

ALABAMA - NORTHWEST FLORIDA
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REPORT TO THE WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE 90 / 91

The past year has witnessed continued growth of the fellowship in this region and also continued development of services to the "addict seeking recovery".

GROUPS / MEETINGS

There are approximately fifty - sixty groups in the region currently. From those groups, approximately one hundred meetings per week are held. In addition, there are also approximately thirty- forty H & I meetings occurring each week. These estimates represent a substantial growth in comparison to last years information.

AREA SERVICE COMMITTEES

This year witnessed the development of a new area service committee in the region which gives the region a total of seven area service committees. The area service committees also continue to develop, providing increased services to the groups in their respective areas.

REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

The regional service committee has also continued to grow and develop. The services provided by the regional service committee have also increased substantially. All sub committee positions are filled with the exception of Literature, which has been vacant all year. The regional service committee

has been able to respond to the needs of the areas and have maintained ongoing service activities as well. The regional service committee will undertake the responsibility of producing this regions conscience in regards to the business of the world service conference.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone in April at the conference.

In Loving Service,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kim Atkinson".

Kim A. - R.S.R. Ala. N.W. Fla. R.S.C.

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ALASKA REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

Hello Family,

We extend Love and Fellowship from the Land of the Midnight Sun. At present we have approximately 60 meetings a week, Three participating Area service committees with one more on the rebound. We have a lot of small towns and villages trying to keep a meeting or two a week going.

This report will cover the last two years since we did not give a report last year nor did we participate at WSC 1990. Our hope is this never happens again.

Our Areas have been growing steadily, Area Service committees have moved in a positive direction with the normal ups and downs. Our Area Sub-committees have participated in Literature reviewing and writing. H+I has contacted and/or held meetings in most Treatment centers and jails in the Region. PI has held many workshops, improved Phonenumber service, participated in seminars outside NA, and many other PI projects. And of course we had lots of dances.

The Regional Convention in March of 1990 was held in the Golden Heart Area (Fairbanks). This year, March 8,9 and 10, 1991 the convention will be in Anchorage. The Southeast Area has been holding the annual "NA Rally" in Juneau during the month of June. All have helped to unify our Region.

At present we don't have any Regional Sub-committees. We do have a few members who are dedicated to Regional Service and who make up our RSC. After not being able to get it together to attend WSC last year we took a look at our situation and decided that we would stick with it and try to promote communication within our Region through the RSR and RSR alternate. The RSR alternate is working on a meeting schedule and mailing list so we can send some info directly to the Groups.

I have been sending all important Information to everyone along with lots of phone calls. Sent a letter to WSO asking them to send more information to different areas in the Region because we meet so infrequently.

I have been attempting to contact the city of Whitehorse, Canada to see if they would like to form an Area and join our Region. We are looking into the possibility of belonging to the Canadian Assembly and if we go the way of the new service guide we may ask to belong to the Canadian National Assembly since we are very similar to Canada.

I look forward to seeing many of you at WSC 1991.

Love,

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Greetings from the Alsask region! (NOT ALASKA - ALSASK.) Our region covers the two western Canadian provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan. There was some confusion about where we were from at the last WSC. Consider yourselves fortunate, someday our region will split and you'll have to learn how to pronounce Saskatchewan! Our region has approximately 100 meetings per week in six areas. We welcomed one new area this year. Our areas include: Regina (Sask.), Saskatoon (Sask.), Calgary (Alta.), Edmonton (Alta.), Central Alberta, and our new Northern Lights area (Alta.). Our region has experienced continued growth and unity, and we are now in our fifth year of existence.

Our regional subcommittees include H & I, P.I., Literature, Outreach and Convention. The H & I, P.I., and Outreach committees are basically coordinating committees acting as a vehicle for exchange of information between areas and regions. Regional info is shared at the Canadian Assembly of N.A. meetings, which are now held annually. Our regional literature committee recently passed on all of its stock to an area in need and now functions solely for the purpose of review and input of WSCLC assigned tasks. Our literature order needs are more efficiently met through the depot at the Canadian Service Office in Mississauga, Ontario.

Through increased involvement at the WSC and C.A.N.A./A.C.N.A., the Alsask region is becoming more a part of N.A. as a whole. In meeting with other Canadian regions, our national unity has solidified and the increased experience we have gained through our sharing has been invaluable. Also, we are more in touch than ever with world service issues and how they affect each and every one of us as members. This increased contact and effort has helped us to come out of our isolation, much the same as an addict going to his first meeting, joining a home group, and attending other meetings in their area. This continual expansion has been a blessing to all of those involved. We do have our conflicts and struggles as we grow in service, but we now also have contact with more experienced members, who act as our service "sponsors".

The fifth annual Alsask regional convention, ARCNA V, will be hosted by the Calgary area on November 8, 9 & 10, 1991. For info contact the area 24 hour hotline at (403)235-9901. Come

up and enjoy some western hospitality in the great white north! In conclusion, I'd like to thank the WSO staff who have given our region much guidance this past year. Looking forward to seeing you and the world of N.A. at the next WSO.

Yours in service,

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ARIZONA REGIONAL REPORT

February 27, 1991

Hello and good news from the Arizona Region,

Struggles were diminishing when this year began. Attempts by our R.S. C. to instill a sense of purpose and unity were visible at R.S.C., A.S.C. and Home Group meetings. So far, this year I believe a highest level of integrity, cooperation and unity to and for our services, has been achieved.

Two new areas were formed this year - Yavapai and East Valley, bringing a total of five areas to the Region. N.A. is growing strong in Arizona.

Public Information on a Regional level has been lacking this year. The recent election of a P.I. chair should bring new efforts. Our larger A.S.C. Public Information Committees have been hard at work all year doing P.I. booths, displays, phone lines and public presentations.

With the disappearance of our Regional H&I chair Bob Manly, we suffered a great loss. Nevertheless, we are still strong in our commitment to aid Area H&I committees and to carry the message to members who can not get to regular meetings.

Activities is a busy committee, bringing to our Region regular scheduled events like the Regional Talent Show in April, Festival of Recovery in June and The Regional Bash in Tucson. This year I saw increasing efforts to cooperate between committees and encouraging efforts not to over extend ourselves.

Our Literature Committee (a strong membership of One) has persevere this year. The establishment of literature distribution to outlying area service committees, groups and isolated meetings began. Our aim is to save money for the areas and our N.A. fellowship as a whole.

The Fifth Annual Arizona Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous as usual is laboring hard to make this years convention a huge success. This year ARCNA V will be held in Tucson.

This year the R.S.C. put on two Learning Days. One focused on N.A. Services, R.S.C. and MONEY. The other Learning Day focused on P.I. and H&I. Some of the areas put on Learning Day Events also. Open dialogue and communication has been good.

That's about it,
God Bless,

Richard Hill
R.S.R.



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6 March 1991

Fellowship Report To The WSC On The Australian Region

The number of Australian Regional meetings is 227. This small increase indicates we are going through a period of consolidation after a few years of rapid growth. Travel Cost equalization for RSC participation is firmly in place but has placed a strain on smaller areas of the region who sometimes feel that their funds have more important priorities. There are 14 in our region and meetings are concentrated in larger quantities in and around Sydney (89 meetings) than in other areas.

For over twelve months now there have been difficulties administering and servicing the four Sydney areas. Two open forums on the issue and much discussion has resulted in a committee being elected to propose a satisfactory service structure and guidelines that will meet the needs of this large metropolitan area.

Growth in other areas has given rise to a movement for more truly regional participation other than ASR'S attending RSC's and ways to spread this throughout the region are being explored. We are a geographically large region and travel time and costs have made the theory of a truly Regional RSC difficult to put into practice.

Our Fellowship Service Office (FSO) continues to function effectively and viably. Following a visit by WSO representatives last August an agreement was reached formalising our relationship with WSO re printing royalties on literature.

Our relationship with the New Zealand RSC and the FSO has still not been resolved terms of Board participation and literature sales.

Our Outreach committee continues to maintain contact with outlying and isolated meetings. They seem to come and go on a regular basis and have been hard to bring into the service structure.

Our P.I. efforts in the Australian Region have resulted in Radio and T.V. PSA's being played in many areas. A Billboard has been completed and placed in Sydney. Many and varied presentations and responses to public enquiry continue.

There are twenty seven meetings who participate in the N.A. attendance form signing scheme, and a new T.V. P.S.A. from the WSC is being adjusted to meet our Australian requirements to supplement the one we have had for some time.



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All area and regional sub-committees waiver with commitment, enthusiasm and gratitude. Their strength and productivity varies in size from year to year, but nearly every area has their full compliment of sub-committees.

The whole Australian Region is looking forward to hosting this years World Convention in 1991. Only a few Australians have been fortunate enough to experience the thrill of a World Convention. Our host committee is working hard with the W.C.C. to make this event a great success. We are hoping to see as many world-wide members as possible and can assure them they will be warmly welcomed.

There will be no Australian Regional Convention this year due to lack of bids from areas and attempts by the RSC Administrative Committee to get a Convention Committee together have not succeeded.

Generally the Australian Region is mature and stable, and offering a sound base for the introduction and development of N.A. into other nearby countries.

Yours in service

Chris Webster
RSR Australia

BRITISH COLUMBIA REGIONAL REPORT

Greetings fellow RSR delegates from beautiful British Columbia, home of the most recovered addicts in the Canadian mosaic. We have been dysfunctioning as an established region since March, 1985. This is our sixth report to WSC. Unfortunately for our region we too have discovered that quantity of clean time is not always proportional to quality of recovery.

Currently our arsenal of recovering addicts is mobilized over 126 meetings/week extended over some ten geographical district areas with only minor changes in troop deployment from the regions year. Our current donation to WSC is \$750 which I believe is substantially less than last year as half our donations are going toward CANA, our own Canadian Assembly. This we suspect may be a trend of the future as our own international groups become more self supporting.

Newswise, we have been supporting the latest trend in N.A. by hosting two mutli-area workshops and one multi-regional workshop to facilitate improved service to the fellowship and get out a more effective message of recovery in both H&I and P.I. announcements.

Yours in service,

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THE BUCKEYE REGION

The Buckeye Region is located in the Northeastern corner of Ohio and part of Western Pennsylvania. We now have seven ASCs, one of which has meetings in Pennsylvania. The services that we share with the Ohio Region are the state convention (OCNA), the printing of state schedules and our 800 number for the Hope Line. Our subcommittees are active and we just started a regional news bulletin. We went thru some emotional changes with the accidental death of our previous RSR, Walt Tingler, and have been growing emotionally as a result. I apologize for this report being late. It was just forgotten about with some of the other things going on in my life.

In Loving Service,

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CENTRAL CALIFORNIA REGION

WSC REPORT 1991

Greetings from The Central California Fellowship!

The Central California Region consists of six areas. The areas are Central Coast, Kern, Santa Barbara, Ventura, Upper Desert, and Simi/Thousand Oaks/Agoura. We now have over 110 weekly meetings in our six areas. We also have about 60 regular H&I panels.

We are planning to hold a Regional Assembly in San Luis Obispo on March 15-17, 1991, in order to assess the feasibility of this process for our region and to discuss issues in the CAR with GSRs in our region. I have invited one of the Trustees to attend and to share their service experience with our region.

The region has a H&I Regional sub-committee. A member from the fellowship has stepped forth to begin this committee. We have not had a Treasurer for some time and have finally found a member to take that position. As soon as we straighten out our finances and open a new bank account with our new SS-4 number, we will be sending all funds above our prudent reserve to WSC. Our region is still growing and it is not yet up to full speed with its services. There is plenty of room to improve all aspects of our service committees. We continue to be of loving service as best we can.

The region is considering the possibilities of holding a convention within the next two years. A committee is looking into possible sites. You will all be invited when we hold our first convention.

In Loving Service,

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Narcotics Anonymous

Chesapeake and Potomac Regional Service Committee

February, 1991

Greetings to all, from the WSC to the members of Narcotics Anonymous!

We have undergone another year of intense growth for the 9th consecutive year. The past one has proved itself to be full of surprises as we have subdivided and aided in the process of forming a new region, the Free State. At the WSC we will be requesting that you seat the Free State Region. God knows we love our brothers and sisters and growth is often in spite of ourselves and our addiction!

Our region currently stretches from most of Delaware, Eastern Maryland and the Atlantic Ocean to our east, Southern Maryland and Northern Virginia to our south, Frederick, Maryland to our west, and Laurel, Maryland to our north. We currently are comprised of twelve (12) areas which are acknowledged as follows: Central Maryland, DELMARVA, District of Columbia, East of the River, Frederick, M.A.R.S., Montgomery, NORVANA, Ocean Gateway, Rock Creek, South Potomac and Tri County of Southern Maryland. With these areas we have approximately 409 meetings and 99 H&I meetings. The rooms are representative to the membership of our region and are made up of many newcomers and oldtimers alike. In most cases, there within is amplified an atmosphere conducive to the recovery process and dialogue about recovery from the disease of addiction.

With our most recent struggle, searching for a new identity, we have experienced grief from the loss of many friends in service. In this light of things, we have continued to function most effectively by continued delivery of the message of recovery to the still suffering addicts. Our subcommittees remain eager and employed with the working of our areas in the day to day operations of things. These subcommittees are affirmed as follows: Activities, Administrative, Convention, Hospital & Institution, Literature, Policy and Public Information. They admirably serve the whole, where the needs are so great, by selflessly giving. Thanks to all!

Our region is current host of two conventions now up and coming. The first will be our regional convention CPRC V which will be hosted by the Bay Area of the Free State Region. They were service oriented enough to be the only bid at our regional and were consequently awarded the honor to serve. This took place even as our region was in the middle of subdivision. See miracles do happen when we let them. Our convention will be held on 4/5-7/91 in Ocean City, Maryland at the Convention Center; moreover, where there's plenty of room, good places to eat and/or exercise, and miles of beach to enjoy practically all to ourselves, with a boardwalk. Last year there were a few thousand addicts and this year, we expect to at least duplicate that experience thanks to the Bay Area. The second convention being hosted by part of our region is the ECCNA 12 (East Coast Convention of NA). District of Columbia, Rock Creek and East of the River have gotten together to sponsor this event. It will be held at the University of Maryland, College Park Campus on the weekend of 6/21-23/91. In order to assure financial accountability, the convention committee has installed numerous checks and balances. Some of these are as follows: the hiring of an outside CPA for auditing purposes, incorporation and several other internal checks. Their plans are to initiate a clean

up of this convention's blemished past. Currently the bid process is under close examination and the lack of accountability to any point within our service structure as well. There is also a new medium of communication in which this is undergoing close scrutiny and might possibly be dealt with. This convention will possibly be heralded as one of NAs' largest due to the inexpensiveness, the massive housing capacity and the locale in the center of the east coast between Florida and Maine. We hope you will be able to come and celebrate recovery with us at both of these awesome events.

The C & P has continued to be involved in the Workshop of Regions as the sponsor/host. The attendance has fallen off through the winter months, but we expect as spring again brings forth the blooming flora, it will too bring addicts from afar. We are currently considering changing the name to Eastern Multi-Regional Assembly and instituting a membership. More Will Be Revealed!

In The Continued Awakening and Knowledge Of Our Spirits

Mason Day, RSR
Bill Zimmerman, RSR Alternate

Connecticut Region Yearly Report

Greetings from the still growing fast and strong Connecticut Region of Narcotics Anonymous.

The past year has shown an increase of almost 50% of N.A. groups who are registered with our region. We now have approximately 220 meetings compared to 150 last year. Two of the new meetings are H.I.V. meetings. They are in two different areas, open to all addicts and appear to be running smoothly.

We also have about 70 H&I meetings thru-out our small and accessible state, this is an increase of 20%. We are especially proud of the efforts put forth by all the addicts who serve our H&I subcommittee. The Connecticut Region has a long history of carrying the message into our hospitals and institutions and this year we continued this combined effort.

Not to take anything away from our other subcommittees, our Regional Literature Committee held five workshops on "Restoring Relationships." Their input from our experience was sent in to help out for this important recovery tool.

P.I./Phoneline introduced our region to an answering service/voice mail system with an "800" number and it has helped to solve a lot of problems in this area.

We also formed a convention corporation with a working board of directors. Our Higher Power has blessed us with the addicts and resources to initiate the effort to form this much needed committee.

We started the New Year "91" off, as usual with our 6th regional convention. Twenty-five hundred addicts attended. Freedom, love and spiritual growth were abundant thru-out the weekend.

We added another area this year, we now have eight. We also are having our first area convention in April and another area just decided to have theirs in the near future. Both areas are putting the stress on carrying the message of Narcotics Anonymous and to celebrate our recovery and unity.

Lastly, following fund flow we have contributed \$2661.43 to the World Service Conference. We are gathering experience to improve our fund flow system and to be resourceful in our expenditures.

Communication thru-out our region is good and thru the help of a loving God in our recovery we hope to be a small part of carrying the message of Narcotics Anonymous to the suffering addict.

In Loving Service,

Sonny T., RSR
Connecticut Region



Florida Regional Service Committee for Narcotics Anonymous

TO: THE FELLOWSHIP
 FROM: RSR, FLORIDA REGION
 SUBJECT: REGIONAL REPORT

I TRUST THIS REPORT FINDS YOU ENJOYING YOUR RECOVERY. THE FLORIDA REGION CONTINUES TO GROW ALONG WITH THE REST OF THE FELLOWSHIP. AS OF THIS REPORT WE HAVE 17 AREAS, OVER 300 GROUPS AND 167 H & I MEETINGS. ALL SUBCOMMITTEES ARE FUNCTIONING WELL INCLUDING THE AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON THE GUIDE TO SERVICE.

OUR REGIONAL CONVENTION MADE A SUBSTANTIAL PROFIT THIS PAST JULY AND HALF THOSE PROCEEDS, OVER \$ 5000.00 WAS GIVEN TO THE CONFERENCE. THE OTHER HALF OF THE PROCEEDS WAS GIVEN TO THE SOUTH FLORIDA REGION AS PER AGREEMENT. THIS AGREEMENT PROVIDED THE CATALYST TO HELP SETTLE SOME LINGERING RESENTMENTS OVER THE DIVISION OF THE FLORIDA REGION. A LOVING GOD IS CERTAINLY AT WORK HERE.

THE FLORIDA RSO CONTINUES TO SERVE BOTH REGIONS AND PURCHASED APPROXIMATELY \$ 135,000.00 WORTH OF LITERATURE FROM THE W.S.O. THIS PAST YEAR.

THE FLORIDA REGION IS RELIEVED THAT MANY OF THE PROBLEMS SURROUNDING THE "BOGUS" TEXT MAY SOON BE RESOLVED. WHILE SOME AREAS WITHIN OUR REGION FELT THAT THE W.S.O. SHOULD NOT HAVE "CAVED IN", OTHERS FEEL IT WAS A STEP TOWARD RECONCILIATION AND HAS SAVED THE FELLOWSHIP FROM FURTHER DAMAGE. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THE FLORIDA REGION HAS SUPPORTED THE W.S.O.'S ACTION THROUGHOUT THIS UNFORTUNATE EPISODE. WE LOOK FORWARD TO AGAIN BE A PART OF THE SOLUTION AT WSC 91'

IN LOVING SERVICE,

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Greater Illinois Regional Service Conference

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February 24, 1991

Greetings from the Greater Illinois Region of Narcotics Anonymous.

