

Acceptance

And acceptance is the answer to all my problems today. When I am disturbed, it is because I find some person, place, thing, or situation – some fact of my life unacceptable to me, and I can find no serenity until I accept that person, place, thing, or situation as being exactly the way it is supposed to be at this moment. Nothing, absolutely nothing, happens in God's world by mistake. Until I could accept my alcoholism, I could not stay sober; unless I accept life completely on life's terms, I could not be happy. I need to concentrate not so much on what needs to be changed in the world as on what needs to be changed in me and in my attitudes.

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Message from the District 23 DCM

Hello District 23,

I hope all of us are enjoying a happy and sober summer. Going on vacations and spending quality time with those whom we haven't enjoyed quality with before. Remember we are not a glum lot, since we became sober.

I don't know about you, I look forward to having our 3rd quarterly meeting coming on August 13 here at the Marriott hotel. This is a first for our district, so I'm really hoping that all coordinators, officers and GSR's show up for this event. In short, lets show why District 23 is usually highly represented at Area 60 events. If you signed up to volunteer, you should've received your text message from our alt. delegate Margie S. by now, as to what time to be there Sunday morning and whom to see upon arrival.

Now I have question for you: "How important is Service Work to Your Recovery?" From my experience with service work, it plays a big part in my recovery! So, let us look at some forms service of service work.

Let us look at the greeter position. This is usually a person who is young in their recovery and who stands either outside or inside the door of their home group. This person can start to gain the confidence of a first timer at coming a meeting by shaking their hand and introducing his or her to them. This person can guide the newcomer to where the coffee and snacks are at as well to when the meeting will be starting and some of the people they are going meet in a meeting. For this was my first service work positions. Now that I've given you one, are you as GSR's able to name even more them to your home group at group conscience? I surely hope so.

As I have been super busy working on the job I have outside of AA, yet not so busy that I couldn't answer the phone for a home group in need of the H&I address so they could mail in a donation. Or A text message from a home group outside of district 23, who needed one our members, to come to a home group in their district to give a lead. As I have learned and still learning when you become known for service work, others are likely to call upon you for your experience. This is truly something humbling.

I hope in my next report to you that I'll be able share more of the plans that I have written down, will start to grasp new soil, and begin to grow into something we all can share in. Remember we only have a district run, support, and help take care of, not a county or state government.

In love and Service
Edward S.
DCM

DISTRICT 23 H&I COMMITTEE

20^H ANNUAL GRATITUDE PICNIC



SATURDAY AUGUST 19, 2017
THE GROVE @ ST VINCENT
COLLEGE
12 NOON – 5 PM (SPEAKER @ 4 PM)



BINGO



50/30/10/10



Raffles

Burgers, Dogs, Corn and Drinks provided



Covered dishes



and desserts



welcome

FUN, FOOD & FELLOWSHIP!!!!!!
OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES, FUN FOR ALL!!!
COME JOIN US!!

For more info, contact Debbie H 724-832-1024 or
your GSR, H&I rep, or come to the H&I meeting

***DONATIONS ACCEPTED**
PLEASE*

District 23

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IMPORTANT ADDRESSES

For Home groups mailing contributions:

District 23

PO Box 1698

Greensburg, PA 15601

For contributions to the district, please make checks payable to District 23 and put the group name on check.

****PLEASE NOTE : THE AREA 60 TREASURER ADDRESS HAS CHANGED**

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

PO Box 1698

Greensburg, PA 15601

Please make checks payable to Answering Svc and put your group name on check

Interested in a service position?

H & I service positions available.

The H & I meetings are held at Christ United Church
100 Lincoln Avenue, Youngwood at 10:30 AM on the 2nd Saturday of the month.

Also there **open coordinator positions at our District..** The GSR meeting is held on the first Friday of the month in Jeannette at The First Presbyterian Church, 314 Bullitt Ave. Jeannette at 6:30pm.

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-swestpa-dist23.org)

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

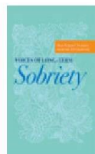
Personal stories are welcome also, if you would be willing to share your experience, strength, and hope with District 23. (can be anonymous)

Thank you,
Monica

GRAPEVINE Quote of the Day

July 12

"I sometimes forget to feel gratitude for my sobriety ... This is why I must continue to work with others, to go to meetings, to be of some service to the world around me -- not because these are 'good' things, but rather so that I can once again be stimulated into feelings of gratitude for this life I have found."



Los Angeles, Calif., May 2000
"Taking Gratitude for Granted"
Voices of Long-Term Sobriety

