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ABCD Region

Regional Delegate .................................................................................................................. Elliot Lang
Have you attended a WSC before? ............................................................................................. Yes
Alternate Delegate ............................................................................................................ Leroy Gallagher
Have you attended a WSC before? ............................................................................................. No
How many areas are in the region? .............................................................................................. 3
How many groups are in the region? ............................................................................................. 91
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ............................................................ 103
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ......................................................... 28

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ....................
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ................................................ $4000
Where do you purchase your literature? .................................................................................... NA World Services
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ............... $7200

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .............................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ........................................................................ NorthEast Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ........................................................................................ No
Does your region have a regional convention? .............................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ...................................................... 500
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? .............................................................................. No
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ........................................................................
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .............................................
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .................................................................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ......................... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ................................................................................. No
Is your region insured? ................................................................................................................... No
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? .................................................................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

I am sorry to report a strong sense of apathy from our member groups. Once again, these discussions are mostly left to a small number of concerned addicts, not enough to truly establish a consensus.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ..................................................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

We have done several Poster Drives, and have done many PI Presentations. We have teamed up with H&I to Reach out to several Out-Patient Clinics, and have experienced a very favorable Outcome.
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ..................................................Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
  
  We Use a service to direct people who are simply looking for meeting Locations using a 
  "press 1 for meetings on Monday.. Press 2 for meetings on Tuesday etc. and then forward 
  all others to a Helpline Member for all other issues. Rhis works very well for us.
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................No
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ..................................................................................Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
  
  We did Two of the Questions. Most of our time was spent on the CAR Motions and 
  Highlights of the CAT.
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
  
  When we hold Seperate CAR Workshops we experience Very Low Turnout, So We have 
  decided to “Piggyback” our CAR Workshops at the end of Each ASC Meeting. Most GSR’s 
  Stay for the CAR Workshop.
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since 
WSC 2006?
  
  Number of Members in Every Meeting has Grown Substantially.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past 
conference cycle?
  
  Sheets for Outside Enterprizes.
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
  
  We have been suffering from a shortage of Funding from our Areas. We have brought these 
  concerns to the ASC’s, and have found that the Groups really do care about the services 
  we have been providing, and things are getting better.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.
  
  Two of our Areas are not stocking sufficient Literature to provide Literature on Demand 
  at the ASC’s. Although this has caused a temporary Funding Bottleneck, This is a 
  tremendous success sory for A.B.C.D.
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?
  
  The Direction we have taken in our Literature Development Process.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional 
delegate?

ABCD Region
Alabama/Northwest Florida Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Mark Williams
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................ Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Lisa Durham
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................ No
How many areas are in the region? ............................................... 10
How many groups are in the region? ........................................... 122
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ............ 497
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ........... 54

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ... $12,931.93
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ................... $12,439.86
Where do you purchase your literature? .................................................................

Areas and Home Groups purchase literature separately

How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)?
Each Area is responsible for purchasing H&I literature

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ........................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ......................... Southeastern Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ........................................... Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................. No
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ........ 800
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ......................... 5
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .. 550
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ..............................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .............................. No
Is your region insured? ............................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ......................................................... Yes

What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

Workshop participants seemed to always focus on the common theme, “An Atmosphere of Recovery.” Other topics discussed included “Unity.” and “Our Service Structure.”

Unfortunately, addicts with significant amounts of clean time rarely attended these workshops.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ........................ Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Alabama/NW Florida Region
We participated as an exhibitor at the Alabama Judicial College, a weeklong conference of approximately 400 professionals involved with the Alabama Drug Court. Additionally, we are participating as an exhibitor at the Alabama School of Alcohol and other Drug Studies (ASADS). This is a week long conference of approximately 700 professionals in the Substance Abuse Treatment field. At these events, we provide Information about NA IPs and Regional Meeting Schedules.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ....................................................Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

We found it best to have our Regional phoneline patch directly to the existing Area phonelines.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

In some Areas, there is a lack of willingness. Maintaining continuity of service is left up to one person.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .............................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

More concern was shown in regard to the motions than to the Discussion questions. We had minimal input on the questions.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Yes, we held five Area CAR workshops, one multi-Area CAR workshop, and a Regional Assembly Car workshop.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

Growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Consensus Based Decision Making

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

We continue to improve on our ability to choose trusted servants. As a result, we have better trained trusted servants, and we have moved away from the ‘warm body syndrome.’

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

A. The delegate team has continued to raise the level of service delivery in the Region. During this past cycle, we conducted 34 workshops (ten on the changing stories in the Basic Text; three on the new Youth IPs; eight on the IDTs; six on the CAR; three on “Consensus Based Decision Making;” one on the PR Handbook; and three on “How to be an Effective GSR”), and we attended 26 ASCs. Additionally, the team hosted two Regional Assemblies.

B. The AL/NWFL Regional Convention, Fun in the Sun, continues to grow in popularity. We restarted this convention two years ago with the help of trusted servants from the

Alabama/NW Florida Region
Georgia and Florida Regions and the permission of the North Atlanta Area who were the original hosts. On April 24 – 27, 2008, the AL/NWFL Region will host Fun in the Sun 30 at Panama City Beach, FL.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

The AL/NWFL Region is slowly shifting to a “project based” system for delivering Regional services. So far, we have utilized this method twice. Instead of using a seated subcommittee, we created work groups with the goal of accomplishing a specific task and then disbanding. This method worked well with our Public Relations efforts at the Alabama Judicial College and the Alabama School of Alcohol and other Drug Studies (ASADS).

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

   Outreach, Fund flow

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

   Continuing to work as a team has worked well. It has enabled us to become more visible in our Region. Maintaining open lines of communication with Areas, Groups, and individual addicts has improved awareness. Conducting workshops and visiting ASCs was a challenge, but I had a team that worked hard. They deserve the credit for all of our accomplishments.
Alaska Region

Regional Delegate .............................................................. Tony Laurance
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................... No
Alternate Delegate ............................................................. Robert Gregg
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ........................................ 4
How many groups are in the region? ....................................... 45
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ....... 71
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ...... 16

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .......... 35
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ........................................... 3000
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................................. NA World Services
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ............. 500

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .................................................................
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum?
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ......................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ............................. 200
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................. No
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ...........................................................
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ...........................
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .................................................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ........ No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ................................................................. No
Is your region insured? .................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................. No
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ................................. No
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

We lack the experience

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ................................. Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ......................................................... Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Live addict on Regional & Anchorage & Fairbanks. Juneau & Kenai have recording.
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
  Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
  Several groups expressed concern over the World board Approved IP’s that came out without fellowship approval.
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?
  Growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?
  Group/area apathy to take the time to wade through the enormous CAR. Half of the groups abstained from voting due to the ambiguity of the CAR.
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
  Getting outreach set-up and Web page hosting.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.
  Best Regional convention ever, Growing, campouts Self Supporting, Outreach working.
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?
  Alaska growing fellowship, geographically challenged.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

Alaska Region
Aotearoa New Zealand Region

Regional Delegate ..................................................................................................................................... Ursala O
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................................................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ......................................................................................................................................... position vacant at time of writing
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................................................................................... Yes
How many areas are in the region? ............................................................................................................ 3 active, 1 in recess
How many groups are in the region? .......................................................................................................... 90
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ....................................................................... 94
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .................................................................... 13

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .........................$7,411
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ............................................................. $8363
Where do you purchase your literature?

FSO stocks literature for purchase by Groups and outside organisations such as treatment facilities. Our Region receives a generous discount on literature from World Services and in turn they return funds to World Services.

How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .............................. Subcommittees distributed approx US$1075 worth of literature. Note that this the 30% discounted figure that is given to subcommittees. Outside organisations such as treatment facilities have purchased (no discount) literature from FSO to the value of approx US $2030.

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .............................................................................. Asia Pacific Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................................................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ...................................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ............................................................ 225
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ..................................................................................... No
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ................................................................................
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ................................................ Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .......................................................................................... If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ......................................................................................... No
Is your region insured? ............................................................................................................................... Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

Opportunity was given for Areas to discuss the IDTs but no feedback has been received.

Workshops on CAR and IDTs will be held prior to WSC 08 in April.

Aotearoa New Zealand Region
I participated in a panel discussion in one Area. I have been a co-facilitator in three workshops in my own Area. In organising these workshops we were mindful that we needed to make them fun for members. Feedback indicated that the workshops were useful to members. Generally the workshops raised awareness for members about keeping meetings safe and the necessity to elected suitable trusted servants and support those people. We used the guidelines and adjusted the format that were available from the NAWS website to suit our purposes.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ................................................................. Yes

What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Our Region shared an information booth at 2007 Australasian Professional Society of Alcohol and other Drug Conference. We also delivered a presentation based on our survey results at the same conference in late 2006. We have also provided a submission to the Corrections Department on their policy for volunteers in prisons and have just published an IP on our survey results. These IPs are for use both within the fellowship and for outside organisations to show that Narcotics Anonymous is a viable recovery option in our community.

The change from PI to PR has given our Region a broader perspective and attention to public relations efforts. We believe that these efforts have given us a higher profile and will increase our credibility as a recovery option in New Zealand.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ............................................................ Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

We have an national free to caller phoneline which diverts calls to the nearest Area. The costs are shared by the Areas and the national number means we capture all calls from around the country regardless of how remote. As a region we have researched the possibility of running a pilot live phone line in one Area but found there is not enough people to do the work at the present time. We are confident that eventually this will be a possibility for our Region.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................................... No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................................................. Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

This will be held prior to the WSC 08 and will include the motions and one IDT Building Strong Home Groups. Other topics to be discussed are Disruptive Behaviour and Medication in Recovery and a fun workshop on PR.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Unfortunately the workshop is not held until after 15 Feb 08 close off date for report.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

Continues to grow

Aotearoa New Zealand Region
Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Safety in meetings, medication in recovery and better utilisation of our limited resources both human and financial.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

Conducting a regional inventory helped us to see our strengths and weaknesses. Groups have been encouraged to re-evaluate their meeting formats to include a note about disruptive and inappropriate behaviours. Making use of older serving members to support those in service positions.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

Our PR efforts mentioned above including the new IP on our survey results. We also had a successful 25 years of NA in NZ celebration late 2007

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Some members from our Region attended the Worldwide Workshop in Sydney that was run by World Services. This enabled us to share our service experiences with other NA members and to enrich our knowledge of NA service and most of us came back inspired to encourage others in service and renew our own service efforts.

We will be holding our follow survey of our members this year. This will give us a comparison to our previous survey results which will be a very useful PR tool.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

How can we generate unity and support on a world level for the developing NA communities.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

It is difficult to have direct communication with the membership and GSRs other than the one opportunity each year. We have an email list called announce which has helped me to distribute information to the fellowship. About 20% of the fellowship subscribe to NZNA email lists.

This is my first year as RD and during this time the position of RD Alternate has been vacant. This means the learning opportunities for the next RD are limited to just one year before being confirmed into the RD position. I have therefore looked to past Regional Delegates for support as well as guidance.
Arkansas Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Pat Pate
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................ No
Alternate Delegate ............................................................... Michael Pyle
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................ No
How many areas are in the region? ........................................ 9
How many groups are in the region? ..................................... 73
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ....... 310
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .... 27

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? $8,982.41
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? $6,097.01
Where do you purchase your literature? NAWS or Lone Star Region
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? All needs are met by the Areas

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? Southern Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? No
Does your region have a regional convention? Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? 
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? 4
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? 275
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration?
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? No
Is your region insured?
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? Yes

What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

We have had several workshops at various campouts and workshop events. They were fairly well attended. Our best one was the Regional Unity Campout in October 2006. Our results have previously been sent to the WSO.

We then, via zonal experience and then back to region, did the updated versions of the ‘Building Strong Home Groups’ Worksheet and ‘Area Planning Tool’ The effect has been great. Our region has 2 new areas so the ‘Area Planning Tool’ is not something that is new and unusual. We did get the ‘Why do we need this response’ from some in our more established areas.
I asked the established areas to start fresh with each new sub committee term and try to apply the Plan during each new year. Then maybe it can help develop to the area planning stage.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ..............................................................Yes

What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

  Our Region has done One (1) School Presentation; 10 Public Forums, ie: Drug Courts, Probation & Juvenile Facilities and General Public through area PR efforts. We also presented at Four (4) Treatment Facilities.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ............................................................Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

  The Arkansas Region Phone Line number is 800 338 8750. This number covers the entire region. I have been told by several Truck Drivers, passing through, that it is one of the best in the United States. We use an answering service. They have all our updated meetings and addresses. We also use a ‘Patch’ system. We hold Phone Line Committee workshops. Once an Addict completes a workshop and has at least one year clean they can be placed on the patch list. The answering service finds a location for the caller than calls an approved addict in that city of nearest location. it is very effective.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ..............................................................................No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

  Both areas that have help lines are pleased with their efforts. The Arkansas Region has not had any complaints regarding those areas.

  We also have a Arkansas Region Website and are re-vamping it as we type. There are two (2) area web pages and a few others are exploring.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ..............................................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

  Yes, to date we have done a full workshop at our Region Service Committee and 4 group or area workshops. I am scheduled to do 5 more area workshop during March.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

  The three biggest concerns are:

  Motion 2 ‘Why so many changes in one motion?’ There is a growing minority pushing for two books. A Basic Text with Book One only and then a second book with the stories;

  2. There is a concern how to make our fellowship more attractive to the public in our geographic. There is a general idea that ‘who is missing’? Is everybody depending on a location. Our region will be presenting ideas and solutions to the Southern Zonal Forum this Summer regarding this topic; i am looking forward to iformation and insight from the WSC.

  3. There is a growing need to have something more on Traditions.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

  We are growing. Have formed two new areas in the last year due to need and not resentments. YEAHHHHHHH

Arkansas Region
Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

_The new groups and new members influx at a faster than expected rate._

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

_We are a rural region basically. The Court system was a concern but starting in 2003 we as a region started stepping up and being more active regarding the Court System. Before we sat back and were having growing problems. This has changed and now during especially the last conference cycle, this region is a step ahead. When we hear of a new district starting a Court program we go to them. These efforts have allowed us to do H&I inside the Court Groups; Outreach to the out of court house groups that have formed; Introduced Court clients to the NA Way through Meeting Formats and have welcomed each new group or event structure with open arms._

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

_I believe the Outreach to new groups and Areas is our strongest effort._

_The fact that after all these years we feel financially secure enough to host our first Region Convention, brought to you by the Arkansas Region of Narcotics Anonymous at the Austin Hotel, Hot Springs, AR, Oct 17, 18, and 19, 2008. Oh yeah did I mention it was our VERY FIRST ONE !!!!!!!!!!!!!_  

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

_Just a thank you for being of love and service._

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

_I would like to see some discussion on what is and isn’t proper to link on a region, area or even group website. How do we correct a website from an area that crosses the boundaries of traditions rather intentional or not._

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

_I know I focus on the cooperation as opposed to affiliation with the courts more than most. I guess because we have done it the hard way and learned from experience and never gave up. This experience has helped me be a better RD, RDA, PI Chair over this past cycle. I am still new as RD but the attendance to Southern Zonals, Plains States Zonal sometimes, World Wide Workshops, the past three World Conventions, several area/region conventions and campouts has been a real life experience. I do love to help an addict when I hear them cry out regarding the courts. The privilege of doing a Drug Court Workshop for the Southern Zonal Forum gave me insight that I can still help and make a difference by showing up, being there when needed or asked._

Arkansas Region
Australia Region

Regional Delegate ........................................................................................................ PT Peter Thompson
Have you attended a WSC before?..................................................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate .............................................................................................................. Kitty Ikin
Have you attended a WSC before?...................................................................................... No
How many areas are in the region?.......................................................................................... 18
How many groups are in the region?........................................................................................ 403
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .................................................. 415
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ................................................ 35

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ...........$78,388.00
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .......................................... $79,530.00
Where do you purchase your literature? .............................................................................. Regional Service Office
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ............... 

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ................................................ ASIA PACIFIC FORUM
Does your region have a regional office? ............................................................................. Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ..................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .......................................... 400
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ............................................................ 6
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ............................... 275
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ........................................................................ Non Profit Society-FSO
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year?.................. Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ....................................................................... Yes
Is your region insured? ...........................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ........................................................................................................ Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
There has been more f/ship Unity & participation in Service in both the Region & at Areas.Attendance has been up & more information sharing..
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .............................................. Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
NAWS W/shop in Jan’08 bought our Region together with enthusiasm & passion to help carry a more positive message up & down the Service structure.Areas wanting to do Public Relations in there communities to change some of the old ways/ideas people feel about NA.IE:Information Booths with literature about NA,who & what we can offer.

Australia Region
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ..................................................Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

_We have a Nation Wide number that has been running nearly 4yrs now, quite successfully. Connecting anyone to every Area/State in Australia._

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

_Most Areas have helplines set up, some struggle to pay bills. But it’s regarded as a worthwhile effort to keep them running._

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

_Yes-10 were attended by Regional C’ttee members & local service members from Areas where w/shops were attended._

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

_Our f/ship has been enriched by the participation of the World Board Members. We have again renewed our passion for addicts still suffering._

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

_Small Growth._

**Innovations and Challenges**

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

_The Building of a Strong Home Group. Keeping members in Service._

_Loss at Regional C’vtion_

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

_Inventory of Regional C’vtion - Up dating of Policies, accountability both money & service position._

_Changed Regional Service cycle to enable outgoing RD better share information with staying longer after WSC._

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

_NAWS W/shop generated huge buzz among members New & OCM’s. Region funded service members from all over Australia, Areas funded additional service members, we also funded members of different cultural groups that have been under represented at the Region._

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

_Regional Contributions.._  
_Asia Pacific Forum. $16,500usd_  
_NAWS $12,000usd_

**Conference Input**

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

_Some mechanism for information to get back to our APF/Zonal Forams, communities that are not seated at the WSC._

Australia Region
Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

- Introduction of WDT’s to Areas/Regions. Area Planning Tool was too complex, to initiate the planning at an Area level. Work load/information was burden to determine—what was more important to implement.
- Hi-jacking of individuals at a Regional level with their own agendas, wasting time & causing disunity among the fl/ship.
- Getting OCM’s back into Service & getting new members into Service at Region & Areas. Consensus is working well at RSCM.
- Reliance on telephone service meetings, RSC Admin/Sub-C’ttee meetings happening regular.
- Updating Policy ie: Seating New Areas at RSCM.
- Flow on from NAWS W/shop to Areas/Members recommitment of passion, support & care to do Service.
- Fund flow moving to APF & NAWS.
- Self funding of RD & ARD to APF, ARD to attend WSC 2008.
Baja Son Region

Regional Delegate ....................................................... JESUS ANDRES SANCHEZ REYES
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. SI
Alternate Delegate .............................................................. RAMIRO SALAZAR
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. NO
How many areas are in the region? ............................................................... 9
How many groups are in the region? ......................................................... 124 GROUPS
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .................... 846
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .................. 70

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount of money contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ................................................................. $1800
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .................... $3500
Where do you purchase your literature? ............................................. NA WORLD SERVICES
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ......... $1000

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ......................................... YES
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ................................... LAZF
Does your region have a regional office? .................................................... NO
Does your region have a regional convention? ......................................... NO
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance?
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ......................................... YES
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year .................................... 4
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ........... 300
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? YES
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ............................................ CONSTITUTIONAL ACT
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? HOUSING TAXES
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .......................................... NO
Is your region insured? ............................................................................. NO
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ......................................................... NO
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .................... YES
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
INFORMATION FOR SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTIONS SUCH AS THE IMSS (MEXICAN INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SECURITY)
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ................. NO
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own phoneline or helpline? .................................. YES
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
IT HAS BROUGHT PEOPLE TO OUR MEETINGS AND GROUPS AND IT HAS HELP FOR
THE GROWTH OF THE BAJA CALIFORNIA AREA
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .............................................................. NO
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since
WSC 2006? ........................................................................................................... IT HAS GROWN

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past
conference cycle?

WHO’S MISSING IN OUR MEETINGS AND WHY
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

NAWS WORKSHOPS IN CULIACAN.
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

THAT WE ARE CONSIDERED MORE IN THE REVIEW PROCESS OF THE SPANISH
BASIC TEXT WITH THE PERSONAL STORIES AND TO PRINT THE LINENUMBERED
BT LIKE THE VERSION IN ENGLISH

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional
delegate?

I HAVE ALWAYS WORKED CONSIDERING THE DECISIONS OF MY REGION AND I
SERVE NOT EXPECTING ANYTHING IN RETURN. THE SERVICE POSITIONS SHOULD
ALWAYS ROTATE. THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME BE OFF SERVICE
Brazil Region

Regional Delegate .................................................................................................................. Mauricio P.
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................................................................ Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................................................................ Jose M.
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................................................................ No
How many areas are in the region? ........................................................................................ 43
How many groups are in the region? ...................................................................................... 560
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ................................................... 1680
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ................................................ 120

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ...$ 26,666.66
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ................................... $ 31,578.95
Where do you purchase your literature? .............................................................. NAWS & our RSO
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ..............

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ......................................................... Latin America Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ............................................................................ Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ...................................... 1100
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .......................................................... 30
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ......................... 300
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ................................................................. Non-profit Association
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? .............. Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ................................................................. Yes
Is your region insured? ......................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? .................................................................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ........................................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

We are making efforts in Public Relation for Professional at health and recovery area.
This have been very good because that professional are knowing us better and carrying our message forward.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ...................................... No
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ............................................................... No
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Almost all of our Areas have Phoneline or Helpline services. We destak the phoneline service by mobile phone. This has helped us with a lack of trusted servants to the service through the formal service.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?  
yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

We noted that few NA member has knowledge regarding Worldwide services. But we noted that all of people that participated of the workshop has interest by the subject and continued to talk about that.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?  
growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Was regarding our Legal Office.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

We are trying to work each Sub Committe between Forums. Each year we provide one Forum for each Sub Committe. That have been bring to us the direction to our efforts on each subject.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

We had a big stole at our Legal Office in 2006 (US$ 120,000.00). That caused a big problem with the confidence of our office. It wasn’t a NA member that extracted the money (was a special work) but the new board was a major challenge to overcome the crisis of mistrust. With a hard work between the new border of the Legal Office and the board of the Regional Services we much better now than in the past.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

The big challenge is to get all information from NAWS and translate to a singular language for our groups member. The main experience is that is very good we create a Forum to discuss worldwide subjects. We passed a motion in the last year that we will have two worldwide Forums per year.
British Columbia Region

Regional Delegate ........................................................................................................... Valerie Hodgson
Have you attended a WSC before?.................................................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate .......................................................................................................... Jim Harris
Have you attended a WSC before?.................................................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ................................................................................... 16
How many groups are in the region? .................................................................................. 287
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ............................................ 341
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ........................................... 32

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? $36,986.00
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? $ 38500.00
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................................. NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)?

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ............................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? Canadian Assembly of Narcotics Anonymous
Does your region have a regional office? ......................................................................... No
Does your region have a regional convention? ............................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ...................................... 275
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ............................................................... No
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ........................................................
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ............................
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .................................................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ................................................................. No
Is your region insured? ......................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

Positive for those that attend. Members seemed to enjoy the opportunity to participate in the small group discussions opportunity for those with various amounts of clean time/service experience to fully participate

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? No
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

SVIA have a functioning PR Committee- working with local universities,and the Health Authority.
CVIA held a PR Workshop

British Columbia Region
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .................................................... No
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

At this moment I am participating in an ad-hoc committee which is presently looking at the creation of a Regional phoneline and possibly an office.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Most of our areas have active phonelines and this would be considered success

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................. Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

Yes, we utilized the session profiles.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

It has been a positive experience for those members to new NA service, and for members that are new to conscience based decision-making- to become more aware that their input is extremely valuable

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

Growing..its sooo great.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

First of all.. we still have 3 CAR workshops to facilitate as of today. However, for the 2 workshops completed ..the most interest was in the area of Leadership and Who is Missing at our Meetings.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

Ongoing commitment to a Regional Inventory process
Attempting ongoing communication between regional meetings
Centralized location of the regional meeting
Regional website as a resource tool

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

Mentorship Program
Centralized Regional Meeting
RCM Orientation Package
In the process of part 2 of the Regional Inventory
Re-surface of our Regional Convention

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Need for leadership training and Mentorship Workshops
Ongoing communication regarding the benefits of Public Relations

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

How to begin providing Effective Leadership training and skill development

British Columbia Region
Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

Challenge/s - Disconnect regarding communication from the Region to the Areas, and the lack of communication from the Areas to the Region

What has worked well - Ongoing communication from WSO to the RD, and ongoing communication from the Regions to the Zonal Forum and from the Zonal Forum to the Region
Buckeye Region

Regional Delegate ........................................................................................................................................... Dave Hallett
Have you attended a WSC before? .................................................................................................................. Yes
Alternate Delegate ........................................................................................................................................ Ron Mulheman
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................................................................ No
How many areas are in the region? ................................................................................................................. 7
How many groups are in the region? ................................................................................................................. 173
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .............................................................................. 184
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ........................................................................... 72

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ...................................... $6,750
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ........................................................................ 5518
Where do you purchase your literature? ......................................................................................................... Both
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ......................................................

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .......................................................................................... NEZF
Does your region have a regional office? .......................................................................................................... Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ........................................................................ 400
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .......................................................................................... 1
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ............................................................. 400
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ..................................................................................................... convention corp.
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ..................................................................................................... Yes
Is your region insured? ........................................................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ........................................................................................................................................ Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

We have them at conventions and at service learning days. The folks that attend are really active. If we could just find a way to reach to more of the fellowship.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ........................................................................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

We have done 3 in this cycle 2 of which we had world helped with.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ........................................................................... Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................................................. Yes

Buckeye Region
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

*Not enough women in some areas to have the load of calls*

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................. *Yes*

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

*yes, and really got some good input about lit.*

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

*I have been doing this for 6 years and it have just started showing a real core group of input. It’s really nice to see the change*

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

*We have both, growing and staying the*

**Innovations and Challenges**

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

*The service pamphlets*

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

*Interest in issues. There is lack of*

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

*going out to the area meetings*

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

**Conference Input**

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

**Delegate Experience**

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

*We started going to area meetings and the folks that that stayed around after the meeting really had good Questions.*
California Inland Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Michael Mosier
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Oscar L.
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ......................................................... 5
How many groups are in the region? ....................................................... 185
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ....................... 185
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ....................

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? 
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ........... $15,000.00
Where do you purchase your literature? ........................................ NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ....... $1,500

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ............................. Western States Zone
Does your region have a regional office? .......................................... Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ............ 3500
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? .................................. No
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .............................
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .................................................................
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ....................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .................................... Yes
Is your region insured? ...........................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

Roundtable discussions were held, with a lot of good information making its way back to the groups

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ..................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

County Fair, Health Expo, Always gratifying

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ................ No
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................. Yes

California Inland Region
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
  Yes we spent a little time on them
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
  The sponsorship book was a disappointment to many that were looking for a how to book.
  New targeted literature had 3 top picks. They were Oldtimers, Meeting etiquette, and no new literature at all.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?
grown

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?
  We had an area split, which was a topic of discussion for several years. When the time came it was a textbook split with love, HP, and spiritual principles in charge.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
  We performed a regional inventory for the first time in several years and got a lot of very good feedback from the fellowship in what they would like to see from their Region. We are in the process of updating guidelines and in this process we hope to implement some changes that should benefit the Region as a whole

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.
  The Inventory, The Area Split, our Annual Workshop/Assembly have all been successes and we are looking forward to moving forward.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?
Some - California Mid-State Region

The California Mid-State Region of Narcotics Anonymous (CMSRNA) is located in the heart of the great Central Valley of California. The Region runs from Lodi in the North to Porterville in the South and from the Gold Rush towns of the Sierras in the East to the eastern edge of the Coastal Range in the West. Our Region is comprised of seven Areas encompassing the Counties of San Joaquin, Calaveras, Amador, Tuolumne, Stanislaus, Merced, Mariposa, Fresno, Madera, Kings and Tulare. These seven Areas are: Central California NA; Central Sierra NA; Central Sierra South NA; Central Valley North NA; Foothill; Kings / Tulare and Stanislaus Valley Groups of NA. Culturally our Region runs a gamut from rural to large city living environments.

There are three hundred thirty-nine (339) weekly recovery meetings, with starting times ranging from 6:30 am to 10:00 pm, with a heavy concentration around the lunchtime and evening (6 pm – 8 pm) hours. The Spanish-speaking community is served by sixteen (16) of these meetings being presented either in Spanish or a combination of English / Spanish. Some of these meetings are presented by the same Group on different days or times. Membership in all Areas is growing, perhaps due to SB 36, resulting in a management challenge at times to secure meeting facilities that will accommodate the attendees.

This is the first WSC for both myself as the Regional Delegate and Doug C. as the Regional Delegate Alternate. We were both elected in May 2007 to our current positions.

Donations and Literature

CMSRSC does not have a Regional Service Office, nor do we sell literature directly to anyone. All of our Areas purchase their literature either directly from NAWS or the Northern California Regional Service Office.

The information pertaining to the amount of literature distributed by the seven Area H&I Sub-committees is currently unavailable.

Regional Service Committee Structure

California Mid-State Regional Service Committee (CMSRSC) embraced the concept of Regional Information Coordinators (RICs) as presented in the previous version of the Guide to Local Services. Establishing a RIC for Hospitals & Institutions, Public Information, Activities and Literature at the Regional level. Their mandate is; “To act as a resource to groups and members in their efforts to carry the N.A. message …… His/Her direction is to try and become the most informed person regarding their area of responsibility.”

CMSRNA funds the attendance of their RD and RDA at the Western States Zonal Forum and the Western Service Learning Days in addition to attendance at NAWS Workshops and the World Service Conference. The RICs are also funded for attendance to the WSLD and various NAWS Workshops that may be scheduled.

CMSRNA produces a biennial convention that attracts between 1500 and 2100 attendees, with 900 to 1,000 actually registering! These great registration numbers relieve considerable pressure in funding the conventions which rotate between cities in the larger Areas, (Stockton and Modesto in the north, Fresno and Visalia in the south). Our Areas also hold Unity Days and Area Celebrations at various times throughout the year.

Legal Entity and Tax Filing Status

Over the past several years CMSRSC has been researching the legal entity and income tax filing responsibilities as a Region, mostly due to the income that is realized from the Regional Conventions. For the first time ever, CMSRNA filed an Income Tax Return for 2006. We did this with much apprehension and discussion amongst ourselves, a business attorney and a Certified Public Account. The professional consensus was, “Why fix it if it’s not broken, but, continuing to ignore the tax laws may subject CMSRNA to some IRS pain in the future.” The California Mid-State Region
Fellowship consensus was, “If we are to be a part of society what makes us believe we do not need to be accountable for filing Income Tax Returns?” Currently we are considered to be an “Unincorporated Member Benefit Association” in the eyes of the IRS; more will be revealed I’m sure.

### Regional Insurance

CMSRSC has continued to encourage each Area to ensure their recovery meeting information is kept up to date at NAWS, along with their Area Service Committee contact information. Even though this is a relatively easy chore, it is still a chore and easy to let slip between the cracks. For CMSRNA this is especially critical due to the fact that our Regional Insurance Policy is based on recovery meetings registered with NAWS. We hope to address this detail in the next policy negotiation because the consensus is that registration with NAWS should not be of concern with our insurance carrier. This may prove to be an uphill battle due to the fact that our recovery meetings are somewhat changeable in a short period of time and there needs to be a method to ensure coverage for newly formed meetings after the current meeting list is forwarded to the insurance broker.

This past insurance cycle, CMSRNA secured coverage with Philadelphia Insurance through our previous broker. This brings up an on-going nagging feeling regarding our Regional Insurance Annual Premium which currently runs to almost $9,000.00! This seems a little excessive for a Region that carries approximately one third the recovery meetings and nowhere near the size of convention, learning days, Regional or Area events as our Northern California Region neighbors. At the Western States Zonal Forum held in Ontario, CA in 2007 this item was discussed at some length (again) with several other Regions sharing that their Annual Premiums were substantially less even with more recovery meetings, larger events and more members.

The hope is that we will eventually secure affordable coverage more in line with our actual claims history. In the fifteen years we have had insurance coverage I can only recall one or two instances where members have filed claims.

### Regional Forums / Issue Discussion Topics

The Regional Committee Members (RCMs) gave their approval to the Regional Delegate and the Alternate Delegate to go forth throughout the Region and present four Regional Forums for the seven Areas, (two of the Regional forums were shared by four of the Areas). The Issue Discussion Topics were the agenda topics of the day, with the attendees identifying the order of discussion. The anticipation and participation of the members that chose to attend the first presentation was encouraging. I believe that the discussion model (large group / small group) utilized had a lot to do with this response. We are hopeful that the RCMs will approve of the expense to present future workshops in the remaining Areas. We specifically presented the Regional Forums separate from the CAR Workshops to allow ample time to focus on the topics being presented.

### CAR Workshops

We are looking forward to a well-attended round of Conference Agenda Report (CAR) Workshops. Several of our Areas have already stated a desire for one in their locale. Our first workshop is scheduled for February 9th in Modesto and our second is scheduled for March 8th. It is hoped that each of the Areas will request a workshop, considering the 6th Edition Basic Text Approval Draft and several other items of interest that are included in the 2008 CAR in addition to the discussion questions. We are hopeful these presentations will be more than just a “vote counting” event. To allow for active discussion and participation we are scheduling six hours for each workshop. This time slot worked well for the Regional Forum presented in December 2007.

### Area H&I and PI Sub-committees & Public Relations

Each of our Area Hospitals & Institutions Sub-committees carries panels into a large number of County, State and Federal Institutions. Panel Members also attend several existing NA Meetings as outside guests at some of these facilities. We are anticipating the day that a state-wide clearance system may be in place and accepted by the State Facilities. This may facilitate the growth of a pool of members willing to travel to different institutions by standardizing the clearance process.
Some of our Area Public Information Sub-committees are better supported than others, taking part in several health fairs and Red Ribbon Days annually. One of our Areas, (Central Sierra South NA), has formed a Public Relations Sub-committee, combining the H&I and PI Subcommittees with fairly positive results. Their pool of supporting members seems to have increased as a result of this combination. Some of the other Areas within CMSRNA are investigating this combination of resources.

The phone lines / help lines or each Area are managed by the Public Information Sub-committee. Some Areas actually have Phone Line Sub-committees as a part of the overall PI Sub-committee. CMSRSC itself does not manage any phone lines / help lines.

The ongoing public relations efforts mostly consist of raising awareness of the individual member’s conduct at the various meeting locations utilized throughout CMSRNA. We are attempting to emphasize the effect our individual actions have on the public perception on NA as a whole.

**Innovations and Challenges**

Regional insurance continues to be a subject that generates much discussion and anxiety due to the large amount of money our annual premium demands. We are continuing to search for more affordable coverage.

Our Regional Assembly and the Issue Discussion Topics benefited from the large group / small group discussion model that has been utilized by NAWS the past several years. We are more fully implementing this model in our regional workshops, assemblies and service committee meetings. The members have embraced the change in discussion format enthusiastically, showing it by their active participation in discussion and also the discussion and feedback that occurs after the events. This discussion change seems to have actually reassured some members that Region exists to do more than “just take our money”. The opinion seems to be slowly revising into “Region is putting back into the Region”. What also seems to have assisted with this attitude change is the RD and RDA committing to attend every Area Service Committee meeting at least once this past year, illustrating that we are willing to make ourselves more accessible and also allowing the members to place a face with the name and position.

CMSRSC has experienced some elected members stepping away from their service positions due to family needs. This resulted in CMSRNA going without a Regional Delegate or RDA for several months last year and recently our Activities and H&I RIC resigned from their positions, which as yet remain vacant. Other members are stepping in to fill in for the time being. Our elections are held in May, but we continue to attempt to fill the vacancies on a monthly basis.

The benefits of reassuring the members that Regional level trusted servants are members just as they are seem to outweigh the expense and investment of time and money necessary to travel the length and breadth of our Region. We were always welcomed at the ASC, sometimes being asked for input or to share our experience in similar circumstances, other times just being allowed a little time to introduce ourselves was all that was needed.

**Conference Input**

Through our attendance and participation at the Western States Zonal Forum, the Western Service Learning Days and the recent Sierra Sage Convention we were presented with pre-printed folders that NAWS utilizes to convey Information Pamphlets and other informational items to professionals in their own public relations efforts along with a small canvas bag printed with the Public Relations logo. To provide these items at an affordable cost would be of assistance in enhancing our credibility with professionals and as an additional benefit provide a new revenue stream for NAWS. The same thoughts apply to the Issue Discussion Topic resource materials that have been available electronically for quite a few months now. These resources are proving to be of some assistance in the presentation of the Issue Discussion Topics workshops being presented throughout the Fellowship. The cost of printing small quantities locally is cost-prohibitive and also denies NAWS another new revenue stream. For future projects especially, if the print run is allowed to overrun a moderate amount, the result may assist with Regional presentations of topics using professional quality resources and consequently providing a small amount of revenue from the sale thereof. We have offered this suggestion personally and via email to the World Board members and we would like to hear from other Regions regarding their interest or not in these resource items becoming available for purchase through the literature order form from NAWS.

California Mid-State Region
Additionally CMSRNA is interested in detailed discussions with other Regions regarding their presentation of information to the insurance broker or company when renewing their regional insurance coverage. Perhaps we are not presenting some item of information in the way that is necessary to convey what our actual needs really are. We certainly do not want to prompt an increase in anyone else’s insurance premium.

In Closing

CMSRNA would like to say that we are anticipating more of the same type of discussion workshops presented by NAWS that are proving to be very well received by the members of California Mid-State Region. Our members are providing enthusiastic, energetic participation and having some fun gaining information in the process. We look forward to the coming discussion topics.

In closing we would like to take this opportunity to invite everyone to our rapidly approaching regional convention, CMSRCNA X, to be held in Visalia, California on June 6 – 8, 2008.

Yours in Service,

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Canada Atlantic Region

Regional Delegate .................................................................................................................. Bill Callum
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................... No
Alternate Delegate ................................................................................................................
Have you attended a WSC before? ..........................................................................................
How many areas are in the region? .......................................................................................... 8
How many groups are in the region? ....................................................................................... 45
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .................................................... 70
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ................................................... 2

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .............. $3,344.31
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ............................................ 2523.92
Where do you purchase your literature? ............................................................................... NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ................

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ......................................................... Canadian Assembly
Does your region have a regional office? ............................................................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................. No
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ...........................................
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ......................................................... 2
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ........................... 150
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ........................................................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ................. No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ..................................................................... No
Is your region insured? .......................................................................................................... No
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ......................................................................................... Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

We are a small Region, most of the workshops are attended by people already involved in local service. We are finding it tough to attract new addicts to our workshops.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ........................................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

We have 2 phonelines that cover the 3 Atlantic Provinces. We advertise in the paper and have ads on TV (local cable)

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ........................................ Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

Canada Atlantic Region
WSC 2008 Regional Reports

They attract a lot of calls, relatively inexpensive.
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

They attract a lot of calls, relatively inexpensive.
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ............................................................................Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

growing in very small numbers

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Who is missing from our meetings
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

Funding from the Areas is always a challenge. We have shared with the member ASC’s where the money goes. We have also shown that we can be very responsible with the funds we do get.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?
Carolina Region

Regional Delegate .............................................................................................................Don Lundquist
Have you attended a WSC before? ..................................................................................Yes
Alternate Delegate ...........................................................................................................Phillip Gray
Have you attended a WSC before? ..................................................................................No
How many areas are in the region? ....................................................................................23
How many groups are in the region? ..................................................................................272
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ..................................................900
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ..............................................30

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ..........$38,263.47
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ......................................$355,232.69
Where do you purchase your literature? ...........................................................................RSO
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ..........$600.00

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .........................................................Southeast
Does your region have a regional office? ............................................................................Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................No
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .......................................Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ...............................................................32
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ..........................350
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ......................................................................501 3C
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ............No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ....................................................................Yes
Is your region insured? .......................................................................................................Yes
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? .........................................................................................Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

  Good workshops, but a general lack of participation.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ...........................................Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

  We have been asked to give presentations to professionals. We have been able to steer professionals in the right direction - passing on information, meeting lists, etc. We have also received help starting meetings in facilities through the combined efforts of H&I and Outreach.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .......................................Yes

Carolina Region
WSC 2008 Regional Reports

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

Mostly positive. Callers are directed to the proper area.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Mostly positive with some delays in response time.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

There is a general lack of knowledge of the issue discussion topics. The information is not getting to the home groups.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Building strong homegroups, the service related pamphlets (and what constitutes a service related pamphlet), the 6th edition basic text and arabic numerals on medallions.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

We have presented ourselves to convention committees and offered the RD/RDA team to areas to workshop issue discussion topics.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

We have moved the regional office making it more accessible. We are moving toward consolidation of sub-committees, specifically the PR sub-committee, that we hope will generate more interest. We improved our web-site, making it much easier to navigate. Our regional office now offers web shopping and renewable gift cards for H&I and outreach committees to use.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

We have found that our region wants more feedback and/or input on service related pamphlets. A resounding no to new literature (Living Clean). Our region has stated that they would like to see current IPs updated with fellowship approval. They have also said that they would like to see the step-working guide updated, possibly even one for newcomers and one for member with accumulated clean time.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

A lot of members would like a review of the input process of service related pamphlets. They want to know why the IP for parents and guardians of young people can be call an NA IP. There is a lot of talk about what is service related and what is recovery related.

Carolina Region
Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

We have found that groups that have used the Building Strong Homegroups worksheet have benefited tremendously. But the overwhelming majority of homegroups had no idea that the worksheets even existed. Areas that have used the area planning tool have found it to be somewhat helpful. But again, a lack of knowledge of these items has prevented them from being a widespread asset to the fellowship. We find it easy to communicate to the RSC, but between the RSC and the homegroups, there is a communication gap.
Central Atlantic Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Sherry Vorbach
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................ Yes
Alternate Delegate ............................................................... Greg Harris
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................ Yes
How many areas are in the region? ................................. 15
How many groups are in the region? ............................... 395
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .... 502
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ...... 76

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .... $22,224.00
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .......................... $11,000.00
Where do you purchase your literature? ........................................ NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .... $700.00

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ........................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .................... Autonomy
Does your region have a regional office? ........................................ No
Does your region have a regional convention? .......................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .......... 1000
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? .......................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ......................... 4
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ........ 400
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .................................. 501 (c) (3)
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ........ Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .............................. Yes
Is your region insured? .................................................................. Yes
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? .............................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

  Our delegate team workshopped the 3 IDT’s. Suggest revamping Building a strong Homegroup worksheet. Member learned and enjoy the interaction. Session profiles very helpful.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ......................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

  We did two....
  One was two days with corrections professionals
One was for a week setting up a booth for substance abuse professionals. It was disturbing how many workers in the field of substance abuse are not familiar with NA.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ................................................................. Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

We have had an 800# regional Helpline for many years. In 2007 we changed our answering service. Our new answering service are excellent. The change was long overdue.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ......................................................................................... No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

We were actually encouraging using the regional 800# but then the 800# went down for a week so time will tell if we became a one number region

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ...................................................................................................... Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

Yes we did workshop the IDT’s as stated earlier.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Resource material very helpful
homegroup workshop revamp

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

We do not have an exact count but we believe growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Changing our Name

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

Our Regional subcommittee were reinstated and getting them up and running posed a lot of work. Developing purposes. Policy etc

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

Working with professionals in two conferences.
Large H&I inmate and administration presentation

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

The need for growth of regions in US/NA

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

Learning how to facilitate workshops
Helping to give information and resources so the whole truth can be researched and available to all

Central Atlantic Region
Greetings from the Chesapeake & Potomac Region!

Our region includes groups in Washington, DC, Maryland, and Virginia with Areas spreading from Frederick, Maryland (north) to Waldorf, Maryland (south), Bowie, Maryland (east) and to Reston, Virginia (west), with our Nation's Capital, Washington DC, in the heart of our Region. We have 11 Areas with a total of approximately 337 groups and 367 meetings per week, plus we carry about 345 H&I meetings per month into 70 different facilities. All of our Areas participate with our regional phoneline and one Area, Dulles Corridor, also has its own helpline. Most of our Areas purchase literature from the Free State Regional Service Center where we have two regional representatives on the Board of Directors. Our active regional committees are Hospitals and Institutions, Public Information, Phoneline, Activities, Policy and Convention Host. We meet the second Saturday of every other month, except when this date conflicts with our Regional Convention or the Mid-Atlantic Regional Learning Conference. Our region is not incorporated and we do not carry regional insurance. We maintain a regional webpage at www.cprna.org.

Our Regional Delegate is Reesheemah Partyka, attending her third WSC, our Alternate Delegate is Anne Holte, attending her second WSC, and our Second Alternate Delegate is Allen Jackson who will be attending his first WSC as a spectator.

Our total donation to NAWS for our fiscal year (August to August) 2005-06 was $9,329.46 and we will be making our 2006-07 donation in April. In addition we donate $1,500.00 per year to the Latin American Zonal Forum, the Asia Pacific Zonal Forum and the European Delegates Meeting. For the 2005-06 year we received group donations in the amount of $22,472.63. For the 2006-07 year we received donations of $30,070.89 from our member Areas and groups plus $30,033.51 from our regional convention. Our annual regional operating budget was $40,910 for the 2005-06 year, of which $19,660.44 was used, and $34,610.00, for the 2006-07 year, of which $24,739.60 was used. We have a regional budget of $1,000.00 for H&I literature if an Area needs assistance.

We belong to the Autonomy Zonal Forum, which is made up of the C&P Region, Central Atlantic Region, Greater Philadelphia Region, Mountaineer Region, the Free State Region, and the Eastern Pennsylvania Region of Narcotics Anonymous. We meet twice a year and each Region hosts the meeting on a rotating basis.

We hold an annual regional convention in Ocean City, Maryland every April. The average attendance is about 5,500 which includes up to 800 indigent registrations. Our convention is incorporated as an IRS recognized tax exempt non-profit corporation. The convention corporation is accountable to the region and submits a detailed report at each regional meeting. Our convention webpage is www.cprcna.org. This year the Central Maryland area is hosting CPRCNA XXII, and the theme is “One Promise, Many Gifts.” Last year the South Potomac Area hosted CPRCNA XXI with the theme “Miracle in the Mirror.” In 2006, for the first time ever, three of our Areas united together to make up the Host Committee—Battlefield, Dulles Corridor, and NorVaNA—CPRCNA XX with the theme “The Ties that Bind Us”. We have one area (East of the River) that holds a biannual convention at New Years Eve in Washington, DC with an average attendance of 1,500 to 2,000.
We host two regional assemblies per year to review the issue discussion topics. During the Conference year, we also host two Regional CAR Workshops where we discuss the CAR, CAR questions, and some CAT material. In past years, the RDs traveled to each individual Area to assist them with their CAR Workshops. In 2006 we decided to hold two regional workshops, in the hopes that members would attend the regional workshops and the RDs would not have to travel as much, but still provide RCMs and GSRs with background information and other assistance. This plan worked in 2006, but this year—despite holding 2 regional CAR workshops, 7 out of 11 Areas are hosting their own workshops, which the RDs will be attending. We are questioning whether we should continue to host the regional CAR workshops in the future.

Our regional H&I efforts continue to be successful, growing from 280 meetings per month in 2006 to 345 meetings in 2008. Some new and interesting successes include a meeting in the Montgomery area which is held weekly in a physical rehabilitation center/Nursing home and 2 meetings in the Frederick area which are held in an adolescent treatment center. Workshops reviewing the new Youth in Recovery literature were also held at that facility.

Our region has participated in multiple large and small public relations efforts and conducted outreach campaigns to parole officers and other judicial and correctional services. Both area and regional Public Information committees have worked with municipal festivals, health expositions and various local substance abuse workshops, held NA booths at community colleges, county fairs, health fairs, and street fairs. We have also distributed Basic Texts in local libraries, as well as the libraries of various jails and institutions within the region.

We have recently converted our phoneline system from a meeting locator with voice mail capabilities to a system that will allow us to operate as a hotline. With our new system a caller can speak directly to a live addict immediately, or leave a voicemail to request literature, meeting lists or more information. We currently have 48 volunteers who have been trained to respond to calls from people either seeking Recovery or looking for information about our meetings or other NA services. We also have an extensive “12 step” call list for each area, if an addict needs a ride to a meeting or wants to speak to someone who is local to where the addict is calling from.

The members in our region are particularly concerned about the seating criteria for both new and “split off” regions. Many believe that if we need a new policy, then the World Board should provide a project plan for developing the new criteria. We have also had concerns involving insurance, and several groups have had to change facilities because of this problem. There is also concern in our region about the approval process for new literature, and developing a more clearly defined definition of “service literature.”

The NA Fellowship continues to grow in the Chesapeake and Potomac Region and remains strong.

In Loving Service,
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301-834-5885
Chicagoland Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Louis H.
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Kathy B.
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ......................................................... 15
How many groups are in the region? ....................................................... 350
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ...................... 400
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ...................... 100

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount of money contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? $19,000
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ...................... $32,000
Where do you purchase your literature? ........................................ Chicago Service Office
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? $1800 at CRSC, ASCs distribute much more.

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ................................. Midwest Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................. Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ........................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ................. 5000
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ........................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ................................. 2-3
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .........
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ............................................. 501(c)(3) corporation
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? no
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ........................................... no
Is your region insured? .............................................................................. yes
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? .............................................. yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
   We held a workshop devoted to outreach to the Hispanic community. That and other discussions resulted in the seating of a CHANA, the Chicago Hispanic Area NA.
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ..................... Yes.
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
   The CRSC annually participates in an exhibition hosted by the Illinois Alcohol and other Drug Abuse Professionals Association. At the request of officials from the City of Chicago, several
members met with a delegation from the Republic of Georgia in the former Soviet Union, where addiction is a major public health concern. We answered many questions about how NA can help people get and stay clean.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? Yes, an excellent one. The phone is answered by a real live addict fully equipped to give up-to-date meeting information, including directions and public transport options.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

The phone is answered by a real live addict fully equipped to give up-to-date meeting information, including directions and public transport options.

Do all areas have their own phoneline or helpline? No

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? Some

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

CRSC is in the process of increasing awareness about the CAR and the IDTs

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

There was considerable interest and discussion in leadership. Discussions focused on how to encourage effective leadership practices among trusted servants, the need for mentoring and training, the importance of carefully selecting people with skills appropriate to fulfill their service commitments, and need to work within a spirit of unity among the various service bodies.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

The Chicagoland Region has been working to overcome a lack of fellowship confidence in its ability to meet the needs of its member Areas and Groups. This lack of confidence was reflected in poor attendance by several areas, low Area donations, and a general sense of apathy toward Region and Regional service.

Overcoming this hurdle has involved two key strategies: First, the Region Executive Committee undertook a major effort to recruit talented members, several of whom had served in the past, to fill vacancies on the Regional body and the Chicago Service Office’s Board of Directors. This included removing trusted servants who had proven unqualified to fulfill their duties and carefully considering the qualifications of all nominees, and not approving those deemed unsuitable.

Second, Region undertook several actions to improve the quality of communications between service bodies. This involved an emphasis on written communications by Regional trusted servants and in-person visits to member Areas by the RD team and the Executive Committee. Regional officers have also been more closely involved with the Regional Convention committee and the Board of Directors. In the financial realm, Region has restored reliable and complete reporting of all financial matters and put in place an informal open books policy: financial and other data that had previously been treated with confidentiality are now available for inspection by any member desiring access.

Chicagoland Region
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

As a result of the above measures, interest in Region has blossomed. The Areas have returned with donations and interest in serving at Region has increased. These leadership efforts culminated with a leadership workshop, which took place in lieu of a regularly scheduled regional meeting.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

The Region has had some experience addressing the needs of people who are missing from our meetings. In addition to seating a new Hispanic Area at Region mentioned above, CRC, the Regional convention, hosted a mini-convention targeted toward younger members, within the larger convention itself. While the main convention was going on, there were several youth oriented workshops and a youth dance.

One home group has taken a novel approach to addressing the needs of people missing from the meeting. It’s a large group, and after a break it splits into two or three meetings every week. Over the years, this home group had difficulty attracting women. To address this problem, the group decided to split into a women’s group and a men’s group on the third week of every month. The home Group later decided to host a gay and lesbian meeting on the fourth week of the month. This seems to have had the effect of attracting more women and more gay and lesbian addicts. It also solved the difficult problem of meeting the needs of groups of addicts who don’t come to NA, while preserving unity: do it within the home group! Now every month the communities in question have a place to address their individual needs while preserving the unity of the group.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

Visiting the areas has really been beneficial to ability to serve the Region. Over the years, this practice had been abandoned, but visiting the Areas has allowed the RD to disseminate considerable information about worldwide developments and initiate discussion on the IDTs and other topics of interest. Without exception, there is always interest in NAWS’ fellowship development efforts, especially Iran. The RD visited 13 out of the 14 Areas, and made several attempts, even travelling some length to attend the 14th Area, only to find it had been cancelled. The RD will attempt to visit the new CHANA Area prior to the conference, but no date has been scheduled.

The main challenge has been to encourage formal discussion of the IDTs. Aside from a Worldwide Workshop several years ago, the Chicagoland Region does not have a history of workshop discussions. For that matter, there has been little interest in adopting the spirit of the worldwide, discussion-based WSC. This is beginning to change. The previously mentioned leadership workshop was a new experience to many participants. It remains to be seen if these efforts catch hold. Also, the Regional Committee itself has also demonstrated the benefits of discussion-based decision making in its consensus approach to decision making.
Chile Region

Regional Delegate ..........................................................................................................
Manuel Enrique
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. No
Alternate Delegate ...................................................................................................
Rommy Marambio
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. Yes
How many areas are in the region? .................................................................. 2
How many groups are in the region? ................................................................. 32
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ............................... 7
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .............................. 1

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? $1,200
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ....................... $8,400
Where do you purchase your literature? ....................................................... NA World Services
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? $1,800

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum .............................................. FZLA
Does your region have a regional office? .......................................................... Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ............................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .............. 200
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ............................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ........................................ 1
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .......... 200
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .................................................. O.N.G.
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ................................................ No
Is your region insured? ....................................................................................... Yes
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
In personal, I have good experience but the language is the only problem.
what I limit myself single to participate in factories of Hispanic speech
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .......................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
the participant members have been prepared with workshops as also to taught to them to take care of the verbal language and to gesture to protect the image publishes.
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ......................... Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

Chile Region
Our telefonica aid works the 24 hours offering support and voluntary information and coordination with 12 step majority are derived by siquiatricas institutions and others contact através of the pagina Web. These members have been prepared através of factories and maneuvers

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. No

What can areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. No

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ............................................................................. Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

  to learn and to know but about our structure and improvements and involucrandonos así in the service and to lose the fear to the stranger

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

  to thank for the tolerance and good will being included/understood that it is part of the miracle that addict can stop the mind and learn

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? 2

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

  lesbian and gay behavior.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

  it is on study

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

  as opposed to to share the experience lived and the dinamica on handling subjects and solutions. in ours first official participation

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

  it is on study for next workshops

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

  it is working on it

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

  to fulfill entrusted tasks

Chile Region
Colorado Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Don T
Have you attended a WSC before? ..................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Brenda E
Have you attended a WSC before? ..................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? .................................................. 8
How many groups are in the region? ............................................... 206
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .................. 248
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ............... 25

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount of money contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .......................................................... $6638
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ............ $8148
Where do you purchase your literature? ....................................... NA World Services
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .................. $2300

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ............................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ......................... Rocky Mountain Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ..................................... No
Does your region have a regional convention? .............................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ............ 650
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ............................. No
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Not yet
If yes, what is the type of legal registration?
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year?
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ................................. No
Is your region insured? ............................................................. No
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
On the whole these workshops have been well received. We have two regional Assemblies a year so we try and do at least a one issue discussion workshop at each one, depending on the time and business at hand.
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ............... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts? This has been a new effort for the region and we are currently updating our guidelines to bring H&I and PI efforts under a single sub-committee to coordinate our PR efforts.
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? No but we are in the process of setting one up as part of the PR umbrella
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Colorado Region
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Has your region hosted CAR workshops? Yes, February 23, 2008 and March 8, 2008

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts? We went through and work-shopped the Issue discussion topics and the delegate received some excellent input on targeted literature and who is missing from our meetings and why. What surprised us the most was the response we got when we started to look at Motion 11 in the CAR. The addicts in attendance understood what the consequences were for providing that kind of support from NAWS, and yet were uncomfortable about leaving this issue without a solution. We are looking forward to the Regional Assembly in April, to see what if any solutions that our membership may suggest.

Although in a perfect world it would have been nice to have more members in attendance, the fact that second CAR workshop had been planned, along with an event may have kept them away.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? The irony here is that outside of Denver, and Colorado Springs our fellowship has been growing, inside the two largest cities our fellowship has remained about the same, as evidenced by the number of meetings currently active in our region.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

The subject of incorporating the region and or the convention generated the most interest over the last convention cycle.

What is the to best manner of supporting our groups and areas that lie outside of the urban corridor of our region? We have been out by having Regional Assemblies held in their respective Areas. We can let the isolated addict know we are here and hopefully attend their NA meetings to show support.

What is best manner of carrying the message into correctional facilities that lie outside our urban corridor? One of the possibilities we have been exploring is to start in-house inmate facilitated NA meetings. To have Regional H&I support to get them started and then check on them twice a month to make sure they are running ok and assist with any help from H&I.

