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COMMITTEE REPORTS

DCM REPORT

To my fellow AA's:

Hope all is well. We had our Day of Sharing meeting on April 18th and everything seems to be on track. I would like to thank Tom W. and Brian H. for attending. Our next D. O. S. planning meeting will be June 6th at 4:30 p.m. at the Tradition One Club in Uniontown. We still need clean-up and kitchen help. Also, if anyone is interested in doing a presentation on Treatment/ Special Needs Access, please let us know -- that is the only spot left to fill.

Next, right around the corner is Cooks Forest on May 21-23, if you are planning to attend. Finally, we will be having our 2nd Quarterly Area 60 meeting on May 16th at the Comfort Inn in Penn Hills. *Please* plan on attending; there will be a G. S. R. Workshop at 9:00 a.m. One more thing: The meeting lists are here tonight, and I want to wish everyone a safe and sober Memorial Day.

In Love and Service, DCM Chris G.

ALT. DCM REPORT

To my fellow AA's:

Wow, what a busy month. Seems like this month I had something going on with A. A. every weekend! First and foremost, thank you H & I! What a wonderful job you did on the Old Timer's Speaker Meeting! The spaghetti was wonderful and the leads were good too! Those of you who went got another chance to meet our

Area Chair, Area Delegate and a past delegate! I also went to the Day of Sharing planning committee -- remember it is not too far away.

I also did some homework and called G. S. O. (New York) to find out what the recommendations are for a district prudent reserve! What I found out is that different districts set theirs according to their needs! What may work for one district might not work for another, and the reserve needs to be set on group conscience! But let's do remember that we do have a large district with lots of committees! I also was asked by a newer GSR to go to his home group to explain the proposal of lowering the prudent reserve.

I was able to attend the Pittsburgh A. A. banquet ... 69 years of A. A. in Pittsburgh and more than 660 folks were there and a wonderful lead!

I also was supposed to go to Jackson Mills, but due to a bad cold I had to cancel that trip. I was looking forward to that, but oh well, as you can see, I try to keep busy in A. A.

In Love and Service, Alt. DCM Tom W.

SPECIAL NEEDS

Dear Friends of District 23:

One of the jobs of District 23 Special Needs is to take meetings to our fellow alcoholics who are in the hospital, nursing homes and are ill at home. We will gladly bring a meeting to them. Just let us know -- we can't do this if we don't know you need a meeting brought to you.

In Love and Service, Betty B., Special Needs Coordinator

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.

<u>TO ALL HOME GROUPS</u> – If your group has any changes, please contact the Editor, and it will be listed in the Informer. Also please notify Richard K. 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.

The following is a list of home groups that have made contributions to the AA District 23 Answering Service during the first quarter (January, February, and March) of 2010:

Sunday Night 12 & 12
Mount Pleasant Big Book
As Bill Sees It
4 T's Group
Twin Lakes
Ligonier Wednesday Night
Lincoln Highway
Reading for Recovery
Donegal/Acme Friday
Friday Night Jeannette
Monday Night Big Book

Please note that the Answering Service phone number has changed! We now have a toll-free number, thanks to your generous contributions. The number is listed on the front page of this newsletter. Pass it on!

Don't miss it ...

The 13th Annual District 23 H&I Picnic will be held August 21 at St. Vincent Grove from noon until 5:30 pm. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be on the grill. Thank you for your support with the "Pink Can" donations!

GRAPEVINE

The AA Grapevine, our monthly meeting in print, is a very useful tool for your sobriety and can go wherever you go. A yearly subscription is only \$27, and it is delivered every month in a plain wrapper, so if your neighbors don't already know you're an alcoholic, your Grapevine magazine won't tip them off! The Grapevine is a perfect gift for sponsees and friends in the program. You can see me or your home group's Grapevine representative for subscription blanks. Thank you!

Stan K., Grapevine Rep.

PI/CPC

Hello District 23!

PI/CPC has made contact with the Adult Probation Department and Gateway. We also have available the 5x7 stand-up placards, which we are stressing AA members take into doctors' offices when they go in for visits. The placard may also be used in the offices of professional people who have places for help.

We have dropped literature off at the Justice of the Peace, doctors' offices and professional establishments. We are targeting schools and rehabilitation centers, and have made contact with the high school and middle school in Derry.

PI/CPC is also planning a day meeting at Torrance State Hospital. A day meeting may get better attendance than an evening meeting. Peace!

Richard K., PI/CPC Rep., and Leo H.

PA STATE CONVENTION

The 17th Annual Pennsylvania State Convention will be held July 30th through August 1st 2010 at the Hotel Carlisle and Embers Convention Center, 1700 Harrisburg Pike, Carlisle, PA. Registration is \$20 per person, and a Weekend Package is \$55. This includes registration, a Saturday banquet and Sunday brunch. Registration after July 15th is \$25 and \$60 for the banquet. Checks may be made payable to PA State Convention and mailed to 1622 Crawford Avenue, Altoona, PA, 16602. Hotel Carlisle reservations are \$88.97 per night. Call Hotel Direct (800) 692-7315 for reservations. More information may be found on the Web at www.aapastateconvention.com, or by calling Bob H. at (610) 202-7989.

EVENTS

Greensburg Saturday Night Sober, which meets at St. Michael's Orthodox Church, will be celebrating its 3rd Anniversary on Saturday, June 19th. Dessert and coffee will be at 6:30 p.m., and an open speaker meeting at 7:30 p.m. Desserts, pop and snacks are welcome. For further information call Margie at 724/527-5568.

Ligonier Wednesday Night Discussion Group will be celebrating its 40th Anniversary on Wednesday July 28, 2010, at the Heritage United Methodist Church on the Diamond in Ligonier. Food and fellowship begins with coffee at 6:15 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:45 and an open speaker meeting at 8:00. Lou P. from Pittsburgh is the scheduled speaker. Covered dishes are welcome.

AREA 60 DISTRICTS 23, 29, AND 42

DAY OF SHARING

SATURDAY, JUNE 19, 2010 TIME: 8:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M. All Saints Social Hall 215 West Church Ave. Masontown, Pa 15461

Registration: 8:00 to 9:00 A.M. Introductions: 9:00 to 9:20 A.M. Workshop: 9:30 to 10:30 A.M. Workshop: 10:45 to 11:45 A.M. Lunch: 12:00 to 1:00 P.M. Workshop: 1:15 to 2:15 P.M. Workshop: 2:30 to 3:30 P.M. Wrap-up: 3:30 to 4:00 P.M.

"LANGUAGE OF THE HEART" KEEPING A. A. ALIVE THROUGH SERVICE

WORKSHOPS

Bring your favorite dessert

Area officers will be here to share the day with us. Feel free to ask questions.

Displays by both Area 60 and District 29.

Registration Fee: \$5.00 Includes Lunch There will also be a 50-30/10/10

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NO CHECKS UNLESS APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE