

## Ohio Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous Quarterly Meeting Minutes

### ORSCNA Meeting Minutes: Saturday April 14, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 10am by Gina M., Vice-Chairperson.  
 The meeting was opened with a moment of silence followed by the *Serenity Prayer*.  
 The *12 Traditions of NA* were read by  
 The *12 Concepts for NA Service* were read by Jenny M.  
 The *Service Prayer* was read by all.  
 The *Daily Meditation* was read by Gerald N.

Attendance: Saturday, April 14					
Ref	Name	Service Position	Ref	Name	Service Position
1	Craig S.	Chairperson, SASCNA	17	Jenny M.	RCM, HAMASCNA
2	Dan S.	Chair, 12-Step Retreat	18	Brad F.	RCM, KORASCNA
3	Niki P.	Chair, Traditions Retreat	19	Angie W.	RCM, MEASCNA
4	Steven H.	Concerned Member, DASCNA	20	Mark W.	RCM, MOASCNA
5	Lenore P.	Concerned Member, HAMASCNA	21	Martha B.	RCM, MVASCNA & V. Secretary
6	James K.	Concerned Member, SASCNA	22	John S.	RCMA, Area 13
7	Brandon L.	Concerned Member	23	Mariclaire F.	RCMA, COASCNA
8	Steve W.	Concerned Member	24	Gary B.	RCMA, DASCNA
9	Caity C.	Concerned Member (GSR)	25	Gerald N.	RCMA, GCASCNA
10	Rodney CD	H & I Chairperson, ORSCNA	26	Courtney M	RCMA, HAMASCNA
11	Joe M.	OCNA AC	27	Steve F.	RCMA, FRASCNA & Webmaster
12	Christina D.	Phoneline Chair, ORSCNA	28	Charles F.	RDA, ORSCNA
13	Trish P.	PR Chair, HAMASCNA	29	Mark R.	Treasurer, ORSCNA
14	Lynette CD	PR Chairperson	30	John W.	V. Chair, Traditions Retreat
15	Wally C.	RCM, Area 13	31	Gina M.	Vice-Chair, ORSCNA
16	Vicki W.	RCM, COASCNA	32	David L.	RD, ORSCNA

### Administrative Committee Reports:

**Chairperson:** Absent, No report

### Vice-Chairperson:

Dear ORSCNA Members,

Bill M. asked me to fill in for him today. And, I'm hopeful that the meeting will be just as productive as it is when he chairs it.

Thanks for this opportunity to serve,  
 Gina M.  
 ORSCNA Vice-Chair

### Regional Delegate:

Hello ORSCNA Family!

It's been a very busy quarter since our last Regional Service Committee (RSC) meeting. Lots of time, energy & other resources have been spent preparing for the upcoming World Service Conference (WSC). Thanks to all those that have helped in this effort.

Our Region really pulled together and did a great job at hosting the Multi-Regional CAR/CAT (Conference Agenda Report & Conference Approval Track) Workshop and Midwest Zonal Forum (MZF) meeting that was held in Perrysburg, OH. Martha B. deserves special "thanks" for taking charge of hospitality for this event. The Workshop was well-attended – over 100 people on Saturday – by NA members from every Region in the Midwest and from almost every Area within our Region. The Buckeye Region also had a strong presence and announced that they are considering joining the MZF.

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I sincerely hope that those of you who were there recognize the immense value of attending this Multi-Regional event. Having the opportunity to hear the information contained in the CAR & CAT presented by members of our World Board and to participate in discussion of that information with NA members from all over the Midwest helped all of us when it came time to hold localized discussions & workshops.

I shared my room at the hotel with an NA member representing the Greater Cincinnati Area, and I believe that Area has sent reimbursement to the Region for half the cost of the 2-night stay. Therefore, my expenses related to this event were as follows:

\$93.08	Overnight accommodations (2 ½-nights) at the Holiday Inn Express - Perrysburg
\$21.04	Supplies (agendas, name tags & markers)
\$45.90	Gas for round-trip travel
\$160.02	Total expenses incurred (2/10/12 – 2/12/12)

Following that weekend, Charles & I assisted with the facilitation of localized CAR/CAT Workshops:

- ❖ **February 18<sup>th</sup>** – in Mansfield for NA members from Finally Free & Mid-Ohio Areas
- ❖ **February 25<sup>th</sup>** – in Columbus for NA members from Central Ohio Area.
- ❖ **March 10<sup>th</sup>** – in Beavercreek for NA members from Dayton, Five Rivers, Miami Valley & Springfield Areas.
- ❖ **March 10<sup>th</sup>** – in Lima for NA members from Best Little & Northwest Ohio Areas.
- ❖ **March 17<sup>th</sup>** – in New Boston for NA members from Kentucky/Ohio Recovery Area.
- ❖ **March 24<sup>th</sup>** – in Cincinnati for NA members from Greater Cincinnati & Hamilton/Middletown Areas.

My expenses related to the workshops in Columbus, Beavercreek & New Boston were as follows:

\$7.80	copies (summary of motions, resolutions, straw polls & proposals)
*app. 100.00	gas for round-trip travel to Columbus, Beavercreek & New Boston
	(*NOTE: I could only locate a receipt - \$41.53 - for the travel to Columbus)
\$107.80	total expenses incurred (2/25/12, 3/10/12 & 3/17/12)

In the midst of all that activity and with your help, I was also able to finalize & submit our Region's bi-annual report to the Worldwide Fellowship of NA. While preparing that report, I compiled a couple spreadsheets on our annual RSC expenses that revealed some useful budgeting information.

In 2010, total expenses (not including contributions to the Midwest Zonal Forum or NA World Services) for the Ohio Region were \$9,869.61; and in 2011, total expenses for the Region were \$10,490.29. Following is a summary of those expenses:

<u>EXPENSE CATEGORY</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>% of Total</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
Phone-line service	\$3,144.91	32%	\$3,340.17	32%
Quarterly RSC meeting space & lodging	2,420.14	24.50%	3,130.78	29%
RD/RDA travel & related expenses	1,891.27	19%	1,947.88	19%
Liability insurance coverage	960	10%	841	8%
Website & other public relations services	788.4	8%	849.9	8%
H&I services	144.89	1.50%	178.3	2%
Administrative expenses	20	0.20%	202.26	2%

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(In 2010, there was also a \$500.00 payment to OCNA which, I believe, was to correct the distribution of funds from the 2009 convention.)

It's also worth noting that, while we do receive app. 40% of our annual income from (3) annual events, we are not dependent on it as our annual contributions to the MZF & NAWS exceeded that amount. The income from those events does provide a "cushion" or "safety net" for our annual budget.

And finally (on a topic related to our annual budget), I was able to communicate via email with members of the Ad-Hoc Committee about the possibility of holding RSC meetings at a centralized location(s). There are mixed views on whether to propose a single location or alternating between two locations, but a review of RSC meeting space & lodging expenses for the last 3-½ years lends weight to the potential savings. Before submitting a proposal back to the Areas & groups, I would recommend some in-depth investigation of potential meeting venues & nearby lodging. We can discuss this further in the RD/RCM meeting.

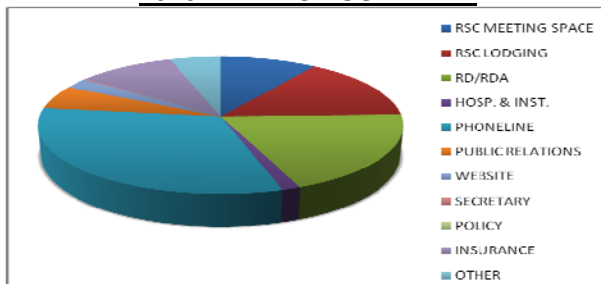
Thanks to my Higher Power and the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous for another day clean; and thanks again for affording me the opportunity to serve our Ohio Region.

