

# Arkansas



## CENTRAL OFFICE COR MEETING REPORT


January 24th, 2018 13 attending. Matt B.-Rock Group, Erin L.- Pig Pen, Matt H.-Pig Pen & Board Member, Trey G.-120 1/2, Carl R.-Beebe Group, Charlie H.-Beebe Group, Joy N.-Taproot, \*Perry D.-Cosmopolitan, Melissa P.- F. Street, Shannon L.-Bridging The Gap, Sandy S.-Reservoir, 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 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month at 5:30pm**

### WHAT DID WE LEARN?

REPORT FROM NOVEMBER WAS APPROVED  
Please check your email for the latest report.

### 👍 Sales Up 📉 Donations Down

Financial report was approved. We talked about misplaced or missing gratitude jars and the 'Sharing Our Sobriety' program. Our income from donations is down about \$1000. Sales are up about \$1000. So, income is almost exactly the same as last year. We were able to lower our expenses enough to come out much better than last year. With our lowering of expenses, Bob is suggesting that the Board add \$6000 to the prudent reserve. Bob is also working on a budget for the year. Bob and Perry also did inventory.

 **OPERATIONS/VOLUNTEERS:** 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. 🔄 **Update:** Matt H. has been calling after-hours volunteers to make sure they are informed and are using the new 12-step caller program. We are also talking about follow up on actual 12-step calls. **Volunteers:** Filling a few In-house volunteer positions. This is normal. 1-Tuesday afternoon 2-6 and 2-Every other Sunday 2-6. They will be trained.

*Sharing* **Liaison Report:** We are starting up our 'Sharing Our Sobriety' program.

This is a program that is fellowship wide and most other CO's around the country do this on an ongoing basis. We have not used it ourselves in a few years. Perry passed around the fliers explaining and a self-addressed return envelope. This is a way to honor someone or yourself by donating a dollar or more for each year of sobriety and help the local Central Office. You can also return the donation directly to Central Office. Perry asked the COR's to get this to their groups and if you need more fliers or envelopes to contact him. Perry said he would be glad to come and visit your group with this information. **More Information Needed** We are updating our website and have handed out letters through Sonny to the DCM's in all the districts at the Area Assembly requesting information and an update on the meetings in their district and asking for a contact person for each meeting. We have not heard back from many of them yet. Perry is going to call the DCM's. **BridgingTheGap** We are still working with the Treatment Committee on the Bridging The Gap program. Perry explained how it works and specifically the information card we use and the issues we are having with it.

**SOLD!** activities report: Activities Committee meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month at 2pm.

**The A.A. Service Auction is coming up on March 17 from 10am-2pm at Burns Park.** At the last activities meeting we discussed running it more like a regular meeting. Opening prayers, introducing a speaker, passing the basket, circling up and closing with a prayer. There will be an anonymous live musician, soups and sandwiches, silent and live auction items. We handed out fliers for everyone to take back to their home group. We need to get items in to auction off. Alcoholics only can donate a talent, a specific service or any gift item to be auctioned off, ie., A service would be dog sitting. It seems talents and services are very similar. **THIS WILL BE FUN!**

Jeannie asked if there was any New business and asked for input or comments from the COR's.

**WINTER HOLIDAY!** Perry says that Central Office is good to go at Winter Holiday with 3 tables and skirts outside of the meeting hall at Embassy Suites. He is also putting together gift bags for the speakers at the convention. We hope to see everyone there.