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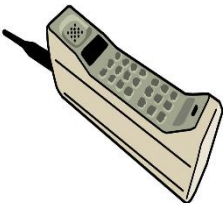
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A Letter from Our District Committee Member



Hello fellow trudgers!

Thank you so much for allowing my registration for NERAASA being held March 26-28th! This was my third year in attendance and each time I have learned so much more than the previous year. I am looking forward to sharing the knowledge I obtained with various coordinators in our district!

While attending the DCM roundtable on Friday and Saturday nights, I realize how very fortunate District 23 is in that we have so much participation in our district compared to many that attended. I salute all of the Officers, GSRs, and Coordinators for their valued time that continues to help our district in carrying the message to their homegroups and committees. Always remember, it is the collective group conscious that makes the important decisions in Alcoholics Anonymous!

Remember PCAW is scheduled for March 19th to the 22nd. Registration is free! I hope many of you will be there to help our delegate in carrying our area's decisions to the General Service Conference later this year.

Gratefully in love and service,

Marcia W., DCM



A Letter from Your Alternate DCM



I want to start out by saying it's an honor and a privilege to serve the district in this capacity. Service is a huge part of maintaining my recovery. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to represent the district as alternate DCM. I pray I am able to uphold the standards of my predecessor whom I have deep respect and love for. I've learned from my previous experience attending NERAASA and NERF that only a small percentage of our fellowship take on the responsibility of filling service positions. My homegroup knew before I did that what was best for me. They decided for me five years ago that I was going to be a GSR. Straight out of prison, I was deeply humbled and scared attending the district meeting every month. That was the beginning of my journey in service. I will be forever grateful to them. I have rotated positions multiple times since and have learned from every one of them. I have learned from watching other people in service being selfless and humble. I can only hope someday to be that person.

Sincerely,
Julian U.



YOUR PAGE.



Jails, Institutions and Death

...OH MY...

Hospitals and Institutions aka H&I (aka the pink can.)

"I was placed in a nationally known hospital for the mental and physical rehabilitation of alcoholics." ..."trembling, I stepped from the hospital a broken man"... "After a time, I returned to the hospital. This was the finish, the curtain it seemed to me" (Bill's Story)

Bill's story strikes a personal chord that resonates in my past life before I surrendered to a new way of life. It resonates with most of us blessed enough to find these rooms. Our situations and experiences may all be vastly different, but Bill W. assures us that if we continued to drink, the outcomes will be the same, and we don't get to choose which one we end up with. H&I has coordinator positions open on a rotating schedule, the pink can is be found at our in-person meetings, *scan the QR code on next page to donate via Venmo*, please give if you can. If you are interested in going into a rehabilitation center to be of service to the sick and suffering, please email the address on the bottom of this article and I will be happy to get you to the right people to promote being of service.

Service for jails and prisons: If you are willing to be the hand of A.A., 'when anyone reaches out for help' on the "inside" to the "outside", try a correspondence relationship to carry the message via postal mail to prospects in jails and prisons. It provides comfort, hope and care for inmates who may have lost human connection as a direct result of their alcoholism. Please go to the website:

<https://www.wpaarea60.org/corrections/> or complete the form in the following page and mail to address provided. A message from Area 60's CORRECTION CORRESPONDENCE PROGRAM

In an effort to help AA members "behind the walls" we would like to suggest starting to correspond with inmates as a home group. If you are interested, please contact GSO corrections correspondence (212-870-3400) to find out more information. If we write as a group, the inmate will receive 20 responses instead of one. What do you think? Talk to your home group and let's get things moving! Thank you, Corrections Coordinator

[\(corrections@wpaarea60.org\)](mailto:corrections@wpaarea60.org)

"He may not see it at once, that he has barely scratched a limitless lode which will pay dividends only if he mines it for the rest of his life and insists on giving away the entire product." (pg.129 Big Book) District 23 and AA as a whole have opportunities available for the members of our fellowship to actively be involved with prospects who have wound up in jails and institutions. "Most of us have entered the final stage with its commitment to health resorts, sanitariums, hospitals, and jails...Death was often near." (pg.107 Big Book)

“Helping others is the foundation stone of your recovery. A kindly act once in a while isn’t enough. You have to act the Good Samaritan every day, if need be.” (pg. 97 Big Book)

To all H&I Group Representatives

The District 23 H&I committee now has the capability to accept your groups *pink can* contributions via VENMO

If you already have a VENMO account setup (or have a friend that does), please scan the below QR Code to send in your contributions.

Please include a NOTE stating your Groups name and day(s) it meets !!



IMPORTANT ADDRESSES

For Group mailing contributions:

District 23

P.O. Box 1698

Greensburg, PA 15601 (For contributions to the district, please make checks payable to "District 23" and put the group name on memo line of check.)

Area 60 Treasurer:

P.O. Box 1496

Washington PA, 15301 (Make check payable to "Area 60 Treasurer.")

General Service Office (GSO):

P.O. Box 459

New York, NY 10163 (Make check payable to "AA World Services, Inc.")

District 23 Answering Svc:

P.O. Box 1698

Greensburg, PA

15601 (Make checks payable to "Answering Svc" and put your group name on check.)

TO ALL HOME GROUPS: If you wish to see your group's anniversary or other special event listed, please submit to the editor no later than the first Monday of the month to have it appear in that month's Informer. My contact info is on the front of the newsletter. (editor@aa-swestpadist23.org)

Also, if your group has any changes, please contact the editor, and it will be listed in the Informer.

Personal stories are welcome! if you would be willing to share your experience, strength and hope with District 23. (can be anonymous)

In Service, Kari F.

Zoom Online Meeting List From www.aa-swestpa-dist23.org

If any new meetings or changes are noticed and need edited, please email me the info and I will change it for next months' list in the Informer. editor@aa-swestpa-ciist23.org

Sunday Serenity 10:30 AM to Noon Meeting

Meeting ID: 851 2485 6711 PW: Unity

Sunday GB 12 & 12 7:00 PM Meeting (Live Meeting Also)

Meeting ID: 393 138 139

Monday • Fri The Hand of AA 2:30 PM to 4:30 PM (meeting 3-4)

Meeting ID: 819 600 165 Password: billw

Monday Wednesday Friday Sunrise Serenity 6:30 AM to 7:30 AM

Meeting ID: 632 505 540 Password: 365891

Monday through Friday Noon 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM

Meeting ID: 814 7326 3715 Password: 417

Tuesday Night Greensburg Beginners 7:30 PM

(Live Meeting Also)

Meeting ID: 714 150 815 19

Password: serenity

Wednesday Night Greensburg OD 7:30 PM

Meeting ID: 879 775 86902

Wednesday Night Ligonier OD 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM (Live Meeting Also)

Meeting ID: 723 375 9038 Password: 398982

Thursday Irwin Back to Basics BB 7:30 PM

Join Call in only Meeting 351-999-4241

Thursday KISS Greensburg OD 7:30 PM

(Live Meeting Also)

Meeting ID: 640 102 861

Friday Night Ligonier 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM

Meeting ID: 695 122 165

Friday Night Brush Creek 5:45 PM to 7:15 PM

Meeting ID: 890 0023 2779 Password: 245718

Saturday 12&12 Deep Dive 12:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Meeting ID: 714 150 815 19 Password: serenity

Saturday Rector 7:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Meeting ID. 8061246959

Password - 252711

Note: You will need to register a zoom account

You can download the Zoom app for your Mobile in Apple Store or Google Play

Any questions or help the webmaster can be contacted at webmaster@aa-swestpa-dist23.org Please leave your phone number and I'll respond as quickly as I can.