What is the best way to bring the three inactive area service committees back into the service structure?

One of our greatest challenges is to overcome the attitude that the Regional Service Committee is just about the convention.

Our areas are struggling with attracting addicts willing to serve on the area level, and the region is doing what we can to help make service attractive to those with clean time that have stepped out of the service structure for whatever reason.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

We are in the process of creating a Public Relations subcommittee at the regional level, to bring create an umbrella for our Public Information, Hospitals and Institutions, Phone line, Web and Outreach functions. The greatest challenge we face is that most of our willing addicts live in the urban corridor, and large tracts of our region are underserved by our fellowship because of the lack of Human Resources needed to carry the message. It has been the Colorado Region
unofficial vision of the Regional Service Committee to facilitate growth in our rural areas, so that every addict in the region has the chance to recover in Narcotics Anonymous.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006. We have been successful in attracting addicts with significant clean time back to the regional service body. The perspective they bring as well as their knowledge of the attitudes of the addicts in their areas has been invaluable to us as we try and grow our fellowship. We have also been successful in getting addicts from 2 of our inactive areas interested in starting a dialogue about resurrecting area services. We are holding our April Regional Assembly in the third inactive area, in hopes of attracting some of the addicts from that area back into service.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?
Some solutions to provide support to the Northern NJ Region, other than a direct donation from NAWS.
Service and recovery literature approval process.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?
Attending the World Wide Workshops and working with the other delegate team members in the Rocky Mountain Zonal Forum, has provided me the chance to see World Services at work. The road trips to each of our member Area Service Committee meetings gave our delegate team the chance to meet with the members of the Area that do not often attend the Regional Service Committee meetings, and provided insight into what their struggles were. Asking the Serenity Unlimited Area to “host” the annual meeting of the Rocky Mountain Zonal Forum helped me to learn how to delegate responsibilities and let go of the results. One of the results was a well-crafted, workshop put on by World Services in Grand Junction in July 2007, which addressed the specific issues of the rural portions of our region.
Connecticut Region

Regional Delegate ................................. Glen Almeida
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ..................................................... Melinda Sullivan
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ......................................................... 9
How many groups are in the region? ......................................................... 245
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ......................... 275
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ......................... 18

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ............... 
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ..................................................... 18,000.00
Where do you purchase your literature? ............................................................... NA World Services
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ................. 750

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ......................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ........................................... Northeast zonal forum
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ......................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ......................... 2000
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ......................................................... No
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ......................................................... 
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ......................... 
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .............................................. Board of Directors/ Convention committee
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ............... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ................................................................. Yes
Is your region insured? ......................................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ......................................................................................... Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

Three workshops on the conference year in three different areas
Attendance is improving

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ............................................. Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

PI/PL posts flyers in store windows and on city buses
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ..................................... Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

1-800 number and is very expensive to keep up and run

Connecticut Region
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................. Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

  We went over the IDT's at all three workshops

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

  I got alot of important feedback for the addicts in attendance at the workshops

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

  growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

  The SP pamphlets

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

  Insurance issues and the growing expense of our 1-800 phoneline help number

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

  more addict involvement that goes up and down

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

  The sponsorship book

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?
COSTA RICA Region

Regional Delegate: .................................................................Diego Montero Gamboa.
Have you attended a WSC before? .................................................................Yes
Alternate Delegate: .................................................................Rafael Brenes Jaen
Have you attended a WSC before? .................................................................No
How many areas are in the region? ....................................................2
How many groups are in the region? 4 ................................................8
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ..................268
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region?
• 3 in Central Area
• 3 in the East Area
• 7 at a regional level (4 in Alajuela, 1 in San Carlos and 2 in Liberia, Guanacaste)
There are a total of 256 people receiving the message through this service

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount of money contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007?
We received about $4000 from Central Area. East Area (composed by 7 groups) does not contributes towards the RSC but they do self-support H&I and PI

What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007?
$21000 including the cost of sold literature

Where do you purchase your literature? ...............CR Region purchases directly from WSO

How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)
RSC approved $1000 USD for 2007, for the committee to administer 20 sets of literature ($50 USD each)

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .........................................................Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ..............................................Latin American
Does your region have a regional office? ...............................................................Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ....................................................Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ........................500 people
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ......................................................No
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ..............................................
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ..................
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ....Asociación Narcóticos Anónimos de Costa Rica
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ......................................................Yes
Is your region insured? ..................................................................................No

Costa Rica Region
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ......................................................Yes, a World Service Workshop back in 2006. 
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
This was the first workshop for cycle 2006 – 2008, held shortly after the WSC 2006 (one month later). This activity helped the WSO servers to work on the methodology details and improve their perspective on what was there to enhance about the IDT profiles. It worked to make the questions more comprehensive and easy to understand from a translation point of view.

With James and Johnny as facilitators we were able to embrace a discussion-based approach and participate from “small groups” at round tables or in “full group” sessions to build consensus and wrap up conclusions.

The following IDTs were discussed:
- Building Strong Home Groups
- Leadership in NA
- Who is Missing from our Meetings
- Public Information

The workshop attendance reached 180 participants from different levels of the service structure. The main goals were successfully covered through out two days of intensive work:
- Motivate participants to strengthen a more responsible attitude.
- Raise the conscious level about carrying the message to public in general.

Along 2007 follow up workshops took place at a regional/area level, more significantly at their annual conferences. There was a Regional Inventory workshop to sense the growth of our fellowship and detect needs as well as other minor activities at a group level.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ....................................................Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts? Info is not available at this time.
Does the region have any type of NA phone line or a helpline? .................................................Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts? We have been able to gather a very stable team through motivation and training. There are 14 members, 10 currently rotating their service shifts. They handle an average of 110 incoming calls a month. They have implemented a creative publicity among the groups (hanging banners with the committee contact information) There is also a traditional dinner with artistic shows taking place once a year to raise funds.
Do all areas have their own phone line or helpline? No, it is a regional effort not carried out by the areas.
What can you share about your experience with these efforts? Has your region hosted CAR workshops? Not yet, scheduled for early April
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts? Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?
Growing (we keep on getting many people at the meetings but some of them will hardly ever stay after the first week)

Costa Rica Region
Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

**Probably Building Strong Groups and Leadership in NA.**

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

**Last year we had to deal with several resignations at a Regional Committee level. By the end of the service period only 2 administrative reps (Treasurer and Vice-coordinator) remained from the elected board and less than half of the members from the other sub-committees.**

The book proposal with the Costa Rican NA History. This project was a member’s initiative that generated controversy and several complaints from the GSRs at an area level. Now-a-days the RSC has channeled this effort through a spiritual way after several meetings with our member and various consultations with the WSO reps.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

- **First Regional Inventory Workshop**
- **A complete RSC board including 2 delegates (official and alternate)**
- **Strong friendship ties and communication with other regions via email and direct participation from their conventions/forums.**

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

- Literature translation into Spanish
- D.R.’s. visa expenses
- New regions in the WSC
- Zonal Forum’s importance

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

- **Looking for orientation to better served based on Concepts and Traditions.**
- **Consultation with ex-DR’s and experienced members.**
- **Support the Regional Inventory Workshop**
- **Our biggest challenge last year was definitely the illness and death of our dearest member Jose Manuel Calvo, Regional Delegate 2007.**
Eastern New York Region

Regional Delegate: ......................................................................................................................... Beth Blinderman
H-516-889-1793 C-516-236-9177 – .......................................................................................... MsRecoveree@aol.com
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate: ......................................................................................................................... James Richey
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................................................... Yes
How many areas are in the region? ...................................................................................................................... 6
How many groups are in the region? .......................................................................................................................... about 160
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .......................................................................................... 230
*How many H&I panels take place each week in the region?

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount of money contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? $5,794.35
*What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? About $89,481.07 + ($5,673.31 for the year for the answering service)
Where do you purchase your literature? .............................................................................................................. World Service Office
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? Our areas take care of their own H&I literature

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................................................. yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .............................................................................................. Northeast Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? .............................................................................................................. no
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................................................... Not yet. In the planning stages.
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .................................................................................. Not applicable
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ........................................................................................................ 2
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ................................................................................................. 2
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? 1,000-1,500
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? -no
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ........................................................................................................ Not applicable
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? - no
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ........................................................................................................ yes
Is your region insured? .............................................................................................................................................. yes
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ......................................................................................................................... yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts? – We planned a CAR Workshop at our Area Convention to maximize attendance. This allowed the information to be available to many more members.
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ................................................................................ yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts? We have a PR Liaison who helps coordinate our local area PR efforts.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? Yes.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts? We have one Regional Helpline that encompasses 6 Area Service Committees and covers 4 different area codes. In this way, any addict can call from any area and avoid long distance fees. We use a call-forwarding system to allow member volunteers to answer calls. In addition, we are backed up with an answering service to ensure 24/7 live coverage.

Do all areas have their own phoneline or helpline? No.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts? We have one Regional Helpline.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? Yes.

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? Yes.

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts? We had a terrific turnout at the workshop. Many members participated in discussion from quite a few areas and there was a decent amount of feedback. It was a great experience for all who attended.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? We believe there are more members.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle? Insurance, Conventions, the money generated from these Conventions, whether or not we should have Conventions and what to do with the excess money generated from these events.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006. (1) We faced the threat of Areas leaving our Region. To deter this from happening, the Region had representatives available to answer questions, travel to different areas to introduce themselves and provide good information at the individual Areas Service Meetings. (2) We have been unable to form a PI Committee. Instead, we appointed a former Area PI Chair to become a Public Relations Liaison for the Region. He helps the Area coordinate projects and is available to share his experience.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006. Some of our successes include the development of our own website, having all groups in our Region insured, having improved services of our Helpline and having had our first Regional Assembly.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants? At anytime you can visit www.nanewyork.org to discover what is new and happening in our Region.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference? We want to discuss the pros and cons of holding Area Conventions. We need to discuss how this puts a drain on our pool of trusted servants. We find it hard to fill sub-committees but all areas of the Convention Eastern New York Region.
Committee have been filled. New and old members of NA have misunderstood the most effective way to carry our message. Instead of spending our time and energy on one weekend a year, we could be putting that effort in spreading NA’s message throughout the entire year.

**Delegate Experience**

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate? Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

What has worked well for me as an RD is having an RDA who works as a team player. It’s imperative that the two members communicate and work together for the good of NA, always keeping our primary purpose in focus. It is also a great benefit that the former RD has taken on another service position on the RSC and has made himself available to help us if we need it and to be there to share his experience and history with the work of an RD. It is sort of the Delegate Dream Team and the region reaps the benefits.

What else has worked well has been the improved line of communication from WB to RD through mailings, email, the conference web site, and NAWS NEWS. The effort to teach RCMs and others how to conduct small group/large group discussion workshops has worked well so that the ASCs can now conduct their own CAR and other service workshops more productively.

By attending and representing my region as an RD at various service functions, I’ve gained a wide array of personal growth. Meeting, speaking to and working with members from other Regions around the world has opened new lines of communication and a variety of other resources to draw from.

**Challenges**

It has been a challenge in getting information about the work of World Services back to the home group members. It seems that even making reports both orally and printed still don’t reach the groups until it’s too late or there is some controversial issue to buzz about. The communication breakdown is obviously happening, but it seems harder to pinpoint where it happens.

Making the time to attend all the functions is also a strain. Monthly RSC meetings, CAR workshops, Regional Assembly, Service workshops such as MRLCNA and MRLE, Zonal Forum, visits to ASCs, the WSC, and then writing comprehensive reports about these events, in addition to recovery meetings and the home group business meeting, all add up to a lot of time to put in. Another challenge is fighting the constant flow of misinformation about what NAWS is and does and why “they do what they do”.

Sometimes it can be frustrating job to inspire the participation of other NA members to do World Service business, but never giving up is crucial to succeeding. Usually, at this level of service, I’ve found dealing with the multitudes of personalities is a bit easier. Generally, NA members have more clean time, have worked steps and embrace a higher level of maturity and recovery. In the end, it is important to remember to be humble and participate in selfless service.
Eastern Pennsylvania Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Henry Dietz
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Merle Hughes
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. Yes
How many areas are in the region? ............................................................. Four
How many groups are in the region? ............................................................ 110
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .....................138
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .......................42

Donations and Literature

What was the total amt of money contributed to region by groups/areas in 2007? $19,380.00
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .................. $9650.00
Where do you purchase your literature— your region’s service office, NA World Services, or another source? ..Various purchase options are used by each ASC. RSC does not sell/distribute.
How much literature does the region distribute to H & I annually (in US dollars)? .... $12,000.00

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ........................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .................................Autonomy Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................ No
Does your region have a regional convention? ......................................... No
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ............. N/A
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ........................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .................................2
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each?...... 400/600 respectively
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? N/A.
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ....................................... N/A
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ........N/A
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status ......................................... N/A
Is your region insured? ................................................................. Yes
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? Yes, at a Regional Assembly & various ASC functions.
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts? We discussed issues, which had previously been taboo. We became more unified, and showed the newcomers about unity and service.
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .................. YES
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts? At each function, we were able to interact with the general public as well as select officials involved with potential new membership in our Fellowship. Most of these interactions have been followed up by PI presentations for the facilities these attendees are connected to.
Does the region have any type of NA phone line or a helpline? Yes, we have a regional phone line.
What can you share about your experience with these efforts? (See below)
Do all areas have their own phone line or helpline? No, we all use the regional helpline.
What can you share about your experience with these efforts? We found this more economical, unifying and effective overall.
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? We have facilitated three CAR workshops to go over the 2008 CAR motions and issue discussion questions.
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? Yes, we worked on the discussion questions and explained the procedure inputting the information.
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts? Many groups/GSRs were unaware of some of the tools, including the Area Planning Tool and the Building Strong Home group’s worksheet. The exposure and discussion questions may lead some of these groups to incorporate these tools into their meeting.
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? Since WSC 2006, there has been growth. Each of our areas has experienced a number of new groups.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle? Local service structure, Public Relations issues, Medication in recovery and Methadone maintenance and other substances.
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006. Some of our Areas had some Unity controversies in which we participated in with solutions. Being proactive with fund flow between RSC/WSC biannually.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006. We finally found Group Insurance which suited our needs and have had insurance coverage since August 2007. Also, coordinated with parent region in a multi-regional meeting list.
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference? We would like to see a forum for open discussion about the “proposed moratorium” and include the voices of “unseated” regions.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

Eastern Pennsylvania Region
Florida Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Bob Gray
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Roberto Morales
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ....................................................... 17
How many groups are in the region? ..................................................... 621
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .................. 871
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ................. 245

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .......... 90,000
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ......................... 50,000
Where do you purchase your literature? ............................................ Florida RSO
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .......... 1000

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ........................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .............................. Southeastern Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ............................................ Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ..................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ................. 3,000
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ...................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .................................. 12
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .......... 825
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ........................................ 501 (3) (c)
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ........................................ Yes
Is your region insured? ...........................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

We workshoped all the topics. Building Strong Home Groups, Our Service System, Who’s Missing ..., Medication and Recovery, etc.

We have held these IDT’s sessions at RSC Weekends, when hosting the SEZF, at FRCNA XXV/XXVI, 2nd Florida Service Symposium and some regional and area activities, events and conventions.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ....................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Florida Region
We have become an exhibitor at the Florida Judicial Conferences (2x a year). This has become a means to expand our imprint in the Drug Courts and Correctional Facilities. We purchased a 8’ x 10’ professional display booth with matching display materials. We have had cooperative efforts with NAWS at other events. 

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .................................................... No

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

No regional phoneline.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ............................................................................... Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

They cover the spectrum of phoneline technologies.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ............................................................................................. Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

We will hold five Multi-Area CAR Workshops in early 2008. The format includes: Overview of NA services at each level, workshop roundtables, CAR motions, CAT overview and straw polls on various issues.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Over 100 attended the first workshop and 52 remained at the end of the workshop. Our powerpoint presentation is available at na.org under Local Service Committee Resources/Workshops.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

All 17 report growth... one area went from 44 to 75 meetings, another 7 to 12, no area has decreased in size or remained the same size.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

1) We are in the end stage of considering a new service structure for our regional service.

2) The motion reads: To change the current RSC structure from: Sub-Committee/Reporting/Motion based to Project/Roundtable/Consensus Based. We would cease sub-committees and begin using the project format along with a Human Resource Panel similar to the WSC format.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

Overcome minor financial issues at RSO by ceasing continued free shipping on literature purchases to ASC’s in Florida after 25 years, thus, ensuring ongoing profitability.

To overcome regional communication challenges we use of google groups discussion boards including a second board for non-RSC participants.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

1) RSO – Exceeded 500K in purchases from WSO

2) Florida Service Symposium held in March 2007 - - - 350 attended
4) Convention (25th) held in West Palm Beach at original site with over 4,000 verified in attendance.
5) We have 9 areas w/50+ meetings (2 are nearing or have exceeded 100 meetings per week) & over 800 meetings!
6) RSC considering utilizing the WSC model for regional service structure. Human Resource Panel in place of sub-committee in order to adopt the project format.
7) Of 80 regional positions (Admin (10), 2 Boards (22), RCM's (34), Committee/Chr/V-Chr/Sect/ Coordinators (14)... all but 2 are RCM 2 positions are filled.
8) Held live audio broadcast of NA meeting with 500 participating around the state.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

We will provide each conference participant with a free CD set consisting of the powerpoints used by our region during the past conference cycle.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Turning Issue Discussion Topics into Service IP's to allow an informal method of fellowship input into those IP's.
Combining Targeted Literature topics into a single on-going project covering all applicable topics until 2012.

Group, Area, Regional training tools (CD/DVD, kits, etc.)

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

Worked Well - Use of powerpoint for delegate reporting kept people interested and involved. Use of conferencecall.com for admin mtgs.
Challenges - Dealing with multiple human resource issues
The French region greets you. We have 4 Areas: Paris east, Paris west, Marseille (south) and Nantes (west) with 83 meetings – 44 in Paris and around Paris, 3 in the north, 2 in the east (Montbeliard), 17 in the south area, 16 in the west of France and one in Thaiti.

2007 was a very good year for us in terms of communication.

We are starting to talk in group level about 7th tradition, violence at meetings, lack of service... and taking time to discuss those issues at service meetings, starting with a moment of meditation and a reminder of our primary purpose.

RD Alternate service position filled by an addict from Marseille.

Service workshops were held by regional delegates.

The workshop held by Naws in Paris as well as the workshops held by the delegates encouraged members to get involved in service.

The 2 world service workshops brought together about 100 participants in Paris and others in Marseille. Those workshops included information about the area planning tool and other service topics.

We have in process the translation into French of Naws service pamphlets addressing issues that currently affect NA France.

An accountant has been hired to assist with the treasury.

We still have a lack of servants at the region level.

Outreach committee has initiated « twinning » between Parisian groups and other areas groups. It works.

Public Information is making a good work. They are beginning to put a 3 years plan in action.

Participation in a CNRS (National Center of Research and Science) study on addiction. Annual forum at the convention to build a relationship with professionals. Attendance was lower than expected .We don't have a successful media strategy yet.

A service magazine has been created on internet.

We are very happy to come from Budapest with a bid for the 2009 winter’s EDM in the southern area, Aix en Provence.

Thank you for helping us with your experience.
With love Valentine & Ana.
Free State Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Rhonda Richetta
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Mike Bittinger
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................... Yes
How many areas are in the region? .......................................................... 10
How many groups are in the region? ........................................................... 10
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ...................... 800
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .................... 100

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? $52,061
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .................. $20,327
Where do you purchase your literature? .............................................. Our Regional Service Office
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? $400

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ........................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .................................. The Autonomy Zone
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................ Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ........................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ............... 2500
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ........................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ................................ 3
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .... 1000
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .......................................... 501c3
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ......................................... Yes
Is your region insured? ..............................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ......................................................... Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

The interactive small group/large group format has been very successful.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ..................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Our area Public Information Committees do more PI efforts than we do as a region. We have signs on all of the public transit buses in the Baltimore Area.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ................. Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

Free State Region
Our phone line is answered 24 hours a day BY ADDICTS. We do this by having our Hot-line number diverted to the members’ phones. Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? No
What can you share about your experience with these efforts? Having one regional Hot-line works very well for us. Each area makes a monthly phone line contribution to the region.
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? We workshoped the discussion questions at Regional Assemblies, not at our CAR workshop. At our CAR workshop we did the motions and the CAT.
What can you share about your experience with these efforts? Our CAR workshop was well attended by members from throughout the region. In addition to the motions, our members were very involved in the discussions on the CAT items.
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? Growing

Innovations and Challenges
What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle? Who is missing from our meetings and why? Service pamphlets; The use of medication in recovery; The seating of regions
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006. We have always had disagreement each year over what should happen to the money made at our convention. This year we set a policy to split the donation between NAWS and our regional service office.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006. Our region continues to be strong and focused on carrying the message to addicts.
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input
Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference? Nothing in addition to what is already planned.

Delegate Experience
What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate? The biggest challenge for me as the RD has been to increase interest/attendance at our regional assemblies. Also, to get a clear pulse on the conscience of the region on some items in the CAT. I am hoping to get a stronger sense at our April RSC and our April Regional Assembly. Having ongoing communication from the World Board has made it easier for me to keep the region informed about the activities of NAWS.

Free State Region
Georgia Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. dale williams
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. tony ownes
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ......................................................... 14
How many groups are in the region? ......................................................... 280
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ......................... 682
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ......................... 20

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ..... 28501.17
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .......................... 13049.25
Where do you purchase your literature? ....................................................... NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ........

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum .................. SOUTH EASTERN ZONAL FOURM
Does your region have a regional office? ......................................................... No
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ......................... 1200
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ........................................ 8
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .................
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .................................................. GRC INC.
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? .......... Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ................................................ Yes
Is your region insured? ....................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

   SMALL GROUPS ARE A BETTER WAY OF GATHERING COMMUNICATION FROM THE FELLOWSHIP.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ................................. Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

   S.E.C.A.D CONTINUES TO BE AN AVENUE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION AND COURT SYSTEM TO LEARN ABOUT WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ............................. No

Georgia Region
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

THE 14 AREA’S ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN PHONELINE AND H&I

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

THE AREA’S CONTINUE TO SEARCH FOR BETTER WAYS OF RECEIVING THE INFORMATION THAT THE PUBLIC NEEDS.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .....................................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

WE CONTINUE IDT’S WORKSHOPS-THE PROBLEMS AREAS ARE HAVING SEEM TO BE THE SAME AS OTHER AREAS.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

ONCE WE LOCATE THE SOLUTION WE NEED TO SPEND MORE TIME IN NURTURING THE ANSWER AND NOT JUST TALKING ABOUT THE ANSWERS....

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

ABOUT THE SAME

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

A COMMON THEEM IS WHY DOES NAWS DO THINGS BEFORE LETTING THE FELLOWSHIP DECIDE WHAT’S BEST FOR USE.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

WE NEED TO COME UP WITH A PLAN TO GET MORE MEMBERS INVOLVED WITH THE PROCESS OF CHANGE.....

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

STRENGTHING OUR FLOW OF INFORMATION AS IT COMES FROM NAWS..NOT TO BE SO AFRAID OF CHANGE WHICH IS ENEVITABLE....

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

I THINK NA’S DIRECTION IS MOVING IN A POSITIVE DIRECTION AND DIVERSITY AND SPIRITUALITY WILL KEEP US ON THE RIGHT PATH.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

WHY THE C.A.T MATERIAL DOES’NT COME BACK TO THE FELLOWSHIP FOR A VOTE BEFORE NAWS DECIDE WHAT’S BEST FOR USE.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

*WORKSHOPS--(IDT’S)
*keeping the RCM’S informed
*making GSR’S more awhere of their duties to the fellowship

Georgia Region
Germanspeaking Region

Regional Delegate ............................................................................................................... Christian Froebel
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate .................................................................................................................. Andreas Dyker
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? .......................................................................................... 7
How many groups are in the region? .......................................................................................... 243
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ....................................................... 243
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ..................................................... 20

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ................. $7000
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .............................................. $10000
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................................................ NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ................. $2000

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ...................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ................................................................ EDM
Does your region have a regional office? .................................................................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ....................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ............................................... 400
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ....................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .................................................................. 20
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ................................... 225
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ......................................................................... registered association
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ..................... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .......................................................................... Yes
Is your region insured? ............................................................................................................. Yes
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? No
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ................................................. No
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

There is only PI going on in the areas. The works differs from newspaper articels about conventions to presentations in front of proffessionals.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ............................................... No
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

no phoneline for all the region

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ...................................................................... No
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Some areas have an automatic hotline, that informs about nearby meetings. One area has a phonline for 9 hours a week, where people can reach NA in person.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................. No
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

the same

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

money and service or better the lack of money and service

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

There was an area convention, with the subject ‘service’ in all meetings and workshops.
We developed a convention-guideline for the regional conventions.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

A lot of very nice conventions, with pleased people. The creation of a history project.
There will be a book to our 30 year celebration.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

A big challenge was to bring the message and the enthusiasm from the world conference or the EDM to my region.
Greater Illinois Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................................................................. Joseph Yoder
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................................................................ Jason Frye
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ......................................................................................... 5
How many groups are in the region? ....................................................................................... 55
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ..................................................... 141
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .................................................... 16

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ............... 3812.37
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ............................................ 3187.34
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................................................ ShowMe RSO & WSO
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ................. 250

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ...................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ................................................................. Midwest Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................................................ No
Does your region have a regional convention? ...................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ............................................ 300
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ..................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ............................................................... 2
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ................................. 300
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure?  No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ..........................................................................  
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ..................... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ........................................................................ No
Is your region insured? ...........................................................................................................  
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ............................................................................................................ Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

We had two workshops at our regional convention (GIRCNA) which was sponsored by the MZF. They were on Building Strong Homegroups and the Service Structure. These workshops were very well attended and our region believes these types of workshops are very beneficial to our members and trusted servants. We look forward on working with the MZF on hosting similar workshops at our annual regional convention. Thank you MZF!

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .................................................. Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Greater Illinois Region
We attended a probation officer convention in Bloomington/Normal, IL. It was a three day event, and we had a booth setup for the duration. We looked very professional because we had a ton of material from NAWS delivered beforehand. The probation officers were grateful for the material and impressed by the quality of literature and information we provided them. It was a huge success for NA as a whole.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .................................................... Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

  Our Regional phoneline has been a success and serves all Areas in the Region. The Region pays a flat rate of $200 every month for a live person to answer the phones, and then call out to addicts if a caller needs to speak to an addict. This is much more economical than each area paying for their own phoneline and it is an 800-NUMBER covering our larger geographic areas.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

  We have a regional 800 number and it frees up local Area PI to perform more hands on activities, rather than dealing with a helpline. Each Area has a Point of Contact to update the call out sheet for the telephone operators. This is done via email and can be swiftly updated. We also update the meeting list with the operators so they can give out directions to meetings if need be.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ............................................................ Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

  Yes, however attendance was lower than expected. However, we have created a nice online web form for getting feedback from all groups and areas within our region and have sponsored area CAR workshops as well. We hope the online form will help assist us in getting greater feedback for the upcoming WSC.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

  We experienced a marked lack of attendance by GSRs in our Region.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

  Some Areas have experienced increased growth while others stayed the same.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

  We had many discussions pertaining to the service support at the Group, Area and Regional level. We also discussed conventions at length in our Regional service meetings.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

  We had the problem of filling prudent reserves at the Regional level. We fell way below reserves frequently, because we had relied on convention income to boost our reserves. This past conference cycle, we lowered our reserves to better reflect the cost of certain items. We have also started to watch our expenditures more closely.
In addition, we have worked hard to educate new members to our service structure. We take time out at the opening of Regional/Area meetings to orientate those new to the business meeting. This takes away the barrier for most newcomers. We explain how our region works and make the newcomer feel comfortable participating in the discussions.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

We have been able to donate to NAWS! After our recent March 2008 meeting we were able to donate $2473.38 to NAWS and $500 to the MZF for the first time most of us can remember. We hope this is future trend for our RSC :-).

We also had good success with our website. It is highly interactive, with forums and a content management back-end so designated members in the Region can update flyers and other events to the site. We also used the site to tabulate votes on the motions for the WSC from any group within our region.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

The Greater Illinois Region meets quarterly on a rotation basis. This past March was our final meeting before the WSC. We discussed the CAR report at length, our convention results, and minor business items. Questions were posed to the MZF – what does the MZF actually do and how are their funds used?

The MZF met at GIRCNA XI in Bloomington. The convention was a tremendous success. We brought in well over the amount we expected. This allowed our Region to donate to NAWS for the first time in a long time. Our planning committee is already underway with next year’s convention being hosted in Springfield, IL. More will be revealed on that.

We look forward to working closely with the MZF on making better use of local and regional resources to better serve our fellowship and NA as a whole.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

We’d like to discuss the issue about NAWS hiring our RDA during the last conference cycle as we lost a valuable trusted servant (or at least give us a headhunter fee) ;-).

