



## **WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE FELLOWSHIP REPORT**

March, 1986

**TO:** The Fellowship

**FROM:** George Hollahan, Chairperson  
World Service Conference

This will be the last report before the World Service Conference. Any communication hereafter will be directly from the Administrative Committee concerning the Conference itself. It has been a very successful and productive work year and we are looking forward to a very successful Conference. The actual agenda for the meeting will be finalized soon and sent to you immediately upon its completion, along with other pertinent information. Be on the lookout for it when it arrives. The Administrative Committee may be contacted through the WSO if you have any questions or require assistance.

On Monday, February 24, the Executive Director of the WSO and I met with members of the WCNA-15 committee in Washington, D.C. This meeting came as a result of discussions held in January by the directors of the World Convention Corporation. Those discussions focused on assisting WCNA-15 in completing its business activities so that whatever surplus monies there were could benefit the upcoming world convention in London. I am pleased to report that the WCNA-15 committee extended their full cooperation. They have, by unanimous consent, effectively turned all records and monies over to the World Convention Corporation. All surplus funds will be distributed according to the policy adopted at WSC '85. The approximate amount of those funds after all bills have been paid will be close to \$70,000.00. We sincerely congratulate the WCNA-15 committee for a very successful convention, and their endurance for seeing it through.

We are in the process of compiling all records we have received, in order to have a complete report ready for the meeting in April. If for any reason the audit is not completed then, we will furnish the report in a separate mailing.

The nomination form for committee membership, included in the Conference Agenda Report, is intended to be used for members in your region other than the RSR. It is expected that RSR's will be included on these committees when they meet at the Conference. However, our experience shows the terrific burden placed on RSR's to fulfill the obligation of active committee participation, coupled with their other duties and responsibilities, is really phenomenal. The work of each Conference committee is far too important to be subjected to inadequate performance because of poor participation. The provision for participation by members other than the RSR's falls within current WSC guidelines and allows us to utilize those members whose experience will most benefit the committees' work during the coming year. Please have interested members fill out these nomination forms and send them in as soon as possible.

During the first weekend in March, two members of the Administrative Committee attended the annual Conference in Allentown, P.A. The Conference Agenda Report was carefully studied and as a result many questions were

answered concerning the issues presented in that report. All in all, the meetings were very successful and benefited both the membership and WSC trusted servants in attendance.

Preparation is the key to success during the annual meeting of the World Service Conference. This time of year, just before the WSC, has traditionally presented trusted servants with what seems an overwhelming amount of concerns and responsibilities. Each preceding year, we have gotten a little better at communicating with each other and responding to the needs of Narcotics Anonymous as a whole, a worldwide Fellowship. WSC '86 is, perhaps, a little special. It is a milestone in our history, as it marks the tenth anniversary of the WSC itself. WSC '76 was the first effort to bring together the many isolated groups which existed at that time. The *N.A. Tree*, which was adopted at this first Conference, outlined the method we would follow to achieve the dream of a unified Fellowship. That dream is being fulfilled today in groups, areas, and regions across the world. It is a living dream, the spirit of Narcotics Anonymous.

As we reflect on where we have been, we can truly be proud of our achievements and progress. With this knowledge and understanding of our past, we can also be assured of our continuation and growth in the future. It is this responsibility we all share and must meet the challenge of, that will determine the success of WSC '86.

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TO:           The Fellowship

FROM:        Bob Bergh, Chairperson  
              WSC H&I Committee

In the last Fellowship report the WSC H&I Committee gave a summation of the priority items which have been worked on by this committee during the last year. The importance of the motions that are outlined in the Conference Agenda Report convey the need for further stability and cooperation among H&I committees throughout the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous. The WSC H&I Committee can only be effective if it is supported and assisted by area and regional H&I committees. Input is needed for the work being done on the priority items.

The major projects being worked on by three regional H&I committees are still in need of input to assist them in their efforts to produce finished drafts. The input needed includes: (a) Experiences in recovery while making the transition from treatment into the Fellowship as a whole; (b) Experiences in recovery while making the transition from correctional facilities (jails, prisons, etc.) into the Fellowship as a whole; (c) Experiences from recovering members who started their recovery in psychiatric hospitals or on a methadone program. Any input can be sent to the H&I Coordinator at the address below.

