

# THE 23 INFORMER

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# COMMITTEE REPORTS

## DCM REPORT

Hello, District 23! I'd like to thank you for allowing Lisa and I the opportunity to attend NERAASA 2012. The presentations that I attended were very well done and informative. One of particular interest to me was Anonymity: Our Spiritual Responsibility in the Digital Age. The presenters did a fantastic job of conveying the message that the responsibility of upholding our Traditions lies with US, and to be extremely mindful of that when dealing with social websites. I, for one, needed to be reminded that it is not only my anonymity that can be broken by as simple a thing as a "wall post."

Our Area Chairperson, Yvette N., did a wonderful presentation on the Treatment Panel as well. Our Area Delegate, Jean M., bid for NERAASA 2015 to be held in our area. North New Jersey bid as well. We'll find out who gets the bid at the 2012 General Service Conference.

We also heard an amazing speaker, Dorothy H. (Past Trustee, General Service Board) on Saturday night. Many thanks to District 48 in New York, NERAASA Chair Joan R., and the 2012 NERAASA Committee for a job very well done.

I could go on and on, so if you would like to hear more about NERAASA 2012, just ask and I'll be happy to keep talking!

Thanks again, District 23, for such a valuable learning experience.

*In Love, Service and Gratitude,  
DCM Diana G*

## ALT DCM REPORT

Here we are, fresh from NERAASA. What a rewarding and thought-provoking experience it was! I highly recommend it to anyone involved in General Service. Plus I highly recommend General Service itself; it is the nuts and bolts of keeping Alcoholics Anonymous alive, well, and effective. I am so very grateful to all of you for sending Diana and I there. It's really exciting to

learn about how other areas in the Northeast Region do things and we've both gotten some great inspiration from all the dedicated trusted servants that attended.

There were many informative presentations on topics like A.A.'s spiritual responsibility in the digital age (NOT coincidentally the main topic of this year's Day of Sharing), and very lively roundtable discussions with other DCM's and GSR's concerning problems and solutions they have found at our level of General Service.

I am hoping that we can implement some of the ideas we heard this weekend in the future for District 23.

*AA Hugs,  
Alt. DCM Lisa V.*

## H&I

I hope everyone is trudging the road of Happy Destiny in their sobriety and carrying the message to the still suffering alcoholic through service work.

H & I has found the 4 coordinators needed for the new Behavioral Health Services meeting. Those interested in chairing or speaking for the BHS facility please fill out one of our "opportunities in service" forms and give it to an H & I member. Or contact one of the coordinators; they are Leslie M., Carol S., Bernie S. and Rick M. Their phone numbers are in the H & I news letter. May we continue on the path of sobriety by carrying that 12 step message wherever we go and continuing to seek God's guidance in all that we do. H & I's 5<sup>th</sup> annual Old Timers Speaker meeting is coming up on Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> 2012 Hope to see you all there! GOD BLESS.

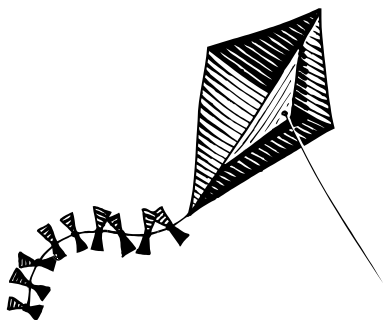
H & I is still in need of help. We need AA members willing to serve as coordinators for some of our facilities; we also need 1 time speakers and home groups to take meetings into facilities and help us carry that 12 step message.

The facilities which are in need of coordinators are the Torrance State Hospital Monday meeting and the Westmoreland County Prison Friday meeting from 6 to 8pm.

The facilities which need a one-time speaker or a home group to carry the message are Gateway in Greensburg, Torrance, Westmoreland County Prison (men and women) and the Juvenile Detention Center.

If interested in serving, ask your SPONSOR then contact the chair or coordinator of that facility.

*Love and Service,  
Randy H.  
H and I Committee Chair*



## ANSWERING SERVICE

Please mail contributions to: Answering Service - District 23, PO Box 1698, Greensburg, PA 15601. Please make them payable to "Answering Service, District 23" and put your group name on any checks.

**TO ALL HOME GROUPS** – If your group has any changes, please contact the Editor, and it will be listed in the Informer. Also please notify Leo H. of any changes so that the Answering Service and PI/CPC will give out correct meeting information. Contact numbers are on the front of this newsletter.

## PI/CPC

Hello all. We continue to drop literature at professionals' offices well as schools and other establishments, such as hotels, motels and chiropractic offices. We still have 5x7 cards availability for anyone to give to their family

doctors. Always be proactive when carrying the message. "There is a solution" to all your problems. Recovery is a wonderful gift that God has chosen us to carry. If Richard or I can be of any help to you, please contact us.

*Peace,  
Leo H.  
PI/CPC Rep.*

## GRAPEVINE

The AA Grapevine, our monthly meeting in print, is a very useful tool for your sobriety that can go wherever you go. A yearly subscription is only \$28.97, and it is delivered every month in a plain wrapper. The Grapevine is a perfect gift for sponsees and friends in the program. Also, the Grapevine has an online subscription and archives available from their website, [aagrapevine.org](http://aagrapevine.org).

*Ed S.  
Grapevine Rep*

## MEMBERS CORNER

This was my third time attending a NERAASA event and each time I have received a little more understanding. It is a wondrous event. These are the 10% that do the hard work of AA and ensure that the doors are open when someone like me gets there. We were able to exchange ideas from all different areas of the country and I got a better view of how great our district is. Many districts out there don't have H&I, an answering service, or PI/CPC. We are a very strong group around here and I hope to see more of you participating in this type of event. Service work is just as important as the steps and NERAASA showed me once again how rewarding it can be to our program. Its time to stop being just a consumer, and give back to the program that gave us back our lives. So get involved.

*Anonymous*

## IMPORTANT ADDRESSES

Home groups mailing contributions to Area 60 or the New York General Service Office (GSO) should send checks to:

Spencer A.  
Area 60 Treasurer  
P.O. Box 392  
McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
(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.")

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>March 30-April 1</b>	<b>Area 60 Get Away Weekend</b>
<b>Sunday, April 1</b> 9 AM Registration 10:15 Area Assembly	<b>Pre-Conference Assembly</b>
<b>Saturday, April 21</b> 10 AM	<b>H&amp;I Old Timers' Meeting</b>
<b>Sunday, June 3</b> 8:30 AM Registration 9 AM Workshop 10:15 Area Assembly	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Quarterly Meeting</b>
<b>Saturday, June 16</b> 9:00 Registration 12 Lunch 2:30 Wrap-Up	<b>Districts 23, 45 &amp; 29 Day of Sharing</b>
<b>August 3-5</b>	<b>Pennsylvania State Convention</b>
<b>Sunday, August 19</b> 8:30 AM Registration 9 AM Workshop 10:15 Area Assembly	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Quarterly Meeting</b>

## UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENTS

*District 23 H&I Committee Presents*

### **4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL OLD TIMERS' MEETING**

*Saturday, April 21 10 AM  
St. Michael Orthodox Church  
1182 Ashland St., Greensburg  
Join us for experience, strength, hope,  
food and fellowship*

*Area 60*

*Districts 23, 45 & 29*

### **DAY OF SHARING**

*Saturday, June 16  
9 AM til 3 PM  
St. Michael Orthodox Church  
1182 Ashland St., Greensburg  
Registration 9 AM  
Workshops Lunch  
\$5 per person*

### **From the Editor**

*Each month we would like to feature input from our fellowship in our Members Corner.*

*If you want to celebrate a friend's anniversary, have a special announcement, an opinion on an A.A. topic, etc. send me an email.*

