

**Alaska Regional Convention NA XXV
Convention Committee Meeting
September 22, 2009**

Meeting was opened with a Moment of Silence followed by the Serenity Prayer read by Arlene L. at 5:40 pm.

Service Prayer read by Dena J.

Decorum Statement read by Joe C.

Twelve Traditions read by Neil H.

Twelve Concepts of Service read by Ross B.

Roll Call – Merchandising absent, all others present.

Minutes approved by Dena J. seconded by Joe C.

Executive Committee Reports

Chair – Arlene L. – 17 days and 2 more meetings left. Written report attached

Vice Chair – Terri H. – written report attached.

Treasurer – Kim L. – Balance in checkbook is \$5444.79.

Secretary – Charlotte D. – no written report

Subcommittee Reports

Hotels and Hospitality – Heidi U. – Had a final walkthrough to firm up the rooms, etc. Working on menu. Written report attached.

Convention Information – Joe C. – Contacted 18 treatment centers in the area, written report attached.

Merchandising – Mary K. – absent.

Registration – Neil H. – Have 42 registrations sold, have deposited \$5575.00 from the registrations into the checking account. We have been getting registration packets ready. Thank you to my committee. Getting more and more excited by the day.

Entertainment – Dena J. – written report attached.

Arts and Graphics – Ross B. – Signs for convention are done, still need message board and board for Narathon meetings. All is good.

Programming – Tony L. – Have program formatted and sending to printers. Debbie S. is doing it – Yeah, Debbie.

Old Business

Announce Registration

Auction items

New Business

I would like to put a motion for 4 t-shirts for the Entertainment Committee to Trade purposes with other upcoming Auctions.

Next committee meeting will be Monday, September 28, 2009 at 6:30 pm.

Motion to Close by Ross.

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Chairperson

September 22, 2009, 6:30 pm

Report to Committee

My name is Arlene and I'm an addict. 17 more days and 2 more meetings left.

I only want to know where everyone is at with all their responsibilities. Please make sure you send your reports to Charlotte for our records.

Vice-Chair, Hotels & Hospitalities, Arts & Graphics, Merchandise and I showed up for the Sheraton walk through. Everything is coming together splendidly, and having a hard time containing my excitement. I can't think of anything else that needs to be addressed.

Thank you all for your hard work!

In Loving Service,

Arlene L.

~~August 25th, 2009~~

~~September 8th, 2009~~

~~September 22nd, 2009~~

September 29th, 2009

October 6th, 2009

Arts & Graphics:

- Most signs have been finalized and should be going to print soon.
- Need to let committee know if any other needs.
- Coordinate Program printing with Program Committee.
- Get all Banners to Heidi by the 5th of October to coordinate their hanging by the hotel.

Hotels and Hospitality:

- Lots going on with H & H more will be covered in their report.
- Final walk through and room settings done.
- Working on final menu. Asked programming to list Sunday meal as breakfast instead of Brunch.

Convention Information:

- Message Board?
- Can committee help with Registration of outlying Areas?
- Literature Rack/Sales. Should we ask the Anchorage Area to provide literature and someone to sell books etc. during the convention?
- How are the treatment center contacts going? Any idea of how many may attend?

Entertainment:

- How many auction items do we have?
- Coordination with Treasurer on the inventory and tracking of Auction Items and Raffle Items?
- Comedian and Dance plans solid?
- Registration will be printing tickets for the Comedy Show and the Dance.

Please don't hesitate to call me at 907-242-4803 or email at harpers@gci.net if you need help with anything.

In Loving Service,

Terri H.

Hotels and Hospitality

Last week the vice chair (Terri H.) and I met with the Sheraton to firm up what event goes in what room and at what time. Terri and I will meet this Thursday to look at our menu options and I will let you know what is selected based upon price and availability. Please remind those who want to eat they must turn in their registrations by October 5, 2009.

As you may or may not know I received a phone call from a member in the fellowship stating that the Sheraton offers a much lower room rate via the web than what they offered us as for the 50 room block for both nights. I was none too pleased but was given this answer and that is that the Sheraton is a national chain and has web specials as any other hotel chain does and that a limited amount of rooms are available for a specified amount of time.

However, if you book online via their web special there is no refund. If you pay the \$99.00 + 12% tax you can cancel at any time and not be penalized. Bottom line, if you can book a room at the web special rate do so as we are not tied to making any quota, however if you do not book by September 25th then you get whatever rate someone who walks in off the street gets. I still need to book the speakers and need to find out if the comedian needs to be booked as well.

In Loving Service,

Heidi U.

ARCMA XXV Convention Entertainment Report

September 22, 2009

Had a brief Entertainment meeting on 9/12/09, got volunteers lined up:

6 Official Huggers

6 @ Raffle Table and White Elephant Table (Grab Bags)

They will have shifts so that they are not missing the Convention Events.

As of last report we had on hand \$93.40 (had to deduct Paypal fee from last report)

We had to purchase a DJ Convention Pkg. for \$100.00

Pd \$6.40 out of pocket

Alaska Serigraphics donated the cost of Decals that I ordered \$89.00

I still need to get my hands on about 30 large paper bags for grab bags, so would appreciate any help with that.

I would like to put a motion for (4) t-shirts for the Entertainment Committee to trade purposes with other upcoming auction.

Also, I have 7 large items, a few gift certificates from members so if anyone else has any items could you get them to me, so that Kim and I can count them.

- 1) Men's and Ladies 2009 Convention Jackets
- 2) 2009 Convention Banner
- 3) 1 of a kind 2009 Convention God Box
- 4) Special 6th Edition Leather Basic Text
- 5) Framed Print donated by a member
- 6) Framed Embroidered Logo of 2009 Convention
- 7) Jacket from It's a Love Story 2007 Convention

In Loving Service,

Dena

Convention Information Report September 22, 2009

We've contacted 18 Treatment Centers in the area, and there is a lot of interest in attending the conference.

So far we know that Akeela House is interested in sending about 24 residents with 2 or 3 staff and the VA Domiciliary has about 12 folks wanting to attend. Ben from the VA says they have put together 120 bucks to contribute.

We passed out flyers to all GSRs at the Anchorage Area Business meeting last week

Last Sunday, we piggy backed on the Anchorage PI committee's mail out and sent a cover letter and registration form to about 150 contacts throughout Alaska.