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

Getting support has been the biggest issue. Of course having NAWS hire our RDA after the last conference proved difficult for us as we lost a very valuable trusted servant.

Greater Illinois Region
Greater New York Region

Regional Delegate .......................................................... David Mohr
Have you attended a WSC before?........................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate .......................................................... Bill Spencer
Have you attended a WSC before?........................................... No
How many areas are in the region?........................................ 12
How many groups are in the region? ..................................... 700
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ...... 800
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ...

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ..............
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ..............................................
Where do you purchase your literature? ..................................................................................
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .................

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .................................. North East Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................................. Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ............................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ........................................
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? .............................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ......................................................... 12
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ..............................
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ................................................................. Not for profits
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ................. Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ................................................................. Yes
Is your region insured? ........................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

We held several regional workshops that were well attended. We also participated in a few area workshops.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ........................................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Our PI committee meets with Schools, neighborhood groups, city and state departments and various drug courts. I cannot give specifics at this time

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ......................................... Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

Greater New York Region
The phone line is quite successful under the current chairperson. We struggle with costs and technology issues.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Not all areas have their own phone line. Those that do work quite well.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

Yes, we have a digest of the answers to the questions if needed.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

I have found that the answers to these question, the solutions, if you will, vary very little from workshop to workshop. However people love the small group consensus based decision making process.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

NA is slowly, slowly growing in our region

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

The process by which the Service Pamphlets were created/approved. Of course lack of knowledge of the history of how this approval process came to be was a big factor in people’s concern but shock and disapproval on “clean definitions” this was what we heard at workshops.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

We were able to really ask our trusted servants to provide more thorough and high quality reports and work. We also tried to get areas to send someone to the region. For example we had a very successful Area Planning Tool workshop specifically for Area trusted servants.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

As mentioned above the Area Planning Tool workshop was very successful.

We were also able to keep our Regional Service Office in the black with very few trusted servants. We are planning a Regional Convention this May.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

We have an ad hoc unified budget sub-committee. We hope to have both the Regional Service Office and our Convention Corporation become one corporate entity.

We also have an ad hoc sub-committee on Public Relations which we hope will move the regions informational distribution system into the 21st century.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?
I would like to see discussion on having the Groups participate more in the decision making process at the conference. I think the pendulum need to swing back from Resolution ”A”, so to speak.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

I do enjoy the small group discussions as well as community building activities such as the day at the ranch and recovery meetings. I felt the conference made a huge mistake allowing the local fellowship to speak at one session. We should stick to rules or change them formally if they don’t meet our needs.

Since we could, in theory, work for 24 hours straight. I would like to see the work day end after 8 hours, period.
February 2, 2008

Subject: Report to the World Conference

In the spirit of service to our Higher Power and the fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous, we bring you greetings and blessings from the Greater Philadelphia Region to the WSC 2008! To easily disseminate all the information in this report, we modeled it after the suggested report form for WSC 2008. We hope our fellow conference participants can share with us their experience with the various challenges facing our region.

Greater Philadelphia Region

Earl W. is our Regional Delegate and Paula B. is the Regional Delegate Alternate. This is our first Conference as the delegation. Currently, there are eleven areas and approximately two-hundred and fifty groups in our region. There are three-hundred and ten meetings a week. We have ninety-four H&I panels each week.

Donations and Literature

Donations from our Areas and Groups totaled $22,693.42. Net revenue from our 2007 Regional Convention totaled $32,919.16. Additional fundraisers and miscellaneous donations totaled $5,493.50, giving our RSC total gross revenue of $55,612.58. Our RSO, where our region primarily purchases literature, grossed $131,169.74. Our RSC expenses were $45,531.72 and RSO expenses totaled $172,354.87. This gave our region a total net loss of $31,104.27. We currently contribute approximately $4,000.00 annually to H&I.

Our Service Structure

The Greater Philadelphia Region is an active participant in the autonomy zonal forum. We have a regional office incorporated in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit corporation with tax exempt, duty free status and host an annual convention with an average attendance of 3500 to 4000. None of our areas currently holds their own convention. We currently carry a comprehensive insurance policy covering our RSO, RSC, D&O, groups, areas, events, and our convention.

During this conference cycle, we held workshops about the issue discussion topics at our regional convention, the zonal forum hosted in our region, at our regional assembly. Most of these workshops have been panel discussions or small group. These discussions produced valuable information helping us plan services and assisting our groups in carrying the message. They will be discussed again at our next convention and at our CAR workshops. We hope to bring a synopsis of all our discussions to larger discussion at the conference.

Our public relations efforts over the last cycle included PSAs on mass transit, radio, and public bulletin boards. We have completely redesigned our website, naworks.org, and further publicized our phoneline, (215) NA-WORKS. We are also focusing on assisting our groups and H&I committees with negotiating facility agreements. We are in the process of negotiating with a new service provider for our regional

Greater Philadelphia Region
phoneline. Currently, we have a system that allows a caller to talk to a recovering addict 24 hours a day, seven day a week. The goal of the new provider is to take our current system to the next level at a substantial savings. All these efforts have culminated in a substantial growth in our membership.

By the time this report is published, we will have conducted several CAR workshops focusing on both the motions and the discussion topics.

**Innovations and Challenges**

The subject that seems to generate the most interest and discussion has been the financial and spiritual state of our region (i.e. the lack of donations and lack of members in service). Our biggest challenges were our outstanding literature debt, the high cost of our insurance and phoneline, an increasingly expensive RSO, a reduced WSO discount, a lack of legal representation and a lack of members in service.

We have made a considerable effort at solving these problems. We extensively fundraised to pay off our back debt to world, negotiated for a higher discount rate, moved our RSO a cheaper location, and hired a new attorney that specialized in nonprofits. As we stated earlier, we are working with a new phoneline provider to design a better system at approximately half the current cost. We are also shopping for competitive rate for our insurance. We conducted a bottom-up review of the entire organization to reduce expenses. The trusted servants of our RSC increased their presence at our member ASCs, subcommittees, events and homegroup business meetings.

Despite the challenges, we have had some successes. Our attendance and net revenue from regional convention increased dramatically. Attendance at our workshops has also increased. The zonal forum hosted by our region was the largest attended Autonomy Zonal Forum in the history of the zone. We successfully produced a multiregional meeting list in concert with the Eastern PA Region. Some of our homegroups started Twelve Concept Meetings. We also had a very successful Bilingual Speaker Jam aimed at building a relationship between a fast growing Spanish speaking fellowship and the wider English speaking fellowship within our region. We were also able to connect these members with other Spanish meetings outside of our region. These relationships are being carefully and successfully nurtured.

**Conference Input**

There are several issues and concerns for the WSC. The first one is how the WSO ship there literature to the RSOs. Another question was raised how the WSO can support Areas and/or Regions when homegroups buy directly from WSO instead of their RSO. Lastly we need input on how to handle other programs using the NA name.

**Delegate Experience**

While this may be our new delegates’ first conference, they have wide range of service experience in many levels of service. Earl is a past co-chair of the regional convention committee, served as an RCM and is heavily involved in the operation of our phoneline. Paula is our past regional H&I chair, served on the executive committee of our region’s 50th NA birthday celebration, served as an Area Secretary and H&I Chair. Our success so far has been our involvement in the Zonal Forum and the increase in our member interest in the service structure. Our greatest challenges have probably been in translating this interest in to commitment to getting in service.

In loving service,
Earl W., RD and Paula B., RDA

Greater Philadelphia Region
Greece Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Pavlos Avouris
Alternate Delegate .............................................................. Konstantine Matsoukas

Have you attended a WSC before? .............................................. No

How many areas are in the region? ........................................... 1
How many groups are in the region? ........................................... 27
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .................. 110
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .................. 4

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ............ 5,176
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ........................................... 11,715
Where do you purchase your literature? ..................................................................................
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .................... $912

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ............................................................ EDM
Does your region have a regional office? ............................................................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ........................................... 600
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ............................................................. 1
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .............................. 200
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ....................................................................... Non-profit organization
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ......................... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ....................................................................... Yes
Is your region insured? ............................................................................................................. Yes
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ............................................................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
- It is hard to motivate attendance to workshops, unless they happen in the context of a convention.
- The “small group discussion” format works well at all times.
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ................................................. Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
- PR worked very well in the context of the regional convention. From the evaluation forms we found out that the 50 out of 400 invitees who came were in the helping professions.
- The workshops leading to the PR event, based on the PI questionnaire, were...
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ....................................................Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

*The regional Phoneline is a great induction to service for newcomers, and a great tool for communications within the service structure.*

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

*An area phoneline is now pending, after region-area arrangements were resolved regarding our status as a legal entity.*

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ..................................................................................No

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

*There was a workshop on the Basic Text Project, which attracted a lot of member involvement.*

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? ...........................................................................................................Growing

**Innovations and Challenges**

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

*Atmosphere of recovery*

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

- **The RSC has decided to share the benefits of being a legal entity with the Northern Greece Area.**

- **H&I restarted panel presentations in a treatment center in Athens, after ca 2 years of troubled relations because of the treatment's use of our Traditions**

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

- **The 2007 regional convention, held in Athens for the first time. The PR event to professionals. Radio and TV spots were aired, and a collective interview for a national newspaper was a great success.**

- **The Northern Greece Area substantial growth (incl**

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

*There is a widening interest in Fellowship Development within and around the region.*

**Conference Input**

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

**Delegate Experience**

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

- **One of the lessons has been that my rate of assimilation has steadily improved from one zonal meeting to the next.**

- **Effectively interesting RSC participants in world and zonal NA issues is certainly a challenge at which I am becoming increasingly skill**

Greece Region
Guatemala Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. LUIS FERNANDO ABULARACH H.
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. No
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. JORGE NICOLAU
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. No
How many areas are in the region? ................................................................. 1
How many groups are in the region? ................................................................. 14
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ........................................... 90
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ........................................... 5

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ........ $860
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ..................................... $1860
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................................. NA WORLD SERVICE
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .............. $250

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ................................................................. LAZF
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................................. Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ...........................................
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ...........................................................
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ................................
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ................................................................. Non Profit association
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ................. No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ................................................................. No
Is your region insured? .................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

The members who have participated in service Workshops have realized that we are part of an International organization that cares about and keeps us updated with the different issue discussion topics each cycle. It is important for the members of the RSC to get involved and to participate in the workshops, because this tool has given us feedback on where we have faults as members, as groups and as a service structure.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ........................................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
PI in Guatemala is done via the radio and newspapers. However, because of a lack of resources we are not doing it anymore (in many occasions members had to pay for the ads in newspapers). The Guatemala NA Magazine is not being published presently because of lack of trusted servants.

Presently we have a web page and it has updated information about the groups and relevant matters of our fellowship.

We have participated in PI efforts in schools and last year we did a PI event in a detention center.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .......................................................Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

The helpline has not worked well for us because we use a cell phone and the member in charge doesn't keep a record of the incoming calls. The phone was stolen in one occasion and later on the cell phone lost its configuration. We are presently planning to purchase a system that can handle several calls and also provide information about the NA program, provide group addresses and forward the callers to a helpline

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ..................................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

Motions are studied by the RSC and GSRs so they can take them to the groups to allow their conscience to decide on them.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

In previous years the members of the groups have not shown interest in working the motions and generally the conscience of the group is taken by the GSR only because of the lack of interest from other members.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

No growth

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Building Strong Home Groups (Violence in groups)

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

It is important that trusted servants who are bringing new ideas receive the attention and respect from the fellowship because they are the ones who bring us strength to maintain the NA movement active and fresh. We should not slow down the service efforts of members because often personal interests are greater than those of the fellowship and we block new trusted servants from doing their work. Presently the region of Guatemala has stopped providing essential services due to the lack of rotation in the service positions. It is very important to have rotation so you can maintain balance in the service structure.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

Having the IV Regional Convention was really a Miracle because we didn't have the support of the groups and the trust from the members. At the end it was a great spiritual celebration where our Higher Power manifested himself and we experienced NA unity as a whole. We also made a profit. We had a steps campout and we spend a night in front of a fire and we shared our strength and hope under the moonlight and the stars..

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Guatemala Region
WSC 2008 Regional Reports

We must share our experience as regional delegates with our alternates. Previous RDs let us do our own thing and we don't provide services as we should.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

No

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

First of all I want to apologize for not being off service as I should. I consider that I have made the mistake of not giving more of myself to such a responsible position that I was elected to do. I hope that God can help me to improve my service efforts during this cycle. I want to thank my Higher Power for allowing me to be part of NA.
Hawaii Region

Regional Delegate .............................................................................................................. Brenda Wong
Have you attended a WSC before? ..................................................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ........................................................................................................... Sharon Quesnel
Have you attended a WSC before? ..................................................................................... Yes
How many areas are in the region? ...................................................................................... 6
How many groups are in the region? .................................................................................... 96
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .................................................. 106
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ................................................ 50

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .......... $8,165.19
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ............................................. $12,529.56
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................................................. NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)?

Distribution is through Areas

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ........................................................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ................................................................. Asia Pacific
Does your region have a regional office? .................................................................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ....................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .................................................. 400
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ....................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ................................................................. 4
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ....................................... 200
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .......................................................................... Corporation
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? .......................... Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ......................................................................... No
Is your region insured? ..............................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................................................. No
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ......................................................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ................................................. No
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ........................................................................ Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Effectiveness varies between areas, and lines are most successful when calls are received directly by a member of the fellowship (vs. channeled through an answering service).

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? .........................Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

In much the same way as if we were to conduct a “needs assessment,” we have found that the process of holding CAR workshops is providing our Region with valuable fellowship information and insight, that will be pulled together and used to better direct Regional services. We have focused our CAR workshops on dialogue and exchange, and have found that “sidebars” in discussion with area-level members often yield extremely valuable observations on problems being faced in fellowship development.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?
Growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

1. Service structure and leadership development is an area of importance and concern, as all of our areas are experiencing difficulty with attracting, nurturing, and keeping members in service. It is not uncommon for positions to remain unfilled, and memb

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

1. There is a challenge in fostering the metamorphosis of a “12-step” or generic community of recovery, to a distinct NA fellowship. A) In 2007, the Hawaii Regional Convention was held in Makaha, far from the airport and the visitor amenities of Waikiki. The relocation was intentional, as it placed the event in proximity to the geographic area of greatest growth in the fellowship – the leeward coast of Oahu. B) What has been key to this effort has been a consciousness of the situation by older members in the fellowship, and an active and ongoing mentoring of new members in service.

2. The cost of travel between islands has fluctuated dramatically, and wise use of fellowship funds is always a concern. A) The Region established business accounts with interisland airlines, to assure that travel arrangements are cost effective. B) A consensus was taken of areas, and the fellowship at large verbalized its preference to continue with rotating the quarterly Regional meetings between islands, over holding all meetings on Oahu (cheapest to get to/from).

3. Effective communication between trusted servants is now facilitated by use of online discussion boards, which has gained broad acceptance and usage by various service bodies within the fellowship.

4. After many years, the issue of incorporation and non-profit status is reaching resolution.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

Hawaii Region
1. The annual Maui Gathering was held in 2007 on the island of Molokai. It was the first time that an NA event was held on the island, and the realization of an idea that was initially discussed in 2003. Molokai has a population of approximately 7,500, and two weekly NA meetings.

2. As appropriate, the Regional service body now utilizes consensus-based decision making in the way it does business.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

*The Hawaii Region has a strong commitment and connection to NA in the Asia and Pacific, and a focus on the growth of the fellowship that is global.*

**Conference Input**

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

*A move towards more equitable representation at WSC by regions located outside of North America*

**Delegate Experience**

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

*What has worked well is having access to a wealth of experienced members and service mentors. Everything I know, I have been fortunate enough to learn from others. There has also been the benefit of working this year with an Alternate Delegate (Sharon Q) that is a seasoned veteran of regional service, and attended WSC 2004. The biggest challenge has been in wanting to have a steeper learning curve. The term of Hawaii Regional Delegate is two-years, or one WSC cycle, and I definitely wanted to get more accomplished before the end of my term.*
Hungarian report for WSC, 2008

The Hungarian fellowship consists of approx. 100 members. In Hungary NA started in 1996. Since then so many things have happened!!!

After years of debate, we finally have a translation for Narcotics Anonymous (Nevtelen Drogfuggok). We decided that we use this only if we appear on the media, and if we hold presentations for professionals to avoid them translating our name as they wish. We use Narcotics Anonymous in our literature, and we use the NA abbreviation.

Groups and meetings: 17 groups, 20 meetings

- Pecs area (Southwest-Pecs+Komlo); 7 groups, 10 meetings
- Budapest; 7 groups 7 meetings
- Szeged (Southeast); 1 group 1 meeting
- Debrecen (Northeast); 1 group, 1 meeting
- Miskolc (Northeast); 1 new group, 1 meeting

We started participating at the EDM in 2006 and since then we’ve been attending regularly. We’ve received a lot of help from WSO and the EDM, which helped us in creating our service structure and many other things.

Service Structure:
We have one area; Pecs. All GSRs meet regularly to discuss regional issues at the Regional Assembly. Regional commitments: RD, at the moment we have no alternate, treasurer, and instead of the steering committee, we’ve elected a regional coordinator, who summarizes the Regional Assemblies, holds the GSRs together, and organizes the regional service meetings. Besides these our LTC works on a regional level.

H&I, PI:
We don’t have H&I, PI committees, we carry this work out on a regional or group level. We regularly go to one prison, 12step and non-12step rehabs, hospitals and other institutions. We try to build good relationships where we are, and we are striving to carry the message to more places where we are not known.

Presentations:
As a result of the things learnt during an EDM FD visit to us, we hold more and more presentations, and we get more and more experience on how to do it.

Probation office:
The probation offices are open to the Chit system to verify attendance at meetings. We have a good relationship with them. We asked the groups whether they would be open to meeting attendance cards, and many groups said yes. We are continuously liaising with the probation offices. We haven’t decided yet on how to verify attendance, but we would like to have the same system in the whole region.

Web page:
www.na.info.hu Our meeting list is regularly updated, and we update information about our conventions.

Phone line:
We have a regional phone line and there is a phone line in the Pecs area.

Hungary Region
**Literature:**
The LTC revised the „Information about NA” and IP1. Now our goal is to revise more translations so that we can have more approved literature. At the same time the fellowship feels a great need for the translation of literature about service, as we don’t have much. WSO offered us help to do it…

In loving service
Eszti
RD Hungary
Indiana Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................................................................... Lita peters
Have you attended a WSC before? ............................................................................................ Yes
Alternate Delegate ............................................................................................................. Wendy hammac
Have you attended a WSC before? ............................................................................................ No
How many areas are in the region? ................................................................................................. 10
How many groups are in the region? ..................................................................................................
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .......................................................... 234
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ....................................................... 26

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ...... $9,260.32
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ........................................ $8,007.33
Where do you purchase your literature? ....................................................................................... No
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)?

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .............................................................. Midwest Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ............................................................................... No
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ......................................... 800
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ......................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ............................................................. 5
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ............................ 485
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ........................................................................ Incorporation
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ............... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .......................................................................... No
Is your region insured? ..................................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? .................................................................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

Memebers are excited about the round table discussions.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .............................................. No
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ......................................... No
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

each area has their own phonelines, some are answered live, all seem to be doing well.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. Yes

Indiana Region
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

All information is current on recordings, a couple areas have live persons answering. South Shore Area has an old timer doing this and she loves still being able to be involved.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

Absolutely, that is their favorite part of the Car

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Addicts love to feel part of, this process facilitates that feeling that any addict can be involved no matter what the clean time or experience.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

grown, lots of young memebers

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

The service pamphlets, North Central Area workshoped them and the entire region was represented, it was awesome.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

Financial, we changed our fiscal year to coincide with NAWS, as did most areas.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

Effective communication about the SP’s, understanding them and applying them in business meetings.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Indiana is small but growing, we are incorporated as of this conference. H&I and PR are struggling at the regional level but doing well at the area level. All areas have been participating at the regional level.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Effective communication and follow through.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

With all of the new literature, what has worked well is making numerous copies available, If I just tell the RCM’s it’s available the information stops there, but if I have copies available, they take them to their areas and I see them at my home group! The challenges have been more personal, I made a commitment to visit every area in the 2 year cycle and then life showed up and I was unable to fulfill that commitment, the phone and e-mail work, but I really wanted that face to oface relationship.

Indiana Region
Iowa Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Reid C.
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................ Yes 2006
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Jamie F.
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................ No
How many areas are in the region? ....................................... 13
How many groups are in the region? ......................... No present policy for inventory of groups
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .... 257
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region?  Approximately 50

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount of money contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? approximately $8200
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ............... Approximately $4800
Where do you purchase your literature? Areas and Groups purchase direct from the WSO as needed
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)?...... Unknown

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ......................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum?.............................. Plains States Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ......................................................... No
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................. Iowa Regional Convention of NA
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ................................. 400
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? YesSouth Central Area of NA ASC in DesMoines,IA
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ........................................... One
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ............... About 100
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ................................................ none
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year?
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ...................................................... Yes
Is your region insured? ......................................................................................... No
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? .............................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
   DTF workshops are popular and being requested by Areas, We have had work shops to
develope the DFT format  ASC are using the format on their own.
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or
about your experience with these efforts? They are ongoing and received well
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? No ASCs do all phone line efforts
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own phoneline or helpline? ................................................ No
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
   Varied problems with the use of cell phones & pagers, some areas use an answering service. PI phone line workshops are common
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................. Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
   Discussed but not held as workshops at Regional level. ASC holding workshops as they desire
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
   Doing so as a DTF was seen positively by most members
Most members like the format
   Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? Varied response according to the Area involved overall growing. Rural areas seem to be having difficulties with Trusted Servant participation and overall attendance

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?
   Insurance, 6th Edition Basic Text and the new service pamlets
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
   Challenges still ongoing, Trusted Servant participation, purchasing insurance, and getting information to the groups from the RSC. Workshops and increased Trusted Servant visibility( going to areas as requested/doing workshops) seem to help the overview of doing service work
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006
   I have seen the reforming of the lit committee, the level of involvement of members in service increase and the use of the DTF workshops as part of the highlights
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?
   I would like to hear discussion about: the manner lit is being made, the reworking of the Just for Today as in terms of a new book or corrective edits to affected areas, and additional information from Regions on their insurance practices and policies

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?
   - The Discussion Topic Format workshops as a format has been a great tool
   - Areas that have requested the Area Planning Tool have liked it and have done well with its results.
   - Getting information from the RSC to the ASC and then to the Groups has been disappointing. I am still looking for new methods to improve this information transfer.

Iowa Region
Iran Regional Committee and Sub-Committees
Report for WSC 2008

Attachments

1- Regional Treasurer’s reports.
2- Reports from Newsletter and Workshop Sub-Committees.
3- Reports from Regional office, Legal registration and Web site Sub-Committees.
4- Reports from LTC and Meeting list Sub-Committees.
5- Reports from H&I and Ad-Hoc Committee for Regional Planning.
6- Report from PI Sub-Committee

Regional Treasurer’s report

Financial Activities from July.2006 to Jan.2008

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We would need to ask the Groups and Areas to try to do a better job on the 7th Tradition and Fund Flow.

Newsletter Sub-Committee report

This committee started its activity with 5.000 copies of each issue at the first couple of season, and has increased to 45,000 copies of each issue at the present. We have had a close cooperation with De J. the editor of NA Way and have learned a lot from her. Also few of our articles have been reprinted in NA Way.

Iran Region
This Newsletter has also had a positive impact in Prisons and Re-Hab centers, and some of our members have received the message of recovery through this Newsletter.

**Workshop Sub-Committee report**

This committee has held 66 workshops during its term of activity. Which are as follow:
- 10 Workshops for 7th Tradition, Literature, 12 Concepts.
- 9 Workshops for Area Planning.
- 20 Panels of Q&A
- 17 Workshops for special issues and problems of the different Areas.
- 10 different Workshops upon request of the Areas.

The average of members attending each workshop was 150 which total to about 10,000 members. The overall cost was about $ 8510 we are planning to focus on Training workshops for the future term.

**Regional Office report**

In the first year of activity due to lack of experience and improper management system we had an unfortunate case of embezzlement of about $ 12765 which was of course reimbursed anonymously by some members.

After this incident it was decided that we change management and update our systems and software, things are much better now and are improving.

At the present there is a Manager and 4 other employees running the office. We have 14 Telephone lines and have a monthly turn over of $ 211700.

In the past 9 months we have bought from NAWS office branch in Iran and distribute among Groups: 492843 copies of different NA books, 1598227 copies of different IP’s, 823771 pieces of Key Tags, 64859 pieces of Medallions, 124248 copies of our Local Newsletter and 46500 copies of NA Way translated by NAWS office in Iran.

**Legal Registration Ad-Hoc Committee**

The work of this committee was finished last year and NA was registered by the number of 21065 as per the Iranian Law.

This was a great accomplishment as now we can deal with Government and different Organizations much easier and as a result our Groups can obtain meeting spaces without any problem.

**Web Site Sub-Committee**

This Committee has just been formed recently. We are going to post our Literature in Farsi, Meeting list, News letter, etc…. on this site. and www.nairan.org   www.na.org.ir

**LTC Report**

This committee consists of 7 members and holds 2 meetings each week. The Sponsorship book was translated last year and now is being printed and distributed among the Groups by NAWS-Iran. At the present we are working on Public Relation handbook and the new 4 IP’s: Group Business Meetings, Disruptive & Violent Behavior, Roles & Responsibilities, and NA Groups & Medication.
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Meeting List Sub-Committee Report

This committee has monthly meeting with the trusted servants from all 10 Areas and we try to update the meeting list and we print them in a list which is a big book now. At the present we have 11256 meeting each week in form of 2564 Groups.

H&I Sub-Committee Report

This committee holds monthly meetings and workshops for the H&I Chairs of the 10 Areas. At the present we are sending panels to 130 Prisons, Hospitals, DIC and Re-Hab centers. Also 250 weekly meetings are held in different institutes. There are a total of 2600 members active in H&I committee all over Iran.

Regional Planning Ad-Hoc Committee

Due to tremendous request for services in Iran Region and also big turn over of funds, a committee was formed to hold Regional and Area planning and budgeting workshops. Which recently the first one was held at the Regional level and the result was over whelming

PI Sub-Committee Report

In the past 2 years we have focused on 3 different aspects in our PI activities. PI activities for Government officials and Society at large, holding workshops for member of PI committee from all over the country, and PI stalls in Seminars. We have a total of 1500 to 1600 members active in PI committees all over Iran.

In the past year we held 20 workshops for members active in PI committee and the average of attendance in each workshop was about 200 members.

We are now trying to familiarize our members with the new Public Relation Handbook and we are planning to gradually shift from PI to PR.

The Latest Statistics of NA Members in Iran

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- 133468 members have received the NA message through 5th step call.
- 8258 has been introduced to NA by Re-Hab centers.
- 13849 other ways.

Iran Region
The number of groups and weekly meetings in Iran’s ten regions

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Service workshop
Iran Regional Committee
Planning, Budgeting & Goal- seeking Committee
Workshop 1: PLANNING

On February 21, 2008, after a moment of silence, serenity prayer and reading the 12 traditions and 12 concepts, the Iran Regional Committee was convened, Chaired by Mahmud C.
The chairman gave a brief description of how this group was established. Then three other members from various parts of the country, gave a brief history about Development and progress of their home and service groups. The experiences of different groups were similar.

Group development

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The above Pattern shows the progress and evolution of groups in Iran in general and is not inclusive to narcotics Anonymous.

The workshop was divided into six small groups, each group consisting of nine persons who discussed "wants" and "needs".

**WANTS**
- Desire
- DREAM

**NEEDS**
- All the needs that fulfill our wants.

It was explained that the secret of NA`s success lies in our wants. (5th tradition)

In order to get our wants, we have lots of needs that have to be fulfilled.

The workshop continued by taking area inventories as suggested in area planning tool. The questionnaire had been distributed among area servants 3 months earlier.

Then after reviewing the results of the inventory from all the areas and taking them into consideration. Each of the six groups started to analyze current affairs and the problem of the local fellowship and look in to future and the challenges ahead. Let's hope that before we face these problems we would be able to prevent them in order that the massage of recovery will be carried better and on a winder scale. By way of taking inventory, based on the numbers and marks, the problems were discussed on a larger scale, and then they were divided into four groups.

**COMMON PROBLEMS**

A) Not having a proper guideline
   - 3. Lack of transparent reports
   - 4. Not having a clear delegation of responsibilities to trusted servants.
   - 5. Lack of rotation of service responsibilities

B) Not having a continuous training program
   - 2. Lack of knowledge among trusted servants.

C) Lack of budgeting.
   - 2. Bringing financial problems into areas.
   - 3. Not enough support for the regional service committee through the seventh tradition.