It should be noted that although the WSC H&I Committee feels these projects are vitally important we realize that they are all long-term projects which should be carefully drafted at each stage of development. We would prefer that they be high quality works developed over a two- to three-year span, rather than makeshift rush jobs. Again we would appreciate your input and support.

The recent Conference Agenda Report contained a WSC Subcommittee nominee form. We, as a committee, would like to take this opportunity to stress the importance of selecting the best qualified and most experienced H&I representative from each region, according to the members' dedication, knowledge, service experience and willingness to participate on the WSC H&I Committee. The internal

guidelines adopted by the WSC H&I Committee are contained in the Conference Agenda Report. Consult these guidelines so that the person selected by your region meets the outlined service and clean time requirements. We hope to have a WSC H&I Committee that is made up of the most well informed and experienced members our Fellowship has to offer. The N.A. Fellowship deserves nothing less than the best we can give it.

The WSC H&I newsletter *Reaching Out* has now been in bi-monthly publication for one year. The response and growth of this newsletter has been nothing short of phenomenal. Even with its growth, it still needs your support in the form of input. Share your recovery experiences with those members who cannot get to a regular N.A. meeting. If you or your committee has H&I experiences to relate to the Fellowship, share them via this newsletter. We welcome all of your letters, comments and input.

We have begun to garner more information from the H&I survey which has been circulating throughout the Fellowship over the past year. If your committee has not returned any of the surveys, we would appreciate you forwarding them to the WSO H&I Coordinator as soon as possible. If you or your committee does not have copies of the H&I survey, you can call or correspond directly to the above address and request copies of the survey.

The last item of interest which concerns us all is the development of H&I efforts outside the U.S. We have enjoyed consistent correspondence and contact with active H&I committees in England, Ireland, Australia and three Canadian regions, but we are unaware of just how much more H&I activity is going on outside the U.S. If you or your committee is aware of any H&I involvements or activities in the Fellowship outside the U.S., please call or correspond with the WSC H&I Committee. All information can be sent to the WSO:

World Service Office  
Attn: H&I Coordinator  
P.O. Box 9999  
Van Nuys, CA 91409

In closing, we would like to thank you for allowing us to be of service to the Fellowship.

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TO: The Fellowship

FROM: Lee Manchester, Chairperson  
WSC Finance Committee

First task: *error correction*. On page 45 of the 1986 Conference Agenda Report the motion from the Finance Committee was reported inaccurately. It should read as follows:

*MOTION, to dissolve the WSC Finance Committee, effective at the end of the 1986 WSC annual meeting.*

This motion is intended to complement the Administrative Committee motion regarding financial management policy for the Conference.

In our January 1986 Fellowship Report we discussed some problems we were having with an information pamphlet (I.P.) being developed. The key point of contention--introduction within the body of the pamphlet of a new service funding concept--has been under much study since then. You will recall that this concept, the 60:30:10 plan, suggests that groups divide whatever surplus monies they may have into direct contributions for area, regional, and world services. Many of us, both in the WSC Finance Committee and in the broader world service community, feel the 60:30:10 plan may be an important key in ensuring the financial stability of N.A. services. For this reason, a special time has been set aside in the agenda of the annual WSC meeting this April for a report on the concept and its implications. In the meantime, work continues on putting together a prototype I.P. on the practice of the Seventh Tradition at the group level. Copies of this work in progress will be available at the annual Conference meeting.

In order to fully assess the potential impact of the 60:30:10 plan on all levels within the Fellowship, we need your help. Attached to this report you will find two financial survey forms: one for the region or area, and one for the group. We ask that you make copies of these and distribute them at your regional and area service meetings, encouraging regional, area, and group treasurers to fill them out and return them as soon as possible. We understand that this request comes very late in the Conference year, and that many of you will simply not have time to distribute the questionnaires before our annual meeting. Nonetheless, please give it a shot. Even material brought with you to the annual meeting will be helpful, but the earlier we receive the forms the less rushed we will be in analyzing them. The data supplied by this survey will be fed into a specially tailored computer program which will provide us with much-needed information on patterns of giving at all levels of service. Once again: this information is vital, and you are its only possible source. Please help!

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**REGIONAL/AREA FINANCIAL SURVEY**

Please give information for one month only.