In Loving Service,... David L., RD

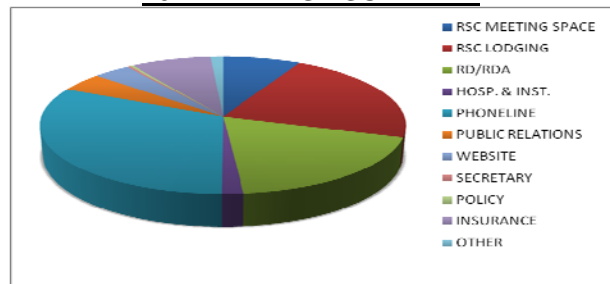
### **Upcoming Service Calendar Events/Deadlines:** (\* some dates & locations may still be tentative)

<b>April 14-15, 2012</b>	<b>ORSCNA Meeting to be hosted by SASCNA</b>
April 29-May 5, 2012	World Service Conference (WSC) 2012 in Woodland Hills, CA
May 1, 2012	Informal MZFNA Meeting to be held at WSC
<b>May 11-13, 2012</b>	<b>Ohio Region's 5<sup>th</sup> Annual 12 Traditions Retreat at Tar Hollow State Park</b>
<b>May 25-27, 2012</b>	<b>Ohio Convention (OCNA XXX) hosted by the Ohio Region in Columbus, OH</b>
June 15-17, 2012	USFA III hosted by the Wisconsin Region in Milwaukee, WI
<b>July 14-15, 2012</b>	<b>ORSCNA Meeting &amp; Annual Elections to be hosted by MOASCNA</b>
* August 17-19, 2012	MZFNA hosted by the Wisconsin Region in Rockford, IL
<b>October 5-7, 2012</b>	<b>Ohio Region's 25<sup>th</sup> Annual 12 Step Spiritual Retreat at Tar Hollow State Park</b>
* <b>October 13-14, 2012</b>	<b>ORSCNA Meeting to be hosted by NWOASCNA</b>
<b>January 12-13, 2013</b>	<b>ORSCNA Meeting to be hosted by DASCNA</b>
* <b>January ??-??, 2013</b>	MZFNA hosted by the Chicagoland Region in Chicago, IL
<b>April 13-14, 2013</b>	<b>ORSCNA Meeting to be hosted by MEASCNA</b>
<b>May 10-12, 2013</b>	<b>Ohio Region's 6<sup>th</sup> Annual 12 Traditions Retreat at Tar Hollow State Park</b>
<b>May 24-26, 2013</b>	<b>Ohio Convention (OCNA XXXI) hosted by the Buckeye Region</b>
<b>July 13-14, 2013</b>	<b>ORSCNA Meeting to be hosted by FFASCNA</b>
* <b>July ??-??, 2013</b>	MZFNA hosted by the Metro Detroit Region in Detroit, MI
* <b>Aug. 29-Sept. 1, 2013</b>	World Convention of Narcotics Anonymous (WCNA-35) in Philadelphia, PA
<b>October 5-6, 2013</b>	<b>ORSCNA Meeting to be hosted by HAMASCNA</b>
<b>October 11-13, 2013</b>	<b>Ohio Region's 26<sup>th</sup> Annual 12 Step Spiritual Retreat at Tar Hollow State Park</b>
* <b>October ??-??, 2013</b>	MZFNA hosted by the Greater Illinois Region
<b>January 11-12, 2014</b>	<b>ORSCNA Meeting to be hosted by GCASCNA</b>
* <b>February ??-??, 2014</b>	MZFNA & Multi-Regional CAR/CAT Workshop hosted by the Michigan Region
<b>April 12-13, 2014</b>	<b>ORSCNA Meeting to be hosted by Area 13</b>

**2010 EXPENSE SUMMARY**

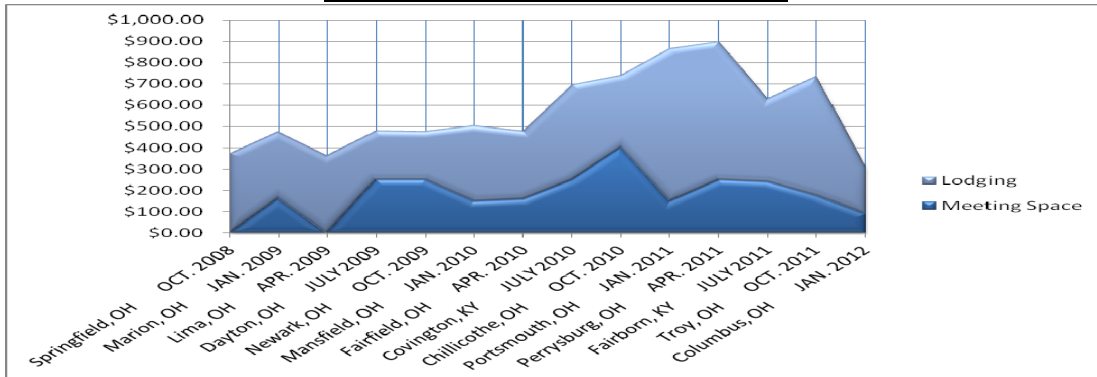


**2011 EXPENSE SUMMARY**



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**RSC MEETING EXPENSE SUMMARY**



**RDA:**

Hello, Family

It is indeed a pleasure to hang-out with you guys again, although it seems that it has not been that long ago due to the Car/Cat work shops, I'd like to thank all that were involved in setting up the meeting spaces, for providing an opportunity to spark some attention during their scheduled programs, and to all that showed interest with your attendance and patients.

We covered a lot of ground in a short amount of time, Dave and I had to separate after the MZF Car/Cat workshop in Perrysburg which was well attended with the WB members in attendance, we attempted to carry the information foreword to any Area willing and able to accommodate a work shop. We will compile all the votes and information gathered in our upcoming RD/RCM meeting later today.

I received \$400.00 for air fare to the WSC; I searched diligently for the best price and ended up with a round trip fare of \$282.00, plus fees of \$43.20 (not including baggage fee) for a total of \$325.20 which left a balance of \$74.80.

I spent a total of (41.00, 49.00) \$90.00 for fuel for workshops so my ending balance is \$15.20.

I will be asking for additional funds for my room rate and per diem for the WSC.

ILS.

Charles

**Treasurer:**

Hello ORSCNA family,

Grateful to be here at another Regional meeting!  
I am starting today's worksheet with a balance of \$3,902.82.  
This is the same balance we ended the last RSC meeting with.

Below is a list of the activity since the last RSC meeting.

This leaves us with a current balance of \$3,185.82 before the start of business today.

Please make sure to give me your donations or reimbursement requests today. I will not be here tomorrow so if you need to be reimbursed for some expense or if you are going to have a check request this quarter, then please get those motions to Bill or Gina so we can get them approved today.

In loving service,

Expenses		
Check #	Description	Amount
2303	CoreComm	\$57.00
2304	Town Hall 2	\$630.00
2305	MCI	\$200.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$887.00</b>
Revenue		
	Description	Amount
	Winner's Group (GCASCNA)	\$70.00
	FFASCNA	\$100.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$170.00</b>

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## Quarterly Meeting Minutes

Mark R., ORSCNA Treasurer

### Secretary:

Hello Family, I regretfully will not be attending the regional meeting this quarter due to family issues. I am going to be caring for my mother and moving her in with me from out of state. I am unsure at this time if I will be able to attend the next regional meeting either. I do apologize for this unexpected change in my availability to fulfill my commitment. Love you all. Sandy P.