In our fifth year as a Region, our Regional Service Conference meets centrally in Peoria Illinois on the second weekend of the even months. Note our letter-head which reflects our new mailing address.

As noted last year, our Region has continued to be supported by four areas. In the last few months however, four new areas have formed and we hope to serve them soon. There has been an approximate 20% growth in the number of meetings within the Region. Groups seem to be more aware of the functions of the different service arms of NA, but frankly there is still marginal interest and little support for them. The use of newsletters as a form of communication in our Areas has increased, resulting in growing awareness and hopefully future involvement.

There is a Regional Formation Committee active in North Western Illinois. We have only sketchy details of their progress, as presently we have not been involved in their decision making process.

This year our RSC held its first inventory. One of the results has been increased interaction with our neighboring Regions, particularly ChicagoLand and Indiana. This has led to joint CAR Reviews with them. Hopefully in the future we will continue to avoid self inflicted isolation.

Our Region contributes three members to WSC Committees (PI, Lit, Isolated Groups). Our RSR and RSR-Alt have attended and contributed to all WSC Workshops this past year. We are also looking forward to involvement at the WSC in April. We continue to support the Mid-Coast Convention.

On a Regional level our committees are functioning as follows:

Public Information - Not presently active.

Hospitals & Institutions - This committee has recently reactivated with a core group and is beginning to function again.

Policy - This committee is quite active developing Regional Policy.

Literature - Meets regularly with varying support. Has contributed input on various WSC Lit projects.

Activities - The Activities Committee has reduced the number of Regional functions from six to three due to lack of support. The three Regional functions are: 1) CAR Review in March, 2) Volleyball/Recreational tournament in July, and 3) A spiritual meditation day in November.

Adhoc on Guide to Service - This adhoc committee has reviewed the Twelve Concepts and sent their input to the WSC.

We struggle somewhat awaiting increased support; however we are stable and very grateful for the privilege to be of service to our Higher Power, our Region, and NA as a whole.

In Loving Fellowship,

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TO: WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE

DATE: FEBRUARY 28, 1991

Greetings from the Greater New York Regional Service Conference. This past year has presented us with many challenges, which, to a great extent, we were able to overcome due to great teamwork within the region. Just to mention two:

Our Central Office was broken into and our Helpline equipment stolen. Through a concerted effort of the part of the members of our Helpline and our Answering Service, we were able to service the region by using a combination of member phones and the answering service system.

On the financial front, while our annual convention was a tremendous success from a financial and recovery view point, towards the end of the year the region found ourselves in a financial bind as donations were not matching expenditures. We have formed a financial committee whose job is to review all cash flows (donations to the region, revenues to the Convention Corp. and to the Office Corp.), consolidate these budgets and formulate a reasonable financial plan for the coming year. This plan will encompass the cost of all services rendered by the subcommittees of the entire region.

The region continues to grow and as of February 28, we had 1,046 meetings registered with our Helpline within our 14 areas. The chart below details the area's groups and meetings in the Greater New York Region.

GROUP AND MEETING COUNT SERVICE COMMITTEE	AS OF	GREATER NEW YORK REGIONAL OF	FEBRUARY 28, 1991
AREA'S		GRPS	MTGS
ADIRONDACK BERKSHIRE CAP DIST		65	65
BRONX AREA		83	96
BROOKLYN AREA		158	192
EASTERN LONG ISLAND AREA		13	15
MANHATTAN AREA		197	220
MID-HUDSON AREA		60	73
NASSAU AREA		40	67
OPEN ARMS AREA		24	24
QUEENS AREA		52	73
ROCKLAND AREA		22	22
SUFFOLK AREA		42	71
STATEN ISLAND AREA		36	36
WESTCHESTER AREA		70	70
WESTERN QUEENS AREA		22	22
TOTALS		884	1046

HOSPITAL AND INSTITUTIONS: This subcommittee now carries 432 weekly meetings into the hospitals and institutions within our region. Their main event this past year was learning day which was held in a medium security prison. The consistency and perseverance of the members of this subcommittee led to an invitation "Behind the Walls" from the Washington Correctional Facility in Upstate New York. Thirty experienced H&I members were admitted for six hours to conduct a five-hour learning day. With access to approximately 360 inmates on a voluntary basis, 120 attended. The day consisted of an opening meeting, five workshops a closing meeting. The day was a rousing success and the first of its kind in our region. State level government officials were so impressed with this presentation that they are planning another event of this magnitude this coming Spring. Over the past year, H&I has encountered problems funding the literature requirements for these meetings. They continue to work on this problem.

HELPLINE: The Greater New York Regional Helpline has answered approximately 24,000 calls in 1990. There was a period of time when we had no phones. The committee pulled through and picked up calls from their homes. Some of the areas came to the committee for guidance and information to start their own Helplines. Currently, there are three (3) local area Helplines within our region, in addition to the main regional-wide Helpline.

POLICY COMMITTEE: This past year, the Policy Committee has worked towards updating and compiling the region's existing policy, drafted election and nomination forms for use in conjunction with regional elections and drafted a short form of Robert's Rules of Order/Parliamentary Procedures for use at GNYRSC meetings.

PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE: PSAs are being aired for the first time on a cable TV show, the "Recovery Show." For the first time, P.I. made a presentation to magistrates in Ulster County.

EVENTS AND ACTIVITY: Once again, this committee had an extremely successful year. Among its achievements was the arranging of a bus to carry people from this region to the Arlington, VA quarterly. They also organized our Gratitude Breakfast and the Pioneer Dinner Dance, both annual events within the region. We also held a boat ride which traversed around the island of Manhattan and was completely oversubscribed. As a supplement to our annual convention, this committee organized and held a "Fun and Recovery Weekend" in the Catskill Mountain Region.

GREATER NEW YORK CONVENTION CORP.: This past year, the Convention Corporation ran the Sixth Annual GNYR Convention -- "Freedom VI." The convention was a success when measured by recovery, attendance, and financially. We had approximately 2,000 weekend registrations and another 2,000 to 2,500 day registrations. The peak attendance approached 5,000. The corporation also coordinates the Regional Service Committee weekend meetings in conjunction with the E&A Committee. They have organized three of these in 1990.

GREATER NEW YORK REGIONAL SERVICE OFFICE: The Board of Directors this year continued its efforts to improve the accountability of the RSO, Inc. and to improve the dissemination of financial information to the fellowship while also increasing the availability and level of service to the fellowship in the spirit of our First Tradition, Unity. We have hired the accounting of Owen Flanagan to assist in our filing of 1023 Federal Government Not For Profit Status Application. We have compiled and submitted financial records for the years 1986-1990, and are presently assembling additional figures requested by them in final preparation for filing. All financial records are being entered into our computer system.

In February-March, we suffered a series of break-ins which necessitated the installation of an electronic security system for the RSO, Inc.

This year, we reached our projected literature sales figures of \$250,000.00. We did this while lowering our sales price to WSO list price in August. We continue to produce the GNYRSC Meeting List which now contains 1,020 meetings. We continue to sell it for \$.25. We are now able to generate camera ready art from our computer; we have three scheduled printings a year. Through creation of a Finance Subcommittee in May '90, the RSO BOD, Convention Corp. BOD and RSC Administration, we have compiled a comprehensive documentation of annual expenses and we are moving toward gaining a unified solution to the financial problems which the three bodies share in our provision of services to the fellowship and its service structure. In December, we have written our first Employee Handbook and dissolved our interlocking directorships between RSO and Convention Corporation. We also took part in the WSO RSO Conference in Chicago and await further information and input on the future of literature distribution within the fellowship.

METROPOLITAN SERVICES, AD HOC COMMITTEE: During the past year, the Queens Area, which is one of the five NYC County/Area's experienced a split. This split was met with much controversy as the "Mother Area" did not support the split. As a direct result, an ad hoc committee was formed to deal with issues such as area splits. The purpose of the committee was to create options for the division of metropolitan county areas when they choose to do so. While a number of options were discussed, the committee felt that districts (a level of service between the groups and the area) was the option that would best serve our area's current needs, keeps borough/county-wide services in tact (i.e., H&I, P.I., etc.), yet does not effect N.A. in our region as a whole.

In loving service,

Edward F. Watts, Jr., Region Service Representative
Marjorie Kleiman, Alternate Region Service Representative
Rodney Yanco, Alternate Region Service Representative

Greater Philadelphia Regional Services Committee

In Loving N.A. Service

FROM: Greater Philadelphia Regional Services Committee

TO: World Service Conference

Welcome from the Greater Philadelphia Region!

It has been a year of growth and struggles for us. We have gained two new areas, the Scranton Metro Area and the Schuylkill Valley Area, which now give us a total of eleven areas within our region. With the growth from these areas, our region now stretches from Northeastern Pennsylvania to the Southeastern border and into Delaware.

Greater Philadelphia continues to have regional weekends which are hosted by the different areas. We are currently changing this model to have the weekends at one location for a period of one year, to gain more consistency. We will continue, however, to have subcommittee meetings on Saturday with a dinner, speaker and a dance, along with the regional meetings on Sunday.

We are experiencing some difficulties with support on the subcommittee level and as a result some committees may be dissolved and/or combined. The P.I. committee has increased its level of presentations this year but is having difficulty with the local press due to the fact that we do not give our full names and discuss specifics as far as they are concerned. We hosted a Multi-Regional Learning Day with the participation from a number of regions. H&I is doing well, has support and is continuing to interface with area committees. The Greater Philadelphia Regional Convention will be held on March 8, 9, & 10, 1991 at the Sheraton in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.

The convention is experiencing difficulties with not enough pre-registrations. We also had four new area conventions and quickly realized that this was becoming a problem. Other subcommittee functions were being drained of both human and financial resources. We also came to realize that we could potentially have an area convention every month in the region.

RSO:

There has been more growth in the RSO board in terms of accountability and area support in the past few months. We have hired a "Special Worker" for twelve hours a week and have considered expanding the office functions to include the Cleansheet, our Regional Newsletter, a centralized Phonenumber, and a satellite office in our northern areas.

Over the past year the region has addressed the issue of prejudism a number of times. Our convention has a topic meeting concerning this issue. Prejudism is an issue that we have not been able to resolve but hopefully more will be revealed.

"BABY BLUES"

In the past year, as most of you know by now, the GPR has been at the center of the controversy surrounding the printing and distributions of the Baby Blue Books. From the beginning, the GPR was not in favor of these actions. The regional policy began to remove from office any individual involved in this. Two of these persons were removed.

We continue to be concerned about the direction in which the fellowship is heading. We realize the need for change and growth. We hope that the "New World Order" does not force us into a situation where we must change our basic beliefs and love for Narcotics Anonymous in which we grew up.

We hope and pray that we can come to a common solution to our common problems.

In Loving Service,

Al R., RSR
John S., RSR-Alt.

HAWAII REGIONAL REPORT 1990-1991

ALOHA `OHANA O ALOHA (Greetings form our family of love)

I would like to thank all of our dedicated trusted servants from each of our world services committees and our world service office for their support and flow of information it has help me greatly in serving our fellowship here in Hawaii.

This has been a year of much change we've grown from six area's to seven with the joining of Guam to our region I guess this makes us the largest region in the world covering some 3,200 miles. There was much discussion on how this would work mostly financial (as always) and how would representation work. How easily we lose our spiritual principals to cautiousness and effectiveness. In all this we received a letter from the Guam area detailing the needs of their area in simple spiritual terms the need for support and a body in which to share experience strength and hope. It has given our region a much deeper sense of purpose and a ever larger growing family of love. With the strengthening of our area's we are now moving regional meetings to other islands once a year. This has been great not only for unity throughout the state but has also been beneficial to the hosting area as most members of our fellowship would not have the opportunity to experience a regional meeting. H&I has been very active this year I believe we have at least one meeting in every facility in the state at present and two or three in the state prisons. P.I. has been active all area's with public info banquets placards on the buses, work in the schools, booths at legal conventions.

Some of our projects in the coming year will be to host a annual regional convention to go along with our "Gatherings" on Maui, Oahu, and the bit isle in June. We've also talked some of perhaps getting together with our family in the Pacific basin to join in a conference of some sort to address some of the needs of those countries and islands who may need our support or who have yet to hear our message "that no addict may need to die."

I do look forward to serving with you all I am grateful for the opportunity to do so.

In Loving Service,
MAHALO NUI LOA,

Rich Mc RSR
Larry R. ARSR



Indiana Region Annual Report

The Indiana Region's 5th year was a period of transition. Although we have not increased the number of Areas or meetings, we have experienced growth in the membership. The Region has a total of 8 Areas with 208 meetings at the latest count. Our donations to the WSC from February 1990 through February 1991 total \$1,775.80.

The Indiana Region enjoyed the privilege of hosting the 6th Mid-Coast Convention in Indianapolis in July 1990, and was able to send the WSC \$1,186.26 of its success. Fort Wayne is honored to be hosting MCC 7 in July 1991.

Policy Subcommittee

During the past year, the Policy subcommittee was given several major projects, some which are still in the review process. These include: possible stabilization of the regional meeting; open workshops on the proposed "Guide to Service"; updating the Regional Policy manual with the possible addition of a section on parliamentary procedure; and, establishing the process of a regional inventory. As of date, the review workshops on the proposed service guide and the updating of the IRSC Policy manual continue to be ongoing projects. The matter of a regional inventory will be completed at the February 1991 RSC, and the region has decided to continue the rotation of the IRSC. With the consistent attendance of active members, Policy has been registered with WSO and hopes to remain an active link in our service structure.

Funding and Functions Subcommittee

The IRSC F&F subcommittee had one fundraiser this year, the Unity Dance, in Lafayette, Indiana, on November 10, 1991. The function raised \$871.75 towards the delegate fund. We also have a new T-shirt design for our Region.

Public Information Subcommittee

For most of 1990 there was no P.I. chairperson and little if any activity occurred in Public Information on the regional level. In December the subcommittee began to form again and now has a new chairperson. Current efforts are on establishing communication between the region and area Public Information subcommittees. Discussion is evolving concerning the use of one areas' 800 number for a statewide phonenumber.

Hospitals and Institutions Subcommittee

We have 32 H&I meetings in 6 Areas at this time. Our other two Areas are working to get active H&I subcommittees started. As with the other regional subcommittees, H&I has experienced a change in chairpersons and is struggling somewhat with the transition. In November 1991, we hope to host another multi-regional H&I Learning Day in South Bend, Indiana. Date and times to be revealed in the near future.

Literature Subcommittee

The IRSC Literature subcommittee has once again gone through a period of great change during this past conference year. We have elected a new chair, suffered the loss of our regional newsletter, and have transferred our regional meeting directory to a new and seperate subcommittee. Our only review project this year was the pamphlet, "Unity", the input on which was forwarded to the WSCLC. The coming year shows the promise of increased communication with three fledgling area literature committees, as well as continuing to work in cooperation with our WSCLC.

In closing we would like to say we are looking forward to a productive WSC in April and wish all the best in recovery.

In Loving Service,

The Indiana Region

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IOWA REGION OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

To: World Service Conference Of Narcotics Anonymous
Re: Report to WSC April 1991

Greetings in recovery,

During the break between the Fall and Winter RSC the rent for our P.O. box lapsed. Due to mis-communication, the box was closed out and rented before we became aware of the problem. The new mailing address for the Iowa Region is as follows:

Iowa Region Of Narcotics Anonymous
P.O. Box 225
Des Moines, Iowa 50301

REGION IN GENERAL:

The Region has struggled with many problems in the last year. There is often a deficient flow of information throughout the service structure. Many members expressed dismay when they have learned after the fact that a function was held. The fact that many of our groups are not represented at the ASC contributes to this issue.

There are several factors such as lack of commitment to service by trusted servants, members unconcerned or uninformed about the need to serve; these factors have created an information vacuum within the fellowship.

Due to this vacuum, many of our groups have no input or representation at any level of service. Many of these groups struggle with just getting someone to set up and chair the meeting.

At the Area level, groups have reported difficulty in filling service positions. Although a number of newcomers do stay clean, even after fulfilling suggested clean time requirements, there remains an apparent reluctance on the part of MOST to get involved in service. Many service committees consist of a group of servants who have been trading positions in order to keep the committee functioning. Subcommittee support at the ASC level is almost nonexistent in some cases.

The RSC is attended presently by 11 Areas as opposed to 15 in years past. Some of this is due to consolidation, some is due to lack of representatives. At a recent Regional Lit. workshop, only 4 members attended. This is indicative of the involvement in other Regional subcommittees. There is better participation on days when the RSC meets. There is some work getting done, but the members doing it are getting burnt out. We have recently revived our Regional newsletter.

REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE:

The RSC has been centralized to make travel by ASR's more equal in distances as well as cost. By centralizing, we have made the trip to the RSC less taxing and more attractive to the fellowship as a whole.

Throughout the last year this committee has been struggling with policy. Since we have no clearly defined rules of order, this has been a great concern for us. After nearing completion on a package, motions indicative of the

lack of order have restarted the process which will now continue into 1991.

This process has been painful; an ASR walked out of the last RSC because they felt the level of personality presence inhibited the unity process. The unfortunate result of this process has been that the RSC has not been able to deal with other issues related to service for the Areas.

There has been some issues with finances. Since the RSC is mainly funded by the Regional Convention, there is concern about what is considered self-support. There has been a problem with lost receipts, and some differing conscience on whether being a trusted servant involves the required expenditure of personal funds; ie. officers travel expense, travel for Region-sponsored events such as workshops and the CAR review in each Area. However, the RSC did adopt a \$200 food budget for the purpose of supplying lunch to the RSC participants.

REGIONAL SUBCOMMITTEES:

Subcommittees have been maintaining a level of service consistent with last year, however, attendance levels have dropped, making this task much more time consuming for the dedicated servants. The subcommittees meet 8 times per year but we are considering dropping to 4 times a year to bring expenses more in line with involvement. The Lit. subcommittee has been active in reviewing fellowship literature and publishing the newsletter. The PI subcommittee published a Regional 12 step directory, and H&I has been somewhat idle.

AREA SERVICE COMMITTEES:

Many ASCs have been dealing with misappropriation and irresponsible handling of fellowship funds. Most of the problem stems from the "hat" not making it to the bank, theft, and lack of responsible accounting for expenditures.

There has been an increase in the frequency and quality of ASC sponsored events such as dances, learning days, and workshops. Participation levels vary, but the ASCs report much success in these efforts to serve the fellowship.

GROUPS:

There is a strong need for information to find its way to the groups. Recently a member stated his belief that the illegal basic text was the product of a group of WSO workers who diverted funds to publish it! Lack of willingness and commitment among the membership has created an environment that allows this sort of disinformation to be passed from one unrepresented group member to another. The problem of unwillingness to serve is severely crippling some groups in the 5th tradition effort. Recently a ten year old group closed its doors due to lack of support. We feel confident that this problem is not unique to our Region and will hopefully be a rare event. We have enjoyed an influx of newcomers.

The unwillingness to serve by the majority of members has left those serving doing more than their fair share, open to attacks of ego, and forced to make personal decisions rather than expressing the conscience of those they serve.