Region, or area/region: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total areas or groups: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of areas/groups contributing: \_\_\_\_\_

**BALANCE FORWARD:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

**INCOME:**

area/group contributions	\$ _____.
literature sales	_____.
N.A. member contributions	_____.
fund-raising proceeds	_____.
all other income	_____.
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>+ _____.</b>

**EXPENSES:**

literature costs	\$ _____.
phoneline (telephone bill, answering service)	_____.
P.O. box, mail, copying	_____.
subcommittee allotments	_____.
WSC/RSC donation	_____.
all other expenses	_____.
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>- _____.</b>

**NEW BALANCE** \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Has your region/area set a prudent reserve level?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

If so, what is your prudent reserve? \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN TO:**

Lee Manchester, Chairperson  
 WSC Finance Committee  
 P.O. Box 9999  
 Van Nuys, California 91409  
 USA

**GROUP FINANCIAL SURVEY**

Please give information for one month only.

Average attendance per week: \_\_\_\_\_

BALANCE FORWARD: \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

**INCOME:**

collection \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

literature sales \_\_\_\_\_.

all other income \_\_\_\_\_.

TOTAL INCOME + \_\_\_\_\_.

**EXPENSES:**

rent \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

literature costs \_\_\_\_\_.

ASC donation \_\_\_\_\_.

supplies, refreshments \_\_\_\_\_.

TOTAL EXPENSES - \_\_\_\_\_.

NEW BALANCE \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Has your group set a prudent reserve level?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

If so, what is your prudent reserve? \_\_\_\_\_

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TO:           The Fellowship

FROM:        Maggie O'Connor, Chairperson  
              World Literature Committee

During the month of January three new review-stage pamphlets were mailed out to all area and regional literature committees throughout the Fellowship. This reflects a new process for handling review literature which is outlined in the Procedural Guidelines for World Literature approved by WSC '85. Past experience seems to indicate that this new process will be in the best interest of the Fellowship as a whole. In the past, most of the input received by the World Literature Committee has come from area or regional literature committees. It has also been our experience that we communicate better, promote unity, and do better work when we work together. By sending copies of the review literature to all the areas and regional literature committees at no cost, we can ensure that each of those committees has an adequate opportunity to contribute input.

As a result of the new process for handling review literature many new literature committees have been formed throughout the Fellowship during the last few months. For this reason I would like to take this opportunity to discuss some of the activities and responsibilities of N.A. literature committees. When forming a literature committee there are two things that you should do to get started. In order to get on the mailing list to receive the review literature and all other communications from the World Literature Committee, you must register your literature committee. You can do this simply by writing to the World Literature Committee in care of the World Service Office. Be sure to let us know the name and mailing address of your committee and also what area or regional service committee your literature committee is responsible to. Every literature committee formed is responsible for reporting to their area or regional service committee. We must always work within the service structure of N.A. so that we promote and strengthen N.A. unity. As our First Tradition states, "Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends on N.A. unity."

Once your literature committee has formed, you should always keep in mind that your highest priority as a committee is to ensure that N.A. Conference-approved literature is readily available to all N.A. groups and members in your area so that every addict can have access to the N.A. message in printed form. Whenever we meet as a literature committee this should always be our first item of discussion and consideration. There are many things that we can do as a committee to make sure that N.A. literature is there when it is needed. We might work in conjunction with our area or regional service committee to establish a stockpile of literature so that no shortages arise. We might also help groups who cannot afford to buy the literature they need by arranging for them to get assistance from the area or region to obtain this literature. We can also work with the area or regional H&I committee to bring N.A. Conference-approved literature to addicts in prisons and institutions. Some regional literature committees set up an office so that groups or individuals in the region can come to that one location to obtain N.A. literature whenever they need it. In all our service work no other project or goal ought ever to overshadow our primary purpose of carrying the N.A. message of recovery to the addict who needs it.

The second priority of any literature committee should be to serve as a communication link between the World Literature Committee and your local N.A. community about matters concerning N.A. literature. This is very important because a great deal of information is generated from the WSO and the WSC but it is not always accessible to all groups or service committees in the Fellowship. The World Literature Committee puts out a Fellowship Report such as this one every

other month. These Fellowship Reports contain current information about what is going on in the area of literature and other information that might be helpful in understanding our literature process. As a committee, you should keep groups and service committees in your area or region informed of the information contained in these reports. You should also make regular reports to your area or regional service committee on your activities as a literature subcommittee.

