



# Arkansas

## CENTRAL OFFICE COR MEETING REPORT

July 25, 2018 9 attending. Joe R.- Bridging The Gap & Board Chair Matt H.-Pig Pen & Board Secretary, \*Perry D.-Cosmopolitan, Molly M.-Barely Legal, Shannon L.- Bridging The Gap, Sandy S.-Reservoir, Natalie R.-Cabot, Melissa P.-F. Street 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 JUNE WAS READ AND APPROVED  
 Please check your email for the latest report.

UP!

**\$7,040**

**Financial Report was approved.**

Bob went over the monthly comparisons, the differences in areas marked with green and areas marked with red and costs vs. expenditures. Bob says that overhead was very high in quarter 2 in almost all categories, so expenses were high. If overhead is up, your expenses are high. Donations and sales were both up, making income much higher, giving us a great quarter overall. When looking at YTD we are ahead \$7040.00. **Thanks, Bob.**

**Do We Still Want A CO Newsletter?** **Liaison Report.** Perry says that he will be going to Old Grandad and taking the display board and the CO Service sign-up sheet with him. Concerning the Newsletter, which we don't seem to be making any progress he has an idea to visit the Grapevine Committee at their next meeting before their Writing Workshop and possibly getting some of their stories to publish in our Newsletter. He also wants to talk to the Archives Committee about getting some group histories published. Still getting the word out about the 'Sharing Our Sobriety' program. **REPEATING INFO!** 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 has 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. Perry is still handing out sign-up sheets to everyone to take back to their groups. This includes: After-hours phone, In-house volunteer shifts, 12-step callers, speakers, ride services and of course The Activities Committee. He is working with District locally and at the Area level to get people all over the state to volunteer. **Thanks, Perry**

## IT IS OUR PRIMARY PURPOSE...STATEWIDE

**Volunteer and general office report.** We are in good shape with Bookstore volunteers. **Central Office is a great place to get into service work early. All you need is your sponsor's approval.** If you have someone you're sponsoring send them in to fill out an application. We are working hard to get more 12-steppers involved throughout the state. We are again pushing our in-house volunteers to get the after-hours volunteers to **read the After-hours Packet, the first "Title" page in particular and** ask the question **"Are You New in the Program?"**, which makes it obvious they need a 12-stepper. About To Slip?, Coming Back Into The Program?, Just Moved To The Area? and use a 12-stepper for these things. The In-house volunteer should ask the After-hours person if they have read the Title page of the After-hours packet. If not, go over what we are doing. **Concerning the 12-stepper list, A COR Member said that we should ask our 12-steppers if they are available during the day and those that are should be marked accordingly. Joe has made a new sign-up sheet for 12-steppers with that idea already in mind.** We talked about getting the service sign-up sheet on the Website and into the hands of the DCM's. Bob suggested that we physically mail them to the DCM's. Joe asked COR Members to call district DCM's and get them a sign-up sheet if necessary. COR Members were asked to take the sign-up sheet back to their groups. We talked about making announcements at meetings and events. **This is the main thing your CO does!** Even more ideas were discussed.

### ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE: **CHILI CHALLENGE IS SATURDAY OCT. 27TH!**



We just had our latest activities meeting and are making plans. **We are going to use our Western theme again with a jail and a Chili Sherriff, chili sampling for the contest, chili and chili fixins', a speaker and a band.** We talked about having a camp fire and having the band play outside. **WE ALWAYS NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR THESE EVENTS! Talk to your sponsees. Activities Committee meets at CO every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 2pm.**

**Old business: Sponsorship/Traditions/Service Workshops:** Perry talked about having a volunteer workshop here to kind of get us started and we talked about that. Bob made clear that he did not want the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner attached to any Workshop. **Natalie said that the Cabot Group is really interested in doing a Workshop.** We asked for volunteers to form an ad hoc committee for CO Workshops and we found 4 COR Members willing to get it started. We set up a meeting for this coming Wednesday at 5:30pm. Please invite people you know who might be interested, including sponsees. **New Business:** Joe, under the idea that the Board of Directors works for you, brought up the CO Prudent Reserve and asked COR Members to weigh in on what they think. The Board will bring it back to the COR after they have researched what other CO/Intergroups have done. We went over the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner again. Still no set date. *Prayers*