IRISH REGION

Greetings from the Irish Fellowship to W.S.C. & best wishes within the spiritual principles of our program for the 1991 Conference.

We would like to confirm that there is support & gratitude within the Irish fellowship for World Service efforts & we appreciate the opportunities available to us to learn from the wider growth outside Ireland.

There has recently been a reshuffle in the Irish Region. We have only the Dublin area (at present) participating & we are working on becoming a unifying committee once again. On recognition of the need for clearer direction among members we have written up guidelines within which to function & we feel sure we will "get there".

At present we have 20 meetings in Dublin, 3 in Cork and 1 each in Kerry, Galway, Limerick, Waterford, Wexford & Belfast. We understand the groups outside Dublin are strong & offering recovery to addicts the N.A. way. We look forward to their participation in the region.

H&I. There are N.A. meetings in 3 treatment centres & the main Detox clinic in the city. These groups are well supported. A new meeting has opened in the Needle exchange & we hope to see it continue to grow. Prison meetings are not running so far this year. One request from an inmate is being taken care of by the Committee. They ensure regular post of the *N.A. Way* magazine & he has personal communication with 2 members chosen by H&I.

P.I. There has been a new committee elected & they are busy with a lot of requests for talks & participation in non N.A. events. This fresh committee will continue to run already established events and hope to introduce some new projects where ever they can.

The phone-line committee has become a separate entity to the P.I. com. as the demand on the helpline is great & thus needed the individual attention of the phone line com. They supply a 24 hour helpline.

Convention Committee

The 1990 convention has very successful. The convention committee wish to express their disappointment at not having notice of the event included in the *N.A. Way* magazine. They feel it was lack of cooperation from W.S.O. & wish to sort it out with them.

Office. The office has had to close due to high rents & bad conditions i.e. dampness. At the moment literature is being distributed at the A.S.C.

Fundraising Committee had 1 or 2 successful fundraising events, 1 or 2 not so successful & they have disbanded. It's looking like there is another committee to take their place.

E.C.C. - The European Convention Conference has always been well attended by the Irish. This year one Irish member was elected to the European Study Group. A fundraiser organized by him for E.S.G. raised 170 Irish pounds.

Best wishes once again for the Conf. & to the worldwide fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous.

In loving service,
Trish O'Neill R.S.R.
Irish Region

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Re: Report to the Fellowship

PLEASE NOTE:

The dates for our upcoming convention were incorrectly reported in the NA Way. It will be held on 5-7 April. Registration Forms available from the above address.

This is the eleventh year since the first meeting of addicts in Narcotics Anonymous in London.

London Region is composed of five ASCs: Brighton (9 meetings), Northeast (27 meetings), Northwest (25 meetings), Southeast (30 meetings) and Southwest (28 meetings). One hundred miles separate the furthest meetings. Our 119 meetings represent 10% annual growth.

The greatest growth sectors are in Brighton and among non-English meetings. The NA message is being carried in Italian, Spanish, Portuguese and French. Other non-English speaking members have contacted our regional office. There are increasing numbers of meetings with childcare facilities. Special interest groups include women's (4), men's (2), gay, and illness in recovery meetings.

SUBCOMMITTEE ACTIVITY

Lit - No activity this year.

PI - The Chair and Vice resigned, LRSCPI currently does not meet. There is an effort to have area PI committees present at the office subcommittee in field requests that come in via the phonedines. NA posters with our helpline are available to area literature secretaries. The north areas and south areas each have joint PI. Brighton has just formed their own committee. South areas PI hold a successful Learning Day for professionals last March and plan another this March. LRSCPI have developed a statement of purpose and suggested clean time requirements.

H&I - The annual inventory revealed that some secretaries are taking meetings with little support or accountability. With the help of the European Service Office (ESO) computer, LRSCH&I have created a form to assist recovering addicts getting clearance for service in Her Majesty's prisons. Eventually a database will be compiled. Guidelines for meetings in Drug Dependency Unity were developed by the south areas. Future goals are to develop guidelines for the subcommittee, for members subpoenaed to court hearings, for sponsorship of incarcerated addicts.

LONDON REGION SERVICE OFFICE - LRSO reported a 30% increase in number of calls received, with a smaller increase in the number of addicts calling the helpline. Volunteers are always needed to staff the daily 8 hour shifts; rarely are two addicts present to share each shift. Great progress has been made in referring 12th Step calls, creating a statement of purpose and guidelines. A future goal is to look at diverting calls instead of having them answered at the office. Postage, rent, insurance, photocopier and phone bills amounted to 7580 last year.

OFFICE AFFAIR AD HOC - The LRSC hosted a multi-regional Learning Day following the European Conference and Convention (ECCNA) in Lisbon. We scheduled presentations by LRSO volunteers, the UK Service Office (UKSO) special worker, members of the UKSOBOD, the ESO Special Worker and a WSO executive. We were particularly pleased to offer our strength, experience and hope to members from Paris. There were more than 50 participants from Australia, England, France and the US, including a Trustee, and members of WSC subcommittees.

Any members with service experience planning on being in London after attending ECCNA VIII in Rome are encouraged to let us know at the above address.

AD HOC ON NA SERVICE - Was able to review the 12 Concepts, although not the Guide. Input on the Concepts was forwarded to WSC. The goal of the committee is to continue work on the revised Concepts.

AD HOC ON VIABILITY OF LRSC - The final proposal called for RSC business to be restricted to quarterly Learning Days and hosting an annual convention. Area fund flow and representation at WSC would be done via the UKSA.

The LRSC suggested that the Ad Hoc not attend each ASC to present their conclusions, and attempted to add their findings to our regional inventory last January. The UKSA will not be represented at WSC this year. The LRSC was asked to have the issue of seating national assemblies placed on the agenda for the upcoming International Forum.

CONVENTION - At least 800 addicts attended our first regional convention last year. 600 was donated to the region. 3,000 was held back as a prudent reserve for this year's expected 11,000 budget for LRCNAII. They would like their prudent reserve to be increased. LRCNA currently follows WCCNA guidelines with regard to special interest meetings, that they are not planned in the interests of promoting unity. Some areas have asked that LRCNA reconsider their position next year.

FUNDRAISING AND ENTERTAINMENTS - Our F&E committee generated 450 from two events. Their prudent reserve stands at 750 and they would like it to be increased. They have had problems finding an adequate venue. F&E are now addressing the problem and generating funds, having just organized a Valentines' Dance. Twenty percent of the proceeds were earmarked for European Study Group members' travel. Some areas are requesting F&E avoid venues where drugs are sold, and request more advance notice of events.

FINANCIAL STATUS

Areas donated 5910. As this works out to 139 per month less than it costs to run the LRSO, we remain in financial straits. In the past, this shortfall has been made up by contributions from F&E. Our prudent reserve does not currently cover a month's operating costs for the LRSO. Another fundraiser is planned. The convention committee hopes that some funds will be available prior to WSC.

OUR INTRA-REGIONAL REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP

A motion was passed at the September RSC requesting a travel subsidy from the WSC Admin Committee to attend the '91 WSC. Concern was expressed by members of the WSC Admin Committee that this would create an unwelcome precedent.

A motion was passed at the October LRSC to spend 15 on postage to send a letter to other regions, requesting financial support for travel costs. We asked whether sponsorship of travel costs to WSC '91 would be a violation of the 7th Tradition. It went to 47 regions, including the 35 RSC's who supported the 'travel motion' last year.

In December we received a written response from the WSC Chair, saying other projects would have to be delayed if our request was met. Our request to the Southern California Region caused them concern; whatever assistance SCRSC would provide us would create a WSC shortfall and cause WSC-approved projects to be postponed or curtailed. We were asked to consider the needs of others as well as our own.

The BOT Chair faxed us with his perspective that we were seeking 'unearned gifts from outside sources,' and 'stepping outside commonly accepted practices of our service structure.' We were accused of omitting unspecified information and 'causing problems.'

Some ASCs are currently considering returning the donations we have received. The LRSC remains in favor of WSC attendance, and fundraising efforts are planned.

REGIONAL PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL ASSEMBLIES

Our service structure is unique. All ASCs in the UK are eligible to participate in the UK Service Assembly (UKSA). The UKSA have a UKSAR who participates in the ECCNA. The ECCNA is also an ideal place for the LRSR to carry out the responsibility of providing two way communication with neighboring regions. As the UKSAR is not a WSC participant, the LRSR has something to offer in terms of world unity at ECCNA. LRSR participant, the LRSR has something to offer in terms of world unity at ECCNA. LRSR participation, however means a duplication in the channel of sharing London's group conscience.

As the Guide chapter on metropolitan services and national assemblies are incomplete, our growth in this area is timely. Sharing WSC strength, hope and experience may benefit us in our continued attempts to develop our NA service structure.

UKSO/LRSO RELATIONSHIP

Unlike other regions, LRSC does not receive any revenue from the sale of literature. Areas buy it directly from UKSO. This year a literature agreement was signed between WSO and UKSO. This agreement prohibits NA groups, areas and regions in the UK from using any vendors but UKSO.

At present, an ad hoc committee has been formed with both regional and UKSO participants involved. It is looking into ways in which the fellowship in the UK can best be served.



THE LONE STAR REGION OF TEXAS

ANNUAL REPORT TO WSC

GREETINGS TO THE CONFERENCE!!!

REGIONAL FACTS AND FIGURES:

The Lone Star Region is composed of 14 areas which accommodate 208 groups hosting 890 meetings per week. Approximate size of Fellowship is 5,500. The RSC meets quarterly for 2 1/4 days with the location rotating between the areas. FRIDAY NIGHT: consists of JAC meeting and an RSC sponsored workshop, topic determined by ASRs with input from hosting area. SATURDAY: Regular RSC meeting with Subcommittee meeting all day. SUNDAY: RSC continues, subcommittees either continue to meet or host workshops and Learning days for local fellowship. New and old workshop topics this year included "NA and Taxes", "How to Reduce Our Costs and Increase our Donations", "The Guide to Service", "The Relationship Between the Regional Service Office BOD, RSC and Host Convention Committee".

AREA NEWS:

We welcomed one new Area into the Region this year, all others remained in tact. We have two functioning Area Service Offices in Houston and Ft. Worth. A couple of areas contributed (funded) bilingual members to the WSC Spanish Translation Ad Hoc and bilingual meetings have begun in San Antonio (Esperanza Area). Meetings and interpreters for the Hearing Impaired are being sponsored and areas and groups are keeping literature stocked in Braille and audio tapes as well. Many Areas are beginning to incorporate the "Sharing Session" into their agendas with pleasing results.

SUBCOMMITTEE NEWS:

All Subcommittees are up and functioning. Their regular committee meetings are held quarterly during the RSC. Committee membership is comprised of the corresponding Area subcommittee chairs.

ACTIVITIES:

7 areas actively participated. Events sponsored by groups Areas and in the Region included Bowling Tournaments, Skating parties, Campouts, Haunted houses, Fishing trips, Beach parties and about a million dances.

POLICY:

Helped the Region and areas with policies and guidelines. Continues to help areas with workshops on Parliamentary Procedures, as well as the relationship between the RSC, RSO and HCC (host convention committee).

H & I:

Ten areas were consistently represented this year. This committee has helped the areas coordinate in 64 treatment center meetings, 16 correctional facility meetings, 8 in Halfway Houses and one in Methadone Clinic. The committee hosted 3 learning days.

PI:

13 Areas participating this year which coordinated 5 RSC sponsored Learning Days. PI activities in the Region included 100 presentations and several exhibitions, 2000 pieces of literature mailed, 25,000 phone calls fielded and radio PSA in a number of Texas cities. Texts and tapes have been donated to libraries and a PSA ran on a deaf news program. Goals for the coming year are to improve our public image, develop information on speaking in schools and code all meeting schedules with additional needs info.

Literature:

Ten Areas represented. The committee reports working on their assignments, The Sponsor/Sponsors Worksheet, and the Step Writing Guide. Their newest assignment is to review existing pieces of literature. The RSC Lit Committee held 2 workshops this year.

Spanish Translations Ad Hoc:

This 10 member committee has worked very hard on an issue that affects us dearly because of our proximity to Mexico. The chair and some of the members were able to participate in the WSC sponsored workshops in Miami, New York, Texas and California. Since the bulk of our Ad Hoc committees work was completed, they disbanded this spring.

HCC:

Our Lone Star Region Convention (LSRCNAVI) will be held Easter weekend in Dallas. New ideas for this year include a late evening, main speaker, Friday night at 11:00 p.m. (for those arriving late or wanting an alternative to the dance), a playroom for kids of all ages with video games and pool tables, a comedy show, an auction and the introduction of the Security Committee which is a spin-off from Hotels, Hospitality and Transportation.

Regional Service Office:	Sales this year were as follows:
Basic Texts	5,341
Tapes (Basic)	70
Keytags	65,579
Chips	34,522
White Books	14,492
Step 4 Guide	1,427
Workbooks & Guides	521
Medallions (1 yr.)	1,701
Other Medallions	10,654

GOALS FOR THIS YEAR: Development toward a Convention Corporation, financial independence from RSC, more geographical diversity of Directors.

TREASURER'S REPORT: *Our fiscal year ends April, 1991. These figures reflect 8 mos. of our fiscal year (May-December).

Income Areas:	\$7,541.53	
Events & Other:	3,272.83	
Expenses:	To Date:	Projected:
RSC Expense	\$ 145.48	\$1,600.00
WSC Contribution	800.00	1,600.00
LSRSO Contribution	3,200.00	4,800.00
Committee Reimbursement	1,074.35	3,225.00
Committee Projects	2,698.03	6,810.00
Committee Travel	3,839.43	12,900.00
Other	500.00	-----
TOTAL	11,757.69	31,435.00

CONCERNS FOR THIS REGION:

- * Lack of Step Book, Daily Meditation Book
- * Much confusion over NA and Taxes
- * Death due to Roberts Rules of Order
- * How to recoup and/or prosecute when funds are stolen
- * Better training on how to chair a subcommittee and keep it going
- * How to increase fund flow
- * Much irritation over the printing of the illicit text
- * The Eighth Collorary to the NA Subset of Murphy's Second Law: "No matter if your Area has 50 or 500 members, you will always have at least 2 more service positions than you have qualified people to fill them".

In Loving Insanity,

Jan Campbell, RSR
Jimmy Harper, RSRA



Michigan Regional Service Committee

MAR 4 1991

Narcotics Anonymous



TO: World Service Conference.
FROM: Michigan Regional Service Committee
RE: Annual Regional Report - 90/91

Hello Family,

The Michigan Region serves the entire state of Michigan and N.A. Groups from Sault Ste. Marie, Canada which are members of our Upper Peninsula Area. We currently have 21 member Areas, but as I write this report a new Area is forming and will be attending our Regional meeting in April. Our new Area total of 22 adds 4 Areas to our Region since last years Conference. Our Areas serve approximately 600 N.A. Groups.

Our Sub-Committees have been very active throughout the year. Here are just a few of the things they have done to further the primary purpose of N.A. in the Michigan Region.

Our Outreach Sub-Committee held 2 campouts to help generate communication to isolated Groups/Meetings/Members:

Our Public Information Sub-Committee had a very successful Multi-Regional learning day with around 125 registered for the event. Thanks to the WSC PI Committee for their attendance.

Our Hospitals and Institutions Sub-Committee along with learning day involvement has a strong base of area H&I Chairpersons who come together to share their experience in order to learn and further their efforts at home.

Our Literature Sub-Committee continues to review literature from the WSC Literature Committee.

Our Newsletter Sub-Committee continues to put out our bi-monthly publication of the Daily Surrender.

Our Activities Sub-Committee put on a successful celebration of recovery called Unity Weekend, with around 950 in attendance.

Our Policy Sub-Committee has been continuously busy with changes and additions to our Regional Guidelines, which gives us a complete and up-to-date set of guidelines, standing rules, and parliamentary procedures.

Our Ad-hoc Guide to Service Sub-Committee has been holding consistent meetings to review the 12 concepts and send our input in.



Michigan Regional Service Committee

Narcotics Anonymous



Our Freedom VI Convention was again a very spiritual and financial success with 1,520 registered, thanks to the efforts of the Saginaw Bay Area and the many members from the other Areas which were involved.

Our Freedom VII Convention will be held in Detroit this year where we are all anticipating a large increase in the number of recovering addicts attending.

Our World Bid Committee worked very hard over the last two years to prepare the excellent bid which was presented to host the 1993 World Convention. Even though we were not chosen, the preparation helped us to see more of our history and the current stability of our fellowship in the Michigan Region.

Our Filing Board Committee has been gathering information and reviewing material for the possibility of incorporating our Region.

Our Annual Conference was hosted by the Western Wayne Area which done a wonderful job at organizing this years Conference. We are very fortunate to have four members involved in WSC Committees who give us a report at each Regional meeting. These members along with the Regional Chair, Co-Chair and RSR-Alt. were able to adequately present the Conference Agenda Report to our membership at this years Conference.

Our Michigan Service Office is functioning as our primary resource center for our region, which just recently got an 800 business phone line. Our Areas and Groups purchase their literature through the MSO and usually receive it within three days after the order is received.

With the issue of the Basic Text affecting our Fellowship world wide, Michigan was by know means missed along the way. We had open forums and some very strong differences of opinion. Although we have experienced some pain through this we have also experienced more growth and unity. Our Region has continued to grow and our members have learned more about how to communicate and search together to find the solutions.

We are looking forward to another year of personal and Regional growth and send the same to addicts throughout the N.A. World.

In Loving Service,

George Schlicht, RSR - Michigan Region

Mike Whitson, RSR-Alt - Michigan Region

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TO: WSC of NA
FROM: Mid-America Region
SUBJECT: 1991 Report to the WSC

The Mid-America Region continues to grow and stabilize in its ability to offer recovery in Narcotics Anonymous. There are now 7 active areas, 60 groups, and 149 weekly meetings in the MARSCNA. It's gratifying to know how accessible NA has become to addicts seeking recovery. Even in sparsely populated western Kansas, there is no location where a meeting is more than an hour's drive, at least one evening a week. It hasn't always been so. Less than a dozen years ago there were only three established meetings in the state of Kansas. Even with this explosive growth there are still setbacks and needs to be met. One area, representing six groups, has not been represented at our last three RSC meetings. One group, in cooperation with a utility company, is now having candlelight meetings. There are many hospitals and institutions throughout the region that we are unable to carry the message to.

Our seventh regional convention, MARCNA VII, held in Great Bend, Ks., was attended by over 300 recovering addicts. Plans for MARCNA VIII, to be held in Wichita, Ks., April 5, 6 & 7, 1991, are going well and we're looking forward to another great celebration of recovery.

The 12th annual Fourth of July Campout was held at Clinton Lake, near Lawrence, Ks. As far as we know this is the longest running, continuous annual campout in the fellowship. The committee is working hard preparing for this year's campout - the 13th annual.

Over the years the region has undertaken changes to improve the services that we provide to both to our areas and the WSC. In the past year we have entered into discussions on the responsibilities of trusted servants, purposes and projects of sub-committees, and the time and funds that these sub-committees have available to them. These discussions seem always to focus on how our resources are best used to support the continuing growth of Narcotics Anonymous; both at home and in developing NA communities. We have also begun to look at how our funds are provided (the "basket" vs. "fund raisers") and how much money we spend within the region versus how much we pass on to the WSC.