Iran Region
D) Defining the levels of service structure
   2. Not having a uniformed service structure across Iran.
   4. Lack of proportion for boundaries
   5. Not having regional assembly.
   6. Not having a format.
   7. Too much service load for the regional committee
   8. Reviewing the service structure.
   9. Revising geographical Boundaries of the areas. After the completion of this section, the groups started to set yearly goals.

First priority: Training Goals
2nd priority: Goals for "Service Guidelines" and "Voting"
3rd priority: Structural Goals.
4th priority: Seventh Tradition and Eleventh Concept.

Methods of Reaching the Training Goals

- Organizing training workshops with identical subjects by experienced members and passing them to others.
- Organizing and planning annual workshop with discipline across the region.
- Research, planning, and using other regions' experience to prepare the format of workshops.
- Preparing training packages for members and trusted servants.
- Making a list of experienced trusted servants and using them in special workshops.
- Setting annual goals and plans, also supplying training necessities, and electing trainers.
- Having a defined program and time-table for related committees (workshops)

Methods of reaching goals for guidelines and voting

- Reviewing and revising of the guidelines for sub-committees.
- Organizing a special committee for service “structure”; using the experience of our areas; to familiarize members with traditions and service concepts.
- Establishing a temporary & specialized committee, using all internal and external resources.
- Writing a guideline for sub-committees.
- Preparing a comprehensive guideline.
- Training trusted servants and preparing a booklet of guidelines for service structure for Narcotics Anonymous in Iran.

Methods of reaching Structural Goals

- Evaluation and distribution for planning and goal-orientation based on needs.
- Establishing an AD- HOC committee to review the structure and removing the obstacles.
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- Having regular training workshops and preparing service booklets.
- Time-table for the above
- Organizing a committee to review the service structure.
- Organizing area and regional assemblies to give guidance about service structure and training structure in order to promote area growth & independence.

**Goals for 7th Tradition and 11th Concept**

- Using "Payam Behboodi Magazine" (Iran local newsletter) NA members to support the seventh tradition and to train the trusted servants how to handle NA funds with responsibility.
- To organize training workshops in this regard.
- Budgeting for the committees and the areas.
- To invite more experienced members to workshops and using them in sub-committees.
- Transparent reporting of the financial expenditure and spending the funds in a responsible way
- Continuing the activities of the planning & budgeting committee with regards to the importance of the seventh tradition and the eleventh concept in "structure"
- Increasing the level of knowledge among members in regards to proper use of NA resources through training workshops and dispatch of speakers.
- Planning and budgeting of the committees; transparency in financial reports; and organizing various workshops.

At the end of this Workshop 4 Trusted Servants were elected in order to form 4 work groups to review and come up with approaches for these goals and present the outcome to the Region in 3 months.

In charge of the committee
Mahmud Ch
Ireland Region

Regional Delegate ............................................................................................................. Irene Crawley
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................................................. Yes
Alternate Delegate ...................................................................................................................... Niall Sexton
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................................................. No
How many areas are in the region? ................................................................................................. 4
How many groups are in the region? .................................................................................................
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ............................................................ 185
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ......................................................... 30

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .................. $12,471.05
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ................................................. $19,677.25.
Where do you purchase your literature? ...................................................................................... NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ..................... $3,500

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ............................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ................................................................. European Delegates Meeting
Does your region have a regional office? ....................................................................................... Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ............................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .................................................. 350
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ............................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ........................................................................ 1
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ......................................... 250
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ................................................................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ............................................................................... No
Is your region insured? ......................................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

The RD and RD Alt held workshops on Leadership, Infrastructure, Atmosphere of Recovery and Public Image. These were held in three areas of Ireland, with an average attendance of 20 members per group. We followed the WSC formats and coupled the workshop with a social gathering. There was a good response and it seemed to boost enthusiasm and understanding. Goals were set and follow up was carried out by the areas

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .................................................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Ireland Region
We asked for the NA phone number and regional website address to be broadcast at the end of two different TV programs about cocaine use in Ireland, which were shown on the national TV station. This led to several PR opportunities, with several positive media reports about NA taking place in different parts of the country. We also attended a courtesy meeting with the Board of Directors of A.A. in Ireland to discuss any issues of mutual concern. This is likely to become a yearly event. We have two new Area websites up and running, in the Southern and Eastern Areas.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .................................................... Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

We have a central information line with a recorded announcement that gives the numbers for the four Area helplines and the Regional website address. Phone Lines are working well, and in December there were a total of 124 calls between the different Area’s lines.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ............................................................................ Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Phone line workshops were held in the last year in two of the areas. Volunteer training and role plays were found to be very helpful.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ........................................................................................ Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

We briefly discussed the motions at the Regional Meeting, we intend to workshop them before WSC08.

In the last year we have run CAR workshops on Building Stronger Home Groups, Area Planning Tool, and Who’s Missing from our Meetings in three Areas of Ire

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

All sessions proved useful to the Areas with positive feedback received. In relation to APT these sessions resulted in Areas developing a plan for the coming year as well as identifying the necessity to update or in one case redraw Area Guidelines. The usefulness of the RD & RD Alt to the Areas as a resource for guidance continues to be explored by Area Committees and is encouraged through financial support from Regional Committee.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

Growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

The setting up of a new office
Our plans for our first strategic plan
Setting up NA Ireland as a legal entity
Insurance
Inappropriate behavior in meetings
Supporting areas

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

Ireland Region
We set up a subcommittee to find and outfit the new office. We set up a subcommittee to work on the insurance and legal entity. We set up a subcommittee to look at strategic planning.

We started funding area delegates to attend the Region rather than having the areas do it. We let all the areas know what CAR workshops were available and the Region paid any expenses, but the invites and hosting of event was done by the areas. There was a good uptake on this.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

One of the biggest changes is our new premises. After several years of searching and hard work by the subcommittee (rents are high in Dublin) we have moved from a very dark basement where we were for many years to a shop front office in a central location. The shop is currently being fitted with an archive, computer, phone lines and cash register. The NA symbol is on the shutters and over the door for the first time...

We have conducted workshops in all four Areas of Ireland.
We have held two regional and two area conventions, unity day, and many social events
Three of the areas now have their own websites with links to the region
We have our first meeting for parents / careers with childcare facilities
We are in the process of building an archive of our history as a region

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Consideration is being given within the structure of EDM to support developing Communities through Sponsorship by more established NA Communities. This is a matter being considered by the Irish Region through proposals being made by RD & RD Alt.

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?
No

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

What’s worked very well has been the learning from the WSC workshops and taking them around the country.
Our participation in the EDM has been mutually beneficial.

Our participation at the WSC has been a great sense of hope and unity.
The challenges are the same as in every NA community, some communication and infrastructure gaps, some lack of trusted servants. We continue to press ahead; NA continues to grow, slowly in our region.

Ireland Region
Israel Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Yuval
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................... No
Alternate Delegate ........................................................................ Oded
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? .................................................. 7
How many groups are in the region? ............................................... 230
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ................. 250
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ............... 30

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ............
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ........................................
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................ NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ...........
Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ............................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ........................................... EDM
Does your region have a regional office? ..................................................... Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ............................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ...................... 1000
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ..........................................
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ........................................
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .................
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ............................................. Non profitable association
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? .......... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ............................................. Yes
Is your region insured? ............................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

We held our first regional assembly and decided to make an effort on balancing our service structure.

We held building strong home group and Area planning tool workshops

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ................................. Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

The Israeli website was changed. It’s now updated for our needs.

Israel Region
The movie Just for Today was translated and screened it at our last convention in Eilat and other forums. PI performs presentations to social workers and students. PI representative are attending some of the open meetings.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ....................................................Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

We have 3 help lines. The one that operate by the region is getting around 20 calls a day. The other 2 (north and south) are getting only 3 calls a month.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Some of our areas are now in a process of reorganization

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................No

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Because of the language barrier it’s difficult for as to share the CAR with most of our members.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

Growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Tel Aviv, the biggest NA city, dos not have an area and our region operates also as (the central) area.

We recently started to establish an area in the center and now we are arranging meetings with all the areas representatives apart from our regional mee

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

On 21-22 December 2007 we had our first regional assemble. GD’s from all over the country attended the exciting event. We hope to have a regional assemble once a year on a regular basis

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

We would like to hear experience from other communities that dos not have a ‘classic’ service structure.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

We are a part of the EDM zonal forum; we find it very helpful for us.

Israel Region
Italy Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. GIUSEPPE ANZALONE
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................ No
Alternate Delegate ..............................................................
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................
How many areas are in the region? ...................................... 6
How many groups are in the region? ................................. 41
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ....... 9
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ... 2

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? $17,050.00
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? $13,950.00
Where do you purchase your literature? IDM BRUXELLES
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? $3,100.00

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ...................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ..................
Does your region have a regional office? .............................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ....................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ... 220
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ...................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ................. 1
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? 100
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ..........................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ......................... No
Is your region insured? .............................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? No
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

THE PHONELINE DOESN’T GIVE GOOD FEEDBACKS
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? No
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? No
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? What can you share about your experience with these efforts? Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

*IT'S GROWING*

**Innovations and Challenges**

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle? Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006. Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006. What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

**Conference Input**

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

**Delegate Experience**

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate? *NOTHING STILL NOW*
Japan Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Sohshi (Chiaki Kuritsuho)
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................ Yuichiro (Yuichiro Shirakawa)
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ......................................................... 11
How many groups are in the region? ......................................................... 95
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ...................... 321
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ..................... 41

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? $4,430
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007?
Where do you purchase your literature? .................................................. RSO
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? 1500

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ......................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ........................................ APF
Does your region have a regional office? .................................................. Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? .......................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ................... 800
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? .......................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .................................... 60
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ........... 30
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ..............................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ............................................ No
Is your region insured? .............................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? No
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

About a language minority’s service participation

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ................... No
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ........................................ Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Continuation of an information

Japan Region
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Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?
    It is the same as 2006.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?
    PI and a budget, Translation
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
    A meeting is repeated.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.
    The percentage of attendance of a meeting, and subdivision of activity
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?
    About effective use of a zone

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?
    YES
Le Nordet Region

Regional Delegate ............................................................................................................. Steeve Lamonde
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................... No
Alternate Delegate ........................................................................................................... Daniel Seward
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................... Yes
How many areas are in the region? .......................................................................................... 2
How many groups are in the region? .......................................................................................... 40
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ....................................................... 48
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ..................................................... 0

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ........ 5,041.80
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ........................................... 3,219.02
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................................................ NA World Service
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ............

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum .......................................................... cana/acna
Does your region have a regional office? ............................................................................... No
Does your region have a regional convention? ..................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ............................................. 600
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ..................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ............................................................. 2
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ................................. 600
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .........................................................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ................ No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ........................................................................ Yes
Is your region insured? ..........................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ........................................................................................................ Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ........................................ No
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .......................................... Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ........................................................................... No
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

same

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?
Lithuanian Region Report to Winter EDM 2008, Hungary, Budapest
Website: www.lietuvos-na.lt
Towns – Vilnius, Kaunas, Klaipeda, Panevezys, Alytus, London

2008 January

Lithuanian NA was set up in 1991. This year will be 16 years anniversary of Lithuanian NA. Now there are 9 NA groups in Lithuania region. We have 23 meetings per week. There were opened a two new NA groups – one in Vilnius “Tik šiandien” and other – the closed group in Alytus, in men prison. Lithuanian Fellowship holds about 300-500 members.

Lithuania is a region. Regional Committee meets 4 times a year. Once a year there is annual meeting of regional Committees – Assembly. There are 18 trusting servants in Lithuanian Regional Service committee (2007 12 09 information). This year there will be rotation almost in all services positions (except few).

There are these Committees in the region –
- Literature.
- Literature Translation, We have existing NA literature in Lithuanian language – IP No.1, No.2, No.5, No.6, No.9, No.11, No.14, No.15, No.16, No.19, No.22, No.23., Information about NA, NA: resource in your community, Group booklet, NA White Booklet and Intro Guide to NA.
- We will have our Basic Text In February 2008. We have in draft stage Step Working Guide, Twelve Conceptions and Just For Today. A Guide to Local Service, It works: How and Why? and a few IPs are in the process of translation.
- Public Information, Hospitals and Institutions; PI and H&I are incorporated as one committee. This committee have helped to open the NA group in Alytus prison. The committee is making a lot of activities in cooperating with treatment centers and detoxications.
- Al last Lithuanian NA region have its own phone line +37063322272. We have made the PI activities – in all the biggest towns we have pasted posters with this phone number.
- We have had the situation that one treatment center used the name of Narcotics Anonymous to get some money from EU funds. The letter from our Fellowship RSC Steering Committee fluently solved the problems, they promised not to use it.
- Web site has its web servant;
- there is one ad hoc committees for 5th Lithuanian convention in the nearest future.
- Treasury – in this period we have made donations to WSO and EDM. Now there are about 1000 euros in our treasury.
- Secretary – we have decided to collect the Lithuanian NA archive. It is held in Kaunas.
- Delegate – we are asking to fund Lithuania delegate to Summer EDM 2008, to have the FD trip on June 2008 and we are asking WSO for participation in WSC 2010.

At 2008 June 20-22 there will take place the 5th Lithuanian Convention, NA Summer Camp (and, we expect, EDM FD Trip :) ) in Vilkaviskis.
Two representatives – Giedrius (Vilnius) and Vaidas (Kaunas) were elected to travel to NAWS workshops in Hungary, in February 2008.
Also we will travel to 6th Baltic State Conference AMBER, it will take place in Estonia in 2008 summer.
There have born the nice tradition in Lithuanian region to make regular Step Working Camps. The next one will take place on 8-, 9, 10 of January 2008.

Lithuania Region
There was created a work group to renew the NA statute as legal association in Department of Justice of Lithuania and to register it in the Register of Legal Persons. The process is going on.

Requests:

- Our region have made the request to FD committee to have FD trip to 5th Lithuanian Convention on June 2008.
- We are kindly asking to fund our delegate to Summer EDM 2008 in Helsinki, Finland.

With love,
In service

Tomas, RD tomasna79@gmail.com
Paulius, Alt RD pauliusna@gmail.com
Lone Star Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. John Lopez
Have you attended a WSC before? ...................................................... No
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Henry Clayton
Have you attended a WSC before? ...................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? .......................................................... 7
How many groups are in the region? .......................................................... 100
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ............................ 683
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ............................... 25

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ...$17,301.51
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .......................... $19,106.52
Where do you purchase your literature? ..................................................... RSO
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ....$3,154.05

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .......................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ........................................ Southern Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ......................................................... Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? .................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .......................... 650
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? .................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ............................................. 2
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .................. 200
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ....................................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year?........ Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .................................................... Yes
Is your region insured? ....................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

We have workshoped all of the issue discussion topics during the last conference cycle. From the input that we have gotten, it seems to be very beneficial to all in attendance but we have found during the CAR workshops that hardly any of the groups have put the tools to use. The other thing that we found was that the information wasn’t being past on to the groups. Many of the groups were not informed about the IDT discussions taking place but became interested once they knew.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ..................................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Lone Star Region
We traditionally do mailouts to all the schools, probations offices, and other professionals in our Region as well as our local Areas Committees. There has been numerous poster days throughout the region during the cycle and numerous presentations as well. We began visiting institutions as a service body during RSC. Also working with the drug courts to provide information.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ....................................................Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

Our Region has a 1-888-NA-Works number that we recently had to change carriers because of some of the prefixes not being routed properly. We also have a Spanish phoneline that has been in operation for about two years with great success. We recently had a workshop where the Spanish phoneline chair spoke and expressed gratitude that he could attend meetings in his own language.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .............................................................................Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

As a rule the Area phonelines chairs meet quarterly with the Regional phoneline chair at the RSC to coordinate their efforts. The 1-888-NA-WORKS number is routed through the local areas phonelines.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ..........................................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

Building Strong Home Groups.
1. Provide structure to business meetings.
   Increased awareness to individual members.
   Found commonalities.
   Good tool-smoother meetings.
   Need for more training to GSR’s.
   Better flow of information-clear communication.
2. Help use brainstorming techniques to solve problems.
   Area’s to provide worksheet and training to new or reinstated GSR’s.
   Use at events-not just business meetings.
   Include in starter kits.
   Simpler, intro to worksheets-reference literature.
   Getting participation, see results, stronger home group members.
   Show the importance. Keep a positive attitude, more personal More training.

Our Service System
3. Change the name to Service Planning Tool.
   To Solutions Planning Tool.
   Problem Solving Tool.
   Tailored to Committees
   Better communication-clear.
   Understanding the importance of the tool.
5. Liaison system.
   Perform service

Lone Star Region
H&I, PI, Outreach, Phoneline working together.

6. The service structure
Subcommittee system
Groups are not getting the information
Who Is Missing From our Meetings and Why?

7. Language barriers.
Stigma attached to NA.
Our perceptions.
How we treat each other.
Practicing anonymity.
I got mine you get yours.
Providing rides to people in assisted living.

8. PI efforts
Spanish speaking
Homeless
Court system coordination
AA to NA members
Targeted Literature

9. Service
Elderly
Duties and responsibility
Leadership
Traditions
Pregnant women

CBDM guide
Diversity in NA
Retaining and maintaining our members.

Sponsorship
10a. Other people’s variety of experience with sponsorship.
10b. It’s not a guide to sponsorship.
Not a how to guide.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

We have done several CAR workshops with great success. The attendance wasn’t what we had hoped for but the people in attendance seemed to benefit from that experience greatly.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

Growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Lone Star Region
Building Strong Home Groups and the Area Planning Tools

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

Converting from Roberts Rules of Order to CBDM. The policy was written under Roberts and from time to time it conflicts with CBDM. We have also experienced from time to time a lack of education or training of trusted servants. We began using CBDM and were not trained how CBDM worked. We left our members to train themselves. We began training like we are trained at the Zonal Forums.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

We are coming together as a region. Our standing committees are working closely with one another as not to duplicate services. We have instituted training during our open forum at the beginning of the conference which has changed the whole atmosphere of the conference.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

More training is the key, we believe. Along with clearer communication.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

What kind of changes will take place with the NA.Org meeting search? Since many people use the site, the meetings should be accurate.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

Attending Zonal Forums as often as possible to receive training to better train within my region. I felt the two year conference cycle worked really well. Challenges were trying to catch up with the process due to lack of continuity and cooperation in RD/RDA positions. We witnessed areas not open to receive information being provided to them. Once the groups, areas allowed training to take place the more they wanted. The feeling of gratitude over came us each and every time we were allowed to plant the seed of learning more. I have been able to use the planning tool in my personal life as well. Prioritizing works so well in planning. Thank You.
Louisiana Region

Regional Delegate .......................................................... John Reed
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................. Yes
Alternate Delegate ............................................................... Rodney Holden
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................. No
How many areas are in the region? ................................................. 9
How many groups are in the region? ................................................. 275
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ......................... 275
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ......................... 20

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ........$7,426
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ................................. $13,854
Where do you purchase your literature? .................................................... NA WORLD SERVICES
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .............. $500.00

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ................................................ Southern Zone
Does your region have a regional office? .......................................................... No
Does your region have a regional convention? .................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .................................
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? .................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ................................................. 1
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ......................... 700
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ....................................................... Non Profit Status
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ................. No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ....................................................... Yes
Is your region insured? .........................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ......................................................................................... Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

They were well inform of building strong homegroup and leadership structure. We’ve had several CAR workshop.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .................................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

We were contacted by a representative from World Service Office about a maintaining a boot in Public Information in the Baton Rouge Area’s earlier this year.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ................................. Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

Louisiana Region
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

* I did a workshop a couple weekend ago and they were well motivated concerning the motions and discussing and asking question concerning certain motions.*

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

* The New Orleans Area they are slowing growing in the Area’s.*

**Innovations and Challenges**

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

* Insurance*

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

* Incorporation and building a stronger Region.*

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

**Conference Input**

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

* Why do some members feel you must reside in a area to hold a service position.*

**Delegate Experience**

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?
1. What is the name of your region? Mexico Region
2. Name of Regional Delegate? Salvador
3. Have you attended a WSC before? Yes
4. Name of Alternate Delegate? Victor A.
5. Have you attended a WSC before? No
6. How many areas are in the region? 7
7. How many groups are in the region? 89
8. How many meetings take place each week in the region? 1246
9. How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? 2

Donations and Literature
9. What was the total amount of money contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? 300 Dlls
10. What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? 800 Dlls
11. Where do you purchase your literature--your region's services office, NA World Services, or another source? NA World Services
12. How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? 300 Dlls

Your Regional Service Structure
13. Does your region participate in a zonal forum? Yes
14. If you answered "yes" above, which zonal forum? We didn’t participate in the last LAZF, but we have participated in the past.
15. Does your region have a regional office? Yes
16. Does your region have a regional convention? Yes
17. If you answered "yes" above, what is the average attendance? 400 people
18. Do any areas in your region hold conventions? Yes
19. If you answered "yes" above, how many per year? 300 people
20. If you answered "yes" above, what is the average attendance at each? 75 people

Mexico Region
21. Is there a corporation, or an entity with legal status, that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
22. If yes, what is the type of legal registration? Constitutional Act
23. If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
24. Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? No
25. Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? Yes
26. What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts? Workshops and information at World level
27. Has your Region participated in any public relations efforts? Yes
28. What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts? Cooperative efforts instead of affiliation
29. Does your region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? Yes
30. What can you share about your experience with these efforts? Carry the message to the addict at any given time
31. Do all areas have their own phoneline or helpline? Yes
32. What can you share about your experience with these efforts? We have to participate and share the service load
33. Has your region hosted CAR workshops? No
34. If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? No
35. Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts? No
36. Has the number of members in your region growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? No
37. What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle? Not carrying the message and creating unity
38. Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006. Sale of literature made in Mexico
39. Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006. The three Mexican regions have united to provide services

Mexico Region
40. **What additional information that you would like to share with other conference participants?**

Visits to other regions financed by our region

**Conference Input**

41. **Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?**

Literature printed in Mexico to reduce prices

**Delegate Experience**

42. **What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?**

Have been to share with lots of people
**Michigan Region**

Regional Delegate ............................................................................................................. Mike Tilbury
Have you attended a WSC before? .................................................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate .............................................................................................................. Dave Thomas
Have you attended a WSC before? .................................................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ..................................................................................... 12
How many groups are in the region? .................................................................................... 227
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .................................................. 396
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .................................................. 50

**Donations and Literature**

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ........ $9,792.20
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ........................................ $6,500
Where do you purchase your literature? ..............................................................................
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ..............

**Your Regional Service Structure**

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .............................................................. Midwest
Does your region have a regional office? ............................................................................ No
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .......................................... 1500
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? .................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ............................................................ 1
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ............................. 500
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ...................................................................... incorporated
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ................. Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ...................................................................... Yes
Is your region insured? .........................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ........................................................................................................... Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

*We have held 2 ID workshops at our annual regional convention and 1 ID workshop at a area level the day prior to our regional meeting. These workshops seem to be growing larger in attendance and people seemed to be a lot more enthused about being able to participate in them.*

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .............................................. No
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ........................................ No
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

Michigan Region
**WSC 2008 Regional Reports**

We just approved a regional phone line.  
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?  
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?  
Our region help a multi regional CAR workshop in February in Kalamazoo Michigan. We used the CAR workshop suggested schedule and format included with the Conference Approval Track. Which involved the group worksheet, Area Planning Tool, Service system and Who is missing topics. The targeted literature and sponsorship book.
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?  
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?............................................................................................................Growing

**Innovations and Challenges**

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?  
What to do with the 20 years worth of banners from our regional conventions that are deteriorating from age.
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.  
What to do with our banners seemed to draw out alot of strong feelings from members. As a region it felt like we came to a consensus on what exactly to do with them. We decided to take some high definition photos of the banners, display the photos in a slide show and display the previous 2-5 years of banners.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.  
Our region has recently approved a regional phone line that appears to be a very nice and user friendly system that should help members reach us more easily.
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?  
A area in our region has developed and has started using a program called NA Get Started, which is a program for people being directed from the drug courts or probation officers to attend NA meetings. This program lets them know what NA is about, the common terms we use and other various things that pertain to our fellowship.  
We recently discussed a program that an area in our region is using called Sponsorship Behind the Wall, it appears that the majority of our region will start using this program to reach out to members who are incarcerated.

**Conference Input**

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?  
Updating the PSA’s particularly the videos.

**Delegate Experience**

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

Michigan Region
Mid America Region

Regional Delegate .................................................................................................................. Rod Davis
Have you attended a WSC before? ............................................................................................ 2004
Alternate Delegate ................................................................................................................... Tim Stewart
How many areas are in the region? ............................................................................................ 8
How many groups are in the region? ........................................................................................... 86
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ......................................................... 312
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ........................................................ 22

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount of money contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? $3987.00
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .............................................. $8897.00
Where do you purchase your literature? .................................................................................... NA World Services
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .................

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ................................................................. Plains State Zonal
Does your region have a regional office? .................................................................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ......................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ............................................... 400
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ........................................................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .................................................................. One
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .................................... 150
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration?
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ........................................................................... No
Is your region insured? .............................................................................................................. Work in Progress
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................................................................ Once
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

It was a very rewarding experience for those who attended
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .................................................. Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

PI has been involved in five conference’s over the last two years twice to The Annual Conference on Problem Gambling Prevention and Substance Abuse, once to The Annual Governor’s Conference on Juvenile Justice, and twice to The Annual Recovery Conference. While there we supplied a two person booth with NA literature and Meeting Schedules
given away to those in attendance. While there we had the opportunity to converses with Judges, Parole Officers, Probation Officers, and Treatment Counselors.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .................................................. No
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own phoneline or helpline?

Two of our Areas located in the cities of Topeka and Wichita, Kansas have both phoneline and helplines where an Addict can talk to another Addict. Some of our other Areas have phonelines with meeting schedules of some sort on them.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has your region hosted CAR workshops?
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? .................................................. Staying about the same

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Insurance for the Regions

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?
Mid-Atlantic Regional Report to WSC 2008

Regional Delegate: ................................................................. Ed Bremme
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. YES
Alternate Delegate: ................................................................. Shawn Millard
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. NO
How many areas are in the region? ................................................................. 13
How many groups are in the region? ................................................................. 369
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ........................................ 419
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ........................................ 56

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount of money contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? N/A
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ........................................ N/A
Where do you purchase your literature? ............................................................. NA World Services
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .........

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .......................................................... YES
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .................................................. Northeast Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................................. NO
Does your region have a regional convention? ...................................................... YES, MARLCNA
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? 1 ............................... 800 - 2000
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ..................................................... Two of our Area’s hold conventions
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .....................................................
Little Apple Area hosts a convention every year, and Williamsport Area hosts a convention every two years
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .................. 500 – 600
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? YES
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .......................................................... A Non-Profit Corporation
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? .......... NO
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .......................................................... YES
Is your region insured? ......................................................................................... YES

Our RSC, MARLCNA, Our region has also established an ad hoc committee to research the possibility on having insurance for all of the groups in our region.

Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................. YES

Mid-Atlantic Region
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

Our region has hosted workshops on The 6th edition Basic Text, Issue Discussion Topics, The By Young Addicts For Young Addicts IP, and The “For The parents and guardians of Young People in NA” IP. All input has been submitted to NAWS.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .......................................................... NO

What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts? ................................................................................ N/A

Does the region have any type of NA phone line or a help line? ..................................................... NO

What can you share about your experience with these efforts? ........................................................ N/A

Do all areas have their own phone line or help line? ................................................................. YES

What can you share about your experience with these efforts? ........................................................

We the areas of the Mid-Atlantic Region come together at region to help each other with the efforts of the help lines. We share our experience, strength and hope with each other, what is working and what is not working in order to help struggling areas with their PI efforts so we can improve to help carry the message to the addict who still suffers.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ............................................................... YES, We have hosted 5 workshops in three of the five workshops due to time restraints.

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

The session profiles were extremely helpful. We the Mid-Atlantic Region with like to thank the NAWS staff for getting it to us so quickly.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?  ................................................................. growing in numbers and in strength

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?


Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006. This is what we strive for in our region. Our region believes in communication. We utilize this communication as a tool so the RD takes the information back to the RCMs, and the RCM’s take the information back to the GSRs, and the GSR’s take the information back to the group business meetings. This way no one is left out of the communication link between the World and the Group.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

An old area came back to our region after splitting off from the Mason Dixon Area; the name of that Area is Cumberland Valley Area. The South Central Area changed its name to the Lancaster County Area to reflect its location.

Mid-Atlantic Region
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

The Mid Atlantic Region is situated in the Central and Eastern part of Pennsylvania U.S.A. The Mid Atlantic is one of the oldest regions in NA. We go from Wellsboro in the North, Mason Dixon line in the South, Renovo to the West and Phillipsburg N.J. to the East.