One very important thing that you as a committee should help to communicate to your local N.A. members is how to properly use literature that is not yet N.A. Conference-approved. We must always be careful not to use unapproved literature at N.A. meetings and not to distribute unapproved literature to individuals or organizations outside the N.A. Fellowship. If we do not follow these guidelines we may lead N.A. members and others to unknowingly hear what may be a distorted or erroneous message. Although we believe that our review- and approval-stage literature contains some very excellent recovery material, we cannot assume that it is error-free and acceptable to the entire Fellowship. Only the elected representatives of the N.A. Fellowship voicing the worldwide group conscience at the annual World Service Conference can decide whether or not a piece of literature is truly representative of the experience of the N.A. Fellowship as a whole.

The third priority of an N.A. literature committee should be to review the literature which is currently in the review stage or the approval stage. It is especially important for literature committees to discuss and provide input on the review-stage literature since this literature will only be distributed to literature committees. When evaluating review-stage literature we should concentrate more on the contents of the draft than on the technical aspects of the writing. This is very important because all our literature must accurately reflect our collective experience of recovery in Narcotics Anonymous in order to effectively carry the N.A. message. We can hire professionals to help us with the technical details such as grammar and the construction of a draft. However, we cannot hire professionals to tell us whether a draft truly reflects our experience in recovery. As members of N.A. we are the only ones who can evaluate whether or not the N.A. message is clearly and correctly expressed in a piece of literature.

When your literature committee suggests a change or correction to a draft please take the time to clearly explain why you feel this change should be made. What may seem to be an obvious problem or error to you may not appear as such to another review committee. By providing an explanation you will give us a greater opportunity to understand your committee's point of view. The World Literature Committee will be more likely to implement changes suggested by your committee if an explanation is included. However, the World Literature Committee will discuss and give due consideration to all input received.

After a literature committee has addressed all the above priorities any remaining time should be spent preparing input for those literature projects which have been set as priorities for the World Literature Committee by the World Service Conference of N.A. Like all other service committees in N.A., the World Literature Committee works within the service structure to meet the needs of the Fellowship as a whole. We accept and adhere to the priorities set for us by the World Service Conference. We cannot devote time to other projects until our priorities have been fulfilled. If area and regional literature committees have time after their main responsibilities have been met they should concentrate on writing input for those projects set as priorities for the World Literature Committee. These projects were listed in the January Fellowship Report. If you did not receive the January Fellowship Report you can obtain one on request from the WSO.

The three new review-stage pamphlets recently mailed to literature committees are: *Am I an Addict*; *Working the Fourth Step in N.A.*; and *Staying Clean*



on the Outside. The review period for these pamphlets ends on October 1, 1986. The World Literature Committee must have your input by that date in order to use it in preparing the approval drafts of these pamphlets. However, please don't wait until the deadline to send in your input if it is possible to get it to us earlier. The sooner the World Literature Committee gets your input on these pamphlets, the better. The official nine-month review period for *It Works: How and Why* ended in October 1985. However, because it is such a large project, it is taking us longer to complete than most of the other literature projects. We are still in the early stages of developing the approval draft of the second half of the book (the Twelve Traditions). For this reason we have extended the review and input stage for the chapters covering the Twelve Traditions. The World Literature Committee will continue to accept input on the Traditions until April 1st, 1986.

Since the review literature was mailed out many literature committees have requested more copies of the review drafts. We have tried to supply the additional copies when requested. Other literature committees have asked if it is all right for them to photocopy the review literature. Please remember that this material is copyrighted and you must have permission from the WSO before photocopying it. If your literature committee requires additional copies of the review literature, please contact the Literature Committee Coordinator at the WSO to obtain permission to photocopy it. Bear in mind that you will be asked for the exact number of copies you intend to make for your committee's needs. Review literature is still in the early stages of development and is not meant for distribution throughout the Fellowship. We know that most literature committees would only make as many copies as necessary for their review purposes. However, we must follow appropriate guidelines to ensure that unapproved review literature is not misused through widespread or improper distribution. By obtaining permission before photocopying copyrighted material we are acting honestly and responsibly to the Fellowship as a whole and to our own spiritual principles. Therefore, do not photocopy any N.A. literature either approved or unapproved without the prior permission of the WSO.

