

## CHICAGOLAND G.A. INTERGROUP MINUTES FOR March 09, 2009

Chairperson: Jim H  
1<sup>st</sup> Chairperson: Arnie B  
Secretary: Patti G  
The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m.

### Readings:

Recovery Program – Joe G.  
Unity Program - Al A.  
One Day at a Time – Drew X.

### Review of the minutes from the February meeting

- No corrections
- Motion to accept February minutes. Motion passed.

### New Reps:

No new reps

### Meetings Represented:

Sun - Elgin / 6:00 PM	
Sun - Evanston / 7:00 PM	Thur - Chicago/ 12 PM
Sun - Maywood / 6:00 PM	Thur - Elk Grove / 7:00 PM
Sun - Naperville / 6:00 PM	Thur - Gurnee / 6:30 PM
Sun – Chicago Hts. /6:00 PM	Thur - Mayfair / 8:00 PM
Mon - Arlington Hts. / 7:00 PM	Thur - Oak Lawn / 8:00 PM
Mon-St. Mary Naraneth/6:30pm	Thur- Orland Park / 7:30 PM
Tues - Algonquin / 7:30 PM	Fri - Bolingbrook / 7:30 PM
Tues - Bloomingdale / 7:30 PM	Fri - Hoffman Est. / 7:30 PM
Tues - Romeoville / 7:00 PM	Fri - Joliet / 6:30 PM
Tues - Schaumburg / 11:00 AM	Fri – St. Gertrude / 7:00 PM
Tues – Chicago South/ 7:00 PM	Sat - Bartlett / 9:30 AM
Tues – Norridge / 7:00PM	Sat - Downers Grove / 9:00 AM
Wed - Aurora / 7:00 PM	Sat - Elmhurst / 8:00 PM
Wed - Hoffman Est. / 7:00 PM	Sat – Lake Forest / 7:00 PM
Wed - Oak Lawn / 10:15 AM	Sat – Oak Park / 9:30 AM
Wed - Park Ridge / 7:30 PM	Sat – Hinsdale / 2:00 PM
Wed- Joliet/Spanish	
Wed – Oak Park 7:00PM	

## Area 8 Trustees:

Allen H  
Jeff F  
Arnie B

## Unfinished Business:

- Insurance committee reported that they have reviewed two policies for Chicagoland GA. General Casualty has been chosen as they have a policy available for \$1,408.00 which will cover all GA events up to 750 people. For any events specifically named there will be an additional \$50.00 cost. The annual cost which includes insuring the picnic and a new meeting in South Bend Indiana is \$1,508.00. The aggregate benefit for this policy is two million dollars.
- The Insurance committee will get the policy in place and it will be active as of April 1, 2009.
- The financial audit of the Intergroup books was completed and no discrepancies were found.
- Review of Robert's Rules of Order:  
**Point of Information** is requested when a member would like clarification as to what is being talked about, to confirm the topic of discussion  
**Point of Order** is requested when a member is requesting a reason for the discussion  
Such as "does the discussion agree with the rules of Intergroup"  
The chair can be challenged if the member feels the Point of Order has not been received.

## New Business:

- Request was made to confirm that the meeting list is accurate and up to date. The meeting list will be circulated at Intergroup and confirm that the list is accurate.
- Pat F. requested that the internet is updated to confirm the meeting changes for the Lake Forest meeting which is now located at: 660 N. Westmorland RD. Lake Forest, IL 60045. The meeting is in the main hospital building rooms B & C. Use the visitor's entrance. GA only (closed meeting) Step meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month. Meeting time 7:00pm to 9:00pm

## Committee Reports:

### Pinning's:

Please call or email Russ R [Buckeyerruss05@aol.com](mailto:RussR@Buckeyerruss05@aol.com) 773-860-5427  
<mailto:ciamal52@aol.com> **AT LEAST ONE DAY PRIOR TO INTERGROUP**

Date	Day	Time	Location	Person	Years
3/20/09	Friday-Open	7:00pm	Spring Conference Westin Hotel, Itasca	Chuck A Christine B Dianna R Harold D Kathy D AL A Joe K	20 yrs GA 10 yrs GA 5 yrs GA 5 yrs GA 5 yrs Gamanon 1 yr GA 1 yr GA
3/22/09	Sunday	6:00pm	Church of the Nazarene in the Gym Chicago Heights	Evelyn I. George L.	5 yrs GA 5 yrs GA
4/15/09	Wednesday-Open	7:00pm	Mercy Hospital Atrium Room Aurora	Barb C. Susan C. Mary M.	1 yr GA 1 yr GA 1 yr GA
4/20/09	Monday-Open	7:00pm	Joliet First Presbyterian Church	Missy A.	1 yr GA
4/26/09	Sunday	7:00pm	Saint Francis Hospital Evanston	Evan D Larry J Teddy S Keif M	1 yr GA 1 yr GA 10 yr GA 10 yr GA
5/2/09	Sat. Morning <i>Regular meeting prior to pinning</i>	11:00am <i>9:30am</i>	New Spirit Metro. Comm Church. Oak Park	Jim N.	1 yr GA

**Pinning Guidelines:**

1. To be eligible to be pinned a member must attend 39 meetings a year.
2. No room will schedule more than 1 pinning event in a 30 day period.
3. Notification of pinning must be communicated to the pinning chairperson NO LATER than the day before Intergroup meetings.
4. To prevent conflicts, rooms may not schedule an event on the same day as another room. In the case of a conflict, the first room to schedule a pinning and inform the pinning chairperson will take precedence.

