

# Pre -Conference workshop

## Ramada Inn Cedar City, Utah

August 17, 2019

**Kristin open meeting** at 9:00 am in the usual manner. Terry read preamble; Tracy read 12 concepts. Kristin read Anomaly statement

**Mieshell Area 69 Secretary**, read the minutes from Post-Conference Assembly. Eddi made the motion to approve, and Allen seconded.

**David Area 69 Treasurer**, submitted the budget for 2020. Mike C submitted a motion to approve, Kim C seconded. Loving discussion followed about the increase in the Delegates budget. The budget will be discussed and voted on at next meeting in Farmington.

David submitted current treasurer report. Mike C submitted a motion to approve, Kim C seconded

**Matt Delegates report.**

**Cheryl Registrar Roll call.** Good Morning Welcome I'm Cheryl H. Area 69, Panel 69 Registrar. It good to see everyone and Welcome. It's been a busy summer I have moved from my home in Saratoga Springs to St George Utah. I am having a home built in Parowan and I will be closing on Monday. It's been a little crazy, but I am excited to be moving in to my home in the next few weeks. I want to thank you for your patience in receiving your Area Directory late. I really appreciate it. GSO took down their system for an upgrade on July 26 through August 6, 2019. I was so glad when I was able to send the Directory out updated to you on the 25th. I would like to ask you when you send me a email to me for updates with your name, addresses, etc. To make sure you add your group number, and name as well as what district you're in. It will make my job a lot easier. I would like each of the District to review the Area Directory and update any information that might be missing or incorrect. Is the group still active? Then send any updates to my email

[arearegistrar@utahaa.org](mailto:arearegistrar@utahaa.org). I might suggest your delicate this to your Secretary. Thank you for allow me to service you and your groups.

**Alternate Delegate report** Sheryl I'd like to thank District 7 for hosting Area 69 this weekend. I'd also like to thank all of you for suiting up and showing up this weekend to be of service to Area 69 and Alcoholics Anonymous.

On June 22, 2019, I attended the Area 69 Bridging the Gap Workshop in Salt Lake. The event was well-attended and very informative. Others will be providing more details in their reports on this event. I had the opportunity to attend Matt's report-backs in Districts 1, 2, and 10. Matt's printed report was very user-friendly and he did a great job summarizing the outcomes of the voting on this year's General Service Conference agenda items.

On a personal note, I celebrated 18 years of sobriety on August 11th. Alcoholics Anonymous has provided me with a design for living that allows me to manage life's ups and downs with some dignity and grace. It is an honor and a privilege to be able to serve Area 69 and the lifesaving program of Alcoholics Anonymous. With Gratitude, Sheryl T. Area 69 Alternate Delegate

Wade immediate past delegate gave his report, asked for articles for the newsletter.

Kristin Chair report. Thank you.

**Agenda and Assembly report** Kirk Good morning everyone. My name is Kurt and I'm an alcoholic. I am very grateful to be serving as your Area 69 Agenda/Assembly chair for Panel 69. It's been a great year so far and I'm looking forward to more service adventures this fall and winter. I've been working with District 1 to try to find a venue for the 2020 Pre-Conference Assembly. I was hoping for another event in Logan. But prices are too high for all of the places we have looked in Cache Valley - seems everyone is raising their rates. Did learn that some cities and non-profits will rent their space for 40-50% less to any non-profit organization. Something to think about. The search is expanding to Weber County. Hoping we can find a place

before and bring a flyer to the Fall Assembly.

The location for the Fall Workshop has changed. The owner of the Fillmore Hotel decided to rent some of the space to someone else. District 6 has arranged for the Fall Workshop to be held at the North Sevier Recreation Center in Salina. That is the same place where we held the 2018 Post Conference Assembly. I will be meeting with District 6 on Sunday in Sigurd on the way back home from this workshop.

I really enjoy and appreciate working with all of the host committees. I knew there were a lot of people who spent a lot of time helping to put on area events. But, to see it in action first hand is a real joy. I am so grateful for all those who volunteer. The spirit of anonymity is strong in Area 69. There are so many people who do so much for the area without wanting individual recognition. We are very blessed.

Planning to meet with District 2 in before their District meeting in September to help kickoff the host committee for the December Committee Meeting. As you will see from the flyer it will be held at the St James Episcopal in Midvale.

As Jolene will share, our web host is forcing us to move to a new server. We have a new account and have been working to move our website, meeting list, and email. That will keep us busy for a while...