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### Regional Committee Member Reports

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#### Area 13

Our Area is currently reorganizing with a new website which is linked to naohio.org. We have a downloadable schedule as well as other information available there.

We are planning a canoe trip on June 23<sup>rd</sup> on the Hocking River at Logan. Flyers will be available shortly.

We have a donation of \$100 this month.

ILS, Wally

**BLASCNA (Best Little Area) Absent, No report received**

#### COASCNA (Central Ohio Area)

Dear family,

The Central Ohio Area is doing well.

When the money was stolen from our area office funds, it caused our area to re-evaluate our area's role in this. We discovered two places where our area had fallen short: (1) we did not observe the spirit of rotation and (2) we had no clause in our area office/phone lines policy for a routine audit of our office funds. This was quite a wake up call. As a result we have asked all subcommittee chairs to review their policies and make changes that are needed. Sometimes, just like an individual addict, an area does not learn until we have bumped our heads one or two times. We are still updating policies and having ongoing subcommittee meetings to do this. We are also reviewing ( and re-writing as needed) the area policy itself. At this point the **convention policy has gone back to groups for approval and we will be voting on it tomorrow at the April ASC.**

On 2/25/2012 our area hosted a Conference Agenda Report workshop. workshop, held the Just for Today Club. There were 15 to 20 addicts in attendance. Our Regional World delegate facilitated the discussion process and the voting. Our area will be carrying back an amendment to motion four of the world board motions at this regional meeting. (The motion reads " Allow World Board to create and approve enhanced electronic or digital versions of texts with advance notice." We voted to request that the word "approve" be deleted.)

**We have started a Women In Unity Day ad hoc committee and that function is scheduled June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013.** All our administrative positions are filled except for area vice chair. I have also brought flyers for the opening event at OCNA asking for help from all the areas to honor the addicts who have died clean. We have sent \$1,000 to ORSCNA for donation and \$1,000 to directly to NAWA.

ILS,  
Vicki W.

#### DASCNA (Dayton Area)

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The Hello everyone today I am sitting in for RCM, who is celebrating his 5<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary today. I am sorry I wasn't prepared but here is our report for the Dayton Area.

We set up an ad-hoc committee to help secure hotel accommodations for OCNA 32 in 2014. A request letter for OCNA BOD assistance can be read now or later in the meeting.

DASCNA is preparing for our upcoming Area Convention, July 6-8, 2013 at the Crown Plaza Hotel, located in downtown Dayton, at 33 East Fifth Street.

Our Area is still struggling with home groups participation at our area meeting. Our sub committees are doing a fine job but all positions are open except H & I, which we have Mickey H. who was voted in as chair at our last Area meeting. Current Chairs will hopefully remain in their positions until new nominees are received.

Our Area held regular meetings to review the CAR/CAT information and I have our vote for each item.

Sorry for the short report I was just told Thursday that I would need to prepare a report for Saturday. Thank you all and have a great weekend.

Today we have a donation of \$100.00 to ORSCNA and \$50.00 to OCNA.

Gary B.

### **FFASCNA AREA (Finally Free Area) *Absent, No report received***

### **FRASCNA AREA (Five Rivers Area)**

Hello ORSCNA family,

Good to be here and be clean another day. The Five Rivers Area is doing well and currently has most all trusted servant positions filled except for vice secretary and policy chair and PR Chair. We currently have 16 groups and two more coming on board from the Miami Valley Area this month. In most cases we have about 80 % of our GSR's attend the area meeting. We also just elected a Out Reach Chair. One group in Highland county has only attended the ASC one time. We will be making an effort to seek them out and see how we can help. Other members report they are still open.

As we are not a rich area by any stretch we are holding our own. Our area focuses mostly on caring the message and helping the group to fulfill its primary purpose. We try to rely mostly on our group contributions and have very few fundraisers. For some reason that I am not sure of we have not made a donation to region this year as of yet, I will be discussing this at our next area meeting.

Our subcommittees are also doing well and have been able to reach out to the community as well as have meetings in two correctional facilities. We are having great success with our online literature store which provide literature to the groups and subcommittees. Hopefully we will be able to encourage our H&I chair to participate at the regional H&I meeting as well as the PR chair when elected.

ILS,

Steve F., FRASCNA RCM-A

### **GCASCNA AREA (Greater Cincinnati Area)**

Hi Family,

My name is Gerald N. and I am currently serving as the Greater Cincinnati Area's RCM. I took over the position two months ago when it came open due to personal issues endured by our former RCM.

Our Area is actually holding elections at this time for RCM, Alternate RCM, Vice-Treasurer, and Public Information.

Last month our Area hosted a CAR/CAT workshop which was both informative and productive.

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If voted in as RCM, I look forward to growing in service and gathering with you all again at our next Regional meeting.  
Gerald N.

### **HAMASCNA AREA (Hamilton and Middletown Area)**

Hi family, addict named Jenny. I am so happy to be here and be of service. Our RCMA Courtney is here with me today, along with our new Public Relations Chair, Trish.

All has been well in the Hamascna area this last quarter. All our area service positions are filled except for Vice Secretary and Vice Literature Distribution. We have 20 home groups in the area with 24 meetings at present. We currently have 6 H&I commitments.

Our area, along with the Cincinnati area, hosted a Car/Cat workshop on March 24<sup>th</sup>. I would like to thank Dave, our RD for officiating the workshop. He did a wonderful job and I was so grateful to have him there.

Our area's first fundraiser for SITW (Serenity in the Woods), Staying Green in Recovery went extremely well and was attended by many locals and some out of towners as well. The next fundraiser for this event is Spring Fling and will take place April 28<sup>th</sup> at the Civitan Center in Fairfield, Ohio. The third and final fundraiser will take place July 14<sup>th</sup> also at the Civitan Center in Fairfield.

We are hoping for the great turnouts as we had in the first fundraiser, so come on out and be a part of supporting our area. There are fliers on the table for the upcoming events. The SITW subcommittee has secured the location of Houston Woods State Park for the main event, dates are August 31<sup>st</sup> to September 2<sup>nd</sup>. There will be camping, workshops, speakers, meetings and so much more, hope you all can make it. The flier for this event was not finished for me to bring, however you will be able to find it on the NA website soon. I will also bring fliers with me to the July regional meeting.

Our area picnic is coming up also, June 3<sup>rd</sup> in Fairfield, Ohio. All of our area trusted servant positions are voted on at the picnic along with food and fun.

Thank you for listening and allowing me to be of service.

ILS Jenny M – RCM Hamascna Area

**KORASCNA Area (Kentucky-Ohio Recovery Area) Verbal Report, No written report received**

**MEASCNA AREA (Middle Eastern Area) Verbal report, No written report received**

### **MOASCNA RCM (Mid-Ohio Area)**

Regional Committee Member (RCM) – Mark W. Ph: 567-245-5660      mwwesty29@yahoo.com

Regional Committee Member - Alternate (RCMA) – Vacant

The geographic area served by the MOASCNA Area is Marion, Crawford, Wyandot, Seneca & Sandusky Counties. Our area presently has 12 groups, 15 meetings, and 4 H&I panels. At our last Area Service Committee meeting, 3 groups were present.

In the past three months, one new group has started in our Area:

Fremont Tuesday Night Open disc. 7:30 PM Tuesdays

In the past three months, one group has folded.

Monthly expenses for the MOASCNA Area at our last ASC meeting were \$915.00. Total donations from groups to the Area were \$42.00. We are making a donation in the amount of \$116.00 to the Ohio Region this quarter.

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MOASCNA purchases & supplies literature to it's H & I Comm. On a quarterly basis and to groups within the area upon their requests to meet their literature needs. MOASCNA will be receiving left over literature area from now defunct IWANA NA Area from ORSCNA RDA at this quarter's meeting.