The region hosted a multi-regional workshop on "A Guide to Service in Narcotics Anonymous". We appreciate the support and participation of surrounding regions and the WSC. It was well attended (45 participants on Saturday afternoon). Some participants traveled from as far away as Detroit, South Dakota and Wisconsin. While the region realizes that the Concepts and

service structure as defined in the "Guide" are, as yet, not acceptable, we support the continuing efforts of the WSC Ad Hoc Committee on NA Service.

The Public Information Committee of the Western Kansas Area recently participated in a television interview with a TV station whose broadcasts are aired in southwest Kansas, southeast Colorado and the Oklahoma panhandle. The area committee stayed in close contact with the regional and WSC PI Committees while preparing for the interview and an enlightening message about Narcotics Anonymous was broadcast.

The H&I Committee undertook the project of supplying a Basic Text to each county jail within the region. This project includes the continued supply of Basic Texts to these facilities on an "as needed" basis.

The H&I and PI committees, in conjunction with surrounding regions, are making plans to commence an annual multi-regional H&I/PI workshop. They intend to establish an ongoing workshop to be rotated from region to region each year. The project requires both financial and member support from several regions.

While the illicit Basic Text seems to have embroiled the Fellowship in controversy, the issue has been dealt with calmly and maturely in the Mid-America Region. We realize that no edition of the Basic Text will ever be written exactly as any individual member, group, area or region would have it written. With this awareness comes the understanding that acceptance is the basis of unity, for the message in our Basic Text must express unity. Those who have spoken to the issue see this insistent argument as a great distraction of our resources: Resources that could be far better used to assist in the growth of our Fellowship. As to the legal action taken by our BOD, there has been only one member who voiced the opinion that this should not have been done under any circumstances. Other members accept the decisions arrived at by our service structure and believe that the BOD was right in taking action to try to preserve what they feel is a unified message of Narcotics Anonymous. In answer to the debate surrounding the essays on the Fourth and Ninth Traditions: We believe that any body which, made up of members of our Fellowship, undertakes to carry the message of NA, must be an integral part of Narcotics Anonymous, so as to be guided by and answerable to the Fellowship. During all these discussions, the belief has been expressed that these problems will be resolved by an application of our spiritual principles. God hasn't brought us this far to drop kick us out of bounds.

We look forward to participating in the this year's conference; to practice acceptance and gain unity. We extend our love and support to all our fellow members, worldwide.

MID ATLANTIC REGION ANNUAL REPORT

To: World Service Conference - 1991

From: Rita S. RSR
Mike P. - RSR Alternate

Hello to everyone from the Mid Atlantic region. This past year has been one of growth and one of struggles for our region. We currently have eight active areas in the region: Capital Area; Cumberland Valley Area; Central Susquahanna Valley Area; Little Apple Area; Reading Area; South Central Area; Williamsport Area; and York Area. We currently have 170 meetings and 34 H&I meetings in our region.

Our working subcommittees are H&I, P.I., Policy, and Literature. We still have difficulty filling some officer positions and presently our finance committee and Conference Committee are without officers.

On February 8, 9, and 10th the Capital Area hosted the Seventh Annual Mid Atlantic Regional Learning Conference. There were many service workshops and recovery workshops and a 12 hour WSC agenda workshop. Thanks to Barbara Jorgensen, Stu Tooredman, and George Hollahan for their help with the Agenda report. The Board of Trustees also met at the conference and we thank them for their consideration of meeting at the same place as our conference. This year's conference was very well attended and very successful.

We are looking forward to this year's conference and enthusiastic about the anticipated changes in the format in the conference. We hope everyone is well and that there is peace and love in the world and the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous.

In Loving Service,

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MOUNTAINEER REGION REPORT TO THE 1991 WORLD SERVICE
CONFERENCE

Greetings and salutations from the Mountaineer Region! The Mountaineer Region encompasses most of the Wild and Wonderful, that is, the State of West Virginia, and a couple of groups in the State of Ohio. We presently have four fully functioning Area Service Committees, with rumors of a fifth ASC sending representation to our next regional.

Our regional service committee meets four times a year. We presently have six sub-committees with some of them meeting aside from the regional quarterlies depending on workload. Our subcommittees are Convention, Activities, Helpline, Policy, the newly formed Hospital and Institutions subcommittee, and the newly resurrected Literature subcommittee. Most of our fund flow presently comes from our conventions, and our main expenses are RSR and RSR-Alt. travel, lodging, etc., and our 1-800 number. We are an economically depressed region and pass on what we can.

Our growth has been slow but steady over the past seven years since our RSC was formed. Nonetheless, NA meetings are available to addicts in all the major cities in our region, and are spreading to the smaller towns throughout our mountainous state.

Yes, Narcotics Anonymous is alive and well in the Mountaineer Region, and we look forward to participating in the 1991 WSC.

I Can't - We Can,

Tracy K., RSR
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Report on the Nebraska RSC - February 11, 1991

Our region has grown to five areas over the past year - the two new areas are the Fremont ASC and the Eastern Nebraska ASC. There are sixty-five meetings in our latest regional meeting list. An NA helpline was set up in Fremont: 402-721-9511. The helpline number in Eastern Ne. was changed to 402-593-4790.

We had a very successful regional convention in North Platte the weekend of September 14-16, 1990 with a variety of workshops and three speaker meetings with speakers from Nebraska, Kansas and Illinois. This year our convention, NRCNA VIII, will be in Kearney September 6-8.

The other fun function our region hosts, the Run For Fun, was also successful. This is a campout that takes place Memorial Day weekend each year at the Alexandria State Recreation Area - plans are under way for the 11th annual this year.

We held a combined H&I/PI learning day in Lincoln on June 23, 1990. We are grateful to the WSC-H&I and WSC-PI Committees for sending a member from each committee to participate. We plan to have a similar learning day in Fremont this year.

Prior to our last RSC meeting several members had the opportunity to study the Hospitals and Institutions Handbook at a workshop held by our RSC-H&I Committee.

I want to take this opportunity to express thanks to the WSC and WSO from the Nebraska RSC and myself for your work and dedication this past year - "Thanks!"

Danny K.

Danny Keelan
 Ne. RSR



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NEW JERSEY REGIONAL SERVICE CONFERENCE

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"...that no addict seeking
recovery need ever die."

DATE: Feb. 28, 1991

TO: World Service Conference of Narcotics Anonymous

FROM: New Jersey Regional Service Conference

RE: Regional Report 90/91

Greetings to the fellowship from the New Jersey Region of Narcotics Anonymous. We are grateful for being clean today and for having this opportunity and privilege in presenting our annual report to the 1991 WSC.

In January the New Jersey Region has carried the message of recovery to addicts in New Jersey for 6 years. After a year of much struggle during the formation of the Northern New Jersey Region, this past year has been one of positive rebuilding, reorganizing and encouraging members to get back involved in our service structure. I'm happy to announce that we have formed two new Areas bringing our total up to 10, which provide services for up to 250 Groups and Meetings. And currently all our sub-committee positions are filled.

Our CONVENTION COMMITTEE for this year's convention was elected on the last day of last year's convention. Utilizing the high spirit, enthusiasm and lack of sleep most positions were able to be filled. It worked, but we think some chairs are still wondering why they volunteered and how they were seated. Sounds like the NA railroad to me.... The theme of this year's convention is "Continue the Miracle" and is being held on Memorial Day weekend May 24, 25 and 26 at the Ramada Renaissance, 3 Tower Center Blvd., East Brunswick, NJ. Of course preregistration is encouraged and more information can be obtained by contacting Christine K. (908) 396-9809.

PUBLIC INFORMATION in the Region is mostly being carried out at the Area level. Our P.I. chair is currently contacting Area P.I. chairs to formalize a regional committee to organize combined Area workshops, learning days and speaking commitments.

Our HELPLINE received 16,772 calls in the year 1990 at a cost of \$11,367.30. This cost is shared equally between both the New Jersey and Northern New Jersey Regions under our Shared Service Agreement.

The NEW JERSEY STATEWIDE MEETING DIRECTORY listing all of the meetings in both New Jersey Regions is also a shared service between both Regions. There are about 500 groups and meetings listed in the new Winter/Spring printing of 42,000 copies. At the present we update and reprint three times a year.

Our POLICY COMMITTEE is busy doing the paper work to incorporate the Region as a nonprofit organization so that we can now cover our tax liabilities pertaining to the transferring of funds between the Region and the Convention Corporation. Our current policy is also being updated and reconciled into a revised edition of regional policy including committee guidelines and corporate by-laws.

The LITERATURE COMMITTEE has worked hard this past year in reviving a resentful, non-trusting Area literature committees and members into currently 6 skeptical but willing to be productive literature committees ready to be apart of our literature process again. They have pre-reviewed and inputted the first two traditions and look forward to reviewing both the steps and the traditions projects. Others current and future projects are reviewing

and inputting "Relationships in Recovery"; setting up review workshops for the Guide to Service and 12 Concepts, revising old IP's, developing a new IP "The Spirit of Giving" to replace "Hey Whats the Basket For" and developing a literature review newsletter.

Nicky Newcomer, while noticing everyone getting high around him, remains clean keeping his memory green and finding gratitude in the pages of our regional NEWSLETTER called SANITY. The Newsletter is about to enter its 5th year with subscriptions holding at about 205.

The HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS COMMITTEE at the present has all 10 Area committees committed to carrying the message inside to more than 70 Institutions. The committee is looking into developing an H&I mobil panel unit to be on call to travel around the Region.

Our financial security is a major concern today. It seems the fund flow from the Groups to the Area to the Region has almost ceased to exist and our current services are threatened. We are hoping that by reevaluating our budget and reinforcing the importance of the 7th tradition to the Groups and members we'll be able to pull ourselves out of this crunch and continue the high level of services we've offered to date.

At our January Regional Conference we passed the following motion: DO YOU WANT OUR REGION TO ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN THE CONTINUING EFFORTS OF THE WORKSHOP OF REGIONS, NOW CALLED THE EASTERN MULTI-REGIONAL ASSEMBLY, BY BEING A VOTING MEMBER. intent: TO FORMALLY PROVIDE A SETTING WITHIN THE EXISTING SERVICE STRUCTURE TO DEAL WITH LOCAL MULTI-REGIONAL ISSUES. For about a year and a half we have been actively involved with this service workshop and have found it to be very informative and helpful, lending much support to the surrounding Regions. We are hoping that more Eastern Regions get back involved after "coming to believe" that we are not an outside service structure trying to tear down World Service, but a positive conscience working within the structure.

In closing we'd like to thank the Northern New Jersey Region for their continuing support in carrying out our Shared Service Agreement. We'd also like to thank all the Areas, groups and of course all the recovering addicts that make up the New Jersey Region, for with their support, concerns and actions the message, that recovery from the disease of addiction is even possible here in New Jersey, is a reality today and is reaching the addicts who still suffer inside and outside of the fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous.

In Loving Light and Service,


Jon Thompson
Regional Service Representative


Andrea Lapin
Regional Service Representative Alternate

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Our Love to you from the Land of Enchantment.

This seems like a very short year but much has happened and our fellowship has grown. We have added a new area. The El Paso Area has joined our region, subsequently, the addicts we represent has grown fully by one third. I was recently in El Paso to present a seminar on the CAR and was proud and pleased by the enthusiasm and concern shown by their members.

One of the concerns presented which coincides with an old concern throughout the New Mexico Region is the difficulty we are having with Spanish translations of literature. There is a border specific dialect and vernacular which is vastly different from other dialects and is complicated by the fact that few in our fellowship who speak it are able to read Spanish. We've grown up speaking the language in our homes but the school system only taught English or Castellano Espanol. We are searching for possible answers to our dilemma. A suggestion is to produce a border dialect tape of the readings from the white book which we can submit to the translation committee for approval for local use in Spanish speaking meetings. We don't see our problem that much different from those needing American Sign or audio cassette translations. We invite your suggestions and input on the problem.

We also are anxious to hear the discussion at the conference concerning the world service sections of the proposed *Guide to Service* and how the American fellowship can effectively follow the lead of all the other nations and form a U.S. national conference which enhances our participation with the world body and eliminates the continued taking of valuable world fellowship time during the conference to discuss issues which are clearly U.S. in nature, and we are most pleased, especially after last year's discussions on the floor, at the serious attempt being made to conduct business in a more appropriate fashion by proposing a combined budget. Additionally, we are most grateful that the federal judge assigned to our suit is such a wise man and a wise ass at the same time. I believe we got the point of his sermon.

Your are all invited to join us in Las Cruces, July 21-23 for our third New Mexico Regional Convention. Thank you for your time.

Ron S.
for the NMRSC



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AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

REGIONAL REPORT TO WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE 1991:

Greetings from New Zealand. We are now the Aotearoa New Zealand Region. Aotearoa is the name Maori's gave our country long before the British settled here. It means land of the long white cloud. Our region altered the name to reflect the awareness of the bicultural nature of this country.

1990-91 has seen little growth in the fellowship. Meetings and numbers have stabilised and appear to have consolidated with fewer starting and stopping. We see this as a good sign and believe that the groups as well as the members are beginning to mature. Hopefully this will provide a basis to carry out more H and I and P.I. work.

We still find commitment and enthusiasm towards services wanes. When we formed a region and split into 3 areas we had concerns about filling service positions at Regional and Area levels, and are struggling still to do so. There seems to be a large number of trusted servants with 3 or more years clean who have been involved in service for their entire N.A. life and are waiting to move on and let new blood in. Yet we seem to stay in service because of the lack of new comers interest and maybe a fear of letting go what we all worked so hard to achieve.

We had a small but successful Regional Convention in Wellington last October. Great to have visitors from Australia and America attend. We are also holding another convention in May in Auckland. The theme being 'Seize the Day'. We look forward to the World Convention in Sydney - so close to home. It is an opportunity for World Fellowship, experience and celebration that a number of us won't be missing out on.

We unfortunately won't be represented at this years conference. Funds are low and the Region has decided to concentrate on internal priorities. We are discussing the possibility of special fund-raising to enable us to send a representative to next years conference. It really sounds as if inroads are being made at world level to develop a conference which will benefit the entire fellowship. We do feel isolated by distance here. Especially with deadlines for returning information literature reviews, reports etc. While most of the time the postal service is efficient we are very pleased to see a Fax number for more urgent matters.



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Finally we were grateful to have Donna Markus (B.O.T.) and Anthony Edmunson (W.S.O.) stop off in New Zealand on their way to Australia regarding the world convention. Not only did they guide us in our efforts to establish better contact with our Australian based F.S.O. they also gave us that spoken and unspoken message that N.A. works and keeps on working. Thank you to the rest of the fellowship for making that possible.

I would like to wish you all the best for another gruelling conference and Hello to the friends I made last year, in service.

Yours faithfully

Meg Mayo Hopkins R.S.R. alt.

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NORTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONS ANNUAL REPORT

4/20/91

To all our fellow addicts in recovery around the world, GREETINGS! As another year passes, we keep learning and making changes. We'd like to share them with you.

Our region began the year with 15 Areas serving 696 meetings; we now have 17 Areas that serve around 850 meetings per week. One Area, that encompassed 12 cities has divided into three ASCs. They are now known as the East Bay North, East Bay Central and Mission Peak Areas. Currently, they are sharing the already established Sub-Committees until each of the newly formed ASCs can support their own. This division was planned to insure that there would be no "break" in services; to encourage others to share in the rewards of doing service, and in the hopes that services will improve as they become more localized and have more people involved in serving NA.

One of our ASCs has seen a return of approximately 15 groups that had joined the Sierra Sage Region. As a result, the eastern border of our Region has expanded to include all of Lassen and Plumas counties and the western portions of Nevada county.

Our RSC has made several changes. One apparent problem was the location of the RSC meeting. Options discussed were: having the RSC geographically centered, rotating the RSC around the Region, or keeping the RSC within the most densely populated section of our Region. We resolved the problem by moving our RSC meeting to a place that was close to the metropolitan center, but where it would also equalize the travel time for our members traveling from our northern and southern borders.

Another change was that voting privileges were granted to all members of our RSC. The Admin. Committee, RSR, Alternate RSR, and Sub-Committee chairs now have a vote. This recent change deems ALL members of the RSC equally accountable for the actions and the functioning of the RSC; whereas the ASRs alone, have the right to direct the focus of the RSC. This issue has plagued the RSC since the change in the language in the TWGSS concerning voting. Over half of our ASCs also function in this manner.

Our RSC Admin. Committee now meets each month just prior to the RSC meeting. The purpose of this is to discuss necessary changes in the agenda, to discuss proposals for improvements of the RSC meeting, and to iron out differences between Admin. members, thereby eliminating the RSC as a place for those differences to be aired. The affect this has had on the RSC is a healthy one. The Admin. Committee have learned to work well together and demonstrate unified leadership. RSC business is conducted in a more refined manner and our meetings are shorter most of the time.

We are planning to hold a Conference Report - Regional Assembly in May. The purpose of this event will be to provide current information concerning the WSC, and to provide a forum for any NA member (but specifically GSRs) to ask questions and get answers. This is being announced at our CAR workshops. At the same time we are suggesting that if this event is well attended, we may try to have two Regional assemblies prior to next years WSC. This will lessen the diversion of ASCs from "service" and allow all Groups who want to share equally in the Regions voice at the Conference. Groups will have a direct link to the WSC through their GSR. So far, we are seeing a very positive response to this suggestion, and, only time will tell.

A notable difference in the focus of the RSC this year concerns our budget. The majority of our financial resources were budgeted for actual "services" provided by the RSC though the Regional H & I and P.I. Sub-Committees.

Last year we held a regional workshop on the 12 Concepts for Service; as a follow up, this year we hosted a multi-regional workshop on "The Guide to Service". The other two Regions who participated were Sierra Sage and California Mid-State.

Our Region was informed that the WSC may change the format of the Conference Agenda Report (no longer including Regional motions). In spite of this forewarning, none of our ASCs expressed much concern about the possible changes of the WSC or the CAR.

Last year we reported that one of our ASCs formed an Ad-Hoc Committee whose purpose was to look into the benefits and draw-backs of forming a new Region. One of the factors was the burden of travel; it takes around 9 hours to travel from end to end, and 4 hours to cross it. Another factor was the diversity of the addicts our Region serves, and that their needs vary widely. Their findings, however, were that a Regional division would not be feasible at this time.

Our Regional Literature Review Sub-Committee folded this year. The main reason was frustration with the constant changes in assignments given to them by WSC Literature Committee. Seeing no indication that assignments and/or focus of input desired wouldn't be altered again, they saw little value in beginning another project.

Our Regional Activities Sub-Committee also folded, mainly due to lack of support. Their purpose was to provide a calendar of all activities Region wide.

Last year the RSC granted its Policy Sub-Committee the freedom to address issues that were not referred to them, provided they gave preference to RSC referrals. At first this trust seemed promising. At times, the Policy Committee was used as an avenue to re-introduce motions that had repeatedly failed on the floor of the RSC.

The RSC addressed the pros and cons of a "standing" Policy Committee. The RSC decided to disband the Policy Sub-Committee, and to create an Ad-Hoc when needed.