Bid for the BTG workshop in 2020 Host for BTG 2020 June 20---District 10 bid Bonney DCMC

Bid for Pre-Conference Workshop Bid for Pre-Assembly **Workshop** 2020, Tom DCMC District 2,

Brent DCMC District 5 District 5 in Price Utah. Workshop will be hosted by District 5 in Price Utah.

### **District Reports**

**District 11** Mike F, my name is Mike, and I am an alcoholic; currently serving District 11 as DCMC. My home group is The Serenity Happy Hour Group. We meet on Sundays at 10:00 am at the Davis Hospital in Layton. Please come by for a hug when you're in the area. We'd love to have you.

Thank you District 7 for hosting this event. It is always nice to your beautiful home region.

Our GSR meeting is held on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm at the South Davis Recovery Club in Bountiful.

We have good attendance at our district meetings and most of our committee positions are full. We are in the need of a secretary, CPC and PI chairs. All other positions are filled including both alternate DCM positions. We are glad to have a new corrections chair. Our district is holding 9 weekly AA meetings in the Davis County jail. Two area standing chairs attend our last meeting. Ben the area archivist and Evan the area PI brought us pamphlets and welcomed information. They also had some valuable input on a few of the district activities.

District 11 are currently planning the 2019 Fall Assembly. There will be a few fun events Friday nights and I hope you will join us for the entire weekend.

I am truly grateful to be of service to Alcoholics Anonymous. Respectfully, Mike F DCMC District 11 p.s. I want to thank Matt for the Delegate report I cannot help but feel gratitude, when I remember the scope and depth of AA as a whole.

**District 10 DCMC** Bonnie B. Our last GSR meeting was held Monday August 5th. In attendance was 13 GSR's, 3 Alt. GSR, 1 DCM's, 1 new GSR and 2 new Alt GSR.

Treasurer (Sandy B) reported 1,032.29 in contributions for July.

Area visitors in July were Matt, Sheryl and Kristen. Matt graciously reviewed items that were voted on at General Service Conference for our GSRs.

We are still conducting GSR orientation attendance has dropped since the beginning of the year.

Standing Chairs are doing an awesome job. Open positions are 3 DCM's, 7 Alt DCM's.

We are not getting interested AA's to fill our open DCM positions. If anyone has any ideas on how to generate some interest please let me know. I'm still super excited to serve the district! Bonnie B. DCMC

**District 8 DCM** Cody Our district is doing well in most areas. We are in need of people to do service positions within our groups. We have several groups without GSR's, treasurers and secretaries. A lot of groups just have one or two people trying to do it all.

Attendance has been down maybe we've to busy summer months. All of our district positions are filled. We still have two meetings everyday in Vernal except on Saturday and Sundays. We have two groups that are studying the traditions which I think is the most important for AA as a whole. We will be having a district BBQ in September. Delegate Matt will be attending with us we also just had a lady celebrate 41 years of sobriety and she still makes it a point to attend meetings.

District 7 Allen DCM Greetings trusted servants its been a few months since I've got the pleasure to hang out with you guys. District 7 is alive and well and some of us have been really dang busy. I'm sad to say our DCMC Rob Y has stepped down from his opposition and it will remain open until our October election Other news is the conscious contact meeting in Hurricane and the altered attitudes in Minersville have both shut down. The never too early group in Kanab has been going for a year now and have requested to get registered so that's some good news. In other good news the meeting in Tropic which has been going on for several years has asked to be listed on our area web page and our district 7 directory. They meet Wednesday at 6 p.m. at 20 North Main Heritage center. District 7 is going well. Our meetings are well attended and we are financially sound. We are really to be able to host this event for you this weekend. I know there's a few of us the committee and volunteers that have put a lot of work into it. I haven't- really—I'm a slacker

District DCM 6 Terry Meetings in our District seem to be steady with some up and down attendance in some areas. Steps treatment center attends the Saturday night Big Book Study in Nephi on a regular basis. The Boys home attends the meeting on Monday night in Fillmore. Recently Bicknell meeting moved to Lyman and the Book Study in Scipio closed. There are rumors of a meeting in Tory at the Grace church on Tuesday at 7 p.m. and in Loa on Saturday at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire station these two meetings have not yet been confirmed. Sill have volunteers taking regular meetings to the Jails and Gunnison prison. Our PI/CPC Service position is still open. In July our Delegate Matt attended our District / potluck meeting and went over the agenda items with us. We has a pretty good turn out and thank-you Matt for your service. We recently voted on adopting a google phone number and website. This will take the place of our land line. We currently still have the landline until we can get the word out and become more familiar with creating the website. We are excited about this change and update to help others in need to reach AA. Last weekend we had the Annual Maple Grove Camp out! It was well attended we had our monthly district meeting out among God's beauty!! Our LeAnn celebrated 23 years.