In the January Fellowship Report, I had expressed a hope that the approval draft of the first half of *It Works: How and Why* (the Twelve Steps) would be ready for distribution to the Fellowship before the World Service-Conference this April. However, it now looks like we will be distributing the first copies during the Conference and not before. The Board of Trustees wanted more time to review the draft than I had anticipated. It is important to allow the Trustees all the time they feel is necessary in order to ensure that the book will be the best that it possibly can be. It would be nice if all our literature projects progressed on a predictable schedule. However, each project requires a different amount of time depending on the depth of the material and the length of the resulting manuscript. *It Works: How and Why* is the largest and most in-depth literature project that N.A. has developed to date. This is why it has been so long in development. However, we also realize that the Fellowship has a great need for material on the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions. Therefore, we are doing all that we possibly can to get the book out to the Fellowship as soon as possible.

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TO: The Fellowship  
FROM: WSC Public Information Committee

As reported in the January Fellowship Report, Kim Johnson's resignation as chairperson of this committee became effective January 31. Bob Hollander, the vice-chairperson, is also unable to continue in his position, due to personal and family duties and will be unable to accept a nomination for chairperson for the upcoming year. The WSC Vice-Chairperson, Leah G., will probably be presenting the committee report and motions. The committee will be discussing nominees and other matters during their meeting at the World Service Conference.

The three motions which the WSC P.I. Committee prepared for the Conference were listed in the Conference Agenda Report. Any questions regarding those motions can be directed to the P.I. Coordinator at the WSO. Response to the two new Guides has been favorable and we hope to see them approved.

*Nominee Forms* The nominee form which was included in the Conference Agenda Report has been discussed in some of the other Committees reports. There does seem to be some confusion about who the nominees are supposed to be though, and we'd like to take a moment to try and clear up some of the confusion.

Each of the WSC Committees has realized that it is virtually impossible to have overworked RSR's and RSR alternates attempt to carry out the work of the committee along with their regular regional responsibilities. The P.I. Committee used a nominee form successfully last year by asking RSR's to submit names of members from their region who were experienced in P.I. work and had the personal and clean time necessary to do the work.

So we would like every regional service committee to choose a member from their region as a nominee to the WSC P.I. Committee. Please have your RSR bring the form to the Conference. All nominees will be added to a pool and names will be drawn as necessary to ensure an active committee.

*P.I. Workshops and Professional Seminars* Several regional P.I. workshops have been held in various locations. They appear to be an excellent forum through which important sharing of experience, strength and hope brings us closer together. The budget for the WSC P.I. Committee for next year will include allocation of funds to continue the practice of having WSC P.I. committee members attend as many regional P.I. workshops as possible.

At a minimal level we have begun making presentations about Narcotics Anonymous to professionals. Members of the WSC P.I. Committee represented Narcotics Anonymous at several seminars held by the Psychiatric Institute Foundation, Association of Mental Health Centers and the California State Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs. If the motion for further representation of this sort is approved at WSC, we hope to attend five or six different seminars during the upcoming year. These would include presentations to such organizations as the American Medical Association, National Institute on Drug Abuse, and the American Psychological Association.

*Public Service Announcements* Previous Fellowship Reports and issues of the *Newsline* have attempted to keep the Fellowship up-to-date on the use and outcome of PSA campaigns around the world. The San Diego/Imperial Region has continued with the impact study. The most recent input is that TV stations are not giving them the same prime time they did in the beginning and response on the phonedlines seems to have slowed down.

Other regions which have already begun or are close to beginning PSA campaigns include the Tri-State; Colorado; Saskatchewan, Canada; Hawaii; Florida; Iowa; Tennessee and Ohio regions. If we've missed anyone, please let us know.

*Phonelines and Toll Free Numbers* It appears, from input received, that more and more regions and states are checking out the feasibility of consolidating different area phonelines into statewide toll free 800 numbers. This is an exciting idea and we would like to receive all available information. So far, Ohio, New Jersey, Hawaii, Alaska and Southern California have either implemented toll free service or are investigating it.

*Continued Work of the Committee* Task forces of the P.I. Committee will continue work on sections of the *Guide to Public Information*. Other task forces will also be established to begin work on new projects. These assignments and prioritized goals will be discussed during the WSC meeting of the Committee. Goals which will probably be addressed include mailings to national and international organizations, outlines for doing radio/newspaper interviews, outlines for doing P.I. workshops/learning days and completion of new P.I. materials for use within the Fellowship and for non-N.A.'s. This includes an item entitled "Questions and Answers about N.A." which was referred to the P.I. Committee during the January meeting of the WSC Administrative Committee and subcommittee chairpersons.

