

# THE **23** INFORMER

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# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## **DCM REPORT**

Hello District 23! First, I want to congratulate our new officers and coordinators and say THANK YOU for stepping up to serve. We still have some positions to fill and hope to do that before our January meeting. If you're interested in any of the open positions, please ask about them. We'll gladly answer any questions you may have. PLEASE give general service a try!

October 21<sup>st</sup> was the Area 60 Fall Assembly and Election Assembly. Thanks to all those who attended. Those of you who didn't, missed a very exciting Elections Assembly. Two of the six area officers positions ended up 'going to the hat.'\* Those were Area Delegate (Yvette N.) and Alternate Area Chair (Diana G.). Our other Panel 63 officers who were elected were Alternate Delegate John K., Area Chair George K., Secretary Kevin C. and Treasurer Barb D. Congrats to all!

It was also voted to change the Area 60 fiscal year to November 1<sup>st</sup> thru October 31 in order to have a smoother transition for the incoming treasurer and will allow the acting treasurer to present the final treasurer's report in a more timely manner.

On a personal note, please keep our dear friend and H&I Chair Randy H. and his family in your thoughts and prayers for his upcoming surgery and recovery period. Thanks to all and God bless!

*Love and Service,  
DCM Diana G.*

\*If you don't know what this means, look it up in your Service Manual, under "Third Legacy Voting Procedure."

## **ALT. DCM REPORT**

As I prepare to rotate out of my present service position and into another one with added responsibilities, I ask myself why I am doing this. After all, my life is already full, what with family, job, other volunteering commitments - why make

my life any busier than it is now? I sometimes feel like I am spread pretty thin already. Plus, I might not know what I'm doing. There it is again...FEAR!

And then I think about what my life was like before Alcoholics Anonymous. It could not have been much more different from the life I have today, by the grace of God combined with the step work I have done and continue to do. I have learned that is how I gain spiritual development and help to ensure that Alcoholics Anonymous will continue to be here to help the next suffering alcoholic find the way out like it did for me. If I leave all the work for somebody else to do, it just may not get done. If I am truly grateful for what I have, the ONLY way to show it is through action.

Please consider giving it a try...the rewards are great, for you and for others!

*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 elections will be held at our next meeting on the Nov. 10th. All positions are a 2 year commitment. Positions needed are chair, treasurer, secretary, and pink can treasurer. Please continue to donate any conference approved literature to our literature drive. Our Opportunities in Service forms are always available; please volunteer 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. Have a safe and sober Halloween.

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

wherever 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**

Happy fall season to all. We continue to drop off literature to schools and professional offices as well as any facility that has a need. We still have 5x7 placards to hand out to your family doctor as well. November is gratitude month; not only give financially where you can but also carry "recovery" to the next suffering

alcoholic. We are heading into the holiday season; be proactive this time of the year and always extend the hand of friendship. If Richard or I can be of any help, please let us know. God bless...Peace.

*Leo H.  
PI/CPC 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.

## **MEETING ANNIVERSARY**

The **Greensburg 12 & 12 Group** will be celebrating their anniversary on November 25<sup>th</sup>. Coffee will be ready at 6:30, dinner at 7:00, and a speaker meeting at 8. There will be an out of town speaker, Rick L., currently of Phoenix, AZ and formerly of the Greensburg area. All are welcome, as are covered dishes. Bring a friend and a newcomer and join us!



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, Dec. 2	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Meeting</b> 8:30 AM Registration 9 AM Workshop 10:15 Area Assembly
Monday, Dec. 31 6 pm – 1 am	<b>Friends of Bill W. New Year's Eve Party</b>
Sunday, January 27	<b>1st Quarterly Meeting</b> 8:30 AM Registration 9 AM Workshop 10:15 Area Assembly
Feb. 22-24, 2013	<b>NERAASA</b> Harrisburg, PA
Mar. 15-17, 2013	<b>Area 60 GAW/Mini Conference</b>
Sunday, Mar. 17	<b>Pre-Conference Assembly</b> 8:30 AM Registration 9 AM Workshop 10:15 Area Assembly

### 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.")

Friends of Bill W.  
25<sup>th</sup> Annual

New Year's Eve  
Celebration

St. Vincent College  
Dining Room

Monday, Dec. 31

Coffee at 6 - Dinner at 7

Speakers at 8:30

Dancing to follow

\$20 per person

For tickets call

Ed J. 724-459-5461

Mary B. 724-989-1773

Sam H. 724-463-7455

### AS BILL SEES IT...

DO NOT BE DISCOURAGED IF YOUR PROSPECT DOES NOT RESPOND AT ONCE. SEARCH OUT ANOTHER ALCOHOLIC AND TRY AGAIN. YOU ARE SURE TO FIND SOMEONE DESPERATE ENOUGH TO ACCEPT WITH EAGERNESS WHAT YOU OFFER. WE FIND IT A WASTE OF TIME TO KEEP CHASING A MAN WHO CANNOT OR WILL NOT WORK WITH YOU. IF YOU LEAVE SUCH A PERSON ALONE, HE MAY SOON BECOME CONVINCED THAT HE CANNOT RECOVER ON HIS OWN. TO SPEND TOO MUCH TIME ON ANY ONE SITUATION IS TO DENY SOME OTHER ALCOHOLIC AN OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE AND BE HAPPY.

-Alcoholics Anonymous, pg. 96