During the last year, our Public Information Sub-Committee has done presentations at four National Conventions that were non-N.A. events and has begun to assist Areas to put on "community meetings". They have an audio cassette library now that consists of around 50 tapes to assist Area PI committees. The PI committee attempted to have a separate phonenumber sub-committee. After a few months of research, the PI members found that this divided and weakened their efforts. The internal decisions of those committees were to re-unite their efforts, and focus on phone-lines quarterly.

We have 187 H&I meetings, region wide. The committee has improved communications with the RSC by giving the ASRs more information about the activities, literature dispersment etc. They have also been working to improve their communications with State Corrections agencies and establish a better working relationship with them.

The RSO purchases around \$50,000.00 worth of inventory every other month, avails insurance policies for ASC and/or RSC functions, and handles our convention funds. Due to the amount of attention the WSO has received over this last year, there has also been an increasing interest in the relationship between our own RSC and RSO. We will be watching closely how the WSO and WSC re-align their affiliation. We hope to learn how to enhance the coalescence of our RSC and the RSO.

Just as our Region has grown so has our Convention; but we still have Areas put on the Convention for the Region. Each year some of the Convention sub-committees fold or are reduced to one or two people doing all the work. This creates problems with accountability, burn-out, and quality of work. The NCRCAC Committee is searching for a better method of soliciting assistance to put on the Convention. It may be time to recognize the NCRCAC as a Regional Committee and bear the burden ourselves.

Three of our Areas have experienced much disunity over the issues surrounding the illicit Basic Text. Individuals have been harassed, have been removed from office or have resigned due to the strain. Some of our meetings have folded, others have been removed from schedules. The integrity of many individuals, of the NA service structure, and of the Fellowship as a whole, has suffered for no apparent gain.

Much of our service efforts were diverted to supplying accurate information and answering questions, simply to hold our Fellowship together. It has taken concerted effort by the members of those Areas and those serving the RSC, to restore faith and trust in those serving our Fellowship at ANY LEVEL.

This controversy has cost our Fellowship much: **effort**; that could have been spent "carrying the message", **unity**; that would have encouraged more of our members to serve NA, **money**; that could have meant more services and literature for our members, both at home and around the world, and **harmony**; that would have been attractive to those who came to NA for help, understanding, and a chance to recover.

Our Region is asking itself two fundamental and important questions: "Do WE, as a Fellowship, have the right to say WHO WE ARE or ARE NOT?" & "If so, should our service committees limit their services only to those entities (Meetings, Groups, or Areas) WE consider to be NA?" These issues are out for discussion Region wide.

Last years Regional Convention went well, approximately 6,500 people attended the saturday night main meeting. It also turned out to be a financial success. The net proceeds from the NCCNA XII were \$27,464.00. The "seed" money (\$20,000.00) for our annual convention is held in a fiduciary capacity by our RSO.

This years convention --- NCCNA XIII "Never Alone" March 7th, 8th, 9th, & 10th, in Monterey, CA, at the Doubletree and Sheraton Hotel.

Our Regional donation to the WSC this year (1/90 through 12/90) was \$20,733.30

This report is submitted on behalf of the forever changing and growing portion of our Fellowship known as **the Northern California Region of Narcotics Anonymous** by -

a grateful NA member,



Mark S. Smith / RSR

TO: THE FELLOWSHIP
FROM: NORTHERN NEW JERSEY REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

2/28/91

SUBJECT: FELLOWSHIP REPORT

Greetings from NORTHERN NEW JERSEY REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE. The last year has been a year of growth for us and I am happy to report we have grown to 10 areas from last years list of 7 when we applied to be seated. The New Areas include The Greater Plainfield Area, The Suburban Essex Area and The Original New Jersey Area. Our Regional Service structure has had all the major committees working well, including H&I, PI, Literature, Activities and the recently formed Regional Service Convention Committee which was born out of the Bergen Area which has been sponsoring conventions successfully for several years. We have continued to work very well with the New Jersey Region with respect to shared services such as the Helpline , state wide meeting books etc.

Although we have had some difficulty in securing a full time secretary and at this time have an opening for a vice chair, all other positions are filled.

One of the issues which we have had difficulty dealing with since last year has been the Baby Blue book. This issue has served as a rather divisive topic, but I feel as we approach the conference we will come prepared with an educated and effective vote on the motions before us.

Another area of concern is the World Literature committee motions. There is a feeling of distrust and uncertainty with respect to the true intent and meaning of these motions to the point that we fear that non addict professionals will be slipped in to the lit function through elusive and broad interpretations of the motions before us.

We will for the first time have a Regional Convention as mentioned above to occur during the second week of August at the Lowes Glenpoint Hotel in Teaneck, N.J. All are invited to share with us this growth experience.

As of this writing we are also incorporating ourselves so that we are operating out of a legally sound and safe position.

As we enter the conference this year we bring a more mature and financially sound Region, dedicated towards carrying the message to all those we serve, to the best of our ability.

In Loving Service

 
Bob Feneran, RSR, Northern New Jersey Regional Service

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Greetings from the Northern New York Region. This has been a year of growth for all Areas in our Region. Our seven Areas currently support approximately 200 meetings.

This year has also shown us a stabilization in both Area and Regional services, with many members carrying the message of recovery in many different ways. Our Regional subcommittees have become a much stronger forum, where members of the Area subcommittees meet exchanging ideas and achieving common goals. We have many meetings falling beyond the boundaries of our Areas and attempts are being made to contact these groups.

Our Regional Convention was again a spiritual as well as financial success. The convention was well attended by members from both within and outside of our Region. This years convention will again be held at Wells College in Aurora, NY the last weekend of July. We have been exploring the possibility of incorporating the convention. However, we have been unable to clearly decide on the best direction for a corporation at this time.

Financially we appear to be more stable than in previous years. Although funds are always short we have been able to provide adequate funds to meet the needs of our growing Region. We will continue to support the WSC to the best of our ability. The RSR alt. as well as other trusted servants were able to attend the quarterly in Arlington. In addition, the RSR and RSR alt. attended the quarterly in Van Nuys as well as the BOT meeting in Harrisburg. We believe that attendance at these meetings has been helpful in establishing increased communication with World Services.

The Northern New York Region is also preparing a bid to host the 1994 World Convention. The bid is near completion and will be offering Niagra Falls, New York as the host city. This is an exciting city which we believe will meet the many needs of the World Convention.

This has been a wonderful year for recovery in NA within the Northern New York Region. We look forward to a productive week at the WSC in April.

In Loving Service,

David Lester, RSR

Ken Rutherford, RSR Alt.

OHIO REGION SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Ohio Region has experienced another year of continued development and prosperity. The region consists of ten areas representing approximately 200 groups. Our areas represent a varied geographical cross section, with four areas having a rural base, three areas from small to mid-size communities and three from metropolitan communities. This diversity brings an interesting mix of needs to our regional meetings. We work extremely hard at listening to everyones needs and trying to provide the services necessary.

Our subcommittees are active and each have had very successful learning days throughout the year. All our subcommittees are very grateful to all regions and trusted servants for their support and attendance. We would especially like to thank the WSC committees for their support and attendance at our events. We also formed a standing subcommittee for Additional Needs. This subcommittee functioned throughout last year as an ad hoc committee. We felt that there was more than enough work to be done to warrant a standing subcommittee. This is an area that we are treading slowly and are looking for further input.

Our Regional Service Office continues to grow and we hope to have a very productive year in the next year. The office is staffed by a part time employee. Its hours are 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday. The office is incorporated and has recently been granted its tax exempt status. Most of the Board of Directors of the office are elected by the region while the final four positions are appointed by the board. This mix seems to work well and has avoided any controversy to this point.

We are aware throughout our region of the problems that have faced our fellowship this past year. We have supported the actions that were taken to protect the copyrights to our literature. It seems disgraceful that something like this could transpire within our fellowship, but we are trying to focalize on the solutions rather than the problems. It is our hope that upon the determination of the issue of which edition of the Basic Text the fellowship is happy with that everyone will accept the conscience of the fellowship and let old dogs lie. There are many issues facing us and we feel that we need not spend any more time, effort, or money chasing ghosts from the past. It is also our hope that we will soon see the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions in a form that can be approved.

The Narcotics Anonymous message is being carried within the Ohio Region loud and clear. We hope that this is a very pro life and upbeat year for our fellowship worldwide and the spirit of unity and love will continue to work in the lives of addicts everywhere.

Pete Morland, RSR
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TO : World Service Conference 1991
FROM : Ontario, Canada Region
Chris LeBarr - R.S.R.
RE : ANNUAL REPORT

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Greetings to the Fellowship. We hope that this past year has brought new insights into your journey on the path of recovery. The Ontario Region currently holds 280 meetings weekly within 12 areas, and contributed \$9,000 (U.S.) to the World Service Conference this past year as well as \$5,000 toward the Canadian Assembly of Narcotics Anonymous.

The purpose of this Assembly is to allow the Canadian Regions to assemble and address the needs of the Fellowship and to encourage Canadian Narcotics Anonymous unity, co-operation and communication. This body has been created to complement the existing service structure of Narcotics Anonymous. During the past year, we have met twice: once in Montreal and also in Vancouver where a number of issues were discussed, the most exciting of which was the first Canadian Convention (C.C.N.A. I) to be held June 28, 29, and 30th, 1991, in Montreal, Quebec. Hope to see you there!

Also, during the past year the Ontario Region adopted policies and procedures, created an Outreach Committee, and held a successful Convention and Conference. The Conference focused on various areas of service and members from W.H.I., W.L.C., and W.P.I. were in attendance. The Conference serves as a great vehicle to interest members in service work.

In closing, we would like to thank everyone at W.S.O. and W.S.C. for all your help and encouragement, and we extend to you our best wishes as well as inviting you to attend our Regional Convention (O.R.C.N.A. 4) in Toronto, Ontario, from May 31 - June 2, 1991. See you there. God Bless!

In Service,

Chris LeBarr-R.S.R.

OREGON "TOGETHER WE CAN" REGION
1991 ANNUAL REPORT

Greetings from Oregon and parts of Northern California! We have had another year of record growth, with more meetings than ever before, and more involvement throughout the fellowship.

Our Region made a few changes. We have 12 Areas at the present time, and 11 have been regularly represented at our quarterly RSC meetings. Southern Idaho officially split from our Region, and we continue to pick up bits of northern California through our Ore-Cal Area near Klamath Falls, OR. I understand that the Portland Area is considering a split in the near future due to their growth.

Our new name has provided some interesting controversy and is currently back to the groups for guidance and direction. We may have a different name by the time the WSC meets in April.

Our Region took a "straw poll" regarding the legal procedures instigated by the WSO Board over the illegal basic text issue. I'm happy to report that all 11 Areas represented were in complete support of our trusted servants. I was directed last fall to send this message to the Board, which I did. We discussed the matter again this January at our RSC, and the results were the same...unanimous support in favor of doing whatever it takes to protect the fellowship literature.

Our Regional Subcommittees have been busy. H & I held a Multi-Regional Learning Day in Silverton, OR. last March. As a result of Washington-Northern Idaho's participation in this event, many of our Area H & I Committees now have a new Orientation procedure. We have another Learning Day planned for this summer to be held somewhere in the Willamette Valley. I was sent to both the October quarterly and the WSC meeting in April last year and was elected as a voting member of the WSC H & I Committee.

The Regional Literature Committee has been doing an excellent job in reviewing and inputting pieces of literature for the WSC Literature Committee. They have a review workshop planned in march on "It Works: How and Why, steps 1 & 2". We were able to send our Chair, Emma W., to the quarterly meeting in October last year and she brought back much valuable information.

Phoneline is planning a Learning Day June 22 and 23rd in Salem. Last year's Phoneline Chair, Beverly W., was able to attend a Learning Day/Workshop in Phoenix.

P.I. will be working with Phonenumber on the Learning Day. We also sent Mike L., who is a voting member of WSC P.I. to both the October quarterly and the WSC meeting in April last year.

Activities in our Region have been plentiful, but funds have been scarce. We hosted our annual Convention last year only a few months prior to the World Convention which was held in Portland. Our Convention just about broke even, which held our Regional budget to bare bones. We decided to forego having a convention this year and will really put some effort into planning a successful convention in 1992. Last year saw many addicts with limited finances and energy due to so many happenings.

We have a motion under consideration to extend the term of our RSR and RSR alternate. We currently have one year terms for each.

We have an Ad Hoc Committee researching setting up some Conference and Convention guidelines for our Region.

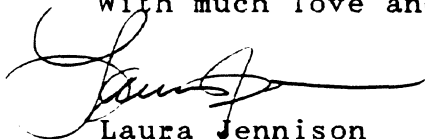
We are still looking into the possibility of a 1-800 number but it may be too costly due to having several area codes.

Our Parliamentarian is working on putting together Regional "job descriptions" along with a packet of by-laws and other pertinent information to be passed out to newly elected officers and subcommittee chairs. We hope this will offer some guidance and continuity to our committees.

In response to a letter directed to one of our Areas regarding our fundraising activities, we requested input from the Board of Trustees regarding the appropriateness of certain fundraising functions. The response we received was recently distributed to all ASR's to be discussed within their Areas and at their groups. We appreciate the input from the Trustees and hope it will serve as a springboard for much needed discussion.

We'd like to thank all of you who were able to share your recovery with us in Portland last year, and welcome you to "keep coming back" ...we need you and your support.

With much love and gratitude,



Laura Jennison
Regional Service Representative



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TO: WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE 1991

FROM: QUEBEC REGION

Bonjour from de Québec Region,

A part of this report won't be easy to write so I will start with it and carry on to the better part. Our region when thought some hard time at the end of 1990 when we learn from someone who had gone to California for a service commitment and learn from W.S.O. that our region was splitting in two. A thing which not to many people new about in the region. It finally came to light when we receive a letter by mail in our P.O. box to announce that a new region was being formed. We didn't know what was going on for a while, at our November regional meeting 3 areas didn't show up and said they were now part of the new region. In the next two following months we inquire about it and visited them, indeed there was a new region being formed or already formed.

At our January regional meeting we carried a motion NOT TO SUPPORT THE SEATING OF THAT NEW REGION AT THE WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE 91.

Not that we don't believe in N.A. growth but that a region should be formed after long study by an AD-HOC committee as experience in other region which was not the case at all here. We also carried another motion: TO PASS ON ALL THE GUIDELINES FOR OUR REGION AND SUBCOMMITTEE IN ORDER TO HELP THEM IN THEIR OWN GROWTH AND TO STRENGTHENED UNITY. OUR heart is with them and we wish them the best. We try our best to put principles before personalities in that affair and with the help of GOD all will be well.

Our present region is form of 9 areas now with about 170 meetings and we are growing quite rapidly, areas are functioning with subcommittee working very hard to help carry the message of N.A. WE have sold over 4,000 FRENCH BASIC TEXT so far and the language of recovery in the meetings is of N.A. NOW. Many thanks to the peoples involved in the birth of that book Our last regional convention was a succes (1200 registrations) even if a number of peoples attended without paying registration fees. So this year a registration button must be on if attending the convention. Something really hard to do is the AGENDA DAY because we have to do some translation in order to be able to study the agenda to bring a group conscience to the W.S.C. and we are doing the best we can. Our region is greatfull to the conference for the international forum day and are looking forward to bring issues of concern from our discussion panel. Financially our region is doing good we meet every two months and try to meet at different area location so that members thoughtout the region can see what goes on in the regional meeting. Our donation to the W.S.C. is about \$ 9,000 and we are very proud of it. following is a brief look at our regioal subcommittee and their operation:



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LITTERATURE DISTRIBUTION:

The committee is doing very well and as a lot of work to do, it is producing a lot of items not available from the world to suit the need of our region. The committee has handled a distribution of about \$60,000 worth in the past 12 months. We had to move location for the storage facilities to better suit the need of the inventory and in a big surprise it was for \$95 less per month. The organisation of that committee demands a lot of time and energy and is on the way of being very well structure with the help of good dedicated members all will be well.

LITTERATURE REVISION TRANSLATION:

The newly elected chair person has a lot to do since that committee was not functional for a good 6 months of the past year, she is very dedicated to the work she has to do and as already has a plan proposal for the next year. To be approved & printed is the translation of IP#7 & IP#2. To be revised, approved & printed is IP#10 & IP#23. To be translated, revised, approved & printed is booklets THE GROUP & BEHIND THE WALLS.

The 4 steps process for seeing an English IP to a French accepted translation IP is a very long process and demands a lot of dedication from members on that committee and with GOD help things will be done in the right time frame.

PUBLIC INFORMATION:

Is more of a resources committee than a directive committee because the areas subcommittee are doing a wonderful work and are meeting once a month with the regional chair to exchange experience, strength and growth with each other, so that the work is not duplicated and that the message carried through PI is the same throughout the region.

H & I:

Even if there has not been regional representation in the last year a tremendous effort is being done by individual members who have their hearts in H & I to coordinate support to areas by meeting once every two months and a report is then made at the regional level.

HELP LINE:

No one has filled that position in the past year but the work is being done by those involved at the area level where a help-line exists and from the looks of it, a lot of newcomers are coming to a meeting that was directed from a help-line volunteer.

N.A. NEWSLETTERS:

A newly formed committee in last November with now 7 members teamed up to put out the first edition for April it will be made up of personal stories, information, joke, illustration and a lot more. We are looking forward to that even.



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CONVENTION:

The committee is now working on our 4th regional convention and is doing well, it will be held 35 miles outside the city of MONTREAL to a very nice hotel on october 11,12,13 1991. And flyer will be sent to other region as we do every year. Thanks for those who have supported our conventions in the past and we still need you to keep coming back.

A REMINDER THAT OUR CONVENTION IS BILANGUAL WITH SIMULTANIUS TRANSLATION.

Our region is proud of being a part of the Canadian Assembly of N.A. It has brought a lot of UNITY in our country and communication with other region is stronger than before. The QUEBEC REGION IS PROUD TO BE HOSTING THE FIRST CANADIAN CONVENTION OF C.A.N.A. WICH IS FULLY BILANGUAL WITH SIMULTANIUS TRANSLATION BOTH IN ENGLISH AND FRENCH IT IS REALLY SOMETHING TO EXPERIENCE. It will be held JUNE 28,29,30 1991 and the convention committee WELCOMES addict from every where since the world convention is on another continent it is a great opportunity to see the north part of our. For more information you can contact the committee trough CLAUDE GUAY AT (514) 493-1243 in Montreal. So don't miss it.

So in the Quebec region a lot has been done and a lot is still as to be done. Thanks to other region for their support and see you all at the W.S.C 91.

LOVE IN SERVICES

Mario Leroux

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1991 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE WSC

Greetings from the dynamic, innovative and relentless San Diego/Imperial Region. We represent the southern most two counties of the State of California as well as Baja California, Mexico, and serve a population of 2.5 million (on the U.S. side of the border).