The Areas in our Region are as follows, Capital, Central Susquehanna Valley, Cumberland Valley, Lancaster County (which changed it’s name from the South Central Area), Lebanon Valley, Little Apple, Mason-Dixon, Pocono Mountain, Reading, Serenity In The Mountains, Greater Steam town, Williamsport, and York.

We continue to hold our annual Mid-Atlantic Regional Learning Convenference each year. This year we celebrate 24 years. MARLCNA is held the second weekend of February of each year. This year it was held at the Lancaster Host, in Lancaster PA, February 8, 9, and 10, 2008. We usually have between 1,800 and 2,000 in attendance.

Our Areas put on many functions throughout the year, Picnics, Learning Unity Days, to Birthday and anniversary Conventions to Marathon meetings, campouts, pig roasts and Area Conventions.

Our Region is a member of the North East Zonal Forum (NEZF). The NEZF is a very heavily NA populated section of the United States. The NEZF is located in the North East section of the United States from New Jersey, PA, and Ohio excluding Philadelphia, Bucks County and Wilkes-Barre PA, and then we go to everything in New York, and all the way North to Maine. We use an alphabetical rotation to host the zone 2 times a year (January and June or July of each year. There are 14 Regions in the NEZF.

At one time most all of the regions located in the NEZF were all a part of the Mid-Atlantic Region, along with other regions that are now situated in different zones in our geographical area.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Shawn and I look forward to making a difference at the WSC 2008, through communication with the shared experience with all the other RD’s, RDA’s, World Board members, and the NAWS staff. We hope and pray that you all arrive and go home safely.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

Well, this is my 1st WSC as a RD for the Mid-Atlantic Region. I believe I was mentored by my RD and other RD’s and RDA’s from the Northeast Zonal Forum. As a RD I have had the opportunity to mentor my RDA for 18 months. Just short of the WSC 2008 she had to resign due to military obligations. I now have another RDA and the opportunity to be able to mentor him. I believe that now I have more experience in mentoring the new RDA than I did in mentoring the previous RDA. I believe with my RDA’s hunger to learn the position he will make a great RD when the time comes. With that we share the responsibility of the position together.
Minnesota Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. JJ (James Johnson Jr)
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Christopher Kit Egan
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. No
How many areas are in the region? ................................................................. 14
How many groups are in the region? .................................................................
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ......................................... 340
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ......................................... 24

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ...... 16,490.33
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ........................................... 18,957.23
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................................. Upper Midwest Service Office
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .... 2000.00

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ................................................................. Midwest
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ........................................... 700
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ................................................................. 15
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ......................... 100
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ................................................................. 501(c)3/corporation
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ................. Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ................................................................. Yes
Is your region insured? ........................................................................................................

Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

Several of our areas requested workshops on the IDT’s. The response was great. It was gratifying to be able to see the passion for NA in our newest trusted servants. There as many requests just for the RD team to share what we gathered form Zonal meetings and World Wide Workshops. Always a positive and grateful response.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ........................................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Minnesota Region
Areas have been asked to be part of the steering committee of drug courts across the Region. I really don’t think that we do anything unique in the area of PR. We are taking time to get to know the handbook and plan to implement is gradually.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ....................................................Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts? not anything unusual.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Spme havem they do not report on the results

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

We are focusing on the IDT's rather than the motions.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

growing but not dedicated to na

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Basic Text revision started strong ended weak. I think the push for discussion of IDT's is taking over. The lack of trusted servants is the most troubling throughout the Region.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

Getting the meeting list o those who refer to our program.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

Local functions, campouts and other activities are well attended. The Region decided to engage in strategic planning sessions in the hopes to reinvigorate our RSC. It will either end up in redesign of the Region or recommit to its sucess.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Its spelled MINNESOTA its pronounced SPIRITUAL GIANTS

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Our general membership and number of meetings has grown while our service structure experiences losses at every level.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

Using the presentations that have been made available seem to reach and excite the most people. We need more of these presentations. As they excite me I know they would invigorate others.

Minnesota Region
Mississippi Region

Regional Delegate ............................................................................................................. Donnie Rushing
Have you attended a WSC before? ..................................................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ............................................................................................................ Luke B
Have you attended a WSC before? ..................................................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ..................................................................................... 4
How many groups are in the region? .................................................................................. 49
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .................................................. 180
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ................................................ 10

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ........... $3,000.00
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ......................................... $2,500.00
Where do you purchase your literature? ............................................................................ N A World Services
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ............

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ....................................................... Southern Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ........................................................................... No
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ........................................ 150
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .......................................................... 2
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ............................. 100
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration?.....................................................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? .................. No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ................................................................ Yes
Is your region insured? .....................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

  Literature seem to be the big concern. I got the feeling at our GSR assembly that new literature projects should be put on hold for now. With concerns about translations of existing literature. The home group worksheets drew a lot of attention also. In a poll of issues in our region home groups was number one. The GSRs were excited to maybe use the worksheets in their home groups. Some of the other issue topics lacked excitement or participation.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ........................................... No
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Mississippi Region
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? No
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts? We tried a regional phoneline once and it did not work well for us. It seems to work better for each area to have their own.
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
   Yes not all topics were discussed. Literature, homegroups, and service structure. Motions took a fair amount of time with many questions about the basic text project.
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
   I think for the most part they were positive experiences. We had lively discussion not only on world's topics but chose to discuss issues that are going on in our region. Issues like fund flow, conventions, filling positions, and staying positive about doing service were not only fun but helpful for our region. What was good about it was we actually discussed these issues not argue and blame each other but look at and for solutions.
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? Growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?
   Home groups
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.
   Well it might not sound exciting to other regions but getting a website up and running. Fund flow continues to improve. We seperated the convention funds from our regional funds so our dependence on the convention would stop. We as a region continue to grow but still have open positions at the regional level. If I had to name our most success as a region it would be our continued growth. We're getting stronger every year.
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?
   I guess I would say thank you for your continued prayers and support and know that we love YALL!!! no matter what your region said. LOL.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?
   The seating of new regions.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?
   The duty of getting so much information back to the groups has been the biggest challenge for me. What worked well for me was to make GSR packets for every group in our region. The information sometimes get lost with the RCM before it gets back to the groups. I tried to do something to limit that from happening.

Mississippi Region
MontaNA Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Prudence (Prudie) Gildroy
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Berta Halverson
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................... Yes
How many areas are in the region? ........................................... 8
How many groups are in the region? ....................................... 30
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ....... 101
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .... 20

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .... $7,520.71
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .................. $6,811.79
Where do you purchase your literature? .................................. Northern California
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .... $50+

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ............................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ...................... Rocky Mountain Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? .................................... No
Does your region have a regional convention? ........................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .......... 200
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ........................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ....................... 3
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .. 90
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .............................. as a public benefit corporation.
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .............................. No
Is your region insured? ..............................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? .................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

Area 3 in Billings hosted a regional workshop on Who is missing from our meetings and why. There were participants from Wyoming and North Dakota as well as Montana. We felt it was very productive and everyone learned a lot about the brainstorming process. It was fun! We found that we are reaching Native American populations in our local meetings through pre-release programs, but we need to provide support when they return home to the reservations. We will address this issue again at Unity Day in Havre, Montana on May 16-18. We invited treatment center staff and tribal leaders to attend a PI workshop.
Area 2 in Helena hosted a regional workshop on Building Strong Home Groups. Again people enjoyed learning more about the process. We came up with some ‘low hanging fruit.’

Area 5 in Kalispell hosted a regional workshop on Building Strong Home Groups during a weekend birthday celebration of the Recovery Group. There was a lot of enthusiasm and many good ideas generated along with an action plan.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ....................................................Yes

What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

We had a booth at a convention of corrections professionals in Missoula, MT. One attendee commented that we were the only entity there that wasn’t selling something. We were surrounded by surveillance equipment, stun guns and more. We spoke to staff from the women’s prison in Billings about their new facility that allows women to live and learn new employment skills in a lower security setting. They were enthusiastic about the prospect of local NA H&I efforts in the new facility.

In Helena and Missoula we have been presenting to pre-release staff. We discussed our position with court cards which is that we sign them for the member who asks us—not for the facility. By signing we do not guarantee the person whose card we signed attended the meeting. We let the pre-release population know the same. We try to stress we are not part of their punishment.

In Helena we presented to state probation and parole professionals. There seemed to be some enthusiasms generated for sending folks to our meetings.

We are printing and providing more statewide meeting lists to various institutions around the state.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ....................................................Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

We have a statewide helpline at 800-990-6262 with 2 cell phones each in three areas rotating answering duties every two weeks. These phones are answered by trained recovering addicts who are members of the area phoneline committees. It has been working well with nearly 100 percent of calls being answered. Our calls go through an internet provider called Ring Central. Recently we are re-evaluating and re-energizing the project. We will add to the guidelines now that that we have a couple of years of experience with the helpline up and running.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

We were fortunate to host the Rocky Mountain Forum CAR workshop in Helena, MT this past December. We focused on the discussion questions and various motions.

We will hold two more CAR workshops in April.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

Growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Building strong home groups seemed to generate the most interest and discussion over the past conference cycle. Areas are also starting to utilize the Area Planning Tool. The regional service committee will use a similar form for planning in the coming cycle.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

The current challenge in our region is the fallout from the Superior Court decision Inouye v. Kemna. Federal probation, followed by state probation no longer requires attendance at NA meetings. Treatment centers that get government funding are adopting that policy as well. The challenge is how to tailor our efforts to this new scenario. Many of us think it is a good thing if people choose to come to NA rather than being forced. Many of us are concerned and don’t quite know what this will all look like.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

We have been making progress with internal communication efforts but still have lots of room for improvement. There is a lot of energy right now in the active areas and much enthusiasm.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

We have a lot of experience in the MontaNA region with keeping NA going in a rural state. Montana has been described as a small town with very long streets. We are one big happy NA family here and happy to share our experience with other rural states or other countries. Please contact us through our website at namontana.org or at 1-800-990-6262.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

The response to and the results from the discussion topic workshops have been good for the areas and the region. I have seen a real difference in the last four years in the service structure. Traveling around the state can be a challenge.
Mountain Valley Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. frank busener
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................ No
Alternate Delegate ............................................................... paul rogers
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................ No
How many areas are in the region? ...................................... 5
How many groups are in the region? ..................................... 113
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ........ 127
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ..... 27

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .................
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ...................................................
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................................. NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ......................

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum?
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ............................................................ No
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ...........................................
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ............................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ....................................................... 1
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .............................. 400
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .................................................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? .................... Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ................................................................. Yes
Is your region insured? .................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
  there is much discussion its good to see people concerned with what goes on in the fellowship most were unaware of the area planning tool, home group worksheet much concern over medication issues and waso wishy washy stance on abstinence
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ............................................. Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts? pr just again recently up and running
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ......................................... Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
  it is utilized and needed

Mountain Valley Region
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
   yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
   lots of different views but those who attended had strong interest and concern about our
   fellowship and some of the things going on
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since
WSC 2006?
   growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past
conference cycle?
   service material vs recovery lit and its approval process n new jersey motion
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
   not clear on what is clean
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.
   unity
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional
delegate?
MOUNTANEER REGION REPORT

The Mountaineer Region encompasses a sparsely populated area located in the heart of Appalachia. Our region includes most of West Virginia plus some meetings along the border of Ohio and Maryland. We currently have over 125 meetings a week and our regional service committee is over 20 years old.

Two of our most successful service efforts are our phoneline and our convention. Our phoneline service consists of an 800 number, a live answering service, and pagers. Our toll free number rings at an answering service in Charleston, WV. The answering service can give out meeting information for our region, or the service can page an addict to return the call of the original caller. We have five pagers – one for our phoneline chair and the other four carried by phoneline volunteers. Most of the funds to pay for this service are raised by our convention subcommittee.

We hold two conventions a year in Mountaineer – one in the spring and one in the fall. Both are held at what could be best described as a convention campus owned by the state dept. of education in Ripley, WV. Attendance is around 400-500 addicts at each convention. The convention subcommittee is a subcommittee of the Mountaineer and meets quarterly at regional service. All funds for the convention and produced by the convention go through the regional bank account. Funds are raised by a registration fee and the sale of merchandise. All money raised goes to fund services.

After hearing too many horror stories, the Mountaineer Region has purchased liability insurance. Our policy covers all regional meetings and events as well as every meeting in our region. We thought this step prudent.

We face many challenges in Mountaineer not the least of which is our limited human resources. There just aren’t that many of us and we are spread thin. Nonetheless, things are going well for us, and we are grateful for the chance to serve.

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North Eastern Regional Forum

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Akoijam Kamad Singh
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Sanjay
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ......................................................... 3
How many groups are in the region? .......................................................... 18
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .......................... 35
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ......................... 2

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ........350
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ......................... 325
Where do you purchase your literature? ...................................................... NAWS and SIRCONA
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ........100

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ........................................... Asia Pacific Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? .......................................................... Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? .................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .......................... 170
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ............................................. 2
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ................. 200
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ....................................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ........
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .................................................... No
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ......................... Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

There is a need to organize more extensive Public Relation with the anti-drug organization

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .............................. Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?  
NA was invited to introduce and share the principles and steps in one of the rehabilitation centre run by an armed militant group in the region

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .......................... No
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ............................................... No
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
NA was invited to introduce and share the principles and steps in one of the rehabilitation centre run by an armed militant group in the region.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................. No

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? ................................................................. growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Fund raising

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

not clear on what is Formation of Fund raising and merchandise committee for smooth functioning of the regional committee.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

unity Involvement of more new members from different states and formation of new Area Service Committee and having a permanent office of Imphal Area Service Committee which opens seven days a week.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Recognition of NA by civil society organization and in states like Nagaland and Meghalaya.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Need to organize extensive PR workshops by the World Service in the region.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

In the year 2007, there were a lot of challenges:

The closure of some of the meeting places at Imphal, Manipur after the incident of a boy being murdered by a drug user has led to a mass anti-drug campaign by civil organisation.
The attitude and behaviours of some member have damaged the image of NA.
Disunity among members and internal conflicts has hampered the growth of NA in the region.
The total number of NA members has grown up to 2200 approximately.
Approximately 600 newcomers in total. The 17th Regional Assembly NERF and NERCNA 3, World Unity Day, H&I Weekend, Annual Fellowship gathering and Interaction with civil organization is still going on.
H & I learning days workshop at different states were also organised.
Travelling is expensive and time consuming due to the geographical conditions and law and order situation.
The New Jersey Regional Service Conference was formed on September 30, 1984. The Northern New Jersey Region split from the NJRSC in 1989 to form a Regional Service Conference for the northern most Jersey counties. A Shared Services Agreement has been in affect since the splitting of New Jersey into two separate regions. This “Shared Services,” manages the New Jersey Helpline, publication of the New Jersey Statewide Meeting Directory and the New Jersey Website. Each region pays their fair share of the expenses.

We have a state-of-the-art 800 number/helpline that is part of a “Shared Service” with the Northern New Jersey Region. This is a cost of about $12,000 to $13,000 yearly. In 2006 we had 21,480 calls and in 2007 we had 19,305.

Also, as part of our Shared Services with the Northern New Jersey we have a website, www.nanj.org, which ultimately has helped to keep the cost of our phone services down and get out information on meetings, activities, and service related information. We had 51,356 visits on our website in 2006.

Delegates:
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This is this delegates’ first time as a delegate participating in the WSC, but second time at the Conference.

Alternate Delegate:
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This is this Alternate Delegates’ first participation in WSC.

Regional Information:
The NJRSC is comprised of 10 Areas: Burlington, Cape-Atlantic, Capital, Central Jersey, Cumberland/Salem, Greater Atlantic City, Middlesex, Ocean, Northeast New Jersey, and South Jersey. NJRSC has approximately 390 meetings weekly, held in our member areas and approximately 126 H&I panels take place each week, throughout the 10 area H&I Subcommittees. The NJRSC meets bi-monthly on the odd numbered months, and is rotated and hosted throughout the by each different Area.

New Jersey Region
The NJRSC does host a Regional Convention on an annual basis. The Convention is managed by a private, non-profit 501 C3 New Jersey Regional Convention Corporation which has an 11 member Board of Directors. The regional convention is attended by an average of 800 addicts, as well as about 150 invited guests from rehab facilities throughout the region.

There are also four area conventions; three that meet on an annual basis and one that meets bi-annually, all with an average attendance of about 600-800 addicts. The Region has held several Area Planning Tool workshops in three of our member areas. Some of the outcomes were GSR orientation guides, GSR Workshops, and a GSR buddy system.

Since the CAR’s release, CAR Workshops were held to discuss the issues. In all, we held a Workshop for the Region, Two GSR Assemblies and several Workshops for individual Areas.

**Zonal Membership**
The New Jersey is proud to be a member region of the Northeast Zonal Forum.

**Donations and Literature Distribution:**
The NJRSC’s total income in 2006 was $48,540.38. Our total expenses were $47,630.24, and we had $6,900.00 in donations to NAWS. In 2007, the NJRSC’s total income was $52,053.02. Our total expenses were $41,445.60 and we had $13,700.00 in donations to NAWS.

**Annual Literature Distribution:**
NJRSC does not have a Regional Service Office nor a Literature Purchasing or Literature Distribution Committee. The 10 member areas are free to purchase literature from whomever they choose which is usually NAWS, Greater New York, or Greater Philadelphia. The only NJRSC literature project is our statewide meeting directory, which is a Shared Services project with Northern New Jersey. The most up to date meeting information is maintained on the New Jersey website.

The New Jersey Region obtained liability insurance through Vista Insurance. We have had this policy for over 2 years and coverage is for all the groups in our regions. We have an Insurance Liaison position in our region which is the single point of contact for the groups and insurance agency.

Our Regional Literature Review Committee has been meeting on a monthly basis for the past year. We are currently working on a Tradition Writing Project entitled, *Understanding the 12 Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous.* The Outline and the Introduction are posted on our Regional Website, [www.nanj.org](http://www.nanj.org), and they are currently working on the 2nd Tradition.

A previous regional literature project entitled *Service* is also going to be reviewed and possibly re-submitted.

Our Public Information committee attended the Annual Probation Association of New Jersey, a Public Relations Event in Atlantic City, New Jersey. The event was well attended, along with the NA Booth.
Nicaragua Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Pablo Gutierrez
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................... No
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Franz Richarsond
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ................................................ 1
How many groups are in the region? ............................................. 20
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ............. 144
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .......... 7

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .......... $500
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ......................... $600
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................ NA World Services
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .......... $300

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ........................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ............................... LAZF
Does your region have a regional office? ............................................... Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ..................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ................ 450
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ..................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .............................. 1
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ....... 325
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ...........................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ........................................ No
Is your region insured? .................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
These experiences have been positive because it has awaken interest in the membership in regards to HI and PI and at the same time the atmosphere of recovery in the groups strengthen.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
We have been able to inform the public about NA, we have done PI work in schools, hospitals and rehab centers, we are trying to create a PI project to be broadcast on radio and TV

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .................. Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts? 
*We have had very few calls from addicts asking for help, an average of 3 calls per week, but we are working to promote the helpline we have a group of a few trusted servants who are working in this matter so they can give the callers information about the NA program and in the last three months 2 members have joined the groups because they called the helpline.*

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .............................................................................. No

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

**Innovations and Challenges**

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

**Conference Input**

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

**Delegate Experience**

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

*My experience as a delegate of my region has been to structure the lebels of service with the help of my fellow members, unite our fellowship, represent my region in the LAZF meetings and strengthen the communication between my region and NAWS and with our neighboring NA regions, thanks to our efforts and complying with our guidelines we have requested seating on the floor of the WSC.*
North Carolina Region

Regional Delegate ...................................................................................................................... Patricia Parks-Taylor
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ..................................................................................................................
Have you attended a WSC before? ..........................................................................................
How many areas are in the region? .......................................................................................... 5
How many groups are in the region? ....................................................................................... 45
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .................................................... 111
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .................................................. 20

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .......... $4,700.00
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ........................................ $2,040,00
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................................................. WSO
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ............ $750.00

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ..................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ................................................................. Southeast Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ............................................................................... No
Does your region have a regional convention? ....................................................................... No
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ........................................... 
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ..................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ................................................................. 1
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ................................. 500
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ........................................................................... 
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ................. No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ......................................................................... Yes
Is your region insured? ............................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................................................................. Yes

What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

The addicts which make up the North Carolina Region are very vocal about the IDT’s. There has been a lot of concern about literature development and consensus based decisions being made which appear to exclude the voice of the local member. While there has not been a formal literature review committee at the Regional level, recent discussions appear to think this may be a good idea.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ................................................ Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
The North Carolina Region continues to develop collaborative efforts with area treatment facilities, hospitals, service organizations, and residential programs to ensure the message of N.A. is carried and communicated in an effective manner.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ....................................................No

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ..........................................................No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Some of our areas have independent helplines, while others are engaged in collaborative response efforts with partner agencies.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ..........................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

Yes, the Regional Delegate conducted two CAR workshops which served all Areas and discussed the CAR in its entirety, while also allowing for questions on NA service structure and services as a whole.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

We have lost one ASC due to not being seated in 2006.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Who’s missing from our meetings continues to be a thriving discussion in our region as we all see a growing population of professionals, races, and age groups that are not participating.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

With the change in Delegates, some information has been lost. The most affected area was the loss of the North Carolina Regional website. As a result, there is a renewed effort underway to redesign and activate a website for the Region.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

The North Carolina Region continues to move forward, even without recognition as a seated Region. The same ASC’s which originally formed the Region continue to be committed to sustaining it in an effort to fulfill our primary purpose.

Three of our member Areas have sustained their collaborative Convention which will hold its third annual celebration of recovery entitled "The Road Home" in May, 2008.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Yes, we are extremely interested to hear why the World Board rescinded it’s recommendation of seating us in 2006 during this conference.

North Carolina Region
Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

*What has worked best for me, has been to continue to carry the voice of my Region, not my own.*

*Challenges faced have been minimal since all member areas agreed to continue to work for the good of our Areas in October, 2006!*
Northern California Regional Report to WSC 2008

Facts about our Region
Regional Delegates
Lenny R.: Regional Delegate
Matt S.: Alternate Regional Delegate

The Northern California Region is made up of 21 areas, with 1400 meetings per week. Our Area H&I committees are covering approximately 330 facilities.

Donations and Literature
In our 2006-2007 fiscal year the NCRSC’s expenses were $62,862, with group and area donations of $87,949
Most of our areas purchase their literature through our Regional Service Office

How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)?

Your Regional Service Structure
The Northern California Region participates in the Western States Zonal Forum

The Northern California Regional Service Office (NCRSO) is a California 5013C corporation and has its office in Fairfield, California. Our office is staffed by two Special Workers and is overseen by a nine trusted servants that comprise its Board of Directors.

Does your region have a regional convention?
The Northern California Regional Convention (NCCNA) will be holding its thirtieth annual convention in March of 2008. Attendance at our Saturday Main Speaker Meeting averages 7000 members. Half of which are registered for the convention.
There are two area convention held in Northern California. The “These Areas Convention” (TAC) is an annual convention held by seven of our northern areas. The Monterey Bay Convention of Narcotics Anonymous (MBCNA) is a bi-annual event sponsored by two of our southern areas. These conventions average about 400-500 attendees. Neither of these conventions operates under a corporate structure and are not affiliated with the NCRSC.

If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year?
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status
Except for state sales tax neither our RSC or RSO had to pay any taxes.
Our RSC provides liability insurance for all of our meetings and many of our area events.

Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle?
Using the NAWS session profiles our RDs have conducted IDT workshops at a Regional Assembly, and at the first three, of six, CAR Assemblies.
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

Our regional PR Coordinators are involved in numerous PR presentations to professionals. In the past year presentations have been made to IN the last year we have done the following
California Convention of the California Association of Drug Court Professionals,
California Convention of the California Association of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors
California Convention of the California Office of Substance Abuse,
Grass Valley Drug Court as well as having a representative on the California Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation’s 12 Step Advisory Committee.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts?
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region

Northern California Region
participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline?

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

All of our areas have helplines although our region does not. Our RSO has a system set up, whereby the areas can choose to run their system through our RSO. The RSO pays the bill and then passes the cost down to the participating areas. Many of our areas are dealing with the need to update their systems. As of yet no “one size fits all” system has been found.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops?

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

At the writing of this report Northern California has held three CAR workshops. We will be conducting four more between now and the WSC, including—for the first time—an assembly at our regional convention.

Our assemblies generally run between six and seven hours each, with the time split about 50/50 between the IDTs and business. One thing we’ve found is that if we cover all three IDTs plus the Targeted Literature and medallion issues, we don’t have enough time to do a thorough job. So, what we’ve been doing is Who’s Missing (we use this as a lead in to the Targeted Literature discussions) at every assembly and alternating the other two IDTs, so that everything gets covered at some assemblies. We are also providing a continental breakfast and a lunch at all of our assemblies. This not only keeps the attendees at the assemblies all day, but also allows us to work through lunch, so that we have more time to cover all of the issues.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

Although the number of meetings in our region has remained stable we seem to be growing in membership; partly due to the influx of addicts being sent through the criminal justice system, as well as treatment facilities.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

How to fix our aging service structure has been the subject that has generated the most interest since the last conference.

Through much fellowship discussions and presentations by our RDs, I believe that most of our fellowship has come to realize that a minor tweaking of the service structure will not be enough to fix what ails us; and that major changes in the way we provide services are needed.

The main challenge to implementing a new service structure is the process itself. To do a proper job of evaluation and implementation an ASC workgroup needs at least a year of planning, and it’s difficult to find the people who are willing to commit to the process. One of the results of this is that we have areas that are changing the name, but not the substance of how they provide services.

What our RDs have been doing is telling our areas to slow down and not be in a hurry. Right now we have two areas that are 6-8 months into the process. Both of these areas are taking the time to do a proper job, and are being helped by experienced members. The two committees are on slightly different tracts and the hope is, that once these areas implement new service models other areas will be able to learn from their successes and failures.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

Our 2007 convention set records for both attendance and profits.

A complete re-design of our website.

Our RSC has implemented a policy of following up our annual inventory with an annual planning session to implement solutions to the issues that are raised in the inventory. We are also partially
suspending business once each quarter, to do small group discussions and workshops, on pertinent issues.

**Conference Input**

*Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?*

The H&I Handbook is my hot topic. At the same time that we’re talking about developing a bunch of new literature, the fact that the outdated H&I Handbook is one of the things that’s holding back serious attempts to re-structure how we provide services, seems to be overlooked.

How and where NA provides H&I services has changed so much since the handbook was developed that it no longer reflects the realities of the fellowship. I would go as far as to say that this handbook is devolving from a tool into a weapon.

**Delegate Experience**

*What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?*

Our main challenge as delegates has been logistical. After years of our regional delegates telling our areas that we are here to help, they are finally taking us up on our offers. The time and travel our RDs are putting in is increasing drastically.

One of the things that has been working very well for us has been the use of Power Point presentations. Our RSC gave us the funds to purchase a projector, and it has been money well spent. Not only do these presentations hold the attention of the audience; they allow the delegates to present accurate–up to date–information, while limiting personal opinions until they are asked for.

Lenny R.
Regional Delegate
Northern California Region
Chris Raymond - Regional Delegate attended WSC 2004 and 2006
Jamie Emerson – Alternate Delegate attended WSC 1995, 1996 and 2006

Our region has 3 areas. The Granite State Area has 38 groups and 42 meetings, the Maine Area has 45 groups and 58 meetings and the Seacoast Area has 14 groups. This is a total of around 97 groups and about 114 meetings a week across Maine, New Hampshire and a tiny part of Northern Massachusetts. This is a slight decrease from our report 2 years ago. We represent addicts in the very northeast corner of the US. Our areas fulfill 21 H&I commitments each month.

In 2007, we received $3208.52 in area donations and $242.00 in group donations to our region. Our expenses were $395.00 for rent, PO Box, minutes, and other miscellaneous expenses, $1071.92 for RD and RD-A travel to zonal forums and expenses related to regional workshops, and $1243.17 in donations to NAWS. We have a $700 prudent reserve and set aside $1750.00 for RD-A expenses to WSC 2008.

The RSC purchases service handbooks and the Conference Agenda Report directly from the WSO. We do not distribute any literature on the regional level, although two thirds of our areas buy and sell literature for their groups.

The Northern New England Region participates in the North East Zonal Forum. We have attended regularly since its inception and have been actively involved in its evolution as a zone. We see ourselves as partners with the other delegates from the zone and reap many benefits from discussing the many topics that come before us. It is also a great training ground for our delegates and really helps us to prepare for the upcoming WSC.

There is no service office in our region, and there is no regional convention. We do put on a Multi-Regional Learning Event (MRLE) that is attended by many delegates and others from the northeast US and beyond. It is a service and recovery weekend usually in early December of every odd number year. With the MRLE happening just after the CAR is released, very often, it is many delegates first workshop with participation from NAWS before the WSC. We had participation from over 35 addicts from 9 regions and NAWS at MRLE X (December 2007) and look forward to MRLE XI in December 2009.

