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Intergroup

Minutes of: November 16, 1997

1. **Opening:** Joe S, Chairman, opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.
2. **Introductions:** Introductions were made with 16 people in attendance.
3. **Traditions:** Doug H gave a presentation of Tradition 11. We attract new members by attraction, not promotion.
4. **Chairman's Report:** Joe S stated his goal for the next year is the same as the National effort. That is, to increase the membership of our fellowship.
5. **Secretary's Report:** Barbara G read minutes of the Sept 21st meeting which were approved with corrections.
6. **Treasurer's Report:** Phil P has obtained bank approval for the new check signers for this year. He will try to establish a formal procedure so we do not suffer the same problems during next year's transition. (Some bills such as the bill for our P.O. Box became delinquent during the changeover.) Phil is also working on formalizing year-to-date and current accounting records. He and John N noted an on-going problem of individuals mailing in checks without indicating which meeting the money was coming from. We need meeting numbers for all donations so we can mail receipts. Phil noted that NAWSO has paid our bill at the Hilton to hold rooms for 1999.
7. **Committee Reports:**
 - A. **Public Outreach, Communications, Hospital and Institutions:** Mary D reported that we are getting more contacts from the medical community. Also, we will participate in the Great American Smoke Out by providing a panel at Orange Coast Community College. Mary reported that people calling in to the 800 number for information are coming from: Physicians, CA's No BUTTS program, American Lung and American Heart Associations, and Orange County's TUP program. (Tobacco Use Prevention) Everyone agreed that we should increase our efforts at making the Medical community aware of our program as an adjunct to existing smoking cessation programs. Xan will contact the medical community to develop a meaningful mailing list for a future mailing. He will also prepare a preliminary letter for us.
 - B. **Register/Meeting Directory:** Joe S. reported we are holding steady at 60 meetings. As usual we need to have the information for changes in the Secretary and Intergroup positions kept up-to-date.
 - C. **New Meetings:** Sandy was not present. A new member, Wendy, announced a new meeting to start in Sunland.
 - D. **Literature:** Emil L reported that our shipment of brochures and books has arrived after a long delay caused by the UPS strike, our apologies for any inconvenience this may have caused the membership.
8. **Old Business:**
 - A. **All Day Seminar:** Our special thanks to George L. for organizing an excellent experience for the 50 plus people who attended. Comments were: "good speakers, excellent food, nice attendance and great meetings."
 - B. **1999 National Convention:** We will track all funds spent by SCINA on behalf of the National Office for the convention, as we will be reimbursed by NAWSO after the convention. Phil P will do this by charging a special account in the Quicken software.
9. **New Business:**
 - A. Jacqueline G announced the January 7th Fourth Annual Holiday Dinner with guest speaker Dr. Max Schneider, Director of the Chemical Dependency Unit at St. Joseph's. A flyer will be prepared for the December meeting.
 - B. John N is going to look for someone's "obsolete" computer to use for our official business.
 - C. January's Inter-Group meeting was changed to precede NAWSA'S CA meeting. Our January meeting is now set for 10:00 AM, Jan 10th in Fullerton; NAWSA'S meeting will follow at 12:00. Details available in December.
Thanks to Mary D for bringing refreshments. **Next Meeting:** John N-Tradition 12 & Wendy-Refreshments.
November Birthdays: Doug H-13 years and Mary D-11 years. Congratulations!!!
10. **Closing:** Meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

The Next Meeting will be held at 10:00 AM on December 21, 1997

Friendly Hills Medical Center, 1711 W. Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90026
Cafeteria Conference Room

All members of Nicotine Anonymous are welcome!