We have enjoyed another year of growth and maturity. We currently have 277 groups in our Region, divided into seven Areas. The largest of these, the Central Area, serving most of the City of San Diego, has 90 Groups. Geographically the smallest, the Beach Area serves the beach communities of San Diego and has 24 Groups (including our oldest Group in continuous existence, Beryl Street). The United East County serves the metropolitan communities East of San Diego (including La Mesa, El Cajon, Lemon Grove and Santee) as well as a large rural area stretching to the Imperial County line and has 41 Groups. The South Bay Area serves the communities between San Diego and the Mexican border (including the cities of Chula Vista, National City and Coronado) and has 39 Groups. The geographically largest is the Back Country Area consisting of the mostly rural northeastern section of San Diego County as well as the entirety of Imperial County (pop. 109,000) and consists of 19 Groups. The North County Area serves the inland valley encompassing the cities of Poway, Ramona, Escondido and Fallbrook. During this last year, the North Country Area birthed our new North Coast Area. The North Coast Area serves the beach front cities from Del Mar to Oceanside including Camp Pendleton and Vista.

While California may be in a drought, this has been a watershed year for our RSO. The I.R.S. granted our RSO tax exempt status and refunded over \$6,000 in paid taxes with interest. This was truly a relief and also allowed us to finally go forward with previously voted-on merchandising efforts. Our RSO was able to lease a room next door to the office and in December opened The Store. In addition to individual, Group and Area literature sales; The Store also has shirts and other N.A. merchandise. So far, The Store has been self supporting.

Our P.I. committees continued to place Basic Texts into public libraries in our Region. Speaking engagements continue to reach new audiences. A major P.I. effort each year is the San

Diego County Fair which runs 20 days. Due to our previous success in staffing a booth day and evening - this year we were given a booth for all of the days of this year's fair. In Oceanside we hope to air a radio announcement. In El Centro, a TV spot will soon be broadcast. The radio and TV stations have agreed - now we are working out arrangements with Area P.I. committees in adjoining regions. In conjunction with the WSO and WSCPI, our Regional P.I. participated in the national Correctional Officers Convention last August. This year our Region looks forward to hosting the Western State P.I. Learning Days. The theme this year is "Phones & P.I.- The Vital Link."

The phone committee has been busier this year. We've had our 800 number for a little over a year now. In an average month we receive 2,373 phone calls. In reaching out beyond the local San Diego City calling zone we have made N.A. more accessible to anyone in our 619 area code. Most calls are for meeting information and having the 800 number has helped our diverse outlying areas. Our Region benefits from having only one area code. Our helpline is answered by volunteer addicts in recovery at the RSO. In San Diego the number is 584-1007. Elsewhere in the (619) area code - call 1-800-479-0062.

Our H&I committees are taking meetings into over 40 facilities. All seven Areas have active H&I committees. Our decentralization of H&I literature distribution is almost complete. Our Regional H&I coordinator publishes a quarterly newsletter which is both informative and engaging.

Our Activities committees continue to provide us with limitless entertainment from whale watching trips to the more mundane picnics and dances. The theatrical subcommittee presented their first play "The Committee" at our Regional Convention and on other occasions. Word is they're working in a new script.

Our Regional Convention did well for being four years at the same hotel. We had 1,700 registrations with about 2,000 attendees. This year we're in a brand new big hotel. We're going all out this year to attract our many friends from nearby Regions. Next year our convention will be in the big new San Diego Convention Center. Make your plans to visit San Diego this year on June 7, 8 and 9.

Outreach is a topic of growing interest in our Region. Five Areas have established Outreach committees. Functions range from outreach in the "pure" sense - across the desert to more Group services functions. Much of our current Group registration effort is being coordinated by our Area Outreach committees. The realm of Outreach is a topic of growing interest in the San Diego/Imperial Region.

Spanish literature is another often mentioned topic. In our Region there are a dozen Spanish speaking N.A. meetings north of the international border. At present there are 4 Groups in Baja California, Mexico - with over 18 meetings per week. There is one

group each in Ensenada, Rosarito Beach, Tijuana, and Mexicali. The Group in Tijuana is actually performing many if the functions of an ASC. Their liaison with the Public Health Department and Court system has resulted in steady referrals. Yes, meetings in Baja California now see court cards just as in the United States. The men of this Group carry an H&I panel into the local prison. The women of the Group have contacted the local women's detention facility and are making plans to carry a women's H&I panel there. Members of this Group's steering committee prioritize their needs as Spanish translations of (1) Basic Text, (2) the Group, Area and Region sections of the TWGSS, (3) Group Booklet, (4) portions of the H&I Handbook, and (5) posters of our N.A. 12 Steps and 12 Traditions. N.A. in Baja California is a strong fellowship; very unified with much caring for each other, and proudly N.A.

The birth of our North Coast Area was a process planned and voted on by all the groups of the parent North County Area. The Groups voted in a plan that allowed ASC Trusted Servants to choose in which ASC they would fulfill their term. The plan also specified division of funds yet left to each subcommittee how to divide commitments and assets. All subcommittees were encouraged to work together for 90 days. The plan was put together by an ad hoc committee that worked for 6 months compiling information on the parent Area. The plan included time for members to hold workshops and provided a contingency in case the baby Area floundered. The process has worked successfully and the new North Coast Area appears to be stabilizing quickly.

Overall, this has been a year of innovation and growth for San Diego/Imperial Region. Our RSC meets each month, though this year we voted to require the subcommittees to only attend every other month. The alternate month, with only ASR's, includes extensive open forum and general sharing on needs and issues. So far this new pattern is working well. At the time of this writing, our RSR position is vacant, pending upcoming elections. We are fortunate to have much experience to draw upon. Throughout our Region this has been a year for old-timers to return to service at Area and Regional levels. Our transitions are much smoother than was always the case.

We look forward to this upcoming WSC and a new conference year with the guidance of our loving Higher Power as expressed in our 2nd Tradition.

Yours in Recovery,


Scott Allen
RSR Alt. S.D./I. Region

TO: Ed Duquette, WSC Chairperson
FROM: Show Me Region
DATE: January 13, 1991
SUBJ: Annual Report to WSC

Greetings from the Show Me Region. May this report find all who read it enjoying the freedom of recovery. This year has again been one of growth for our region, not only in number and in size, but also in our willingness to confront serious issues that face both our region and fellowship as a whole. As with our personal recovery, progress has at times been frustrating and slow, but with the help of our Higher Power, our direction remains constant.

The Show Me Region is comprised of twelve areas, with 300 registered meetings and an estimated 1600 to 1800 members. SEMO, our newest area, which covers the southeastern portion or "boot heel" of Missouri, will be celebrating its first anniversary February 2. We are grateful for this new area, as it has provided much needed recovery to many suffering addicts, and has again brought to light the fruits of our fifth tradition.

Our areas are continuing to try new means of reaching the still suffering addict. Our Metro East Area in Illinois is sponsoring a meeting at a methadone clinic on a trial basis, as this has not been done before. We hope to learn and grow from this, and share our experience with others. An area in the southwestern portion of our state is trying an "800" number for their phone line. This is another first for our region, and they will be reporting on its benefits and drawbacks at our next business meeting. United Kansas City has a well functioning Area Service Office which receives ample support from its groups. All of our areas have been hard at work attempting to increase support within each area.

Lack of consistency in some of our local service structures continues to be an issue. As a region, we are focusing much of our efforts in being more accessible and available to these areas. In addition, we are allotting more time during our business meetings to discuss local service issues, in the hopes of drawing from each other's experience and strength.

Financial accountability and responsibility is yet another issue we are addressing. Our region and certain areas have been stolen from in the past, and after careful analysis, we addressed shortcomings in our region's requiring accountability from those who handle our monies. Our regional convention now operates under very stringent procedural guidelines in regards to money. Financial guidelines which are more comprehensive have been developed for our region, with partial implementation having taken place. We have a more in depth system of checks and balances, and realistic means of projecting needed funds for a twelve month period.

SMRCNA V was highly successful in all aspects. It was a true celebration of recovery, drawing addicts both from within our region and surrounding regions, with the messages of hope and freedom resounding throughout the weekend. Our second annual Campvention was equally successful, leading us back to the basics of one addict sharing with another in an atmosphere of love and fun. Two other area sponsored picnics, "High on Life" and "New Life", continue to be very successful, ensuring that future area sponsored celebrations will happen. SMRCNA VI will be in Kansas City, MO, the second weekend in June, 1991. Campvention will be in central Missouri in September, 1991. "High on Life" and "New Life" dates have yet to be announced.

Our subcommittees continue to be active, although support fluctuates. An ad hoc subcommittee has been formed to review N.A.'s "Guide to Service." We will continue to educate ourselves on the material, along with reviewing it and submitting input.

Although support for the regional subcommittee is increasing, many areas do not have enough members who are able or willing to chair meetings. Regional H&I is distributing "Reaching Out" and "Behind the Walls" to those inmates who are in facilities without H&I meetings. Distribution will increase as requests increase. H&I has also discussed hosting area learning days.

Public Information hosted a learning day in May, which although was not as well attended as originally hoped, did prove to be quite valuable to those who attended. Many local P.I. projects continue within the region, including mass mailings to various counseling and treatment centers, phone line development, and local health fairs. A regional project currently under way is the researching of using billboards. Input sought from other regions is presently being reviewed.

Our Literature subcommittee is working on assignments from WSCLC and on two pamphlets that were created locally to submit to WSCLC.

Our RSO is doing well and has recently become self supporting. Office management has been restructured within the last four months, and this has proven to greatly enhanced general efficiency in operations. Changes allowing for more than one board member per area will hopefully increase the number of members in our Board of Directors.

While there are many areas in which we as a region hope to grow, we are grateful for the progress we have made, and confident that our resolve is strong to continue in serving the still suffering addict.

Gratefully submitted,

Mary Chant, RSR



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Report to the World Service Conference, 1991

The number of meetings in our region has not increased considerably but we have matured as a whole. Our four areas are composed of 51 recovery meetings. We are still seeking ways to carry the message to groups in rural and isolated areas of Northern Nevada and parts of California. We believe that some of these problems can be addressed with the Guide to Service.

As the Areas have grown in their manpower and experience, they have continued to provide Helpline services, Literature Distribution and the traditional celebrations of recovery: the High Sierra Blast (North Tahoe Basin Area); the Mountain High Camp out (South Shore Area); and our annual St. Valentines Day Dance (Carson/Minden Area). Besides these services the Areas have increasingly committed to providing the "hands on work" that only the Region has previously offered: H&I; PI; and Out Reach. The focus of the Regional committee has become more concentrated toward coordination and communication. Our goal for the next year is to become an education and training resource for all the areas.

Our regional convention "ONE PROMISE MANY GIFTS" is in the planning for July 19,20, and 21 1991 at the Peppermill hotel and casino. The Sierra Sage Regional Campout was not a big financial success but we did have a great time. The next campout will be in the summer of 1992, hope you can make it.

The Regional Service Committee has been mainly responsible for all Out Reach efforts, continues to be responsible for the H&I services delivered to our state prison system and has provided direction for the PI committee which has been turned over to one of our areas. The Literature Review Committee has disbanded due to the lack of assignments and the frustrations experienced while trying to produce work in our current literature structure.

On March 9, 1991 a delegation is going to Las Vegas in hopes to discuss specific proposals that may align Nevada's service structure with that of the proposed Guide to Service.

Currently the region is working on getting the areas under the corporate umbrella of our Regional Service office. Our first goal is to have all area helplines' financial transactions channeled through the RSO.

Our region has experienced a tremendous loss of manpower and experience but through the grace of GOD we maintain a stable cohesion. Through our growing pains we continue to support World Services financially and with manpower. As always, we would like to express our appreciation and gratitude to the WSC trusted servants and to everyone at the WSO for all of their work and support.

In Loving Service

RSR
Gina O'Toole

RSR Alternate
Jimi Quinn

SOUTH FLORIDA/BAHAMAS REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

The South Florida/Bahamas Region is doing extremely well! Currently, we have 465 meetings per week and have all regional positions filled with dedicated and experienced trusted servants.

Over the past year, two new areas have formed and the Bahamas have decided to form their own region -- more will be revealed! We are financially stable and look forward to opening a regional service office in the future. Since our formation, we have enjoyed relief from some of the unique geographical problems we had while part of a region the size of the state of Florida. We have centralized our RSC to a standard place and reduced it to a one day event. We have greatly reduced regional and area expenses by eliminating the need for extended travel and lodging. Most importantly, we are better able to address local issues and feel as though we know our neighbor areas.

At the same time, we have, met with the administrative committee from the Florida Region from which we sprang to foster unity and communication between our regions. Our RSC chairs stay in contact after our RSC's to provide accurate dissemination of information.

ASR REPORTS

Conch Republic (Florida Keys) -- Having a problem with apathy in service at this time.

North Dade -- Believe there is a need for a cheaper basic text.

Central Dade -- There are many opinions on service basically divided among those who favor world service methods and those who favor more of a "grass roots" approach to service focused on the N.A. member.

South Dade -- Have been hurt by the "Baby Blue" texts issue -- a lot of disunity on both sides of the issue has affected involvement in area services.

South Broward -- There is a major problem of getting group support. Appears as if the "new generation" of N.A. members isn't getting involved in service or doesn't know how or has a negative attitude about service. Older members are getting burnt out but are continuing as no one is willing. Trying to develop unity by holding trusted servants workshops geared towards getting people involved.

Midcoast -- Good sense of unity and a sense of service. Recent trusted servants workshop had great attendance and enthusiasm for service work.

Subcommittee Reports

Activities

This is a newly formed committee whose purpose is to "provide a bridge between the activities committees of local areas in order to allow for continuity of functions and also in assisting in the primary purpose of any activities committee -- "to promote unity in the fellowship." We have lots of support and enthusiastic encouragement.

Helpline

We are handling approximately 3000 calls a month among all the areas. Most run on an answering service beeper system. Two areas are trying voice mail box systems and are having some problems, but are cutting down on their bills. We are currently researching a regional 800 number helpline to cut down on costs.

Hospitals & Institutions

Being a part of the beginning of a new regional H&I subcommittee has been a wonderful and overwhelming experience. It has been gratifying to be a part of a growing enthusiasm for H&I work. We had a slow start but the formation of two new areas and H&I subcommittees has accelerated our growth. We are a well functioning committee with good participation. Our eight areas serve around 80 facilities with 140 meetings per week. We raise awareness for H&I efforts through gratitude dinners and learning days. Our committee benefits from a lot of experience, strength, and hope from members with area, regional and world H&I involvement.

Literature Review

We are currently working on a step working guide and have completed Step One so far. We will also be working on the steps and traditions. Due to the change in policies by the world service ad hoc committee on the Spanish translation of our Basic Text, our regional translation committee has disbanded.

Newsletter

We have a core of five people (one with desk top publishing!) working on our newsletter. Our name, "Together We can," speaks out to the unity of N.A. The newsletter is basically informational and useful to areas that don't have newsletters, as well as to H&I subcommittees and meetings which are highly encouraged to distribute those in their meeting. The newsletter is free of charge. Its goals will be to give a better understanding of what happens at the regional service level, will highlight world happenings and will include area reports. This will be a quarterly publication that will include: 2-3 articles on current news on services; regional committee updates involving their needs; how areas can help and what they do to help the areas. There will be a calendar of events for area, regional and worldwide activities, a cartoon/humor/poetry section, a step and tradition article and possibly a Spanish article. The first issue will be released in March at the Florida Spring Service break at N.A. and there will be 5000 copies with four sides in an 8 1/2" x 14" format. There will be an address and fax number by which to submit input. This is a very exciting and unifying effort!

Public Information

We have concentrated on planning the Florida Spring Service Break for N.A., FSSBNA ("Fizz-Bin-NA!") being held March 15-17 in Miami Beach. This conference will have workshops on the "World Conference Agenda, Beginners in Service, Twelve Traditions, Literature, Public Information, Hospitals & Institutions, The Group, Newsletter, Helpline, How to Run A Business Meeting, East Coast Conference, etc."

The most important focus is the number of workshops geared toward beginners in service -- "Unless we provide addicts with information and experience concerning (group services), little of what we do concerning the so called "big issues" will have any meaning." Much of our focus will be on helping addicts serve groups by chairing meetings and business meetings, discussing group trusted servants, etc.

There will also be formats for members from a variety of regions and world services to exchange ideas and viewpoints on the direction of our service structure.

This year we have concentrated on supporting local Public Information events at the area level, assisting in various area learning days and trusted servants workshops. We have also attended conferences of the Florida Alcohol and Drug Association, the National Orthopsychiatric Association, and the National Youth Crime Prevention Organization, among others. It has been a busy, productive and rewarding year!!

Submitted in Loving Service!

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**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL
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This reports comes to you with love and recovery from the Southern California Region.

AREAS AND MEETINGS: At this time we have 563 meetings listed in our regional directory, in contrast to the 445 meetings listed last year. In an effort to serve the non-english speaking addict we have five (5) Spanish speaking meetings. We also have one (1) Persian speaking N.A. meeting.

We have three new areas bringing our total number of areas up to nineteen (19). Of our 19 areas, 17 of them are active at the regional level. A number of areas have begun offering meetings at non-traditional times (noon and late night). Most of the areas have begun publishing local directories. Many of the areas have been hosting unity days and service workshops. Two (2) areas have Outreach committees that send members to attend meetings requesting support. Challenges our areas and meetings face include difficulty maintaining a quorum in some areas; trying to maintain good taste at talent shows without one group imposing their values on another group; and trusted servants that attend other fellowships endorsing outside enterprises in their H&I, P.I., and Phonelines N.A. service commitments.

REGIONAL SERVICE OFFICE: Accomplishments in the last year include providing \$145,344.25 of literature (in contrast to \$144,810 last year) to our fellowship; our original special worker (Sharon) went on to greener pastures and our new special worker (Jackie) is helping us improve our computer system facilitating inventory control and accounting. We are in the process of expanding our non-profit status in a manner that would permit us to provide areas with insurance. One of our areas operates its own office.

HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS COMMITTEE: Several years ago a decision was made in our region to create area H&I committees. The intent was to shift much of the responsibility for local H&I panel support to the areas; thus permitting the region to focus on serving the county, state and federal penal systems. This transition has been completed with all of our 19 areas having area supported H&I committees, serving an estimated 461 panels region wide (there were 363 monthly H&I meetings last year). Regional H&I currently serves in 12 Institutions (compared to 6 last year). Two of the regional institutional panels serve incarcerated HIV positive addicts. H&I also put on a successful regional workshop this year.

LITERATURE: The newsletter that we began publishing last year was a big success, but due to inconsistent funding, those involved in publishing the newsletter returned to area service where they are publishing a multi-area newsletter. We coordinated area literature committees reviewing and imputing "Restoring Relationships in Recovery", "Unity" and one new literature committee was given five (5) approved IP's to review. Our revised guidelines have been approved and we will now conduct quarterly regional literature review workshops. One of the primary services of Regional Literature was serving as a forum for area literature committees to address their common concerns, primarily relating to the sale and inventorying of N.A. literature. 16 of our 19 areas have literature committees; the remaining areas do not utilize a committee system for the distribution of literature. 6 areas produce newsletters and 13 areas are involved in literature review.

PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE: Our P.I. committee continues to provide quarterly workshops. We rotate the area which hosts the workshop which has facilitated increased support and enthusiasm. Regional P.I. also coordinates public service announcements, health fairs, radio talk shows, and P.I. panels. We are continuing our efforts at the exploration and development of a regional hotline. We purchased a P.I. Booth from the WSO and created a regional phoneline that gives Spanish speaking meeting information in Spanish. 13 of our areas have P.I. subcommittees and an additional 3 do some P.I. work. 14 of our areas have phonelines; those with no phonelines are working on getting information lines; those with information lines are upgrading to help lines or hotlines.