Brent District 5 DCM

District 3 Jo DCM Things are definitely interesting in district 3 right now. We currently consist of two DCMs, a secretary, a treasurer, two standing chairs and Bish GSRs and we could not be happier. We're making excellent headway on rewriting our guidelines and the end is in sight. We are still mending fences and pushing for more groups to be involved. A lot of district work is being done by alcoholics outside the district committee. I am hoping to establish communication with them so that we can support their efforts to help the still suffering alcoholic. Our financial situation at this time is awesome and we are hoping to start buying books and pamphlets for treatment center meetings and corrections meetings. We will be hosting a corrections and treatment workshop on October 12 at St. Mary's in Provo from 1030 am - 4pm. Feel free to join us. We are also planning February committee meeting, stay tuned for details. Lisa plans everything and keeps my ass together.

District 2 Tom DCM It has been a busy summer in district 2. We hosted the Bridging the Gap Workshop in June and the Sons of the Pioneers in Salt Lake City. A number of AA's joined us for a very informative event discussing ways to bridge AA prospects from treatment and correctional facilities. The speakers, including former inmates, were excellent. In July we held our 7th tradition workshop. Good fun and pizza were served. We especially want to thank Renee H., our Area 69 past delegate for her wonderful presentation. We got some very good information to take back to our groups about the importance of our 7th Tradition contributions. At our next gsr meeting this month, August 27, district 2 will hold a treatment "accessibility workshop". We plan on discussing ways to reach out to AA's who are senior citizens, disabled, and the deaf community. Two hearing impaired members of the program have agreed to speak and an ASL interpreter has been scheduled. We would like to thank Brian, Sonia, Charlie T. and the entire district treatment committee for all their help in making this possible. Dan B., our corrections chair, is asking for AA volunteers to help carry the message behind the walls. The ADC facility for metro Salt Lake has for the first time opened up meeting slots for medium and maximum-security pods in the jail. We hope to provide an AA meeting to all inmates who would like to join us. Thanks again for the opportunity to serve. Tom DCM.

District 1 Tracy My home group is Friday Night Courage to Change. We meet on Fridays at 6:30 pm in South Ogden. Thank you District 7 for hosting this event. My apologies for this informal and fly-by-the-seat of my

pants report; however, I was not planning on giving a district report. It was my impression that others were, however, I am not seeing them here today. I have also not attended my last two district meetings due to traveling so, I'll have to do my best from memory. District 1 held a workshop in June entitled "Where Money and Spirituality Mix" at the Alano Club in Ogden. Again, I was not able to attend due to traveling, which it was my understanding that attendance was low but there was good participation and discussion. Thank you to David, Area Treasurer who came up and attended. We appreciated having you there. We have many open positions that need filling; DCMs (5), ALT DCMs (4) and three committee positions; CPC, Grapevine, and PI. Our current DCM and ALT DCMs have agreed to rotate chairing our meetings until the DCMC position is filled. Our Corrections and Treatment chair duo, Bryce and Janessa continue with their pursuit of carrying the message of bridging the Gap to local treatment facilities and the Cache Valley Intergroup PI. They both do a phenomenal job at it too! It's my understanding that increased budgets were passed for the Corrections and Treatment chairs. I believe a committee has been put together for the Pre-Conference Assembly that District 1 is hosting in April to be held in Logan/Ogden. From the report given earlier, it sounds as if it's being moved to Ogden. Ogden Central Office is hosting a Burger Burn Fundraiser at Valley Camp September 7 from 5-7 p.m. \$6.00 Please come and support Central Office. I am truly grateful to be of service to Alcoholics Anonymous.