The Granite State Area has a convention every other year with between 400 – 500 addicts in attendance. GSA also has a very popular campground every June. The Maine Area has two smaller weekend gatherings of addicts, including The Miracle (120 addicts) and the Winter Unity Fest (75 addicts). There is also a group sponsored campout in the Maine Area. The Seacoast Area has their own campout in July (75 addicts).

Our region has not incorporated, and does not enjoy tax-exempt status. However, the Granite State Area formed a 501C-3 corporation several years ago. The NNERSC puts on semi regular (2-3 per year) Regional Workshops. At these workshops, and at open forum at our RSC, we have shared on the Issue Discussion Topics of Building Strong Home groups, and Who Is Missing From Our Meetings And Why? We have also had a NA History Workshop. Our experience with the workshops has been fairly positive, although attendance has been less than we had hoped for. We have found that having a workshop in each area, discussing things that are important to the local fellowship and having the local fellowship help select the topic and format for the day helps to build our relationship with the area, although it has been a struggle to get members interested. The delegates make themselves available to attend area and group workshops whenever possible. The CAR
Workshops do not usually bring in enough members to utilize the small group format, so we strive to have a very interactive session with those who are present, including discussing the CAT when time permits.

At this time, the NNERSC does not participate directly in Public Relations efforts, or have a regional help line number. We do have an online newsletter that is available by email subscription and is posted on our area websites. The Newsletter Committee meets primarily online and in private chat sessions to do its work.

The member areas provide Public Relations efforts, including Hospital & Institutions, Public Information and Phone lines. All three areas in our region have access to helpline numbers. The Maine Area has a statewide 800 number, and the Granite State and Seacoast Area share a helpline number although primarily the GSA maintains it. In the last year, the GSA is switched to a nation-wide toll free number. The Granite State and Maine Areas maintain websites that provide meeting and service committee information as well as upcoming events. The GSA website has online convention registration.

Since WSC 2006, the number of NA members seems to have increased slightly, although in the State of Maine, there has been a noticeable decrease in meetings, particularly in rural communities. The issue that has generated the most interest and discussion over the last conference cycle has definitely been Building Strong Home groups, although Who Is Missing From Our Meetings And Why gave some of our members’ new ways to think about our potential members.

The NNERSC has continued to have some challenges. Because we are in such a large, mostly rural geographic region, some of our meetings are isolated with great distances between them. Communication with these rural meetings has improved, through email and phone contact, but remains inconsistent. The state of Maine is over 35,000 square miles and is comprised of only one Area. Another challenge has been limited participation at the RSC has affected our ability to take on new projects or do much long term planning.

As delegates, what has worked well has been getting information from NAWS through www.na.org NA News, NA Way, email and attending events with World Service presence. We have appreciated getting some information from the NAWS FTP site after the last WSC. Communicating with other delegates from the NEZF in between meetings has been a tremendous asset to us as well. As previously mentioned, Zonal Forum participation has helped us to prepare for the WSC. One of the ongoing challenges for us as delegates has been to make the large amount of information that is made available to us, useful to the member areas and groups. With information coming from several delivery systems including regional minutes, newsletter, email, NAWS News, NA Way, etc., it seems as though much of it gets filtered, watered down or lost by the time it gets to the ASC or group level.

One thing we would like to see discussed at the WSC is why some of the important things that are in the CAT are not discussed more openly before the Conference, such as the new proposed book length piece. At the WSC, there are many things in the CAT that we will be asked to vote on without the benefit of talking to our regions ahead of time.

We do look forward to the discussions planned for the future of Service Pamphlets.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Raymond – RD NNERSC; Jamie Emerson – AD NNERSC

Northern New England Region
Northern New Jersey Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................................................................... Dwayne B.
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................................................................... Bobby S.
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? .......................................................................................... 12
How many groups are in the region? .......................................................................................... 332
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ..................................................... 377
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ................................................... 263

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ........ $20,174.07
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ......................................... $19,034.55
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................................................ NAWS & Greater New York RSO
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .............. $1,000.00

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ...................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ................................................................. NorthEast Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? .................................................................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ........................................................................ No
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ............................................... 2,500
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ....................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ................................................................. 4
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ................................. 2,500
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .......................................................................... B.O.T.
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ................. No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ........................................................................ No
Is your region insured? .............................................................................................................. Yes
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ......................................................................................................................... Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

Our Regional workshop was well attended. There was a lot of participation. Youth are missing and the old-timers. There are a lot of trusted servant positions open and handicap needs are being minimized.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .................................................. Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

The Region participated in a six month giant billboard campaign in the heart of people, places, and things; although costly the message was carried to save the suffering addict.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ........................................... Yes

Northern New Jersey Region
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

*We currently use a helpline where we have an answering service direct people to meetings and also provide telephone numbers. We are still working on getting a live addict.*

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. *No*

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

*Our Regional Helpine is well supported and meets the needs of the Areas.*

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................. *Yes*

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

*We we able to discuss Who’s missing in our meeting and in Service. Also the worksheet for building of strong homegroups was introduced to the region and is being utilized as a tool.*

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

*We had great participation at our CAR workshop and also our January and March Regional business was suspended for CAR issues per policy. This was new and beneficial in helping our groups make an informed decision.*

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

*Growing*

**Innovations and Challenges**

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

*Insurance was a big topic this conference cycle and also the issues concerning the lawsuit in one of our Areas and how it served as a catalyst for promoting unity throughout the region.*

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

*All of the Areas that needed insurance was able to obtain it.*

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

*A lot of unity throughout the Region.*

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

*The region did not feel any support when faced with the challenges brought on by the lawsuit. We reverted back to the Them(NAWS) Us(REGION)reference.*

**Conference Input**

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

*Improved communication between NAWS and the Delegates between conferences.*

**Delegate Experience**

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

*Stepping out on blind faith, trusting my experience and implementing more recovery based service. I have just gotten to the point where I feel like people hear what I’m saying even if I don’t yell.*

Northern New Jersey Region
### Norway Region

Regional Delegate ........................................... \textit{Christin}

Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. \textit{No}

Alternate Delegate .......................................................................................... 

Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. \textit{No}

How many areas are in the region? ............................................................... \textit{5}

How many groups are in the region? ............................................................. \textit{83}

How many meetings take place each week in the region? .......................... \textit{84}

How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ......................... \textit{2}

### Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? \textit{$17,557}

What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .................. \textit{$6,409}

Where do you purchase your literature? ...................................................... \textit{NA World Services}

How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .........................

### Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ............................................ \textit{Yes}

If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ........................................ \textit{ECCNA}

Does your region have a regional office? ................................................... \textit{No}

Does your region have a regional convention? ........................................... \textit{No}

If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ....................

Do any areas in your region hold conventions? .......................................... \textit{Yes}

If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ..................................... \textit{3}

If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ........ \textit{225}

Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? \textit{No}

If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .................................................

If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? \textit{No}

Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .............................................. \textit{No}

Is your region insured? ................................................................................

Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ........................................................................ \textit{No}

What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts? 

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ....................... \textit{No}

What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts? 

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ................. \textit{Yes}

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts? 

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ....................................... \textit{No}

What can you share about your experience with these efforts? 

\textit{We have one phone which are used by all areas. When people call our helpline, we connect them to people in the area they are calling from. It works fine.}

Norway Region
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................. No
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

The number is growing.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?
Our Delegate Team

Regional Delegate – David Lewis – attended WSC 2004 and WSC 2006
Alternate Delegate – Dale Williams – has not yet attended a World Service Conference

Zonal Forum Participation

The Ohio Region is an active participant in the Midwest Zonal Forum, but is investigating the possibility of joining another neighboring zonal forum.

About The Ohio Region

There are presently fourteen areas in the Ohio Region. The geographic area served by the Region is roughly two-thirds of the state of Ohio, plus portions of northern Kentucky.

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In cooperation with the Buckeye Region, which serves the groups in northeastern Ohio, we conduct H&I Panels in several of the State’s correctional facilities which are not reflected in the numbers above.

Annual Donations and Expenses

Total expenses for the Ohio Region in 2007 were $9,619.48. The sum total of donations from groups and areas to the Region in 2007 was $17,417.72. The cumulative total of donations from the Ohio Region to NAWS in 2007 was $9,405.07.

Collectively, the areas within the Ohio Region distribute nearly $15,000 (in US dollars) worth of NA literature to H&I efforts each year.

Literature Distribution

At the present time, the Ohio Region does not maintain & operate a regional service office. Groups and areas within our region purchase NA literature from a variety of sources, including NA World Services and other Ohio Region
regional service offices (RSO’s). A few of our areas operate area service offices that make literature more readily available to local groups and members.

Regional Service Structure

The Ohio Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous is incorporated as a non-profit organization under the laws of the state of Ohio and, as such, is tax exempt.

Upon determining that a single H&I Coordinator was insufficient to achieve any real service delivery, the Ohio Region re-established a Regional Hospitals & Institutions Subcommittee in 2006. This subcommittee has helped areas to plan & facilitate local H&I Service Learning Days. Additionally, we have continued to host NA “Behind The Walls” Conventions in some of the State’s correctional facilities.

Last year, the Ohio Region re-established a Regional Public Information Subcommittee to develop & coordinate P.I. activities for the Region and to assist areas in their P.I. efforts. This subcommittee is continuing work on a project to place billboards at various locations around the state. The billboard message highlights our Region’s NA helpline and website and follows recommended Public Information guidelines. The effectiveness of these billboards has been evidenced by increased helpline & website activity after their posting.

We continue to cooperate with the Buckeye Region to host OCNA, the annual “Ohio Convention of Narcotics Anonymous”. Areas within both regions take turns with the annual responsibilities for planning & hosting this statewide convention, which is traditionally held on the Memorial Day weekend (the last weekend of May). This year’s convention (OCNA XXVI) is being hosted by the Greater Cincinnati Area, a member of the Ohio Region, and will be held in Covington, KY on May 23rd, 24th & 25th. Average attendance at this event is app. 700. In an effort to improve the consistency of this event, our two regions formed the Ohio Convention of Narcotics Anonymous, Inc., a non-profit corporation with a Board of Advisors to serve in an oversight & support capacity for each year’s convention committee and serve as a liaison between these committees and both RSC’s.

Four areas within the Ohio Region host area conventions, as follows:

- COACNA – “Central Ohio Area Convention of NA” – typically held on the first full weekend in January each year – average attendance is over 1,000;
- DACNA – “Dayton Area Convention of NA” – typically held on the fourth weekend of July every other year – average attendance is around 650;
- GCACNA – “Greater Cincinnati Area Convention of NA” – held on the weekend following Thanksgiving each year – average attendance is around 1,000; and
- TACNA – “Toledo Area Convention of NA” – typically held on the second full weekend in February each year – average attendance is over 500.

The Ohio Region hosts an annual “12-Step Spiritual Retreat” on the second full weekend in October. This year’s (the 21st Annual) retreat will be held at Tar Hollow State Park, east of Chillicothe, OH, on October 10th, 11th & 12th. Last year, app. 350 addicts were registered for this event, nearly 800 addicts attended the Saturday night speaker meeting, and attendance continues to grow larger each year.

On May 9th, 10th & 11th, the Ohio Region will host its “first ever” Spring Retreat at this same location. We have been on a waiting list to secure a Spring weekend at this facility for nearly two decades, and we were finally given the opportunity to reserve the site for the second full weekend in May. If all goes well, this may become another annual event.

Our Region operates a toll-free NA helpline, the Ohio Info-Line, (1-800-587-4232). Calls are answered by a professional answering service that can provide the caller with information on local NA meetings and/or refer the caller to any one of six area-operated hotlines for further help. In some cases, the answering service refers messages to NA members serving as contacts for more specific information. According to the most recent reporting, our helpline is receiving around 150 calls per month. We are extremely fortunate to be served by Ohio Region
an answering service whose staff has learned and respect our Traditions (to the best of their ability). They are timely in their response to calls.

Also, the Ohio Region maintains a website (www.naohio.org) which provides contact information for each of the local Areas as well as for the Region (plus similar area & regional contact information for the Buckeye Region), internet access to NA meeting & activity information for the entire state (along with interactive mapping links for each meeting or event), direct links to the NA literature made available on the NA World Services website, and links to other NA-related websites. At last report, this website is receiving around 5,000 “visits” per month, and continues to exhibit increased interest & usage by NA members, professionals in the treatment of addictions, and other concerned individuals.

Innovations and Challenges

Since WSC 2006, the Ohio Region has shown continuous growth in the number of NA members, meetings, groups & areas.

Probably the greatest challenge we still face is attracting NA members to become (and remain) actively involved in service work. This is evidenced by vacant trusted servant positions and under-manned subcommittees, resulting in inactive subcommittees and inadequate or non-existent services. We have made some progress, but we still have much more to do.

Conference Input

On December 15th, the Ohio Region conducted an initial CAR workshop, and our Delegate Team attended the Multi-Regional CAR Workshop, hosted by the Michigan Region in conjunction with the quarterly meeting of the Midwest Zonal Forum on February 2nd & 3rd. Many areas within our Region have already hosted local workshops on the Issue Discussion Topics (IDT’s) and Areas have been encouraged and have begun to host follow-up CAR/CAT Workshops prior to our next RSC meeting in early April.
Ontario Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Ross Mackay
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................ Yes
Alternate Delegate ............................................................... Rob Langan
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................ No
How many areas are in the region? ........................................ 17
How many groups are in the region? ....................................... 255
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ........ 295
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .... 35

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? $13,169
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? $33,302
Where do you purchase your literature? .................................... NA World Services
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? $526

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ......................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ......................... Canadian Assembly
Does your region have a regional office? ................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ......................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .... 700
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ......................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ..................... 2
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? 650
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ..............................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ............................ Yes
Is your region insured? .........................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ......................... Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

   APT format - small and large group discussions. Very well received by areas. Discussed all three conference Issue Discussion Topics. Positive feedback regarding Building Strong Homegroups worksheets.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .......... No
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

   Our region is committed to PI efforts but as it is so large geographically most PI efforts are Area sponsored.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .......... No

Ontario Region
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

*Most do have phonelines but some do not. Our Northern Outreach Committee is working to establish a 1-800 number to connect with remote areas.*

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ............................................................................ Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? ................. Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

*Very positive experience which seem to have similar outcomes and decisions.*

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? ........................................................................... seems to be growing a little

**Innovations and Challenges**

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

*The challenges of getting members involved in leadership roles.*

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

*sorry*

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

*The Region has become has become fiscally sound and we have donated over $50000 to other levels of service. We reworked the Regional Policies and Procedures. Our Outreach committee is experiencing tremendous growth, travelling to support and revitalize remote Areas.*

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

*Resolution A, all the way!*

**Conference Input**

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

*Resolution A.*

*Also there seems to be a sense of detachment from the actual NA WS process. We seem to be less involved or engaged even though there is more information. We are also wondering about how much the Board is actually using working groups to perform specific projects. There were also concerns expressed about the fine line between Service Pamphlets (CAT) and Fellowship approved literature with some holding the view that the new material should have gone to the Fellowship.*

**Delegate Experience**

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

*The Apt is working well in a few places, not all. Our major challenges seem to lie in developing future leaders. The same faces keep showing up with very few new people stepping forward.*

Ontario Region
Pacific Cascade Region

Regional Delegate ............................................................................................................. Denise Toomb
Alternate Delegate .................................................................................................... Tauni McCammon

Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................... Yes
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................... No

How many areas are in the region? .......................................................................................... 13
How many groups are in the region? ......................................................................................... 197
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ............................................................ 319
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ....................................................... 67

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ........... $8,629.67
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ............................................... $5,052.60
Where do you purchase your literature? ............................................................................... NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ............... $1,511.00

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ........................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ............................................................... Western States
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................................................... No
Does your region have a regional convention? ........................................................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ..............................................
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ....................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ................................................................. 2
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ........................................
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ............................................................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ..................... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ......................................................................... Yes
Is your region insured? .............................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

_People love to participate. We have concentrated this year on training the trainer. We emphasized this as one of the solutions contributed by the fellowship as one solution to the issue of not having enough qualified people to fill service positions. It is through this process we train the RCM’s to go back and teach the GSR’s how to collect information from each and every member of Narcotics Anonymous. In this way we get a group conscience._

_The input we gathered is an added bonus and will help us to better represent our Region at the WSC._

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ................................................... No
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .................................................... No

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

We have Regional phone cards that provide the Help-Line number and web site of each Area.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................. Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Small group discussions are the most favorite format. We had some resistance to covering the IDT’s one more time. However, when we shared how these discussions contribute to our ability to better carry the conscience of our Region, most people came on board. We also shared the fact that we had more focused questions for them in this our last discussion on these topics.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

Growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Building strong home groups that can maintain an atmosphere of unity and recovery in their meetings.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

One challenge has been trying to create a Metro in the Portland, Greater Willamette Valley and Tualatin Valley Areas. So far it is unsuccessful due to the Portland refusing to participate.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

We are still working on it.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Our Region has gone through some growing pains this past cycle. We have faced the challenge of not enough trusted services, or so it appeared to us. That was a short term challenge as people stepped up and did what was needed. Another challenge has been in the area of our treasury. We have learned how important it is to provide a continuity of services in all our service positions, but particularly the office of treasurer. We are working through this and as we have learned in the past, it is all good if we trust in the process!
Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

1. Young single moms in the fellowship. The problems they face and how this sometimes leads to disruptive children in meetings. Which leads to a discussion of a solution to that problem; disruptive children in meetings

2. Issues around elders in our fellowship. This is related to chronological age, not clean time

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

Challenge - The controversy surrounding the inclusion of common needs meetings at the World Convention. This was a very emotional experience for me, following the death of 2 delegates from our Zonal Forum. I felt our lack of unity in this matter was becoming destructive. However, it was amazing once again to observe the process and how we were able to walk out of there, not only with a group conscience, but with unity and some understanding of the “other side’s” point of view.

Success -

I am grateful for our zonal forum. I did not realize how close we had grown until the year we lost Brian and Gene, RD’s from California. The support we shared with each other is what this fellowship is all about for me – I can’t, we can!

Also the refrigerator we had in our room was a godsend! It’s the small things, isn’t it? Not having to eat every meal out and being able to have healthy snacks kept me healthy and a little bit saner!
Portugal Region

Regional Delegate ............................................................................................................ Tomas Aquino
Have you attended a WSC before?..........................................................................................Yes
Alternate Delegate ........................................................................................................... Sergio Ferreira
Have you attended a WSC before?..........................................................................................No
How many areas are in the region? .........................................................................................10
How many groups are in the region? .....................................................................................143
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .....................................................143
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ....................................................5

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ... $7,204.40
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ........................................ $14,146.43
Where do you purchase your literature? ...............................................................................NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ............

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .................................................................Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ......................................................European Delegates Meeting
Does your region have a regional office? ..............................................................................Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? .................................................................Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ..........................................700
Do any areas in your region hold conventions?...................................................................Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .............................................................4
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ...............................350
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ........................................................................Non-Profit Association
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ...............No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .......................................................................Yes
Is your region insured? ........................................................................................................Yes
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ........................................................................................................Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ..............................................Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Spot in one National TV, give a strong feedback in phone call to our help line; advertisement poster in several Institutions; panel in Prision made with H.I.; panel in the Police; the panel to professional are rewarding and efficient; information to general public was important and a way to go.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ........................................Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

Portugal Region
Is a very important way to inform and help addicts; our phone line is a Green Number and the divulgence of the number is important.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .............................................................. No

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

The number of groups is Shrinking

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

The new rules concerning the Region Meeting. The reorganization of the Service Structure

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

We have reorganized the Service Structure of the Region Committee with the fusion of the previous Sub Committees in 4. That saves a lot of time of the bureaucratic work, wich allows us to discuss other and more important matters.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

We had revised and implemented a set of rules concerning the Region Meeting. Most of them coming from the Robert Rules of Order, others from our experience and mistakes.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

How is possible to be able accept donations online in the site and be in accordance with our 7ª Tradition

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

The challenge has a Delegate is be able to assure the effective information from my Region to WSC and the opposite.

The big challenge for our Region is the translation from the 6ª edition Basic Text and the revision from all the Literature.
Quebec Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Pierrot Gagnon
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Jean-Pierre Beauchesne
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. Yes
How many areas are in the region? 1 .................................................. 3 Areas
How many groups are in the region? ........................................... Approximately 175
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ........................... Approximately 175
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region?

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount of money contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? 15000 $
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ................................. 50000 $
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................ NA world Service Office
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ....................0 $

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ........................................ As visitors for the present time
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ................................ Canadian Assembly
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................................................. Yes
Does your region have a regional convention?
Yes – Two as a matter a fact. In addition to our Regional convention, the region holds a Youth convention.
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ............................ 1000 members
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .......................................................... 5
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ......................... 500
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ..................................................Non-profit organization
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ........... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ................................................................. Yes
Is your region insured? ........................................................................ Yes
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? Yes .................................................................
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

Although the attendance was limited, those who participated were very positive about it and asked for more. We did both regional and area workshops.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts?
Yes but due to lack of human resources, Public Relation is slow in our region

What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Quebec Region
We’ve participated in forums with professional. What is a bit different from the previous efforts is that the professionals not only want somebody to share about their recovery experience, but now they want workshop which will help them understand how we operate, they want to know more about our Service structure etc.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .................................................. Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

We do have a computerize system which transfers the call to the members’ phone all over our region

Do all areas have their own phoneline or helpline? ..............................................................................Some do

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Most use a pager, one uses a cellphone.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ............................................................. Yes -2.

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? .................................Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts? We did it both time at our RSC.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

We did not make an inventory regarding this question, but our guess would be that we did not grow since 2006.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

We do have a project that is generating a lot of enthusiasm at the moment. We will open a French speaking Internet radio channel all about NA. We do have the human resources willing to do it, financial resources have been voted and the wheels are in motion…

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

We are still struggling in attracting members into service both at regional and area level. In order to try something different, we’ve decided to put service in NA the theme of our upcoming regional convention. The speakers will be ask to share about the benefits of service in their recovery (looking forward to the service pamphlet), workshop will be organize all week-end long….More will be revealed. Since 2006, we started to hold workshops at almost every regional meeting. We are moving toward a more discussion based RSC as opposed to business sessions and it takes time to change the way we do service.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

We had our first regional planning tool, done over 3 regional meetings. We now have an action plan for 2007-2008.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Quebec Region
Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

This year, we opened a second alternate position to the delegates. We would surely take the help with the task at hand, but no one showed up yet... Visiting the areas to hold workshops, discuss IDTs and answer questions helped the members to better understand our role as RDs and to get in touch with our vision as a worldwide fellowship.
Region 51

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Rick W
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Doug H
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? .......................................................... 4
How many groups are in the region? ......................................................... 120
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .......................................................... 170

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .......... $12,000
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ..............................................
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................................................ NA world services
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ..............

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ............................................................. Western States Zonal Forum.
Does your region have a regional office? .............................................................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................. No
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ..............................................
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? .................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ............................................................. 2
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ................................. 500
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ...........................................................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ..................... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ........................................................................ No
Is your region insured? ..............................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ......................................................................................... Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

   Our region uses the consensus process. we have had a lot of success recently breaking into small discussion groups.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .............................................. Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

   Our newly formed regional PI, H&I, and activities committees are working well. the PI committee is busy getting a regional phone line and website up and running as well as producing the regional meeting list and contacting professionals in the community. H&I
is coordinating the efforts of the area H&I committees, and activities is working on new regional activities.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .......................................................... No
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

as previously mentioned, it’s in the works.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. No
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

all areas except the newly formed south valley area have their own phonelines.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................. Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

we have experienced quite a bit of growth since the last conference.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Literature for special interests.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

Since Region 51 has gone to being a service body instead of a resource body and we started workshoping in small groups, we have started to see a growth in unity and purpose.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?
Region Del Coquí

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Ernesto Torres
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................... No
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Enrique C
Have you attended a WSC before? ......................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ..................................................... 4
How many groups are in the region? ................................................... 50
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ................. 78
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ............... 15

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .......... $7,800
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .................. $25,000
Where do you purchase your literature? ........................................... NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ........ $300

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ................................. LAZF
Does your region have a regional office? ........................................... Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .......... 600
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................ No
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ..............................
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? 
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ...................................... non profit Corp.
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? .... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ...................................... Yes
Is your region insured? ......................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ......................................................... Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
We have had many workshops including one by the WSC Ranging from IP to service oriented workshops, That attracted many members and help with the First Tradition.
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ................. Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
We produced 2 TV and radio spots, have a media plan for those and held many presentations to hospitals and institutions.
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ............. Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
Region Del Coquí
The phone line had been the best tool so far in bringing new members to the Fellowship. Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. No
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................. Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
  Last conference some topics were by passed due to lack of time but they were read but not discussed. This year we are having a regional assembly in which the WSC topics are going to be addressed.
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
  It is very hard to motivate the members to attend these events.
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?
  We are pretty much stable.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?
  The need to attract new members to service positions and the need to increased the contributions to the groups and region.
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
  We are creating workshops address these points.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.
  Slowly but firmly unity at last is becoming the greatest concern in our members effort.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?
  I think we should amplify the role of the regional delegate within the region

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?
  I would like to find a way to improve the communications between the groups the areas, and the region and foment the participations of the members in the service structure. And find a way to amplify the role of the regional delegates within the region itself.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?
  Definitively the presence of both the delegate and alternated delegates in the meetings of the groups had facilitated the coordinating and attending of events proposed for the region. The greatest challenge had been to convinced the members of the Fellowchip that the delegates are not the tourist they think we are.
San Diego Imperial County Region

Regional Delegate .............................................................................................................. DW Donahoo
Have you attended a WSC before? ..................................................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate .............................................................................................................. Pam Jeanes
Have you attended a WSC before? ..................................................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ..................................................................................... 8
How many groups are in the region? .....................................................................................
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ................................................ 362
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ..............................................

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ............
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ........................................
Where do you purchase your literature? ........................................................................... NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .............

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .............................................................. western states
Does your region have a regional office? ............................................................................ Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ......................................... 2,500
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................ No
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ............................................................
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ............................
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ................................................................... incorporation
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ............... Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ..................................................................... Yes
Is your region insured? ........................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ........................................................................................................................................................................................................ Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

We held regional workshops hosted by 4 of the eight areas. The RCM’s felt that we would have more participation if we went to Areas rather than one Regional event.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ............................................ Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

We had a strong P.I. chair and hosted some national drug awareness conventions. NAWS participation with literature and coordination efforts. Thank you NAWS we were able to provide great service to the community.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ........................................ Yes

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Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?  

Our regional phoneline is housed at our RSO and manned by Live addicts. We have shifts from 8a.m. until 10 p.m. afterward we have an answering voicemail which directs an addict to a helpline which we can answer after hours. Our North County Inland and North Coastal areas have joined to co-host a phoneline which is computer generated to the phone worker homes during their shift. All very well organized and successful. We are proud.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. No  

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?  

The North Coastal and North County Inland areas are co-hosting a phoneline. Still in its infancy yet it seems very successful. But it has provided us the opportunity to have two phoneline services within our Region.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................. Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?  

We had workshoped the IDT questions prior to the CAR back in August 2007. Our CAR workshops were more information gathering than a workshop per say.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?  

We need more interested addicts to be involved in these topics and service related workshops. We feel that we had successful turnouts, I would feel better if more addicts were involved.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? 

Hard to say, may be increasing but the numbers aren’t really available.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?  

1) Theft of NA funds from our Convention Committee by a trusted servant. It caused us to look at greater methods to protect our money, taught us compassion for the still suffering addict and patience in developing and receiving a payment plan without taking the addict to court. Yes the money has been paid back in full. The fellowship suffered some trust issues, resentment issues and forgiveness.

2) The region and areas are slow to embrace the Area Planning Tool. It has been a challenge for this RD to bring forth all the new literature NAWS has introduced. The areas are interested yet not always certain how to introduce and enact some of the changes. Our region is becoming more open to the changes suggested.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.  

The theft of funds opened our eyes ever wider to the reality that some of our dearest members may still suffer from addiction which has nothing to do with drugs. We have not only resolved the theft but we have introduced and enacted better safeguards for our

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money. Those safeguards are being introduced and established in our areas service committees as well.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006. What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

I Love being Clean. Nurture and cherish your recovery.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

Sharing ideas with other regions and addicts, asking for their experience has helped tremendously. Knowing that I don’t have to do this all alone. We are all together.
Show-Me Region

Regional Delegate .............................................................................................................. Kristin Durbin
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................................................................... No
Alternate Delegate ........................................................................................................... Karyn Wynnet
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................................................................... Yes
How many areas are in the region? .............................................................................................. 16
How many groups are in the region? ........................................................................................... 522
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ......................................................... 677
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ......................................................... 83

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .................. $10,293
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .........................................................
Where do you purchase your literature? ............................................................................................ RSO
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .........................