Other items to be finalized at our meeting during the World Service Conference will be selecting nominees for the positions of WSC P.I. Chairperson and Vice-chairperson and establishing temporary guidelines for the Committee to use during the upcoming work year.

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TO:           The Fellowship

FROM:        Mary Banner, Chairperson  
              WSC International Committee

As the World Service Conference approaches, we find ourselves preparing an agenda of work to be carried into next year's committee plans. We have continued working on guidelines for the International Committee to use next year. Shane, the IC Vice-Chairperson, has done an excellent job of assisting in implementing the committee's decisions in these guidelines. Some of these involved decisions about who should be members of the IC and how we can continue to include members of the Fellowship who live outside the continental United States in the Committee. We have decided to have a committee meeting on Saturday preceding the WSC. Many of the participants who will be here from outside the U.S. will be available on that date, and we want to take this time to get as much input as possible from those we serve.

The cost of providing Fellowship representation at the annual WSC meeting has been the topic of many hours of discussion within the worldwide Fellowship. For the past two years we have been at the Conference when at least one person has suggested the idea of providing some sort of assistance to N.A. communities outside the United States. What sort of help? This is the question that the International Committee has posed to itself several times this year. What criteria does an N.A. community need to meet in order to demonstrate an established need to participate? So many questions and very few answers were clear to us as we struggled with these important questions.

What kinds of guidelines would have to be developed before we could submit a budget item which could be used to help new N.A. communities

participate? Would it be based on the number of meetings in any given area? Should we wait until they had established area or regional service committees? How far away and how much should we help? Surely there is some way to begin establishing criteria for assistance from the WSC. We are asking RSR's to come to the WSC prepared to discuss this issue during the Open Forum discussion. Obviously whichever road leads to the solution, much work will have to be done before the Fellowship could make a policy decision on what our commitment to worldwide services is. We are not suggesting that we know the "correct" solutions, so we welcome all the input you can bring.

The International Committee has received confirmation that the WSC will be attended by RSR's from London, Australia, Japan, and a few regions in Canada. Additional representatives from Germany and Ireland are possible. We recently sent out a request to those N.A. communities who do not anticipate having any representation at the WSC. We requested reports on the growth of N.A., as well as the needs that exist in those countries. The IC will present these reports on their behalf at the Conference. We are also in the process of updating our contact list for N.A. communities outside the United States. If you have any information or contacts that should be included in the IC contact list, please forward them to the WSO, attn: International Committee.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the Fellowship for allowing me to serve you. This has been a year of profound growth for me personally, and for the entire Fellowship. I get overwhelmed with wonderful feelings when I am in touch with how far the message of N.A. recovery has spread. Thank you for making those feelings available to me.

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TO:           The Fellowship  
FROM:         World Convention Corporation of N.A.

As reported in previous issues of the *Newsline* and Fellowship Reports, the WSC Convention Committee has turned over its responsibilities and activities to the World Convention Corporation of N.A. (WCCNA). This decision will, of course, need to be finalized at the World Service Conference and until that time, WCCNA and the Convention Committee are acting as one unified entity.

Since so much information has already been provided and because we have to wait for Conference approval to actually implement any new activities as a corporation, this is going to be a short report. Two basic items of importance are:

*Item 1.* All records and monies from WCNA-15 Washington, D.C., have been received by WCCNA. It will take a short while to accumulate all the information into financial reports, but it should be available at the World Service Conference. A major portion of the information included in the resolution of the Board of Directors of WCNA-15 is included here for your information:

That remaining equipment owned by WCNA-15 will be transferred to the Washington, D.C. Area Service Committee;

That all final bills of WCNA-15 will be paid immediately and that the excess monetary assets be distributed in the following manner: 66-2/3% to WCNA-16 and 33-1/3% to Washington, D.C. ASC, which the ASC may elect to have sent to WCNA-16, also;

That all funds of WCNA-15 be transferred to the control of WCCNA;

That WCNA-15 corporation agree to the transfer, as a gift, of WCNA-15 to WCCNA as a wholly owned subsidiary and that WCCNA complete the application for tax exemption;

That WCCNA assume all assets, liabilities and responsibility for management of the WCNA-15 corporation.

