volunteer, just to name a few. Perry and Matt said they feel good about where we are here at CO. **Noteworthy:** Most CO's use Gratitude Month and Sharing our Sobriety as big fund raisers. We have not done this regularly. They also got a tour of George Washington's Home at Mt. Vernon, Virginia.



The Chili Challenge is November 4th during the day from 10 am-2pm. We had our last Activities Committee Meeting before the event and everything is in good shape for the event. Perry updated us on minor changes and additions. As always Linda S. (Activities Chair) has done excellent work putting this together. At 10am there will be Activities and Fellowship followed by a 3 Panel discussion w/questions and answers on sponsorship. Chili tasting and voting will start around noon with lots of good Chili fixins'. We are going to be selling raffle tickets throughout the event and there will be **Live Music and Karaoke throughout.** [Look for the flyer](#) and make sure to announce at your meetings. **It's important to get people to enter their Chili.** The Activities Committee meets the 3rd Sunday of every month at 2pm.

Welcome Charlie H. New Business: We approved moving the COR Meeting back one week this coming November to Wednesday the 15th at 5:30 for the Thanksgiving Holiday. **Noteworthy:** A couple of Board members attended the Southwest Regional Forum in San Antonio, Texas. **Old Business:** Three Board Members were up for new terms and 2 were voted in unanimously. The 3rd Bob Fixott decided not to stand for a 3rd term. He has been *solid as a rock* and will be missed. 2 new volunteers were nominated to fill Bob's vacant seat. Charlie H. from District 6 was voted on to the Board by a 2/3rds majority. We all look forward to serving with Charlie.