**Public Relations – Allen H**

- Allen H received the authority from the Board of Trustees to send letters and pamphlets to schools, prisons' and churches' advising Chicagoland communities of the existence of GA.
- The GA public relations pamphlet addresses the difference between attraction and promotion with the following question & statement: "What is the difference between attraction & promotion?" "It is attraction when we tell the community why and who we are, what we do, how we do it and when and where we are available if help is needed. Conversely, it is promotion when we boast about the successes of an individual or the program as a whole. We must let the way we lead our lives be he example of how the program works without beating our chest about it."

### **Phone Service – Dianne R**

No Report

### **Pressure Relief – Mike S.**

- Please contact Mike S with any questions regarding GA Gamanon Pressure Relief by phone:708-289-0122 or email: [mrsully@comcast.net](mailto:mrsully@comcast.net).
- Discussion about the acceptability of members advising that filing bankruptcy is an approved method of resolving debts during a pressure relief. Clarification was made that advising members to file bankruptcy is not condoned.

### **Activities – Michelle M**

- All activities require an RSVP for proper planning. Please RSVP to Michelle M. [224-563-7876/looseclothes@yahoo.com](mailto:224-563-7876/looseclothes@yahoo.com) by the date indicated for each activity.

**March** 3/15 Bowling (kids 7+ invited to join) –Niles  
2:00pm –Brunswick in Niles (7333 N. Milwaukee Ave.)-RSVP by 3/10

3/28 Dinner and a Movie-Woodridge  
Hollywood Blvd Movie Theater (1001 West 75<sup>th</sup> Street)-RSVP by 3/21

**April** 4/5 Whirleyball (ages 13+) Lombard  
6:00 pm Dinner followed by Whirleyball (800 E. Roosevelt Rd)  
Anticipated cost (depends on # of people- \$10-\$15/pp + your dinner)

4/18 Dinner and a Movie-Buffalo Grove (theater is only \$2/show)  
6:00pm Buffalo Wings & Rings (100 McHenry Road) RSVP by 4/15

### **Anniversaries – Arnie B**

- Committee chair reminded members to turn in room member's anniversary dates for inclusion in the ISO Bulletin

### **Picnic Report Dan B**

No Report

### **Internet Report – Jim H**

- The Sunday night meeting in St. Charles will be changed to the correct name of Hossana Lutheran Church

### **Treasurers' Report – Phil S.**

CIG	\$1,018.60
ISO	649.75
Can ISO (Intergroup)	50.00
Total ISO Collection	<u>1,718.35</u>
Supplies	181.15
Spirituality	00
Leaves	259.00
Spring Conference	4954.00
T-Shirts	.00
Trust for Pins	65.00
	<u>7,177.50</u>
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$7,177.50</b>

**Sunshine Report – Peggy G**

- Cards were passed out for members in the rooms.

**Trustees Report – Arnie B**

- There are 15 new Lifeliners: 1 from California, 8 from New Jersey 5 from Florida and 1 from Washington
- ISO sent 22 starter kits – 1 to prisons and 21 new group information kits
- There will be only two bulletins per meeting and they should stay in the rooms for all members to have access to them
- Allen H & Arnie B. reminded the group to rotate meeting chair person

**New Meetings Report – Cindi M**

No Report

**Budget Report – Jeff F**

- The current estimate is that we are in the red by about \$299.00
- The reserved rooms for the Spring Conference are below projections.

**Conference 2009/2010 – Fred L.**

- **No report for the 2010 conference**
- There are 232 people registered, 102 Saturday night dinners, 93 Sunday brunches 19 scholarships have been requested.
- There are 120 room nights reserved which is the conference minimum. If any member would like to reserve a room please contact Fred L or Jim H as GA has available rooms that they would like to sell instead of giving the money to the hotel.
- Please make sure to bring remaining leaves and outstanding payment for leaves to the conference.
- There are 30 workshops

**Spirituality Conference – Tom C**

No Report

**Supplies – Eileen Z.**

**March 2009**

17 Orders	\$406.75
Supplies Ordered for Inventory	212.25
Less Orders filled with inventory	<u>-00</u>
	619.10
Shipping	<u>18.00</u>
<b>Total due to ISO</b>	<b>\$637.10</b>
<b>Inventory</b>	<b>\$658.25</b>

- New orders for March need to be placed by March 30th

**Holiday Party – No Report**

**Good and Welfare**

- Rich S-Oak Lawn had a mini stroke. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Please continue to keep Kathy & Rich H. in your prayers.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. with the group joining hands and reciting the Serenity Prayer.