*Item 2.* Input from the Fellowship over the past year has made clear the need for the development of guidelines addressing regional and state conventions. Work on those was begun by an ad-hoc subcommittee of the WSC Convention Committee. Some draft material will be available at the World Service Conference. The ad-hoc subcommittee will continue its work on this item during the meeting at WSC.

One last item that should make everyone happy is about registration for WCNA-16. Because the flyers were not mailed out until the middle of February, it was decided to extend the March 1 deadline for reduced registration rates. Another factor that enabled the corporation to make this decision was the receipt of funds from WCNA-15. Therefore, registration for WCNA-16 will remain at \$30.00 until July 28, 1986.

Unless we need to print additional flyers, this price change will not be reflected on the registration form. So please pass along this information to the members in your regions.

N.A. members who have already registered at the \$35.00 price are asked to bring their receipts to London and advise the registration desk how they would like the overpayment handled. Refunds can be made at that time or, as some members have already indicated, it may be desirable to have the extra \$5.00 credited to the newcomer fund. Since it is impractical for us to try to contact everyone who overpays, any member who sends in payment at the printed \$35.00 price in the future will be allowed a refund or may choose to have the extra \$5.00 credited to the newcomer fund. This information will also be included in the next issue of the *Newsline*.

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TO: The Fellowship

FROM: Jack B., Chairperson  
World Service Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees has devoted considerable time and effort to communication with the Fellowship over the past three months. A breakdown of topics which have been received by the Board of Trustees in correspondence follows:

<u>TOPIC</u>	<u>FREQUENCY</u> (Dec-Feb)
Conventions and fund-raising	5
Outside issues in meetings, on meeting lists	5
Participation in meetings--who	4
Money, 7th Tradition	3
Special interest meetings	3
Meetings with non-N.A. speakers	3
Group autonomy	3
Appreciation of Board of Trustees	3
Criticism of Board of Trustees	2
Nar-Anon	2
Phonelines	2
Clubhouses	2

Court cards	2
Personal issues	2
Trusted servant responsibilities	2
Anonymity in letters & papers	2
Attendance at N.A. meetings--who	2
Non-N.A. literature in meetings	1
Meeting locations	1
Selling N.A. items	1

We are currently in the process of developing a more efficient system of answering correspondence. With the assistance of the WSO, a system can be developed which will allow the Board of Trustees to answer letters quickly, utilize the experience of all members of the Board, and still avoid excessive expenses. This system requires a sophisticated method of utilizing the already existing computer network at WSO. We anticipate that this will be operating within the next few months.

The Board of Trustees is currently focusing on discussions which can provide information to the Fellowship regarding our Twelve Traditions. In this context, we are discussing conventions, N.A.'s relationship to Nar-Anon, and fund-raising. Additionally, we are planning upcoming *Newsline* articles as well as exploring other methods of communicating with our rapidly growing Fellowship.

All members of the Board of Trustees have been very active and involved with their subcommittee assignments in addition to visiting conventions, workshops, and conferences. A more detailed summary of each member's activities will be presented in our report to the WSC '86. In sum, the Board of Trustees has made outstanding progress with respect to working together and functioning as a service unit of N.A.

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## FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

*If you wish to list an event, send us a flyer or note at least two months in advance. Include title, location, dates, contacts.*

**CANADA:** May 3-4; 2nd French Conv; Info: District 04, Box 31, Grand-Mere P. Quebec, Canada G(T 5K7; (819) Ginette 537-9448; John 537-6429

**COLORADO:** July 4-6; WSVC 3, Stouffers Concourse Hotel, Denver, Box 816, Boulder 80306; (303) Janice 388-4777; Pam 893-0580; John 642-3273; Gary 830-2640

**FLORIDA:** July 3-6; FRCNA V; FRCNA V, Box 14738, Orlando, FL 32857-4738; (305) Richard 677-7426; Karen 281-7307; Tim or Lisa 830-0140

**ILLINOIS:** May 2-4; Little Egypt Area 2nd Campout; Campout, Route 1, Box 36, Nashville, IL 62263; (618) Alicia 548-5785; Stan 478-5749; Peggy 533-0450

**MASSACHUSETTS:** Mar 28-30; 1st Annl New England RCNA; The Westin Hotel, Copley Place, 10 Huntington Ave., Boston, MA 02116; Brian P. (617) 452-7875