### Standing Chair Reports

Archives Repository report Janett H There were several donations at the Post-Conference in June: 2 AA Groups in Hospitals and Rehabilitation Centers directories – 1968 and 1969; information form from the Pre-Conference event 2019, District 2 News & Notes – May 2019; Pass it On newsletter Oct. 2018; Several flyers; folder from the National Correction Conference; and the new book "Our Great Responsibility". Ben has been very active and contacts me each month to let me know what he has been doing, texts me pictures from places he has been. He has been so fun to work with. There have been several requests for information out of the archives this summer, which have all been taken care of. The PRAASA in Tucson contacted us wanting to know what the attendance was at the PRAASA we held, because both are in the same year as the International and wanted to know how that affected us. This week I removed a 100-cup coffee pot from the archives and brought it last night, while we were setting-up we discovered that one of the two area coffee pots no longer worked. So now we still have two. Here today is a small Area display and for the first time ever a small display from district 7 archives. I finally got moved back to Cedar, almost settled, email and phone are the same; Cheryl will have my new mailing address on the next directory. The new contract for the climate-controlled unit is finally done. Since June life has been interesting and busy. I am looking forward to the display for the Fall Assembly, commemorating our 75th history in Utah. Thank you for letting me be of service

Archives report Ben H; I am happy to be able to work in the archives of Area 69 I am learning a lot about AA history and service. I have the opportunity to visit district meetings and find important archive material. Getting old newsletters, event planners, old meeting schedules and oral histories from past delegates. Going to meeting halls in different part of Utah and collecting data and interacting in different meeting is expanding the archives compositor and my educational experiences. I am working to find more stories in the LGBTA in Area 69. If people are willing to write a two or more pages of your own stories.

Area Communications Jolene I have been reviewing the knowledge base for this update and spoke with multiple people about our options. It looks like we will not have any compatibility issues with this upgrade. David and I are looking at the current budget for the internet fees to see if we need to propose an increase to the Area or if I will still in my budget for the year. The reason for this is because we need to purchase a package from our hosting company. So, until we figure that out, I am at stand still on doing the upgrade. Here are the important dates that need to be addressed. On 1st December 2019, the Site Manager service will move to an Extended Support Period. If you choose to remain on Site Manager after this date, an additional \$5.00 per month support fee will be added to your account.

On 30th June 2020, the Site Manager service will close. After this date, websites and applications on the Site Manager platform will no longer be accessible.

Here is the link for the packages that are available <https://www.westhost.com/web-hosting/>

It has been recommended that we do the 3, year plan. 1. because it is in our guidelines under 4.3 d. Pays the annual hosting and domain name registration fees each January. This practice will keep the hosting and domain name registration paid for two years out at all times.

Please let me know your thoughts.

**CPC Chair** Jill, The last couple months have been slower as CPC area chair. Not because there isn't much to do but I went through a lot of personal changes. Things are slowly getting back to normal. I have received updates from Mary Beth in District 7. she is as always on the ball making presentations and speaking with professionals. her district is so spread out it takes a lot of travel and time her efforts do not go unnoticed. I have talked with the director of the Utah county substance abuse department and we are working on a time I can make a presentation at their department staff meeting. I am excited as these are the front-line professionals that work with alcoholics coming straight from the court's jails and treatment centers. There has been a great deal of interest in how AA can work with these people to help them maintain their sobriety. September is Recovery month there are several recovery day events planned throughout the state. I would like to help any district planning on participating with a display or booth please let me know how I can help. Provo and Ogden are September 7, Salt lakes is September 14. Price, Vernal, Moab, and St George are also celebrating Recovery Days this Month. Let me know if you need more

Kevin Corrections report

**Area Grapevine** Mike I am very grateful to be serving Area 69 as the Grapevine/La Viña Chairperson. It has been a challenge changing from the concept of attraction to thinking in terms of promotion. And it has been a learning experience trying to get people interested in the Grapevine/La Viña. I would like to encourage everyone to visit the Grapevine website at [aagrapevine.org](http://aagrapevine.org). It has a ton of information for anyone looking to enhance their spiritual growth in sobriety. There are fun things on the website (Photo Contests, I-Polls...). There is a link to try the Grapevine audio for 7 days free, as well as samples available to check out the Grapevine. There is another link to sign up for the Grapevine Daily Quote for free, which is a great way to start out your day. I have been busy updating the Grapevine display and getting new Grapevine literature. I am looking forward to having the new display setup for the Pre-Assembly Workshop. I am waiting for the Anniversary Packet to arrive which will be auctioned off after I receive it to either an individual, group or district, it would be nice to get some feedback on how this should be done. If anyone has any questions regarding the Grapevine/La Viña please feel free to contact me at 435-630-9047. I would like to thank my wife, Carla, for her help on the display. It is a real eye catcher.

