

THE **23** INFORMER

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

DCM REPORT

Hello District 23! Over the past year and a half, one of my main objectives as your DCM has been to spark enthusiasm for AA General Service. I've been involved in General Service since early sobriety and I'm extremely grateful for that. When asked to serve I too had doubts and fears because I "didn't know" this or that but I soon began to realize our Third Legacy - service is about the DOING, not the knowing. It is my hope that we have shown our enthusiasm and in turn will encourage you to show yours.

I mention this for a reason. October is quickly approaching and that will be rotation month. Please take some time with your sponsor, past or present district officers or coordinators and your families and think about how you could serve Alcoholics Anonymous. Why? It's simple - AA needs you! Get the facts, get excited and GET INVOLVED! Duties and responsibilities for service positions are outlined in the first five chapters of the AA Service Manual. Take a minute to look them up. Please think about it, talk about it and, of course, pray about it.

One last note, the Area 60 3rd Quarterly meeting is August 19th at the Comfort Inn in Penn Hills. 8:30 AM is registration, 9:00 is a budget workshop and area inventory discussion. Call to order is at 10:15. I can take 6 people in my vehicle so carpooling is an option. Please attend!

*Love and Service,
DCM Diana G.*

ALT. DCM REPORT

Another summer is zipping by. I hope that everyone is finding lots of sober fun this year. It's a whole new world when we view it through a new pair of (sun)glasses!

One great summer event still to come is the annual District 23 H&I Picnic on August 25. All

the details are in this edition of the Informer. It's always a sober good time, so I hope to see you there!

But "business before pleasure," as they say and our third quarterly meeting is coming up on Sunday, August 19. Carpooling is available; just let Diana or me know that you either need help getting there or just don't feel like driving down alone. We will be happy to share the journey.

*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.

I hope everyone is having a safe and sober summer and fellowshiping with one another.

Our annual picnic is this month on Saturday, Aug 25th. Hope to see you all there for food fellowship and fun. Also thank you for your continued contributions to the pink can so we can continue to purchase literature to save Alcoholics' lives.

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. May we continue on the path of sobriety by carrying that 12 step message where ever we go and continuing to seek God's guidance in all that we do. GOD BLESS.

H & I is 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

Summer of 2012 is moving right along, hope everyone is having a safe and fun summer. We continue to drop literature at hotels and motels in the New Stanton area. We also have 5x7 placards available for your family doctors. A reminder that any new groups need to fill out the forms for Area 60, also for the new meeting lists in the fall. If Richard or I can be any help to you, please fill

free to contact us. Be well, Be safe, God bless. Peace.

*Leo H.
PI/CPC Rep.*

ARCHIVES

Hello all. Archives here. If you're making space clearing out old boxes or drawers, don't throw away the old AA stuff, donate it to the District Archives. A lot of things make good material for the Archives: group histories, meeting lists, flyers and posters from anniversaries, group events and district events, H&I Newsletters, 23 Informers, meeting notes and reports, recorded leads and photos from past district events, and so much more. So don't toss it - treasure it. Remember fellow travelers, we're making history here.

*Ron Y.
Archives Chair*

NEW MEETING

There is a new evening women's meeting in District 23. It is called the **K.I.S.S. Group** and it meets every Thursday night at 7:30 at St. Michael's Orthodox Church, 1182 Ashland St., Greensburg.

Women are welcome to bring their children with them. It is an open meeting.





IMPORTANT ADDRESSES

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

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 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

August 3-5 Harrisburg, PA	Pennsylvania State Convention
Sunday, August 19 8:30 AM Registration 9 AM Workshop 10:15 Area Assembly	3 rd Quarterly Meeting
Saturday, August 25 12 Noon – 5 PM	District 23 H&I Picnic
Sunday, Oct. 21 8:30 AM Registration 9 AM Workshop 10:15 Area Assembly	Fall Assembly /Election Assembly
Sunday, Dec. 2	4 th Quarterly Meeting

District 23 H&I ANNUAL PICNIC

Saturday, Aug. 25
 Noon til 5 PM
 St. Vincent Grove

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50/50 Raffle
Door Prizes
Sobriety Countdown
Speaker Meeting 4 PM

ALL ARE WELCOME –
 BRING THE FAMILY!

Covered dishes are welcome also.
We provide the meat, beverages and
of course, the famous
St. Vincent
Corn on the Cob!