**MICHIGAN:** Jul 3-6; RCNA of Michigan; Freedom II; Troy Hilton; Alan Prather 78 W. Ferry #36, Detroit, MI 48202

**MISSISSIPPI:** Apr 4-6; MRCNA IV; Hilton, Biloxi, MS; Lisa (601) 392-7267; Renee (601) 362-0897; Donna (601) 862-7334

**MISSOURI:** June 6-8; SMRCNA-I; Henry VIII Hotel, 4690 N. Lindbergh, St. Louis, MO 63044; Show Me Region Conv. Comm., Box 596, St. Charles, MO 63302

**NEW JERSEY:** May 9-11; 1st Unity Weekend; The Berkley Carteret, Sunset and Ocean, Asbury Park; (201) Kandi 988-9451; Gary B. 774-4846; Bob H. 742-3566

**NEW YORK:** Jun 27-29; 1st Annl Northern New York RCNA; Wells College Campus, Aurora, NY; Mel (315) 548-3610; Ilga (607) 273-8884

2) June 13-15; 2nd NYRC Freedom II; Stevensville Country Club, Swan Lake, NY; (718) Susanne 646-4433, Greg 435-0156, Barry 238-3492

**NORTH CAROLINA:** April 25-27; Charlotte Area Conven.; Marie Gibson, 5101 Park Rd, #143, Charlotte, N.C. 28204; (704) Andy 892-3286; Brett 535-3865

**OHIO:** May 23-25; ORCNA IV Conv; Hollenden House, E. Superior; ORCNA IV, P.O. Box 29517, Cleveland, Ohio 44129; (216) Joe 671-3316 Tommy 352-2042

2) Apr 5; ORCNA IV Fundraiser; ORCNA IV, P.O. Box 29517, Cleveland, Ohio 44129; (216) Joe 671-3316; Tommy 352-2042

3) July 18-20; 2nd Annual Columbiana County Camp-Vention; 340 S. Fairfield Ave. Apt. A1, Columbiana, OH 44408; (216) Jo 482-3292; Shawn 385-7508

**OREGON:** April 11-13; 1st OSIRCNA; Portland Airport Holiday Inn, 82nd St & I-205 Columbia Blvd. Exit, Portland, OR; (503) 775-5319

**PENNSYLVANIA:** Jun 20-22; 7th East Coast Convention; Bloomsburg Univ ; 7th ECCNA, Box 211, Taylor, PA 18517; (717) Ron 457-0587; Rich B. 457-9751

2) April 4-6; 4th Grtr. Phil. Reg. Conven.; Phil. Centre Hotel, 1725 Kennedy Blvd., Phila., PA; (215) Steve 925-7766; Sheryl 624-8516

**TEXAS:** Mar 28-30; 1st Lone Star RCNA; Austin Hilton Inn, 6000 Middle Fiskville Rd, Austin, TX 78752; (512) Jimmy 443-7215; Vic 448-2144; Tary O. 443-0136

**WASHINGTON:** Oct 24-26; 9th Annual Picnic; Everett Pacific Hotel; Everett WA; PNWCNA #9, P.O. Box 5393, Everett, WA 98201; (206) Mike S. 672-6848; Russ F. 259-4904

2) June 13-15; 1st Young Peoples Reg Conv; We Have a Dream Committee, P.O. Box 1601, Kent, WA 9803-3601; (206) Mark 878-8695; Kay 838-4784

**WEST VIRGINIA:** May 9-11; West Virginia Conv for N.A. III; Cedar Lakes Conference Center, Ripley; (304) Paul 342-7506, Danny 925-7088, Phil 292-0896

**WISCONSIN:** Oct 24-26; 3rd Wisconsin Conv; WSNAC III, P.O. Box 3305, Madison, WI 53704; (608) 258-1747 (phoneline)

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**WORLD CONVENTION-16:** Aug 28-31; Wembley/Conference Center, London; Registration in the U.S.A., Vida (818) 780-7951, P.O. Box 9999, Van Nuys, CA 91409; Registration outside U.S.A., P.O. Box 667, London, England NW8-7JW

**WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE:** April 28/May 2; Airtel Plaza Hotel, Van Nuys; Registration: Vida (818) 780-7951, PO Box 9999, Van Nuys, CA 91409