

# Kent County Central Office

## Newsletter

November 2022

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**MISSION STATEMENT** The mission of the Kent County Central Office Newsletter is to serve Kent County and the surrounding A.A. community, in four ways. 1. *To carry the A.A. message* 2. *To inform our readers.* 3. *To provide a forum for discussion of A.A. principles* 4. *To provide service work opportunities for A.A. members.* **Need to find a meeting? Go to the Website** [grandrapidsaa.org/meetings](http://grandrapidsaa.org/meetings)

### The Birthday Club

Mike W - 29 Jan 2004

Tom W - 30 Mar 1980

Ed B - 29 May 2010

Ben S - 5 Dec 1978

Sharron S - 12 April 1984

Jim H - 5 Jul 2005

Anne S - 30 Aug 1981

Steve C - 14 Aug 2018

Dave P - 18 Nov 2007

Pamela W - 20 years

Wanda W - 33 years

If you'd like your name, or that of someone you know, to appear on the Birthday Club list just donate an amount equal to your number of sober years. Your name and date will appear here all year.

If you want to get the KCCO newsletter send an email to [KCCONewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:KCCONewsletter@gmail.com) include your email address

**KCCO desperately needs volunteers for the 24-hour AA hotline.**  
**We need a one-month commitment of 4 hours every week.**  
**Morning and afternoon shifts available.**  
**Call Steve 616-913-9216**

**KCCC Business Meeting  
October 20, 2022  
Minutes**

**Present:** Susie J., Chairperson; David P., KCCC Treasurer; Mary Beth R., Secretary; Steve C., Office Manager; Jim S., District 7/KCCC Liaison; Jeff O., Webmaster; Jim H., Area 34 Delegate; Ed B., Area 34 Alternate Delegate; Vic V.; Lisa D.; Jen M.; Shelly W.

**Absent:** Mike W., Trustee #3

The meeting opened with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer at 6:09 pm.

**Reports:**

- Minutes, Financial, Telephone and Website reports were submitted and approved.
- District 7 Report was submitted. Next District 7 meeting is on Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> at the South Club. DCM meeting is held one hour prior to the District 7 meeting.
- Monthly Newsletter posted on website.

**Roundup Business:**

- Discussed venue for 2023 Roundup. St. Peter and Paul and N. Club available for same price. The North Club was selected as the venue for the 2023 Roundup by majority vote.
- 2023 Main speaker: Chris R. is confirmed for April 22, 2023.
- Billy K. to cater 2023 event.
- 2024 Main speaker: Quincy W. confirmed for April 27, 2024.
- Discussed theme. The Three Legacies was selected as the 2023 Roundup Theme by majority vote.
- Logo design discussed. Bring suggestions to November business meeting. **Tabled.**
- A **Motion** was made, seconded, and passed to table further Roundup discussion.

**Old Business:**

- New bylaws are active.
- A2-Posting of KCCO content and speakers.
- Friday Night Speaker Meeting: November speakers confirmed. Need December speakers. Shelly W. requests speakers from KCCO for the month of December.
- Fall Fundraiser: Norm B is confirmed for Nov 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Discussed food. Share with groups need for gift basket donations.
- Selling literature at MCYPAA. Discussed need for electronic way to receive payments. **Tabled.**
- Discussion about lease renewal vs. relocation of KCCO location: Current lease is up 10/31/22. Susie J. is waiting to receive one year lease agreement from landlord to sign. A **Motion** was made, seconded, and passed to stay at current location for 3 years.
- A **Motion** was made, seconded, and passed to keep the regular Friday night speaker during MCYPAA.

- Answering Service/ 12 Step Call List: Steve C. continues working on updating the call list. Share at meetings that the list is being updated and more volunteers needed. Contact Steve C. to be added.
- Treasurer to be added to bank account.

**New Business:**

- A **Motion** was made, seconded, and passed to close the KCCO the week between Christmas and New Year's Day.

Please announce at your individual meetings that volunteers are always needed to answer the 24-hour hotline. Have them call Steve at KCCO, 616-913-9216. Thanks!

Next meeting 6:00 pm, Thursday, November 17, 2022, at the KCCO office, 4920 Plainfield Ave NE, Suite 19, Grand Rapids 49525, phone 616-913-9216. Option to attend **via Zoom**, hosted by District 7. Zoom link: Meeting ID - 881 7063 2218 Password - 235257

**Send your GSR or someone to represent your group and have a voice in how your Central Office is run!!!**

7<sup>th</sup> Tradition: Passed the Basket.

The meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Beth R.

# GROUP DONATIONS

"Thank You" to all of the Groups who donated in October, 2022

Third Tradition

Bayberry

Breton Rd Early Birds

Serenity II

AA On The Hill

AA In The Country

12 Steps To Freedom

Happy Hour - St Stephen's

Maple St Misfits

Cherry Valley

We Became Friends

At Home Together

Spiritual Awakening

And all the individual donations that came in via PayPal too! We know many of these were from groups and if you'd like your group to be credited for these donations please call the office at (616) 913-9216.

# *Please Note*

*Central Office will be closed from  
December 26 through December 30  
for the holidays*

*And a special thank you to  
Atheists, Agnostics and  
Free Thinkers*

*For hosting the Friday Night  
speakers meetings*

# **FRIDAY NIGHT FUNDRAISER SPEAKER MEETING**

## **LOCATION: THE NORTH ALANO CLUB**

1020 College Ave, NE, Grand Rapids, MI (Lower Level Balcony)

Phone 616-456-5709

**Friday, November 4, 2022, 7:00 pm**

**Speaker: Elise**

**Home Group: Gratitude In Action**

**Friday, November 11, 2022, 7:00 pm**

**KCCO Fall Fundraiser**

**Speaker: Norm B**

**Friday, November 18, 2022, 7:00 pm**

**Speaker: Hank**

**Home Group: Leroy AA**

**Friday, November 25, 2022, 7:00 pm**

**Speaker: Mike W**

**Home Group: Tues Night Men's Stag**

**Sponsored by Kent County Central Committee**

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**For any information call: 616-913-9216**



# KENT COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE FALL EVENT

Featuring

# NORM B

Pizza at 6PM  
Norm History Talk at 7PM  
Basket Raffle to follow

November 11, 2022

North Alano Club  
1020 College Ave NE