Most of the trusted servant positions of MOASCNA were filled in our last elections with vacancies open for RCMA & V. Treas. Again MOASCNA is hosting it's 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Psychedelic 60's Dance OCNA Fundraiser,...as well as hosting ORSCNA's next Regional Quarterly Meetings on July 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> at the Days Inn & Suites Upper Sandusky 1726 East Wyandot Ave., Upper Sandusky, Ohio 43351 Phone: 419-294-3919 Rooms are \$66.69 per night. Continental Breakfast & Tax included with room rates. Questions Contact Brian J.: MOASCNA ACTIVITIES COMM. CHAIR at Activities@moascna.org.

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MOASCNA's legal status is updated. MOASCNA ASC meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. of every month at 2:00 PM rotating the meeting place to a group in every county that is serviced. MOASCNA has an H & I Comm., P.R. Comm., Activities Comm., Policies Sub-Comm.,...as well as a Webmaster & Website (www.moascna.org)

Although the groups within MOASCNA are submitting an "abstain" vote to "ALL ARTICLES" within the NAWS CAR/CAT,...we wish to express concern of "ANY" service structure changes & funding towards such changes or changes that were presented to the World Conference from 2 to 3 yrs which does not seem to address the "immediate" losses now happening!!!..... YOURS IN LOVING SERVICE,... Mark W. – MOASCNA RCM

### **MVASCNA RCM (Miami Valley Area)**

Good morning Family,

I was unable to attend the March ASC meeting and no one has contacted me about making a donation so there may be a check in the mail.

GSRs at the present at the February business meeting voted to move the ASC meeting from Troy to Sidney. Some addicts felt this should have gone back to the groups. As a result, a couple of groups who were already driving some distance have left to join other Areas rather than driving another 20 miles.

MVASCNA still has several open service positions so hopefully some addicts will step up to fill them.

MVASCNA will hold their OCNA fundraiser at Mote Park in Piqua on April 21<sup>st</sup> from 3-10pm. I haven't seen a flyer but there is probably one floating around somewhere.

Also, the ASC recently determined that the website was not being used or maintained enough to justify the continued expense so it has been shut down. I contacted the Webmaster for naohio.org and I believe he has already removed the link.

CAR Workshop: I was the only addict from the MVASCNA Area to attend the workshop held with the Five Rivers Area. I suggested that the issues be discussed at home groups so I could bring our Area's conscience and received an email from the Chair telling me to vote for the Area on the issues. I am very uncomfortable with this as me vote could never accurately represent the conscience of the 21 groups who are still part of the Miami Valley Area. I feel it is best I abstain from voting rather than apply my will to the situation.

Thank you for allowing me to serve NA.

In Gratitude,  
Martha B.

### **NWOASCNA RCM (North West Ohio Area)**

Hi Family,

NW Ohio is doing well. Sorry I couldn't be there on Saturday I will be there on Sunday. I'm emailing my report to Sandy with the votes for the CAR from my area.



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CAR Motion #1 Vote For

CAR Motion #3 Vote Against

CAR Motion #5 Vote For

CAR Motion #2 Vote Against

CAR Motion #4 Vote Against

I guess we are abstaining from any other votes as I did not make it to the January Regional meeting.

We removed both Kenton meetings from the schedule, as well as the Friday night Tiffin meeting. A Sunday meeting was added in Findlay and the Saturday night Paulding Second Chances meeting is suspended until September. The 3 that were removed have not been in existence for a while, we just were not communicated that. These are correct on the Area Meeting List on the Regional Website.

Everything else is going well. Sorry we were unable to do an OCNA Fundraiser due to finances and resignation of the Area Activities Chair. However, we do have our quarterly donation I will be bringing on Sunday.

We still have 5 H&I commitments that we are keeping on a regular basis. We would like to thank all the areas that came out and supported our H&I Learning Day that we held in March.

We have 3 new trusted servants: Webchair - Cory H, Public Relations Chair - Eugene W, Policy and Administrations Chair - Mike B. We will be holding elections for the new term in June.

In loving Service,  
Willy S  
NWOASC RCM

### SASCNA RCM (Springfield Area)

Hello family, Welcome to Springfield and the SASCNA area. The SASCNA area is continuing to carry the message of recovery. We are gaining many newcomers who are excited about recovery and service work. We have 16 home groups and 20 meetings a week. We will be sending an updated meeting schedule to the ORSCNA Webmaster. We will be bring some up to the meeting as well. Our donation of \$100 will be mail next week. We invite you to attend any of our meetings while you are here. Thank you.

Christie I  
Love ya & God Bless,  
Christie

### Ad-hoc Committee Reports

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**Convention:** *Absent, No written report received*

#### Hospitals and Institutions:

Dear Family,

During the last quarter I went to H&I Learning Days in Mansfield and Lima to show my support and to make sure they didn't need my help with anything. They both went very well. I received 2 pieces of correspondence, one was from someone returning to Lima and the other one to Columbus. I gave them to the chair of H&I in Lima and the chair of H&I in Columbus. We'll be meeting this afternoon to talk about what going on in the areas that show up and to find out if there are any learning days I can attend.

ILS,  
Rodney CD

**Outreach:** *Open position*

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**Phone Line Coordinator:** *Verbal Report, No written report received*

**Policy Coordinator:** *Absent, No written report received*

**Public Relations:** *Verbal report given, no written report received*

### **Spring Traditions Retreat:**

Good morning, everyone! I am pleased to let you all know that we are almost completely ready for the Tar Hollow Spring Retreat. We have our final meeting next Saturday, the 21<sup>st</sup> to iron out last minute details. Speakers have been chosen, food and merchandise ordered, etc. All committee members have their individual people gathered for the different positions, Gators and grills are rented and we are ready to go!

The Vice-Chairperson, John W. is here for voting today for Chairperson for next year. I think you will all find him willing and well qualified for this position!

I appreciate the honor and opportunity to be of service in this position and believe that the retreat this year will be a rousing success!

In loving service,  
Niki R.

### **12 Step Spiritual Retreat:**

Hello ORSCNA family,

I just want to start off by asking, How's everyone liking this Ohio weather? I'm diggin it for the most part. Since I've become chairperson for our regional 12 step retreat a lot has happened. I've taken on the reigns of a personal business (independent contractor) actually. I operate while most people are sleeping, so it's been tough going through all the changes. I've managed to keep my sanity and maintain my usual meeting schedule thanks to having some recovery. The Tar Hollow committee has undergone some changes of it's own as well. We've had to seek out a new Vice chair, a coffee chair 2 times and a new Secretary. God has provided and as a result I do believe we have ourselves a very solid committee as always.

We had our first committee meeting and it went very well, we discussed several issues and come up with several solutions. Our programming has pretty much all workshop and main speakers taken care of, registration forms and flyers are available, we should have 2 nurses on hand the majority of the weekend, and as a committee we've decided to designate a no smoking section near the registration area (front side area of lodge). Our next meeting is scheduled for May 19th @ 1pm in Dayton @ the VA Medical Center, then July 14th @ Fun in the Sun in HAMASCNA @ 1pm, and lastly at the Pig Out in August I believe... if all goes according to plan.

The treasury started off with its usual balance of \$1600, a bank service charge of \$29.32 was applied and paid the PO Box renewal fee of \$70 bringing us down to \$1494.68, and Doug H. gave \$400.00 for sale of last year's merchandise providing us with a total of \$1894.68 presently, not including any of the pre-registrations that were made during our meeting.

I do believe this is all I have to report so far.

In loving service,  
Dan S.

