

# THE **23** INFORMER

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# COMMITTEE REPORTS

## H&I

### ALT. DCM REPORT

I apologize for my absence from this month's GSR meeting. I am getting a spiritual tune-up at Cook Forest. As they say, "I wish you were here!"

I will make sure to be at next month's meeting on Friday, Oct. 5, at 6 pm (please note the early start time!) and I hope you will too. It is time for our officers and coordinators to rotate out of our positions. I am really hoping that lots of GSRs and other interested members will be there to step up and fill these positions and vote our new trusted servants in. There is much work to be done in our district in order to be a functional part of AA as a whole.

It is not unpleasant work - like the step work we do to stay sober, the rewards are great. I have met many wonderful people through service work and it has enhanced my sobriety and my spiritual condition. I highly recommend it!

Hopefully some of you will be joining us in general service; it's one small way we can care for the great gift of sobriety that Alcoholics Anonymous has given us, one day at a time.

AA Hugs,  
Alt. DCM Lisa V.



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.

The H & I Committee would like to say thank you for attending our picnic and all the support you give to H & I through your donations so we may continue to carry the message into all of our facilities. Without you we would not be able to provide literature to carry that message of hope. We are truly grateful and may we continue to work together to help save those alcoholics who still suffer and can't get to a meeting without our help.

Those interested in chairing or speaking for the BHS facility please fill out one of our "opportunities in service" forms and give 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

We still have 5x7 placards available for your family doctors and continue to make contacts and distribute literature to professionals in the district area.

A reminder that any new groups need to fill out the "NEW GROUP" forms for Area 60, also for the new meeting lists coming out this 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.

## 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. Also, the Grapevine has an online subscription and archives available from their website, [aagrapevine.org](http://aagrapevine.org).

Ed S.  
Grapevine Rep.

## 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. The format is currently the chair's choice. Women are welcome to bring their children with them. It is an open meeting.



## MEETING CLOSED

The women's meeting that was held in Greensburg at 10 am Fridays has closed permanently.



## AS BILL SEES IT...

Now and then a serious drinker, being dry at the moment says, "I don't miss it at all. Feel better. Work better. Having a better time." As ex-problem drinkers, we smile at such a sally. We know our friend is like a boy whistling in the dark to keep up his spirits. He fools himself. Inwardly he would give anything to take half a dozen drinks and get away with them. He will presently try the old game again, for he isn't happy about his sobriety. He cannot picture life without alcohol. Some day he will be unable to imagine life either with or without it. He will be at the jumping-off place. He will wish for the end.

We have shown how we got out from under. You say, "Yes, I'm willing. But am I to be consigned to a life where I shall be stupid, boring and glum, like some righteous folks I see? I know I must get along without liquor, but how can I? Have you a sufficient substitute?"

Yes, there is a substitute and it is vastly more than that. It is a fellowship in Alcoholics Anonymous. There you will find release from care, boredom and worry. Your imagination will be fired. Life will mean something at last. The most satisfactory years of your existence lie ahead. Thus we find the fellowship and so will you.

-Alcoholics Anonymous, pgs. 151-152

### 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

Sunday, Oct. 21 8:30 AM Registration 9 AM Workshop 10:15 Area Assembly	Fall Assembly /Election Assembly
Sunday, Dec. 2	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarterly Meeting