**Literature report** Mark Since we last meet. I have tried to initiate the group e-mail for those who supplied information. We started simple with "Circles of Love and Service". I miss the last month but will get back on track but ask for more input on which pamphlets to high-light. (if you give me your information and are getting my emails please respond so I know if I and ding things right.) I have learned to order things really early. One thing I have learned that was at least new to me, and it came from a new comer for a group literature chairs. She picks one pamphlet a week reads it, then gives a basic 30 second report on that pamphlet. It was amazing at least to me.

**PI report** Evan; since we have last met, we have been working with my local community in Park City. Working with the local law enforcement answering to the best of my ability to explain what AA is does and doesn't do. Being a resort town Park City law enforcement gets the opportunity to work with a lot of drunks from all over the world. We are working on placing the pamphlet "AA at a Glance". Om the paperwork of all alcohol related arrest. We are still working on the transit system advertisement placard card but unfortunately not getting too much traction the airport SLC> and trax are using all the extra space advertising for new airport renovation. I had the opportunity to visit district 11 district meeting, I also made some new flyers with the UtahAA.org website with the number for all Utah's Central Offices.

**Treatment report** John Our BTG workshop in June was awesome with a lot of roll playing and participation from everyone in the body that attended. I believe there was about 54 in attendance. New attendees petticoated well and was very educational. The UCYPAA convention was awesome. Participating in the conference and sharing with the concepts was not only super hilarious fun but very educational. We all can be young at heart and participating. Area 69 has once again been invited to participate at the national BTG

workshop. I was asked to sit on the BTG Treatment Panel on Saturday morning. Looking forward to fun and educational event with Kevin. What a journey to Sacramento we will have. Awesome! Looking forward to visiting districts and groups to share the upcoming information. Thank you to all of you for your service.

#### **Past events**

Post conference Kody Post-Conference turned out to be an amazing weekend we had 6 pre-registration, and 89 on site registrations so in total 95 in attendance. We received \$500. In seed money only January 1<sup>st</sup> 2019. \$500 seed money- \$275.50 donations from hospitality- \$48.00 pre-registration- \$890 onsite registration. Equals \$1,713.50. Expenses were Space rental \$450.00- \$18.00 Checking fee- \$100.00 travel expenses for speaker. Totaling \$568.00 Minus \$500.00 seed money equals \$645 to be returned to area.

Tom BTG workshop

#### **Up-Coming reports**

National BTG workshop Kevin September 6-8 in Sacramento Cal. Corrections National workshop in November. Looking forward to going to Sacramento with John W. Fall assembly district 11 Mike F. District 11 is looking forward to hosting the 2019 Fall Assembly in Farmington UT Our committee is working hard to make this a fun filled service event. We feel that the words fun filled, and service are possible in the same sentence. And at the same gathering. This event will be held in one of the larger buildings at the Legacy Event Center in Farmington. The set up will be classroom style with plenty of tables and room. Please join us Friday night! There will be AA jeopardy game with prizes for the winning team. Followed by AA sharing meeting. We hope you will join us for fun and frolicking. We will be serving pulled pork sandwiches and a variety of home-made salads for lunch on Saturday for the low, low price of \$5.00. During lunch we will have a presentation and desert to celebrate 75 years of AA in Utah. There are flyers and we hope you will pre-register to help with out with operating funds and save time on same day registration. Pre-registrations receive before August 31<sup>st</sup> will be entered into a drawing for a prize!

Fall Workshop Good morning my name is Teri I'm an alcoholic. The committee has been meeting and planning good things. We had to change the venue from Fillmore to Salina. Flyers on the web-site, and the back table. We are meeting with Kurt on Sunday to get the lease agreement signed and finalize the agenda. Sheryl T will be our Saturday night speaker. We will be doing panel presentations and my favorite.... the big book chase with prizes. Look forward to seeing everyone as a reminder book your motel in Salina. In love and service Teri ☺,  
December Committee meeting Tom

#### **What's on your mind?**

Evan- The challenge

Eddie- Thank all for that attend the National workshops

Jolene- National web tech in Bowling Green Kentucky unable to attend

Charlie T-Accessibility showed a new tech. on talk to text talking into a microphone to text so words can be seen.

Mark this is remarkable technology to give the deaf community a way to be a part of.

#### **Motions**

Motion #1 read form the motions

Matt- What ever standing chairs chose to present they will present.

John- explained the concept for the workshop.

12:00 Noon. We are out of time back for the workshop at 1:30. Please join us for the workshop.

Submitted by Mieshell Dabbs Area 69 Secretary August 21, 2019