### **Webmaster:**

Hello ORSCNA family,

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Not much new to report, everything seems to be going well and have not encountered any problems that I have not been able to solve on my own. I'm up to date with all emails, function flyers, and meeting updates that have been sent to the webmaster as of 04/13/12. We did receive an invoice from CoreComm which was forward to the treasure for payment.

All of the areas have sent me updated meeting information within the last 6 months with the exception of MOASCNA (7/8/10). If the RCM for that area is present, please talk with your area's Web Contact and have them send me any updated information. Thanks again to all the Web Contacts who keep sending the meeting updates. I am currently working on a laundry list of items to ensure the website is maintained in good working order.

Have been receiving information from the USFA as to how they are progressing and their next meeting information which I have forwarded to the secretary to be forwarded to the LOC as well as information from other outside areas and regions about their upcoming events which are also forwarded.

I'm asking the web contacts for all Areas submit any updated information about their Area meetings to be placed on the "Links Page".

Again, I am asking that when submitting events to please include the Area, town, address and zip codes where the event is being held. This can be either in the email or on the flier. This will insure maps are correct so others can locate your event without difficulty.

ILS,  
Steve F., ORSCNA Webmaster

### **OCNA AC:**

As most of you know, the 30<sup>th</sup> Ohio Convention of Narcotics Anonymous will be held in Columbus at the end of next month. Over the last quarter Mark and I have taken turns attending Convention Committee meetings and have been in contact with some members in between. Most of the major decisions have been made and now they're hammering out the last few important details like the merchandising order and the banquet count. Their financial position is not what I would call a "comfortable lead", but there seems to be enough on hand to cover current expenses. It is reasonable to expect however, that the in-flow of money from various Spring Fund-Raisers in both Regions will carry them till opening day. Then, a good turnout should put them over the top. In order to keep things in perspective, this is usually the time of the year when we remind everybody that the purpose of the Convention is not to generate revenue but to celebrate our Recovery. So, we encourage everyone here to encourage everyone in your home Areas to join us at OCNA 30 in Columbus for great speakers, fellowship and fun. Pick up a flyer at a meeting near you and as always, information is available on the Web at [NAOHIO.org](http://NAOHIO.org). If you go, you better register or something bad might happen to you. I don't know for sure what that might be. I'm just saying ... accidents happen.

On to OCNA 31. The word is that the WAGS Area will be hosting it in Cleveland in 2013. A Chairperson has been elected but we don't know who it is. I would guess that the Committee is still being formed because I have not been contacted yet to help them open a bank account. That usually takes place in April or early May so Fund-Raising can begin soon after the current Convention closes out. Mark and I have exchanged a couple e-mails with Joel in the Buckeye Region and I have sent him a "starter kit" of reference information to pass on to the Chair. I hope they don't call me to go up there at the last minute because my social calendar is really filling up. Where does the time go?

Finally, the Dayton Area has formed an Ad Hoc Committee to do preliminary work on the Hotel site for OCNA 32 in 2014. Although that Convention is over two years away, they have not started a moment too soon. Their situation is somewhat unique and complicated by a national soccer tournament taking place there every year. It probably won't surprise anyone in this room to learn that even though there are absolutely no available hotels in Dayton on that weekend, the addicts from DASCNA managed to find two. Mark and I have been in contact with Steve H. and plan to sit down with him (and any committee members that are here) later today to review the proposals and talk about their options. I believe it's possible but not likely that this Regional Service Committee may be asked to make a decision or take special action on their behalf. If something comes up, we'll let you know. It's worth noting that many people from Dayton have worked hard at the Area and Regional levels to secure this spot in the rotation and host OCNA 32 even

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though they knew it would not be easy. I think it's good for them to know that we are all in their corner, just waiting for them to screw up so we can pounce. That's it for now. I look forward to seeing you all at the Retreat and the Convention. As always, thanks for allowing me to serve and for helping me stay clean.

In Service, Joe M.

### **Old Business:**

1. Election of Spring Retreat Chairperson: John W. Vote: 7-0-4 John W. voted in as Spring Retreat Chair 2013
2. Regional Motion 2011:31. Ad-hoc committee for researching possible permanent RSC meeting location(s): The issue will be discussed in the RD/RCM meeting this afternoon. (See RD report from meeting)
3. Regional Motion 2012:09. Outreach budget: (section 4.1.7): Motion to set aside funds to aid Outreach Regional Chairperson in travel in service position. Vote: 6-0-5 Motion passed
4. DASCNA acceptance of OCNA-32 commitment: DASCNA has accepted the commitment and is working to secure a hotel now because of outside events in the Dayton area at that time (annual soccer tournament).

### **Motion 2012:11**

14 April 2012

Motion: Request reimbursement for expenses to facilitate local CAR/CAT workshops. Includes \$7.80 for Supplies & Copies + \$100.00 for Gas = Total \$107.80

Intent: To provide resources necessary for RD responsibilities.

Maker: David L., RD

Seconded by: Charles F., RDA

**Vote: 8-2-1 Motion carried**

### **Motion 2012:12**

14 April 2012

Motion: Request approval of funds for the RDA to attend the WSC. Funds for half of room rate for 4/27/12 thru 5/7/12 in the amount of \$780.48 and food expenses for this time period 9 days per diem \$360.00.

Intent: To remain fully self supporting and support the group conscience of ORSCNA.

Maker: Charles F., RDA

Seconded by: David L., RD

**Vote: 10-0-1 Motion carried**

### **Motion 2012:13**

14 April 2012

Motion: Request reimbursement for expenses to facilitate local CAR/CAT workshops: \$90.00 for fuel.

Intent: To remain fully self supporting/provide resources for workshops.

Maker: Charles F., RDA

Seconded by: David L., RD

**Vote: 10-0-1 Motion carried**

### **Motion 2012:14**

Date: 14 April 2012

Motion: Request reimbursement for room on Friday night 13 April, 2012 (over 125 miles)

Intent: To remain fully self supporting.

Maker: Charles F., RDA

Seconded by: David L., RD

**Vote: 10-0-0 Motion carried**

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**Motion to Close: Seconded by:**

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### ORSCNA Meeting Minutes: Sunday January 15, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 10am by Gina M., Vice-Chairperson.  
 The meeting was opened with a moment of silence followed by the *Serenity Prayer*.  
 The *12 Traditions of NA* were read by Craig S.  
 The *12 Concepts for NA Service* were read by Gary B.  
 The *Service Prayer* was read by all.  
 The *Daily Meditation* was read by Lenore P.

Attendees: Saturday, April 15					
Ref	Name	Service Position	Ref	Name	Service Position
1	Craig S.	Chairperson, SASCNA	17	Jenny M.	RCM, HAMASCNA
2	Gina M.	Vice-Chair, ORSCNA	18	Angie W.	RCM, MEASCNA
3	Lenore P.	Concerned Member, HAMASCNA	19	Mark W.	RCM, MOASCNA
4	Rodney CD.	H & I Chairperson, ORSCNA	20	Martha B.	RCM, MVASCNA & V. Secretary
5	Joe M.	OCNA AC	21	John S.	RCMA, Area 13
6	Christina D.	Phoneline Chair, ORSCNA	22	Gary B.	RCMA, DASCNA
7	Trish P.	PR Chair, HAMASCNA	23	Gerald N.	RCMA, GCASCNA
8	Lynette CD.	PR Chairperson	24	Courtney M.	RCMA, HAMASCNA
9	Wally C.	RCM, Area 13	25	Steve F.	RCMA, FRASCNA & Webmaster
10	Vicki W.	RCM, COASCNA	26	Charles F.	RDA, ORSCNA
11	Willie J.S.	RCM, NWASCNA	27	David L.	RD, ORSCNA

### Committee Reports

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#### RD/RCM Meeting:

The RD/RCM Meeting began at app. 3:00 pm with trusted servants & other NA members from 11 Areas in attendance.