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CONVENTION COMMITTEE: Our regional convention was a tremendous success with 2,775 registered and an estimated 4,000-4,500 in attendance. The committee is exploring expanding its prudent reserve to open up more competitive bidding (by allowing us to pay in advance rather than relying only upon merchants who are willing to be paid after the convention). Next years convention will be in Palm Springs; we are exploring the feasibility of a four (4) day convention with a golf tournament.

A group of Gay and Lesbian addicts in N.A. approached the region requesting that we support them in sponsoring a convention. Much controversy emerged regarding this, however after lengthy and numerous discussions our group conscience was to support this convention and the host committee in their efforts. The program is intended to be of special benefit to the Gay and Lesbian recovering addict, however all addicts are welcome to participate in a program of meetings, workshops, and/or other events in keeping with the steps, traditions and principles of N.A. It is hope that the "Spring Convention" will provide an opportunity to replace fear with acceptance, which can only strengthen unity within our Fellowship. We are seeking feedback from those with experience strength and hope in this area.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE: This year we had six (compared to four last year) regional activities: New Years Eve Meeting and Dance (over 1000 attending); A Meeting and Dance celebrating the World Service Conference (with speakers from all over the world); N.A. Birthday Meeting and Dance; an H&I Learning Day and Dance; a Guide to Service Workshop and Dance; and our annual campout was co-hosted again by the San Diego/Imperial Region. 16 of our areas have Activities or Entertainment Committees.

REGIONAL SUPPORT OF WORLD WIDE ACTIVITIES: Our region participated in the initial efforts made this year to translate our BASIC TEXT into Spanish. Despite the recent changes made with how the actual translation work will occur, a number of members from our region will remain involved with the project. Our region proudly hosted a weekend workshop on the Guide to Service in N.A. and as mentioned above our activities committee sponsored a meeting and dance that weekend. This year our region had five members participating in the Traditions Ad Hoc Committee. We also have local members involved in service on the following world committees: H&I, Literature, Policy and Tape Review.

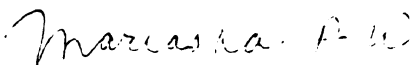
TREASURER'S REPORT: This report covers the period from January 1990 through January 1991. Noteworthy is that 70% (the same as last year) of our region's income stems from area donations and 43% of our income (compared to 60% last year) was passed on up to the WSC. Specifically in 1990, we donated \$28,602.03 (compared to \$22,146.87 last year). Last year in an effort to increase the fund flow to the WSC, this region established a working prudent reserve of \$6,000; such was calculated based upon the anticipated demands of the working subcommittees in this RSC; all monies above the prudent reserve were donated to the WSC on a monthly basis. The increased fund flow resulted in under funding of regional services such as our regional newsletter and the provision of literature requested by our H&I Committee. To prevent this from recurring we have raised our prudent reserve to \$10,000 and have returned to quarterly WSC donations.

Beginning Balance:	\$ 2,626.20	Total Income:	\$65,480.69
Ending Balance:	\$10,166.55	Total Expenses:	\$57,940.34

Thank-You for allowing me to be of service to my region and to the conference as an RSR and member of the WSC Policy Committee. This is my last term as RSR, I will miss you all. Please remember me and my husband Craig in your prayers during the month of May because (God willing) we will be giving birth to our baby girl.

In Loving Service,

Mariasha P-W., Addict & RSR



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REPORT TO THE WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE 1991

Southern Nevada has already adapted several concepts from "The Guide to Service." We have been communicating with the C.A.N. (California, Arizona, Nevada) Area in the South as well as the Sierra Sage Region in the North. Talk of a state wide region as suggested in the Guide continues. In fact, Southern Nevada has committed to meet regularly with the C.A.N. Area in the form of a joint committee.

At the area level, for the last year we have incorporated the sample rules of order from the Guide. As well as the sharing session which we call our group forum. Many groups in our area donate funds directly to the World Service Conference on a percentage basis.

On a sadder note, our newly formed Outreach Committee was disbanded due to a lack of support. Our Regional Literature Committee has become a Literature Distribution Committee and will review literature on an ad hoc basis if needed. Our RSR and RSR Alt. had the privilege of attending our first WSC Quarterly Workshop since our region was formed due to the close proximity (Van Nuys) which made it economically feasible for us.

In loving service,

Mitch Giagni, RSR
Joe Chiles, RSR-Alt.

P.S. For those who like to celebrate recovery, our convention SNCNA V will be August 23, 24, and 25 this year instead of February. But will move back to February for the next three years, all at the Hacienda Hotel on the beautiful Las Vegas Strip.

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REPORT TO THE WSC, FEBRUARY 28, 1991:

Growth:

There are now 297 groups holding 357 meetings per week in the Tri-State Region, an increase of 25% since last year. H&I meetings have increased 12% to 56. We now have 13 areas, up 2 from last year. Trying to get all our groups, trusted servants, and service committees registered and updated is a never-ending project; motion #15 in the Conference Agenda Report may provide some motivation.

Finances:

We are developing a unified budget for our RSC, RSO, and convention. All regional financial activity is reported to the IRS on a single tax form.

Some of our areas have begun to question their tax status, and look forward to more guidance from world services than is in last year's report "N.A. Banking and Taxes".

A few more of our groups and areas have begun to donate directly to world services. The region also receives donations from a few groups, as well as the usual area donations. These direct contributions have not caused problems for our areas or region.

One of our areas, after many arguments around their activities finances, adopted a policy of holding only four activities per year, with any excess receipts over expenditures being donated either to the region or WSC. Another area adopted a policy of donating \$1 per group per week to the WSC.

The Tri-State is on schedule to meet our commitment to support the approved WSC budget. Our total donation to the WSC (groups, areas, region) will be over \$6800, a 94% increase over last year. Another way of looking at this figure is on a per-group basis: \$22.90 per group this year, an increase of 55% over last year's \$14.77. We continue to stress Tradition Seven, looking for more improvement in this area.

The largest single source of funds in the Tri-State is our annual convention. Markup on sales by our regional office is the next largest, followed by contributions.

Our largest expense is travel (if we don't consider literature purchases and convention expenses).

Services:

In December P.I. and H&I representatives from the Tri-State, Mid-Atlantic, and Philadelphia regions, along with the WSC H&I Vice-Chairperson, met with the Pennsylvania Bureau of Corrections Drug and Alcohol Treatment section to discuss coordination of our efforts. At the very least, this provided an excellent P.I. opportunity, and a forum to share H&I experience. Whether this meeting will bear fruit beyond that remains to be seen.

The Additional Needs Subcommittee has continued its efforts with addicts with additional needs, and the human service agencies that deal with them. In February the committee put on a workshop dealing with AIDS in recovery. Despite the controversial nature of this topic, and concerns expressed about its appropriateness and potential for tradition problems, the workshop went very well, with better attendance than many service workshops.

One area P.I. committee is cooperating with the courts, putting on an introductory N.A. meeting -- kind of like an H&I meeting -- once a week in the courthouse.

Other services in the Tri-State continue as usual.

Unity:

The unauthorized alteration, production and distribution of our Basic Text has been a distraction through most of the year. While only one individual in our region distributed any of these things, discussions of the issue continue to take up a lot of time.

We were able to facilitate many of our regional committee members' attendance at Arlington, the Guide to Service workshop in Columbus, and the Board of Trustees meeting/CAR workshop in Harrisburg. Some were disappointed at the amount of time we spent on issues seemingly unrelated to carrying the message, some were excited by the opportunity to participate, but all benefited just through the interaction with addicts from other places.

Whatever questions our members have about our service structure, the relationship seems to be one of trust and support -- as long as accountability is maintained.

In loving service,

Shannon Lynagh, RSR
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**UPPER MIDWEST REGIONAL SERVICE CONFERENCE
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ANNUAL REPORT TO THE WSC

Hello to fellow members of Narcotics Anonymous:

Our region currently consists of 12 areas scattered across 3 states and 2 countries (Minnesota, North & South Dakota, and Winnipeg). Since our last report, the 12th area has spawned out of Southern MN and we welcomed *The Open Door of the Southeast Area* to our region, which consists mainly of Rochester groups located in the southeast corner of Minnesota. There are rumors of other areas emerging out of other existing areas. Where there was once only geographical boundaries there are now recovering addicts holding meetings, forming groups, and demonstrating willingness to organize and develop functional service bodies. This has provided for the improvement of localized service efforts in carrying the NA message and working with the rest of the region in the spirit of unity.

We remain geographically intact as a region but are undergoing planning stages of regional reformation. We are in agreement with the idea but are struggling with the process of bringing this plan about in the spirit of unity. It is uncertain as to how or when this division(s) will occur but people are getting anxious which is indicated by the impatience being voiced by individual areas and addicts within.

We as a region have decided to experiment with the Guide to Service and its implementation. We have scheduled our first regional assembly for next March providing the opportunity for groups to have direct input on the contents and issues contained in the Conference Agenda Report. Also, at our next RSC, our Policy Committee and Public Information Committee will be meeting together to examine and discuss what role PI would have in the future. At our last RSC we decided to accept the Twelve Concepts for NA participated in the workshop at Kansas City and are becoming more familiar with the contents of the Guide.

We continue to encourage the areas and groups to maintain current information regarding group updates and new group registration as well as updating trusted servant rosters and subcommittee information. We utilized the printouts from the WSO Data Services to aid in this process. Each area was given the opportunity to review and update the information which was then forwarded to the world.

The Service Office continues to experience growing pains as it endeavors to provide members, groups, and areas a more readily available access to NA literature in a timely fashion. The inventory on hand has expanded allowing the customer the opportunity to view the materials they are purchasing. The Board of Directors is undergoing changes and are hoping to elect 3 board members at the next RSC. The

office coordinator and its staff are uniting in effort to provide a more efficient and expanded service.

Our 8th annual RCNA will be held in Sioux Falls, South Dakota at Augustana College on June 7-9, 1991. This years theme is *Dare to Dream!* Some of the activities will be Speakers, Workshops, Dance, Pool Party, Marathon Meeting, Banquet, and much more. This is our regions largest event. For registration information write to:

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In conclusion, we as a region will continue to work/walk together towards resolving our differences of opinion on the diverse issues of the present and possible concerns of the future awaiting us. We remain dedicated to the task of contributing to the growth and unity of NA as a whole and making recovery more available through Narcotics Anonymous.

Hopefully, as a worldwide fellowship, we can address, discuss, and arrive at a spiritual conscience surrounding the controversial issues we face and feel good about our ability to work in a unified, concerted manner. As we grow in maturity, through patience, tolerance, acceptance, and surrender we can retain and conserve our most valuable resource - which is the collective experience, strength, and hope of Narcotics Anonymous.

We are looking forward to the opportunity to participate in this learning/unifying and decision making process.

In the Spirit of Unity and Gratitude for my Recovery through N.A.

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Upper Rocky Mountain Region
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Greetings from the Upper Rocky Mountain Region (URMR). Our Region continues to grow both in membership and in service commitment. At the present time this Region is comprised of seven vast geographic areas that include the state of Montana, the state of Wyoming, the Panhandle of Nebraska, and half the state of South Dakota. We do have the room to grow.

This has been a very productive and busy year as our service committees continue to grow. Our Regional Literature Committee is currently active with a number of new assignments under the guidance of a new Regional Literature Chairperson. Our Regional P.I. committee is currently compiling a Regional Group and Meeting list and has had the opportunity to attend the Western States P.I. Learning Days in Salt Lake City. H&I and P.I. workshops are now being planned and held to disseminate this information to our separate areas. Our Regional H&I Committee has experienced fantastic growth as we continue to develop written agreements and commitments from state and local facilities. Our area Addicts in Isolation Committees continue to spring up as we are discovering how valuable a tool this is when faced with the extreme travel distances between our communities and our individual areas. As a region, we are truly "Addicts in Isolation."

Our contributions to WSO this year and our intra-area communication have steadily improved even though we continue to battle with the enormous travel expenses and time problems that comes from such a vast region. It is a major accomplishment for this region to fund the R.S.R. and R.S.R. Alternate to WSC each year. Your encouragement and support have been greatly appreciated. At this point in time our region is exploring the possibilities of area or regional reorganization because of the current financial burdens placed on all our areas with regard to travel expense.

Some disappointment has been expressed by the use of an individuals complete name and address by WSO while we were being informed of the litigation concerning the recent Basic Text problems. It was not felt that a specific motion need be entertained to correct this problem, but that it should be discussed somewhere in our new format at WSC.

In Loving Service to the Fellowship,

Rick Kenyon
Regional Service Representative



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UTAH REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE
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World Service Conference
Fellowship Report, 1991

February 6, 1991

Dear Fellow Addicts,

This report comes to you with love and gratitude. The Utah Region experienced another successful year in recovery. N.A. is in its eighth continuous year in Utah, and we seem to be getting better with age. This year we hosted the Western States Public Information Learning Days, conducted workshops on a variety of topics, enjoyed our 8th Annual Campvention, and continued recovery meetings at local treatment centers and correctional institutions.

On an area and group level Utah N.A. provided a variety of recreational, social, and educational events including dances, dinners, volleyball, bowling, conventions and seminars, and a New Years Eve Celebration.

Our service meetings convene monthly at different locations and are well attended and productive. Much growth in recovery results from discussion, planning, and problem solving with mutual respect and faith as guiding principles.

We look forward to greater development in the future so that we can better carry the N.A. message of recovery to the addict who still suffers in accordance with God's will. We wish the entire fellowship the fulfillment of this blessing.

With love in service,

Mel Nosan

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VOLUNTEER REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS



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W.S.C. REPORT 2-2-91

Greetings from the Volunteer Region! Narcotics Anonymous is alive and well in Tennessee, and we are growing and recovering. N.A. meetings are available to addicts in all of the major cities and towns of our region, and our message of recovery is slowly spreading to the smaller towns of our state. Addicts from Bristol to Memphis are finding recovery from the disease of addiction thru the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of N.A.

The Volunteer Region consists of seven Area Service Committees from throughout the state. Our most recent addition is the Greater Nashville Area, which was born from a division of the Middle Tennessee Area. This process went very smoothly, and both Areas are now better able to carry our message of recovery. We have approximately 300 meetings weekly, with an additional 70 H&I Meeting/Presentations to addicts in prisons, treatment centers, and hospitals around our state. We continue to enjoy a good reputation with the correctional and treatment center community, and with the State of Tennessee Department of Corrections.

We have initiated several projects in our Region during the last year that are worth noting. A project is under way to supply literature and H&I Newsletters to various state correctional institutions that are currently without H&I meetings. We hosted a Multi-Regional H&I Awareness Day in October that was attended by 150 members from 5 states. We would like to thank the World H&I Committee for their participation and help in putting on this event. It was a great help to all those who attended. Our Volunteer Regional Convention VIII was held in Nashville this year, and was a wonderful celebration of recovery with over 1000 recovering addicts in attendance. VRC IX will be held in Gatlingburg in the beautiful Smokey Mountains this Thanksgiving Day weekend, and is already shaping up to be great time.

We in the Volunteer Region would like to take this opportunity to express our continued support for our World Service boards and committees. We appreciate the selfless service that is performed by the many members of our fellowship both in the Conference, on the Board of Trustees, and at the World Service Office.

It has been a year of growth and increased unity in the Volunteer Region, and we are grateful to be a part of the W.S.C., and to be able to witness the growth of Narcotics Anonymous. We would also like to take this opportunity to welcome the new Regions to the W.S.C. this year.

In service,

Ned Koss
R.S.R. Volunteer Region

Washington Northern Idaho Region of N.A.

To: W.S.C. "91"

From: W.N.I.R.

Greetings from the Washington Northern Idaho Region. I hope this year's conference brings us all her eagerly ready to deal with the business of this conference. We are also looking forward to the new direction the conference is taking this year and hope we can all work together for the good of N.A. as a whole.

Our region is comprised of 496 meetings within the state of Washington and the northern tip of Idaho, with a couple of meetings on the Oregon border. We have had at least 70 new meetings started this past year, mostly on weekdays, averaging 12 new meetings per day.

Our region presently consists of 17 areas, 16 of which participate in the Regional Service Structure. We are working with one area that split from a small area to encourage them to resolve their differences and/or participate in the RSC. We are trying to encourage some groups of an area that folded some time ago to join other areas or reform their area. This past year we had one area fold and the group in that area joined another struggling area to form a new, stronger area. We also had two new areas start by splitting off from existing areas.

Because of geographical distances that many of our groups have to travel to participate in an ASC, we seem to be starting new areas on a regular basis and in some case these areas struggle for a short time, then fold and rejoin an existing area. Because of the large geographical boundaries of some areas and the fact that they are only supported by a small number of groups, holding ASC's and providing services of an ASC is a constant struggle. Areas that have a large number of meetings in a small geographical area seem to do better in providing N.A. services, but still have their ups and downs, struggling to remain consistent.

We just celebrated six years as a region, since our splitting up from the old Pacific Northwest Region, with a birthday party hosted by one of our new areas. We will also hold an annual convention. This year WNIRCNA #7 will be on April 26, 27, 28, 1991 in Kenewick, WA. We will also host the Pacific Northwest Convention N.A. #14 in the fall, somewhere between Seattle and Tacoma, WA. We will also be hosting an annual U.S./Canadian border. We also hosted a WSC Guide to Service in N.A. and workshops last fall in Seattle.

Our regional H & I and PI Committees hold annual Multi-Regional Learning Days and smaller workshops/learning days on a regular basis. The Literature Committee meets regularly to discuss World Lit. projects and area issues, but has not chosen to take on any projects as a Regional Committee because of time and travel constraints. They encourage area Literature Committees to take on these assignments.

Some of the problems that we are trying to resolve are what was perceived as a lack of communication, lack of responsible leadership and a lack of participation as a whole. We feel that communication between RSC's is essential as a staffing point.

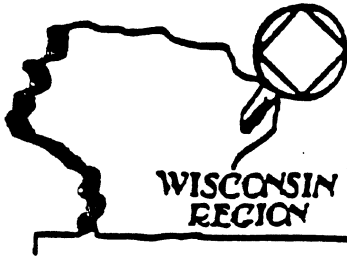
Because of the long distances that members have to travel, holding regular workshops or lengthy discussions on issues of N.A. or of the WSC has been mostly left up to each area. In the future we hope to encourage more discussion and participation of issues of concern to NA as a whole, on a regional level.

As a final note, things seem to be on an up swing, with dedicated members continuing to do their best to serve this region. We also support members from this region that are members of the WSC; H & I; PI; and Literature, Tape and NA Ways Committees. Looking forward to seeing some familiar and new faces in April.