We began by discussing how we might expedite the process of gathering the Region's conscience on the World Board motions, resolutions & straw polls, and Regional proposals that were presented in the 2012 Conference Agenda Report (CAR). Summary sheets were distributed to each Area present to record their respective votes & any proposed amendments. The Regional Delegate will compile this information on a spreadsheet to be presented in new business tomorrow.

At one point the conversation evolved into a brief discussion of the development, review & approval process for "World Board approved" NA service material, and then a more lengthy discussion of the newest Service Pamphlet (SP) on "*Social Media and Our Guiding Principles*", which offers "guidance and insight on how to use social media responsibly in light of our tradition of anonymity."

We then discussed how best to further the work of the Ad-Hoc Committee charged with investigating & further developing the proposal to have RSC meetings in a centralized location(s). It was reported in the old business session earlier in the day that members of the Committee are split on the idea of a single central location or alternating between two centralized locations. Members agreed to look into identifying specific facilities that might be suitable venues for the

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quarterly RSC meeting and nearby hotels. They are to report their findings back to the RD/Ad-Hoc Committee Chair within the next two months so that a final report detailing the Committee's recommendations may be presented at the July RSC meeting. During this discussion, several NA members offered comments/reminders of the less tangible benefits of our current practice of RSC meeting rotation.

An outgrowth of this discussion was a suggestion to develop some suggestions or guidelines for Areas to utilize when charged with the responsibility of making arrangements to host an upcoming RSC meeting. A couple members agreed to work on developing this information.

The RD/RCM Meeting ended around 4:45 pm. Thanks to all those who participated.

In Loving Service, . . .

Dave L., Regional Delegate

Charles F., Regional Delegate Alternate

**Convention:** *Absent, No report*

**12-Step Retreat:** *Absent, No report*

**Spring Retreat:** *Absent, No report*

### **H & I Subcommittee:**

Dear Family,

In yesterday's meeting, representatives from COASCNA, HAMASCNA, DASCNA and NWOASCNA shared about what's going on in their areas. Also, the other folks from HAMASCNA talked about their H&I commitments. Everything seems to be going well in those areas. I understand there is a learning day in Toledo sometime in June and I will be attending. Also, someone has expressed an interest in becoming H&I Chair. We hope to have more information at the next meeting.

ILS,

Rodney CD  
H&I Chair

### **Public Relations Subcommittee:**

Dear Family,

Our Public Relations committee got a late start, but was able to meet to share information from the COASCNA, HAMASCNA and DASCNA areas about what they are doing around pr work. We were very happy to hear from the new PR chair in HAMASCNA, who shared about her work to get up to speed on the needs of the area, with help from the experienced members. They are looking at attending the Butler County fair in July, as they had previously been a part of this event. We have offered our assistance to them with support in whatever they need. Also, they reported on some issues with their phonedlines and the answering service that they share with an adjacent area. They will be working in collaboration with that area to resolve that issues.

After reviewing our options for possible statewide conferences in which we can participate this upcoming year, we agreed to sign up for the Ohio Association of Advanced Practical Nurses whose conference is November 1-3, 2012 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Dublin, Ohio (Columbus). The registration information is not yet available on their website, so we hope to have information about the exhibit fee, expected attendance, etc., by the July meeting.

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ILS,  
Lynette CD.

### New Business

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#### *Regional Nominations for all positions:*

**POSITION: ORSCNA Chairperson**

Name: **Gina M.** Area: GCASCNA (Greater Cincinnati)  
Nominated by: Priscilla J. GSR for GCASCNA Downtown Group 2<sup>nd</sup>: Donna I. GCASCNA Vice-Chair  
Clean Date: October 21, 1996  
Current Service Positions: ORSCNA Vice-Chairperson  
Previous Group Service: GSR for Recovery is Priceless homegroup (Cincinnati), 1 term (2007-2008)  
Previous Area Service: GCASCNA Literature Review Sub-Committee Chairperson, 1 term (1998-1999); GCASCNA Public Information Sub-Committee Chairperson 1&1/2 terms (2004-2005); GCASCNA RCMA, 1 term (2005-2006); GCASCNA RCM, 1 term (2006-2007); Created GCASCNA Website in 2005 and updated it through 2009.  
Previous Regional Service: ORSCNA Vice-Chairperson, 1 term (2001-present)  
World Service: N/A  
Service Positioned Resigned: None Have you lost or stolen NA funds? No  
Do you have an NA Sponsor and are you currently working NA Steps? Yes  
Are you able to attend all Ohio Region Service Committee meetings during your term in this position? Yes

**POSITION: ORSCNA Vice-Chairperson**

Name: **Lenore P.** Area: HAMASCNA (Hamilton)  
Nominated by: Gina M. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jamie B. Clean Date: April 29, 2006  
Current Service Positions: Policy & Administration for HAMASCNA, GSR for Freedom in Franklin  
Previous Group Service: GSR for Clean and Serene 2006-2008, Treasurer for Freedom in Franklin 2008-2009, GSR for 90 Minutes of Recovery (2003-2004)  
Previous Area Service: GCASCNA Chair, (2007-2008); GCASCNA Vice-Chair, (2007-2007)  
Previous Regional Service: None World Service: None  
Service Positioned Resigned: Vice-Chair – Personal Reasons Have you lost or stolen NA funds? No  
Do you have an NA Sponsor and are you currently working NA Steps? Yes  
Are you able to attend all Ohio Region Service Committee meetings during your term in this position? Yes

**POSITION: ORSCNA Treasurer**

Name: **Mark R.** Area:  
Nominated by: Steve F. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Dave L. Clean Date:  
Current Service Positions: ORSCNA Treasurer  
Previous Group Service:  
Previous Area Service:  
Previous Regional Service: ORSCNA Webmaster  
World Service: N/A  
Service Positioned Resigned: None Have you lost or stolen NA funds? No  
Do you have an NA Sponsor and are you currently working NA Steps? Yes  
Are you able to attend all Ohio Region Service Committee meetings during your term in this position? Yes

**POSITION: ORSCNA Phone Line Coordinator**

Name: **Christina D.** Area: FRASCNA (Five Rivers)

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Nominated by: Dave L.                      2<sup>nd</sup>: Martha B.                      Clean Date: August 12, 2008  
Current Service Positions: Secretary for Monday Night Message Group, ORSCNA Phone Line Coordinator (3 mos.)  
Previous Group Service: Treasurer (1 year)  
Previous Area Service: N/A  
Previous Regional Service: ORSCNA Phone Line Coordinator (3 mos.)  
World Service: N/A  
Service Positioned Resigned: None    Have you lost or stolen NA funds? No  
Do you have an NA Sponsor and are you currently working NA Steps? Yes  
Are you able to attend all Ohio Region Service Committee meetings during your term in this position? Yes

### POSITION: ORSCNA Vice-Secretary

Name: **Martha B.**                      Area: FRASCNA (Five Rivers)  
Nominated by: Christina D.                      2<sup>nd</sup>: Steve F.                      Clean Date: April 1, 2006  
Current Service Positions: Secretary, Spring Traditions Retreat, MVASCNA RCM (2011-present)  
Previous Group Service: Treasurer for Recovering Users Group, Win On Wednesday Group, Grow as We Go Group;  
GSR for Recovering Users Group, Focus on Recovery Group  
Previous Area Service: MVASCNA (Miami Valley Area) Secretary, MVASCNA RCM (2010-2011), MVASCNA Web  
Contact (2009)  
Previous Regional Service: ORSCNA Secretary (2009-2010?), Chairperson for Spring Traditions Retreat (2008)  
World Service: N/A  
Service Positioned Resigned: ORSCNA Secretary – Health problems    Have you lost or stolen NA funds? No  
Do you have an NA Sponsor and are you currently working NA Steps? Yes  
Are you able to attend all Ohio Region Service Committee meetings during your term in this position? Yes

### *New Motions:*

#### **Motion 2012:15**    15 April 2012

Motion: Add to Regional Policy for all administrative positions: Have the basic computer skills needed to communicate effectively with the Region as a body. If not, to have the willingness to learn and/or access such skills.  
Intent: To be able to communicate effectively in a standardized manner and to allow the practice of the 8<sup>th</sup> Concept.  
Maker: Vicki W., COASCNA RCM    Seconded by: Angie W., MEASCNA RCM

***Motion goes back to groups***



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**Treasurers Check List 4/14/2012**

**Auditor**

Beginning Balance at start of Saturday Session:		DL	\$3,902.82
RSC Vice-Chair/Chair/RD will compare bank statement to Treasurer's report, and ensure that all deposit amounts are correct.		DL	
RSC Vice-Chair/Chair/RD will ensure all check payees are as reported by Treasurer.		DL	
Expenses:		DL	
(#2303) CoreComm (Invoice #16053)	57.00		
(#2304) Townhall II	630.00		
(#2305) MCI	200.00		
(#2306) U.S. Postal Service (P.O. box rental)	94.00		
(#2307) David Lewis (RD expenses)	107.80		
(#2308) Charles Foulkes (WSC expenses)	1,140.48		
(#2309) Charles Foulkes (RDS expenses)	90.00		
(#2310) Lynette Cashaw-Davis (hotel expenses)	81.99		
(#2311) Charles Foulkes (hotel expenses)	57.99		
(#2312) Charles Foulkes (hotel expenses)	40.59		
(#2313) Gerald Nooks	40.60		
Total Expenses:	2,540.45		\$1,362.37
Area/Group Donations:		DL	
Winner's Group (GCASCNA)	70.00		
FFASCNA	100.00		
COASCNA	1,000.00		
Winner's Group (GCASCNA)	80.00		
No Strings Attached Group (WRASCNA)	100.00		
MOASCNA	116.00		
MEASCNA	125.00		
HAMASCNA	325.07		
Martha Burgess	51.77		
ATSCNA (Area 13)	100.00		
DASCNA	100.00		
David Lewis	40.00		
Charles Foulkes	74.80		
Total Area Donations:	2,282.64		\$3,645.01
Other Donations:			
Total Other Donations:	0.00		\$3,645.01
15% of balance for NAWS donation: (check #2314)	\$927.82	DL	
Balance at the end of Day 1:		DL	\$2,717.19

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Summary:		DL	
Beginning Balance	3,902.82		
(-) Bank Charges	0.00		
(-) Expenses	2,540.45		
(-) NAWS Donation	927.82		
Total	434.55		
(+) Area/Group Donations	2,282.64		
(+) Other Donations	0.00		
TOTAL	2,717.19		MATCH
Beginning Balance Day 2:			\$2,717.19
Additional Donations:			
Total Additional Donations:	0.00		\$2,717.19
All Checks will be stamped "For Deposit Only" and endorsed. All donators and donation amounts will be put on deposit slip. All donation amounts will be entered onto the outside of the security bag. The Vice-Chair/Chair/RD will verify that the proper am			
Requests for funds:			
Total Requests for funds:	\$0.00		\$2,717.19
RSC Vice-Chair/Chair/RD will verify checks written during business.			
Summary:			
Beginning balance	2,717.19		
(+) Additional Donations	0.00		
Total	2,717.19		
(-) Requests for funds	0.00		
TOTAL	2,717.19		MATCH
Additional donation to NAWS: (none)	0.00		
Ending Balance Day 2:			\$2,717.19
Signatures			
David Lewis - Regional Delegate			

**Next RSC meeting:** July 14 & 15, 2012 Hosted by MOASCNA  
Days Inn and Suites Upper Sandusky  
1726 East Wyandot Ave., Upper Sandusky, Ohio 43351  
Phone: 419-294-3919      <http://www.daysinn.com>  
Rooms: 66.69/night      Continental breakfast and tax included with room rate.  
Contact: Brian J.: [Activities@moascna.org](mailto:Activities@moascna.org)

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## REPORT TO WSC 2012 FROM THE OHIO REGION

### Our Delegate Team

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Regional Delegate (RD) – David Lewis – attended WSC 2010 (as RDA); previously served as RD & RDA attending WSC 2004 & WSC 2006 (as RDA), and WSC 2008 (as RD)

Regional Delegate Alternate (RDA) – Charles Foulkes – previously served as RD & RDA attending WSC 1996 & WSC 1997 (as RDA), and WSC 1998 (as RD)

### Zonal Forum Participation

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During this last Conference cycle, the Ohio Region has continued active participation in the Midwest Zonal Forum (MZF). We remain committed to a belief that the Midwest Zonal Forum should be more than a “sharing session” or “gathering”, and work with others in the MZF to make sure that we provide some form of direct service to members in the form of a Learning Day or Workshop whenever & wherever we meet in the Midwest. Most recently, our Region hosted the MZF’s bi-annual Multi-Regional CAR/CAT Workshop on February 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012 in Perrysburg, OH.

### About The Ohio Region

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There are presently fourteen Areas in the Ohio Region. The geographic area served by the Region is roughly two-thirds of the state of Ohio, plus portions of northern Kentucky.

<u>Area Name (ASC Meeting Location)</u>	<u>Groups</u>	<u>Meetings</u>	<u>H&amp;I Panels</u>
Area 13 (Chillicothe, OH)	13	13	4
Best Little Area (Toledo, OH)	28	28	8
Central Ohio Area (Columbus, OH)	87	105	16
Dayton Area (Dayton, OH)	44	44	8
Finally Free Area (Mansfield, OH)	17	26	4
Five Rivers Area (Bellbrook, OH)	16	16	3
Greater Cincinnati Area (Cincinnati, OH)	60	96	33
Hamilton / Middletown Area (Hamilton, OH)	21	24	6
Kentucky / Ohio Recovery Area (Portsmouth, OH)	15	32	1
Miami Valley Area (Troy, OH)	21	23	1
Mid-East Area (Newark, OH)	22	42	6
Mid-Ohio Area (Marion, OH)	12	14	6
Northwest Ohio Area (Lima, OH)	26	35	5
Springfield Area (Springfield, OH)	16	17	3
<b>OHIO REGION</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>104</b>

In cooperation with the Buckeye Region, which serves the groups in northeastern Ohio, we conduct H&I Panels in several of the State’s correctional facilities which are not reflected in the preceding numbers.

### Annual Donations and Expenses

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The total of all donations from groups and Areas to the Region in 2011 was \$13,449.39 (61% of total income). Three annual events – the (Spring) 12 Traditions Retreat, the Ohio Convention (OCNA), and the (Fall) 12 Step Retreat – generated an additional \$8,694.41 for the Region (39% of total income). The total of donations sent from the Ohio Region to NA World Services (NAWS) in 2011 was \$9,077.98. The total of donations from the Ohio Region to the Midwest Zonal Forum (MZF) in 2011 was \$650.00.

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Total expenses (not including contributions to the Midwest Zonal Forum or NA World Services) for the Ohio Region in 2011 were \$10,490.29. Of those expenses, \$3,340.17 (32%) was for the regional phone-line service, \$3,130.78 (29%) was for quarterly RSC meeting space & lodging, \$1,947.88 (19%) was for RD/RDA travel & related expenses, \$841.00 (8%) was for regional liability insurance coverage, \$849.90 (8%) was for the regional website & other public relations services, \$178.30 (2%) was for regional H&I services, and \$202.26 (2%) was for administrative expenses.