In Loving Service,

John Everett
RSR-WNIR

Bob Crouch
RSR-ALT WNIR



WISCONSIN REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

6754 West Beloit Rd., West Alice, WI 53219

TO: THE FELLOWSHIP
FROM: JOHN HALVERSON RSR
DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 1991
RE: WISCONSIN REGION REPORT

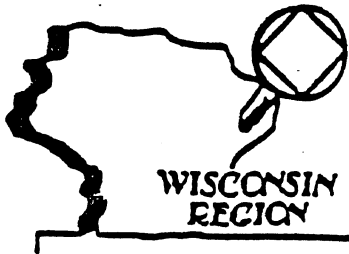
HELLO FAMILY,

HOPE THIS REPORT FINDS YOU WELL, AND IN GOOD SPIRITS.

THE GENERAL MAKE UP OF OUR REGION HAS CHANGED SIGNIFICANTLY WITH 5 NEW AREAS BEING REPRESENTED. MILWAUKEE INTRODUCED THE WAUKESHA AREA. BADGERLAND INTRODUCED 2 MORE RURAL ORIENTATED AREAS IN FEBRUARY. THE OTHER NEW ASC'S WERE SEATED IN APRIL AND JUNE. ONE WAS A COMBINATION OF PARTS FROM 3 OTHER AREAS, 2 IN WISCONSIN, AND 1 FROM NORTHERN ILL. THE OTHER WAS OUR NORTHERN GROUPS THAT HAVE BEEN AROUND FOR A WHILE DECIDING TO CREATE AN ASC TO BETTER SERVE THEMSELVES. THIS BRINGS THE WISCONSIN REGION TO 14 ASC'S REPRESENTING AROUND 370 GROUPS.

OUR REGION MEETS EVERY OTHER MONTH FOR 2 DAYS. SUB-COMMITTEES ON SAT. AND RSC ON SUNDAY. THIS HAS GIVEN US MORE PARTICIPATION FROM AREA COMMITTEE CHAIRS. MANY AREAS HAVE MADE IT POLICY FOR THEIR CHAIRS TO ATTEND RSC. THIS HAS BEEN VERY PRODUCTIVE IN OUR COMMUNICATION ENDEAVORS. THE ASR'S ALSO HAVE A MEETING OF THEIR OWN TO BETTER EDUCATE THEMSELVES ON PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE, AND ISSUES PERTAINING TO AREA PROBLEMS. THIS IS HELD ON SAT, AND IS FAIRLY INFORMAL WITH NO VOTING TAKING PLACE.

ALTHOUGH OUR REGION DIDN'T FORMALLY CREATE ANY ADHOC COMMITTEE TO DEAL WITH THE CONTROVERSIES FACING THE FELLOWSHIP, MANY ASC'S DID. SOME DEALING WITH "THE LITTLE BLUE BOOK", SOME WITH "THE GUIDE", AND A FEW OTHER ISSUES. ALL OF THIS LENDS TO BETTER EDUCATED TRUSTED SERVANTS



WISCONSIN REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

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OUR REGION ALSO BECAME "FORMS ORIENTATED". MOTION FORMS, MEETING REGISTRATION AND AREA REGISTRATION FORMS AND TRUSTED SERVANT UPDATED FORMS. THIS GAVE US CONTINUITY AND ALLOWED FOR EASIER FLOW OF INFO BETWEEN AREAS. THIS WAS LONG OVERDUE, BUT WE IMPLEMENTED A NEW ROTATION OF OFFICERS SCHEDULE (STAGGERING ELECTION), IT COULDN'T BE MORE TIMELY.

ALL OUR COMMITTEE'S HAVE CREATED BUDGETS FOR THE YEAR. (ASR'S SAID "DO IT, OR YOU WON'T RECEIVE FUNDS".)

IT LOOKS LIKE OUR TREASURER FINALLY PERSUADED US TO AUDIT OUR BOOKS. WE HAVE BEEN VERY FORTUNATE IN WIS. WITH REGARDS TO FUNDS, BUT BETTER SAFE THAN SORRY.

H & I, WE HAVE A NEW CHAIR AS OF DEC. AND IS BECOMING VERY WELL ATTENDED. THEY PLAN 4 OR 5 LEARNING DAYS.

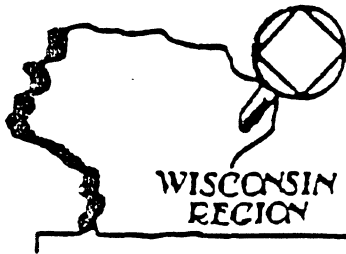
PI, IS PRODUCING OUR MEETING LIST TWICE A YEAR. TALK OF RADIO, TV SPOTS, REGION WIDE 800 NUMBER, AND NEWSLETTER HAVE TAKEN UP THEIR AGENDA.

PICTOGRAMS HAVE BEEN RESEARCHED AS A FORM OF INTERNATIONAL TRANSLATION. LIT. FEEL IT WOULD BE YEARS TILL OUR TEXT COULD REACH SOME OF THE MORE UNIQUE LANGUAGES THEY ALSO HAVE REVIEWED THE LIT. UP FOR INPUT THIS YEAR.

ADDITIONAL NEEDS, HAVE REACHED NEW HEIGHTS. PHYSICAL CHALLENGES, HEARING IMPAIRED, VISUALLY IMPAIRED, AND EVEN RESPIRATOR PROBLEMS WERE ADDRESSED. THE SERVICE OFFICE IN MILWAUKEE, PURCHASED A TDD MACHINE AND IS NETWORKING WITH A NEWSLETTER FOR HEARING IMPAIRED PEOPLE. QUESTIONAIRES ARE BEING CREATED TO SEND TO TREATMENT CENTERS, AND INSTITUTIONS TO FIND OUT IF THERE ARE BETTER WAYS TO REACH THEM.

OUTREACH ADDHOC, HELP INTER AREA COMMUNICATION AND REACH ISOLATED GROUPS. MERCHANDISE, THIS WAS CREATED TO SUPPORT OUR OFFICE.

OUR REGIONAL SERVICE OFFICE HAS GONE THROUGH RESURECTION, AFTER THE FEW DIRECTORS CARRIED THE OFFICE FOR A LONG TIME, THEY WERE READY TO CLOSE



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THE DOORS. AT AN EMERGENCY MEETING A WHOLE NEW BOD WAS FLECTED. NOW THE OFFICE HAS MOVED, AND HIRED A PART TIME EMPLOYEE.

OUR REGION IS ALSO FORTUNATE TO HAVE 2 CONVENTIONS TO HELP COORDINATE. THE MID COAST CONVENTION TOOK PLACE IN INDIANAPOLIS, IN AND WAS A HUGE SUCCESS NEXT YEAR IT WILL TAKE PLACE IN FT. WAYNE, IN. WE IMPLEMENTED A ROTATION SCHEDULE THAT WILL PLACE MCC IN WI, IN 1992.

THIS SAME ROTATION IDEA WAS PUT IN PLACE FOR OUR REGIONAL CONVENTION. WSNAC VII IN MADISON WAS OUR MOST SUCCESSFULL TO DATE. WITH 956 REGISTERED, AND OVER 1,200 AT SAT. DANCE \$18,000 EXCESS FUNDS WERE RAISED. WSNAC VIII, WILL BE IN APPLETON OCT. 11, 12, 13, 1991.

MANY ISSUES HAVE CROSSED OUR REGIONAL TABLE SOME HAVE REACHED CONCLUSIONS, OTHERS ARE STILL BEING TALKED OVER; SMOKING/NON, RSR ALT/2ND ALT, GENDERLESS GOD, COFFEE, AND MANY OTHERS.

WITH OUR COLLECTIVE HIGHER POWER, STRENGTH, AND WISDOM I LOOK FORWARD WITH ANTICIPATION TO A VERY PRODUCTIVF YEAR. THE TRUST AND OPPORTUNITY THE WISCONSIN REGION HAS GIVEN ME IN THE LAST YEAR TO SERVE, HAS CHANGED MY LIFE FOREVER. I AM EXTREMELY HONORED TO BE A PART OF OUR GROWTH IN PURSUIT OF THE IDEAL THAT NO ADDICT NEED DIE-----.

LOVE AND HUGS

JOHN HALVERSON RSR

WISCONSIN REGION

On the pages following are reports from regions that have not been seated at the World Service Conference yet. The reports are included here for your information.

December 30, 1990

To: The Fellowship
From: The Free State Region

The groups and areas of the Free State Region request to be seated as a new region at W.S.C. 91. It is our desire to participate with and support however we can the rest of NA as a whole. We have found the need for a new region in our home state to better structure and provide the necessary services to assist in carrying out our primary purpose. We hope you will accept us.

Geographically the current boundaries of the Free State Region are: Pennsylvania and Delaware to the north, Frederick Md. to the west, Washington D.C. and Central Md. to the south, and parts of the Eastern Shore of Md. and Southern Md.

Currently we are 6 areas. The following is a breakdown of ASC's listing current services and subcommittees:

Baltimore

Groups : 160
H & I Meetings : 57 in 39 Facilities
Subcommittees : 8 including - Hot Line, PI, H & I, Lit, Policy, Area Convention Committee for Baltimore Convention in Jan 92', the Baltimore Service Center and Special Events.

Bay Area

Groups : 54
H & I Meetings : 13
Subcommittees : 6 including - Help Line, PI, Lit, H & I, Convention and Special Events.

North East Freedom Area

Groups : 39
H & I Meetings : 8
Subcommittees : 6 including - Help Line, PI, H & I, Lit, Special Events and Outreach.

Northwest Area

Groups : 8 Newly formed area in Carrol County, west of Baltimore towards Frederick Md.

Susquehanna Area

Groups : 28
H & I Meetings : 8
Subcommittees : 4 including - PI, Lit, H & I and Special Events.

Westside Area

Groups : 42
H & I Meetings : 22
Subcommittees : 6 including - PI, Lit, H & I, Special Events, Hot Line and Ad-hoc for Outreach.

Currently, the Free State Region consists of 331 NA groups with 108 H & I meetings. There are 3 help lines averaging 1,500 calls per month, one service center and newsletter. Many of our services in H & I, PI, Help Line and Special Events overlap among areas and the last few years have given rise to the "Quad Area" concept to coordinate these services. This in turn has evolved into the Free State Region. We now have regional subcommittees in PI, H & I, Special Events and Ad-hoc bid committee for the World Convention.

Our groups are studying a proposal for an Annual Regional GSR Assembly and will be making decision on this in February 1991. Also the Free State Region will be putting in a bid to host the 1994 World Convention at the new Convention Center at the beautiful inner harbor of Baltimore.

We have been asked to provide a brief history of the events that led to the formation of the Free State Region.

Brief History

The history of the growth and development of Narcotics Anonymous in the C/P Region has been very rapid. Two major metropolitan cities, Baltimore and Washington with their surrounding counties, formed the basic hub of this region. The drug wars, murders and killings on the streets is horrible and virtually unstoppable by society. We keep growing because we stand as an alternative way that works. Thousands are recovering, yet thousands more are out there participating in the insanity of addiction. In ever increasing efforts to make our message available the C/P Region grew to 16 areas with approximately 700 groups. It became harder and harder to adequately serve and communicate with this many areas. This eventually brought about a breakdown that did not seem resolvable.

We believe and our experience bears out that the division of the C/P Region was necessary to better unify, strengthen and focus our service efforts. It was a natural progression that was happening though many of us could not see it as our eyes became clouded by divisive issues and disunity.

This was unfortunate for all of us, yet perhaps something bigger was happening guided by a power greater than ourselves and that it was simply time to move on, evolve and grow.

We want to thank our brothers and sisters of the C/P Region for their recommendation that we be granted a seat at this year's conference.

The formalities were simple and basic. Baltimore voted unanimously to withdraw from the C/P ASC in May 1990. Various regional transition ad-hoc committees were formed during the summer and in unity the first meeting of the Free State Region was held in Baltimore in September 1990.

There is a lot of enthusiasm and love today as we are working and serving together to extend our services and further the growth of NA in Maryland. There is a strong Narcotics Anonymous message of recovery in our rooms and we believe we are one step further in our journey to provide hope and a home to the still suffering addict.

CHAIRPERSON'S ANNUAL REPORT.

3rd February, 1991.

The previous year has seen considerable growth in the fellowship of N.A. in Bermuda in terms of members, meetings, and structure. During the previous year, more people have celebrated a year clean than ever before. At the start of the year, there were three regular N.A. meetings and one H.& I. meeting at Casemates prison. The Saturday meeting on the base, although it had started in 1988, had been neglected and was existing in a vacuum. Members of N.A. started to attend this meeting, which is currently run as an H.& I. meeting. In November, Michael R. started a fourth N.A. meeting on Thursdays at St. John's Church. In January, 1991, another H.& I. meeting was started at Casemates. There is now a meeting of one sort or another on six days out of seven. We have come a long way.

Perhaps the most important development for the long-term health and growth of N.A. has been the establishment of a properly functioning Area Service Committee. At the start of the year, the A.S.C. consisted of the three Group Service Representatives, Steve T., David D., and David G. The Committee was not registered with the World Service Office, and did not have any formal structure. During the year, the Bermuda Area was registered with the W.S.O. as an area acting as a region. More importantly, an ad hoc committee consisting of Steve T., Mike D., David D., Anne-Marie G., and David G. produced a set of Area Guidelines that was approved by the groups and accepted by the A.S.C. on the 29th October 1990.

The guidelines provided a framework not only for the operation of the A.S.C. but also for the very significant work of the Area

Subcommittees. At the start of the year, apart from the H.& I. Committee, these existed in name alone. We now have functioning subcommittees working in the areas of Entertainment, Public Information, Phonenumber, and Literature. The Chairpersons of these committees are ex officio members of the A.S.C.

The Entertainment Committee came into being with a series of Bowling nights on Wednesdays in May and June. The success of these nights led to a beach party, a Halloween party, and a New Year's party. While the last party was perhaps overambitious, the Entertainment Committee has worked hard during the year under the leadership of Li J. and has done a great deal to bring the fellowship together.

The H.& I. Committee leadership has transferred from Steve T. to Sam D. The Committee is working at involving the inmates in the running of the meetings. The few regular attenders of H.& I. meetings have been giving considerable amounts of their time to support the three meetings.

The Public Information Committee has been meeting under Nikki R. They have been active in a number of areas, and are looking into the feasibility of getting ads broadcast on radio and television. We might see dramatic developments in this area during the coming year.

The Phonenumber committee is run by Anne-Marie G. N.A. in Bermuda has its own phone and answering machine. There is a rota of volunteers to man the phone on evenings. Unfortunately, calls seem to have fallen off lately. No doubt they will pick up soon.

The Literature committee has changed over from David D. to

David G. There is a substantial stock on hand, and work is being done to establish reordering levels to ensure a constant supply of literature.

There was an ad hoc T-shirt committee consisting of Mike D. and Steve T. who produced an N.A. T-shirt which proved to be very popular. It is to be hoped that this will not be the last local N.A. T-shirt.

The Area made donations to the W.S.O. totalling \$1100 during the year. This represents the first donations made by N.A. in Bermuda.

Another first was the attendance of the World Convention by two local N.A. members, Steve T. and Mike D. They brought back T-shirts, stickers, and considerable enthusiasm.

It has been a big year for N.A. in Bermuda. I have enjoyed being Chairperson. Your support has made the job an easy one. I would like to thank in particular the Area Treasurer, David D., and the Area Secretary Steve T., whose prompt and detailed minutes have been exemplary. Thank you.

David G.

Hi to the fellowship!

On behalf of the R.S.C.

" le Nordet of Quebec "

As you know the province of Quebec has two R.S.C. since november 1990. Since we are a new region, we are still in the growing process. We are getting more familiar with the work that has to be done and it's priorities. It was due to solidified the ties beetween us and to contribute together in the N.A. development in this part of Quebec.

Geographically our region is mostly in the North-East of Quebec. The territory still have to be clearly defined with the C.S.R.Q.N.A.

There are 5 area within our region wich support about seventy groups along with a few far away groups. There is a vast area to serve so travelling is no small affair.

Our group's conscience have decided to adopt the guidelines of the C.S.R.Q.N.A. to save us time and energy and we plan to make the necessary changes as we go along.

The subcommitees's traduction would help a greatdeal along with the group's panflet because there is controversies about who is doing what in which fonction ? Unlike the C.S.R.Q.N.A. most people speaks only French in this part of Quebec. That's why we come up with the subject. This is not written with the intention of complaining but simply to state one of our need as a group. We are well aware of the tremendous work accomplished already in traduction and for that we are grateful.

We are looking at the means to get financially on our feet as well as creating an ad hoc committee to prepare workshop in traduction and service.

At the level of our R.S.C. The helpline committee and the litterature committee are getting on theirs feet.

You can understand that we are at a young age. But we trust that in time we will grow stronger in Unity and therefore accomplish what we are there for. "Carry the message of recovery to the addict who still suffer."

Best wishes to all!
With gratitude

R.S.R

Ginette Trudel.

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REGION DE ESPAÑA

WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE REPORT 1991

Hello America - Greetings from N.A. in Spain. It has been a good first year for our region. In this report I will list some of the progress made. I would also like to take the chance to explain to you all some of the issues involved in our attendance at this years Conference.

LOOKING INTO THE REGION

First things first. We have had a 70% growth of meetings since last year - from 14 to 25 - and a new area too, in Cadiz. So N.A. is alive and well here.

We have consolidated the Areas within the Region - holding regional meetings in Ibiza and Madrid. Both were well attended and the 6 monthly event is now hugely popular with us all. So much so that the Regional Committee has decided to meet in between these events to streamline our service work. We have adopted a cost equalization plan so that the more outlying Areas are able to participate. There is so much to do - so much to learn - it is hard to know where to start.

We are scheduled to form a P.I. subcommittee in February and hope to stage a P.I. learning day soon after. H. and I. work is starting with prison meetings in 3 Areas.

Our literature people are hard at it, as always, with translations - once again so much to do! We have started to translate some of the service manuals which are vital if our service work is to be effective. Spanish members still wait with baited breath to read the Basic Text.

N.A. is a step away from being fully re-registered here. It has taken several meetings with our lawyers to amend the old statutes we originally presented in Barcelona some years back. We are now happy with the new statutes and hope to have them filed in the spring. Thanks to W.S.O. for their help in this.

REGION DE ESPAÑA

W.S.C. REPORT (cont)

LOOKING OUT FROM THE REGION

Spanish members look forward to, and participate in, the European Conference and Convention (E.C.C.N.A.), which was held last year in Lisbon. The Region is contributing funds to the European Study Group (E.S.G.), an ad hoc committee accountable to E.C.C.N.A. Spain, like many other European Regions, feels the need to communicate with other Regions, and the E.S.G. was created to study the different possibilities for this communication within Europe.

We were delighted to hear of the International Development Forum - but we are unsure if we will be able to attend it - or the W.S.C. 1991.

We are a small Region. We do not have many funds. We want to participate in N.A. as a whole. However, we feel it would not be responsible to bankrupt the Region in order to send our R.S.R. to the W.S.C.

The inevitable question our members ask is - Why are smaller younger Regions outside the U.S. expected to pay 20 or 30 times more than some strong U.S. Regions to attend an N.A. event which is considered to be World Level, and which thus affects us all?

It is a hard question to answer.

Perhaps the solution is in Europe having its own service conference only - thus cutting itself off from the experienced U.S. Regions. But surely these are things we all need to talk about together.

Hope to meet you all soon - Together It Works!

Paul Tanner - R.S.R. ESPAÑA.