Collectively, the Areas within the Ohio Region distribute app. \$15,000.00 worth of NA recovery literature to H&I efforts each year.

### **Literature Distribution**

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At the present time, the Ohio Region does not maintain & operate a regional service office. Groups and Areas within our Region purchase NA literature from a variety of sources, including NAWS and other regional service offices (RSO's). A few of our member Areas do operate area service offices that make literature more readily available to local groups and members.

### **Regional Service Structure**

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The Ohio Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous is incorporated as a not-for-profit organization under the laws of the state of Ohio, and we had no required taxes or tax filings for last year. The RSC maintains general liability insurance coverage for NA meetings, service committee meetings and events within the Ohio Region.

Our RSC meetings are held quarterly on the second full weekend of January, April & July, and on the first full weekend of October. The location of our meetings rotates among the member Areas. We are presently considering the possibility of meeting at a "fixed" centralized location(s) as a possible cost-saving measure to the Region & our member Areas.

Our Region operates a toll-free NA helpline, the Ohio Info-Line, (1-800-587-4232). Calls are answered by a professional answering service that can provide the caller with information on local NA meetings and/or refer the caller to any one of six area-operated hotlines for further help. In some cases, the answering service refers messages to NA members serving as contacts for more specific information. According to the most recent reporting, our helpline is receiving around 200-250 calls per month. We are extremely fortunate to be served by an answering service whose staff has learned and respects our Traditions (to the best of their ability). They are timely in their response to calls.

Our Regional Public Relations Subcommittee has continued to work cooperatively with member Areas & NAWS to facilitate an NA presence at professional events such as the Ohio State University Addiction Studies Institute in Columbus, OH (August, 2010), the Urban Minority Alcoholism & Drug Addiction Outreach Project in Dayton, OH (September, 2011), and the National Association of Social Workers in Columbus, OH (December, 2011).

The Ohio Region maintains a website ([www.naohio.org](http://www.naohio.org)) which provides contact information for each of the member Areas as well as for the Region, internet access to NA meeting & activity information for the entire Region (along with interactive mapping links for each meeting or event), direct links to NA recovery & service literature made available on the NA World Services website, and links to other NA-related websites. We are looking into the possibility of providing sub-domains on the Region's website for each of our member Areas. At last report, this website averages over 16,000 page requests each month, and it is estimated this represents app. 2-3,000 "visits" per month. It continues to exhibit active interest & usage by NA members, professionals in the treatment of addictions, and other concerned individuals.

Our Regional Hospitals & Institutions Subcommittee works with member areas to plan & facilitate H&I Service Learning Days, and has continued discussions about the possibility of "Sponsorship Behind The Walls". In cooperation with the Buckeye Region, this Subcommittee works to coordinate the facilitation of H&I Panels in several of the State's correctional facilities.

Following recommendations that came out of a regional service inventory, our Region voted to re-establish a Regional Outreach Subcommittee. Not much has been done yet and the Outreach Chair position is presently vacant, but more will be revealed.

## **Ohio Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous Quarterly Meeting Minutes**

For several years, the Ohio Region has hosted an annual "12-Step Spiritual Retreat" in the rustic Tar Hollow State Park (east of Chillicothe, OH) generally on the second full weekend in October. This event gets great support from NA members within & around the Ohio Region. Last year (2011), app. 340 addicts were registered for the retreat and nearly 450 addicts attended the Saturday night speaker meeting. The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual "12-Step Spiritual Retreat" will be held on October 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

Initial support for the (Fall) 12-Step Retreat and the facilities available at Tar Hollow State Park prompted NA members to consider the possibility of a similar event in the Spring. After more than a decade on a waiting list for another weekend, the Region was eventually offered an option to reserve the second weekend of May. Despite the fact that this is generally the same weekend as the Mountaineer Region's semi-annual (Spring) convention, the Ohio Region felt compelled to seize the opportunity and give it a try. Although not as big a "hit" as the (Fall) 12-Step Retreat, the (Spring) Retreat seems to be gaining support each year. Last year (2011), app. 200 addicts were registered for this even and app. 250 addicts attended the Saturday night speaker meeting. The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual "12 Traditions Spring Retreat" will be held on May 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012. We have discussed the inclusion of a literature development component to this event that could facilitate NA member involvement in the production of an NA "12 Traditions Working Guide".

Both of these weekend-long events feature NA speaker meetings on Friday & Saturday evenings and Sunday morning, workshops on the Steps or Traditions, and campfire-side discussion meetings. A nominal registration fee includes primitive lodging or camping and all meals for the weekend.

We continue to cooperate with the Buckeye Region to host OCNA, the annual "Ohio Convention of Narcotics Anonymous". Areas within both regions take turns with the annual responsibilities for planning & hosting this statewide convention, which has traditionally been held on Memorial Day weekend. This year's convention (OCNA XXX) is being hosted by the Central Ohio Area, a member of the Ohio Region, and will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Columbus, OH on May 25<sup>rd</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>. Average attendance at this event is app. 700. In an effort to improve the consistency of this event, our two Regions formed OCNA, Inc. (Ohio Convention of Narcotics Anonymous, Inc.), a not-for-profit corporation with a Board of Advisors to serve in an oversight & support capacity for each year's Convention Committee and to serve as a liaison between these Convention Committees and both RSC's.

Presently, five areas within the Ohio Region host Area conventions, as follows:

- "COACNA" – "Central Ohio Area Convention of NA" – an annual convention, typically held on the first full weekend in January each year. Most recently, "COACNA XXIII" was held in Columbus, OH on January 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> with an estimated attendance of 500. Next year's "COACNA XXIV" will be held on January 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013;
- "DASCNAC" – "Dayton Area Service Committee of NA Convention" – now a bi-annual convention, typically held on the fourth weekend of July every other year. In 2010, "DASCNAC VIII" had an estimated attendance of 475-500. The upcoming "DASCNAC IX" will be held on July 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012;
- "GCACNA" – "Greater Cincinnati Area Convention of NA" – a bi-annual convention, held on the weekend following Thanksgiving every other year. In 2010, "GCACNA XVIII" had an estimated attendance of 650-700. The upcoming "GCACNA XIX" will be held in Cincinnati, OH on November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012;
- "SACNA" – "Springfield Area Convention of NA" – a new bi-annual convention, will typically be held near the end of September every other year. In 2011, "SACNA I" had an estimated attendance of 500-1,000. Tentative dates for next year's "SACNA II" are September 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, & 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013;
- "TACNA" – "Toledo Area Convention of NA" – an annual convention, typically held on the second or third full weekend in February each year. "TACNA XV" was just held in Toledo, OH on February 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> with an estimated attendance of 400-450. Tentative dates for next year's "TACNA XVI" are February 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

### **Innovations and Challenges**

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Since WSC 2010, the Ohio Region has shown moderate growth in the number of NA members, meetings & groups in some of our member areas.

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Many of our areas continue to have difficulty in attracting NA members to become (and remain) actively involved in service work. This is evidenced by low attendance & minimal group representation at Area Service Committee meetings, vacant trusted servant positions, and under-manned subcommittees. The results of this have been inactive subcommittees and inadequate or non-existent services. We continue to make progress, but there is still much more to do. One of our biggest challenges is in providing training to current & prospective trusted servants.

### Conference Input

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Many areas within our Region hosted workshops on the Service System Project and other Issue Discussion Topics (IDT's). On February 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, our Region hosted a Multi-Regional *CAR/CAT* Workshop that was held in conjunction with the quarterly meeting of the Midwest Zonal Forum. Our Delegate Team is currently in the process of facilitating Multi-Area *CAR/CAT* Workshops at various locations throughout the Region prior to our April RSC meeting.