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .................................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ................................................................. Southern Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ........................................................................................... Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ......................................................... 550
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .............................................................................. 4
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .............................................. 900
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ..................................................................................... 501-C3 non profit corporation
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ......................... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .................................................................................... No
Is your region insured? ..........................................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ............................................................................................................................................ Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

   I was asked to do a workshop on one of the discussion questions at Cabin Fever, one of our Area Conventions. This was done just last month and was a huge success. I believe the members who were there left with a spark reignited. I used the tools provided by the WB and did a mixture of both small and large groups. The topic we had discussed was Our Service System.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ......................................................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Show-Me Region
Our Regional P.I has not, however our various areas have. Health fairs, School panels, Bus Stop Posters, etc.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline?  
No

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

We have one area that is without a phoneline. We did vote on a regional Phoneline, however the ball had been dropped. All of the other Areas like how theirs are working. Some have hotlines, others helplines. Some carry pagers, cell phones, and or use an answering service.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline?  
No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

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Has your region hosted CAR workshops?  
Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

Yes we have! However, we only posted them on post its with questions specific to each individual area. I have found that majority of our RCM’s either are not passing on the info and/or unsure what to do with it once they get it. I became RD after 3mths of

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Not at this time.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

Growing !!!!!!!

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

There have been a few:
   Our Regional Convention SMRCNA
   Misappropriation of Funds
   To incorporate or not

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

   Setting up annual regional assemblies
   Centralizing our Regional service committee meeting

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

   Perseverance
   As I explained earlier, when I was elected RDA I did not know I would be the RD so soon after (three months). The APT was shared and used by four areas, one in which was created by using the APT as a tool :) RDA was elected in 10/08. We will have annual Regional Assemblies to aid in what we have been lacking.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

   Lack of Accountability and Continuity have affected our region in the past two years. Our Region is now working together to work on these issues. In August of 2007 we had a theft of NA funds by our previous Treas. We are looking at our guidelines and hoping to fix any holes that might have aided or hindered us in dealing with the misappropriation of funds.

Show-Me Region
Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

If motion 12 does not pass our region would like to present a motion to allow SP to be distributed to RD’s for a 90 day review and input process prior to them being distributed. What issues are we (other Regions) facing concerning liability insurance? What are some ways we can do this.

Incorporation vs non profit corporation, what are other Regions doing, what is working for them?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

What has worked well: Communicating and asking questions all the time! Visiting various areas within the Region. Finally having an Alternate to help. Having a great forum, Southern Zonal. World Wide Workshop was a big help to me.
Sierra Sage Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Karen Rosselli
Have you attended a WSC before?................................................................. No
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Zeke Griffin (Robin Peroddy attending WSC)
Have you attended a WSC before?................................................................. No
How many areas are in the region?................................................................. 5
How many groups are in the region?................................................................. 120
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ........................................ 135
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ........................................ 18

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .......... $5,400
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ........................................... $20,500
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................................. NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ................. $600

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ......................................................... WSZF
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ................................................ 900
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................. No
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .................................................................
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .................................................................
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ................................................................. Non-profit 501(c)3
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? .......... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ................................................................. No
Is your region insured? .................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

Limited participation, but good feedback

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

We have a very enthusiastic PR coordinator that has developed many media contacts and has started radio John and Jane D interviews and is starting round table community efforts

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ................................................................. Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

Sierra Sage Region
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All areas have their own phonelines paid for by the RSO. Some have gone or are going to 800 main frame systems. We are such a geographically challenged region that this seemed to be the best solution.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

As treasurer of RSO I have watched the areas struggle to best serve the vastness of our region with ever growing bills. This is the main reason some have resorted to using automated systems via internet main frame systems.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

We were able to perform small discussion workshops on Building a Strong Home Groups

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Again, we have very little participation and it is very frustrating for the delegate team.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Keeping meetings focused and on recovery. This is why we have tried to stress the Home Group workshops.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

We are still seeking solutions!

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

Active PI efforts in our large area (BLAW). Positive reaction to the new PR handbook!

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

I have had a very difficult time trying to maintain my interest when I find so little participation and interest in the members
South Africa Region

Regional Delegate: ............................................................................................................ Cheryl Burt
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. Yes, as a non participating delegate (2006)
Alternate Delegate: ........................................................................................................... Dion Wessels
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................. No

How many areas are in the region? Four: Western Cape, Gauteng, Kwa Zulu Natal and Garden Route. The areas are very geographically distant (+/- 500 – 1800km apart). (Contact is also maintained with “orphans” in outlying areas not served by an area structure)

How many groups are in the region? Generally each group holds a single meeting per week. A very small minority of groups hold more than one meeting per week, 125 groups.

How many meetings take place each week in the region? Currently 130 meetings per week. SA RSC is available to support meetings in neighboring states (Swaziland 1) (Namibia 2) (Zimbabwe 11) (Mocambique 3) (DRC 1) (Kenya 4)

How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? 31. Excludes rehab in-house meetings supported by speakers.

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount of money contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? $10 000
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? $5 000
Where do you purchase your literature? NA World Services
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? $800

Literature is often downloaded and printed

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? No
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? N/A
Does your region have a regional office? No
Does your region have a regional convention? Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? 325
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? One/two per area per year
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? 150
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? Public Benefit Organisation (tax exempt, not for gain)
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? Yes, tax exempt
Is your region insured? No
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? Yes; at area level.
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

Building strong home groups, who is missing from meetings? We held an NA history day (shares from oldtimers about how NA started) and included a presentation on service. At the end of the
presentation we lost half the members when we suggested that they form small groups to workshop the discussion topics. Those that received the worksheets were really motivated once they got going and we got good feedback.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts? Region has produced posters for all areas to leverage economies of scale. Garden Route Area has had very positive interactions with Community Policing Forum and SOS Community Youth Project (New Youth IP provided and used as a basis for their meetings). NA SA Website indentified as a useful resource. Gauteng Area has spearheaded the production and placement of Radio PSAs for all Areas and all areas have made good progress with media campaigns in web, print and outdoor mediums, at least 5000 posters have been put up.
Western Cape Area had talks at University of Cape Town, professionals and students and intends to extend these efforts to other tertiary education facilities. Schools campaign; database created of all the schools in the Western Cape, started to make contact. NA website linked to the schools tertiary site. Attended numerous presentations ranging from symposiums on drug abuse, municipal meetings and religious groups.

All efforts have been productive and positive.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? Yes. Each Area has a Phoneline and we instituted a National Helpline (an IVR system) this year.
What can you share about your experience with these efforts? National phoneline has been a significant expense and a very challenging project technically. It is now fully implemented and has allowed us to track calls more effectively. We have been surprised by the high percentages of dropped calls (hang ups) (30%) and calls from “Friends & Family” (37%). GR Phoneline is experiencing a steady increase in volumes. We have had difficulties of late with general power cuts that have resulted in the failure of the server that hosts the phone line. We have recorded a message to be played in this event referring the addicts to an alternate number. Note that neither the National nor the Area phonelines are manned (at this stage) but refer callers to the website and to the numbers of Phoneline service members. The primary advantage of the National Phoneline is that we have a single number for NA South Africa which facilitates National promotion for all Areas. The number has enabled smaller areas and orphan areas to offer a helpline service.
Do all areas have their own phoneline or helpline? Yes, in addition to the National line (which refers callers to addicts in the relevant Area, including “orphan” areas). Each area is retaining its own phoneline until the Areas are satisfied that the number can be phased out.
What can you share about your experience with these efforts? With the exception of better tracking through the National number the experience is the same; the same service members respond to both Area and National helpline calls in the same way. The service meets the current need. On a personal level phoneline service is extremely rewarding as the first member to have contact with a still suffering addict and to have the responsibility of so many 12 step calls.
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? No.
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? N/A
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts? In time

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? Growing

South Africa Region
Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle? **Building strong home groups and Area planning tool. The concept of the home group is really catching on in GP**

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006. **Due to our difficulty with distances monthly regional meetings were held in a chat room. We moved over to a landline conference call at regular landline rates. This allows for more effective discussion and debate. Area feedback reports and issues requiring attention during the month are raised via email. We decided to hold a 2nd annual face to face meeting (the 1st being the Regional assembly). We are consolidating our regional experience to hold a learning day in the area which will most benefit on the same weekend as the regional meeting.**

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.  
**IP1 Translation into 5 local languages**  
**Creation and implementation of a National Help Line**  
**Registration as a Public Benefit Organisation**

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants? **7th tradition contribution to NAWS. SA Region wants to contribute but the rate of exchange and exchange control fees are prohibitive and wasteful. We suggest allocating our contribution to a special account in South Africa (or a virtual account as part of our regional bank account) to cover any financial assistance from NAWS to Africa. For example: translations of IPs, travel to neighbouring African communities in need of support etc.**

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?  
**Clarity on Zonal Forums, their importance and South Africa’s options in respect of participation in the EDM or Asia/Pacific**

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate? **It has been very satisfying to be part of successfully creating a new Region. Although we had some structures in place as an informal Region, being seated as a participating Region has accelerated our growth. Knowing that we are a part of a huge fellowship has allowed us to take more risks and encourage development. The RSC is working well and is engaging more often and more effectively. The challenges remain largely unchanged, finding members willing to do service and to take responsibility. We have not been able to assign portfolios to our RCMs as we have limited human resources consequently some things don’t get done and communication sometimes suffers.**

**I have experienced some difficulty as the only woman on the RSC and sometimes feel that I am not taken seriously.**
South Brazil Region

Regional Delegate: Cristiano D.
Have you attended a WSC before? No
Alternate Delegate: Michel
Have you attended a WSC before? No
How many areas are in the region? 10
How many groups are in the region? 154
How many meetings take place each week in the region? 318
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? 12

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? $6,169.38
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? $5,866.14
Where do you purchase your literature? ACS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? $1,000

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? Latin American
Does your region have a regional office? No
Does your region have a regional convention? Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? 340
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? No
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? 
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? 
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? legal status, personeria juridica
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? No
Is your region insured? 
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

We can’t discuss as we’d like, because we are learning to work as a region, and we believe that in the next cicle we are going to take more time and interes in that.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

the 8º concept is working well between the servants and there is a lot of midia material to radios, TV and newspapers and the ASC’s and region are using these materials a lot and it’s available to everybody. The IP is studying PR Handbook and some ASC and groups too. the work with professionals is good, we have good relations with professionals. This
subject turned routine in our groups. Mainly with the publication of PR Handbook. This guide show the way to our groups and members have a good relation with the institutions where our groups are installed, as well as in the society in general. Our region and Brazil region are translating PR Handbook to Portuguese. We’d like to share the experience about the importance of our behavior as NA members to society. Our behavior affects the public image of NA.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ....................................................Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

There is five helplines in region. The experience is that we need more trusted servants and we need more communication to improve group lists. But we often have PR efforts like outdoors, TV and others that need phonelines working well.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

there is a helpline that works to 4 areas.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

We discuss the motions in the regional meeting and the RCM take the discussion questions to their areas.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

the experience is that we here are learning to work with car, motions, discussion topics, everything is new to everybody, and we need time to develop the conscience of discuss all this topics. The current CAR is more clearly and clarifying, mainly about the world board vision. Would be very important the translation to Portuguese about CAT.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?
growing a lot.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Literature (translation and direct purchase of the WSO), services of IP and HI, Regional Site, Regional Convention, participation in events of ASC’s. To keep the communication between ASC’s, strengthening and development of ASC’s, and helplines (currently 5), work in unity, cheaper literature. The development of regional services, PR Handbook, new trusted servants and new ASC’s.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

learning days, forums, strong communication, goodwill

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

Involvement of ASC’s with the regional services, new trusted servants, approximation with the WSO and NAWS, development of the conscience of the Fellowship, maturity of the members, participation in world issues and use of new service tools. Subcommittee
events, Unity, New trusted Regional, The regional servants and RCM’s doing the “outreach’ services”, the regional conventions.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

We realized our first PI and HI forum a few days ago, and was fantastic, very spiritual and simple. we are realizing some learning days in the ASC because we believe in this type of event will help us to get more trusted servants and improve the people the serve already. we are taking better comunication between the region and the ASC and are very good the results. The importance of our seating in WSC because the our size and number of groups (150)

Creation of a zonal forum to Portuguese communities due to the world board seating moratorium would be a way to represent us in WSC.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Yes, our region is asking seating in this WSC, and the world board doesn´t recomended our seating because our region was formed from a regional split. But the actual situation of Brazil isvery different from US that have more than 70 regions, in brazil there is 1. the voice of our groups. around 150, doesn´t arrive in the WSC, Brazil is too large. The board and the delegate need to think in the consequences to our groups before decide our seating or not. What´s the consequence to the 150 groups from south brazil don´t be seating? We are not going to WSC but we ask a good discussion of this topic. The substitution of PI handbook to PR handbook.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

When we take this service, first we study the guides, after we make contact with NAWS and other structures. We believe that the first thing is create a chain between the RCM’s, GSR’s, region and world services, explain the NA service structure and explain the importance of the region. We have been doing good relations with other servants, a lot of GSR’s will be in our assembly in May. Our events are successfull. I´m very grateful for serve as RD, a have change my mind and learn a lot of things about recovery and myself, but my experience actual is that i´m not alone anymore, NA is giving me a new life in the service. I´m very happy to be a RD. We have a lot of work to do here because us, the groups, GRS’s and RCM’s don’t have lots of experience and we need a lot of learning days. but the asc´s have been supporting our ideas and activities.
South Dakota Region

Regional Delegate ......................................................................................................................Wes Ford
Have you attended a WSC before?..............................................................................................Yes
Alternate Delegate ....................................................................................................................Rita Ford
Have you attended a WSC before?..............................................................................................No
How many areas are in the region? .............................................................................................3
How many groups are in the region? ...........................................................................................24
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .............................................................56
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .............................................................5

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ........$750.00
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .............................................$1,009.31
Where do you purchase your literature? ..................................................................................NA World Service
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ......................

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ............................................................................Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ................................................Plain State Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ....................................................................................No
Does your region have a regional convention? ..........................................................................Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ..................................................100
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ..........................................................................No
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ........................................................................
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ........................................
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure?  No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ..............................................................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? .........................No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ..............................................................................No
Is your region insured? .................................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ...........................................................................................................Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
  We worked in the following in our region over the past 2 years: Out Reach: We are seeing a bigger understanding of AN from professionals, encountering more open mindedness with minorities, saving lives, handing out meeting list - PR: commercials on TV, putting meeting information into newspapers, checking on prices to place phone number to reach the still suffering addict, and providing information in health directories - Who is missing from our meetings: youth and minorities was the focus - travel and reaching out to other groups and other service structures - taking the NA meeting into treatment centers of youth facilities - and stressing to the addict WELCOME! Glad you found us.
 Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ....................................................Yes

South Dakota Region
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

**PR:** commercials on TV, putting meeting information into newspapers, checking on prices to place phone number to reach the still suffering addict, and providing information in health directories

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ....................................................Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

We as a Region and 2 areas have a 800 number from a Help Line that we use. United Sioux Empire Area uses a Help Line for their area. One area is checking into getting and using a Track phone system. In 2007 we received 55 phone calls threw the 800 number and United Sioux Empire on their number receive around 300 phone calls per year. We continue to brain storm of ways to get our phone numbers out to the more rural area of SD.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ............................................................................Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

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Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ........................................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

This has been helpful to the NA members - to explain what the discusses questions are - explain the Home Group worksheet and how it can help the group. Area Planning Tool and explain and provide information how this can be a helping tool. We found everyone approving of the 6th Edition. We realized that some people were lacking awareness of different information that NAWS has provided for us.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

We are realizing more and more how little workshops over the two years are and would be a valuable resource instead of saying here is the information and let me know if you need help. We are hoping to when we provide information to the NA member that we follow threw at the time with a demonstration. This we believe would be a great benefit for all.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

We believe that we are growing in members as a whole within the region.

**Innovations and Challenges**

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

**Who is missing from our meetings.**

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

South Dakota Region
We are focusing on the word UNITY a lot. We are a rural state and spread out threw out the state. We are seeing a more committed service body over the last two years. We have struggled with filling positions with the warm body and currently this is not happening. We would rather see a position sit empty then see people voted in on one meeting and maybe never seeing them again. We are seeing more people willing to travel to functions or meetings across the state and travel into other states. We are seeing an effort into Out Reach happening. We are working on providing more NA meetings on reservations. This in the past had been a struggle but we are seeing professionals being more open minded to NA as a whole. We are still wondering where are the old timers that we have not seen in a while. We are going to work brain storming on we can change this.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

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What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

We are so grateful to be apart of the process of WSC. We are so grateful to be NA members. It is important to us to carry the message of every NA member in SD to every one else in the world.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

We have no information at this time.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

We believe that it is important to be the link between NAWS and the NA member of our region. We believe the key to it all is communication.

We believe in willingness to do what it takes to communicate the information that we are provided to by NAWS all the way down to the NA members.
South Florida Region

Regional Delegate .......................... David Manning
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................... Yes
Alternate Delegate .......................... Frank Lattanzio
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................... No
How many areas are in the region? ...................... 11
How many groups are in the region? .................... 316
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .......................... 500
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ..................... 169

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ..

Donations to NAWS - $25,000+
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ..........................
Where do you purchase your literature? .......................... Florida Service Office
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .....

$ 40,000

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .......................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .......................... Southeast
Does your region have a regional office? .......................... No
Does your region have a regional convention? .......................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .................. 1200
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? .......................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .......................... 5
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ............. 800
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ..........................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? .......................... Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .......................... No
Is your region insured? ..........................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? .......................... Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
We have had much success with holding workshops at regional and area conventions. We forwarded the responses to naws.
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .......................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
We have Public Service Announcements on TV and Radio-Poster Days all over the region-Posters on buses and benches-presence at Marlins baseball games-Presentions to
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schools, government agencies and prisons-PR booth at conventions, health fairs, county fairs and SECAD.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .................................................................Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

We have a regional toll-free helpline-1-866-288-6262(nana). We receive over 200 calls monthly from all over the country.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ...............................................................................................Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Mainly the areas use pager notification systems and answering systems. Some areas want a live addict to answer the calls-some kind of call forwarding system would be needed.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ........................................................................................................Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

No-because of time restraints. B
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

It remains hard to motivate addicts to participate in service

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?
Growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Building Strong Home Groups.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

We are offering financial assistance to areas to fund trusted servants to attend regional service meetings to encourage participation. We are also looking into purchasing insurance for legal fees since this is becoming an issue.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

We have liability insurance for all the groups-contact Alicyn at 1-800-819-8808-or Frank L.(franklatt@bellsouth.net) We have shared this information with NAWS. The insurance carrier has issued 7 certificates since 5-17-07. Our website-www.softarscna.org – We had a very successful convention Sept.20-23 2007 in Naples, FL. (sfrcna.org) Our next convention will be in Miami, Aug.29-Sept.1 (SFRCNA XIV). Also our third Latin convention in Miami March 28-30, 2008 (info at www.convencionlatina.com/latina.htm). Putting a copy of the basic text in all the libraries in our region. Also, last year we did a regional inventory to further assist our areas.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

The RD and the AD attended the Florida Service Symposium-a trusted servant learning conference to develope effective leadership in our fellowship. I especially enjoyed the WORLD SERVICES TOWN HALL MEETING. Again SOUTH FLORIDA participated in

South Florida Region
the SOUTHEAST ZONAL FORUM which was held in Macon, Ga. Jan. 4-6, 2008. The focus at this forum was the CAR and it was facilitated by some world board members. It gave us a better understanding of the discussion questions and motions which will help us in facilitating our remaining CAR workshops.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

A better way to deal with the issue of medication and the controversy this issue has caused throughout the fellowship.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

I feel that despite our differences in our beliefs about the fellowship, I feel that I am on the same team as the world board and we can continue to work together on carrying the message.
Southern California Region

Regional Delegate .................................................................Kenneth Mason
Have you attended a WSC before? ..........................................................Yes
Alternate Delegate .............................................................Ruben Armas
Have you attended a WSC before? ..........................................................Yes
How many areas are in the region? .........................20, 19 English speaking, 1 Spanish speaking
How many groups are in the region? ....................................................Approx. 1200
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ..............................................Approx. 1450
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ....................................................680

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount of money contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? 73,287.18
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .......................................104,171.54
Where do you purchase your literature? Most of our Areas purchase literature through our RSO, the others purchase directly from the WSO
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? This year 9,920.47 but we are budgeted for 15,800

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .................................................................Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ....................................Western States Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ..................................................................................Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ........................................................................Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ...............................3,500-4,000
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ........................................................................Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? 4-5, one of the Area conventions is biannual
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? It varies. There is between 300-1,500 in attendance at their main meetings
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? ......Yes, the Board of Directors
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? They hold articles of incorporation with the state of California as a not for profit organization
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? Yes. State sales taxes for sales through the RSO, and Workmans Comp for our special worker
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ........................................................................Yes
Is your region insured? ..............................................................................................................Yes
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ..............................................................Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts? We used the session profiles for the IDTs from World Services. Those in attendance were very engaged in the process. Lots of positive feedback

Southern California Region
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ...................................................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts? ............................................................... Not much, sorry
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? Yes 1-800-TODAY NA (English) 1-800-NA AHORA Spanish)
What can you share about your experience with these efforts? We started the Regional helpline in 1999 as a collaborative effort where individual Areas took turns hosting one Regional day through a forwarding system to their local phoneline. It was supposed rotate since there are 19 Area, that Area utilizes the Regional phoneline. They are unable to host a Regional day though because they don’t have their own helpline number to forward the Regional calls to.
Do all areas have their own phoneline or helpline? All but one Area, that Area utilizes the Regional phoneline. They are unable to host a Regional day though because they don’t have their own helpline number to forward the Regional calls to.
What can you share about your experience with these efforts? The Regional helpline has a live addict almost 24/, whereas most of the Area helplines do not.
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? Yes a few of them.
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts? I really appreciate World Services sending people out to our Regional Assembly Workshop. Although I feel that it would be nice to have them come in and help facilitate instead of just basically running the show. Also from a Delegates position it was hard this year to be able to set things up properly because I didn’t receive any response about World participation until nine days before our Regional Assembly. Also I feel that if World Services is going to help explain the motions contained in the CAR that it is our responsibility to do just that. We should present the motions and help them make informed decisions. We should be very careful not to steer their conscience with our own professional or personal opinions on the motions presented in the CAR.
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? I would say it is staying about the same. Our meeting attendance has been growing though. But attendance and membership are two different things.

**Innovations and Challenges**

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle? The new approval process of service IPs, the sixth edition personal stories and the youth IPs
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006. We have formed a Regional Youth Committee to help get the younger members of NA involved in the mainstream service system. They were feeling disconnected in the formal service structure, and a little apprehensive about getting involved. The purpose of this new committee is to get youth representation at all of the other Regional sub-committees.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

Southern California Region
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants? Come well rested and well informed

**Conference Input**

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference? New approval process for service IPs, the seating of new regions, a more in depth discussion about our current approval process of literature, namely timelines versus allowing more time for fellowship input, and maybe a short discussion at the beginning of the week about how the 2006 WSC was facilitated, the strengths and weaknesses. Also I personally have questions as to how we interpret the will of the conference.

**Delegate Experience**

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate? Going to all of the individual Areas and forming personal relationships with them. This helps to build avenues of communication and trust. The challenge is personal time and resources. I always seem to be going somewhere.
Southern Idaho Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Harper Nielson
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Jodi Gruendler
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ...................................................... 5
How many groups are in the region? .................................................. 78
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .................. 119
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ............... 17

Donations and Literature
What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ................ $273.78
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ................ $6,611.88
Where do you purchase your literature? ...........................................
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ........

Your Regional Service Structure
Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ...................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ............................ Rocky Mountain Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? .............................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? .................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ............. 225
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ..................................... No
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ..............................
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .......
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ........................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ........................................ No
Is your region insured? ........................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? No
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .................. Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts? .......... Usually ICAD once a year in Boise
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .............. No
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................. Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Some have answering services and other cell phones and one even has pagers. All seem to work according to the needs of the area hosting it.

Southern Idaho Region
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
   At the time of this report we haven’t held ours yet. That happens of the 16th of Feb. One
day after this report is due. So Information will be sent at a later date.
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
   did attend one area CAR. I brought two other members with me. the area had two
members show up. Hoping the regional one get better attendance. Being held in the same
town.
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since
WSC 2006?
   steady and growing also

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past
conference cycle?
   bugets and expenses. decrease our prudent reserve and at times are having shortfalls in
meeting it. Lots of discussion about how to make a buget without over doing needs.
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional
delegate?
   just rolled in as RD, was the RDA for the last four years. Have made it a pratice of handy
out lots of handouts with my regional reports, that works out well when the RCM’s pass
it on. But unfortunately that doesn’t always happen. Still stress it to them to do so
though. We’ll see.
Spain Region

Regional Delegate .............................................................................................................. Iñigo Calonje
Have you attended a WSC before? .................................................................................. Yes
Alternate Delegate ............................................................................................................. Teresa Asins
Have you attended a WSC before? .................................................................................. No
How many areas are in the region? .................................................................................. 7
How many groups are in the region? .................................................................................. 85
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .................................................. 149
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .................................................. 5

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ........ $6,600
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ........................................ $45,937
Where do you purchase your literature? ........................................................................ NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ............. $600

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ............................................................. EDM
Does your region have a regional office? .......................................................................... Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .......................................... 300
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .......................................................... 7
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ............................. 100-150
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ..................................................................... Non profit
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ............... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .................................................................... Yes
Is your region insured? ........................................................................................................ Yes
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

Some areas have done group level workshops and sent the results to the Region, and some others did it at Area level. We got very interesting results

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ............................................. No
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ...................................... Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

1120 calls. 70% from addicts asking about meetings and addresses. 24% relatives asking about the NA program. The rest from professionals, media and social workers.

Spain Region
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Some Areas do have their own phonelines, but we recommend to have only a regional helpline to avoid expenses.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ............................................................. No

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

We will have the workshop at our RSC at the end of March

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

We started doing that quite recently (like 2 conferences ago) and it has proved to be good for the delegate and alternate and also to bring the WSC to the Region

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

Growing, slowly but continuously

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

Who is missing from our groups

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

Because our Region has got huge parts where NA is not known, we have set up an Outreaching Committee, which is working quite well and we have now an Area (Canary Islands) working very well

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

Service structure is working well, we are good in organising Conventions and the mentioned new Area in the Canary Islands.

Some areas are starting to use the APT.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

The language (english) is always a challenge (especially at the EDM). The information I got from WS and the EDM is very useful for my region.
Sweden Region

Regional Delegate .......................................................................................................................... Sisko Hirvi
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................................................. Yes
Alternate Delegate ......................................................................................................................... Veronica Bistrom
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................................................. Yes
How many areas are in the region? ................................................................................................. 12
How many groups are in the region? ............................................................................................... 200
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ............................................................ 450
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .......................................................... 12

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ....................... $12,333
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ..................................................... $63,433
Where do you purchase your literature? ......................................................................................... NAWS-Europe
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .........................

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .............................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .......................................................................... European Delegates Meeting
Does your region have a regional office? ....................................................................................... Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? .............................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ..................................................... 1250
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ......................................................................... 4
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ......................................... 450
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .................................................................................... Nonprofit organization
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .................................................................................... Yes
Is your region insured? ........................................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ..................................................................................................................................
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

_IDTs have been used by groups throughout the fellowship, one area held a workshop. It has been most beneficial for groups when area also uses APT._

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .......................................................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

_Regional servants attend Sweden against drugs every second year. Local PI informs medical students in Stthlm. Most areas feel a strong need to start up new PR activities and are planning to do so in the coming cycle._

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ..................................................... Yes

Sweden Region
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

_We have a national phone number 0771138000 with an answering machine that is checked every 24 hours. In Sthlm a couple of groups run the hotline one night a week. Needless to say, there is a lot to be done here._

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

_There is a lot of confusion about responsibility and accountability within this part of our service._

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................. No

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

_All our areas have taken or will take some time at an area meeting to discuss the questions in the CAR. These workshops are held by the RCMs. If there is time they will talk about the motions also. RCMs will enter answers online._

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

_There is very little time to hold CAR workshops. We have worked for a few years now to heighten awareness of the importance of every members participation in this process. We used to talk about the CAR at our Group Assembly which is always held a few weeks before WSC. Before the last WSC our alt RD held workshops i 9 out of 12 areas (in 12 weeks). This year the RCMs knew already in August that they would be asked to hold the workshop. We also ordered the CAR for each RCM in Swedish so that they could prepare. There is a huge need to continue supporting RCMs with information and tools._

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

_We continue to grow._

**Innovations and Challenges**

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

_Planning process in service on all levels. The APT has been a source for inspiration if not used fully._

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

_We have strengthened the chain of communication RD-RCM-GSR by holding workshops on the role of the RCM in region. Some RCMs have used the adapted material to hold workshops on the role of the GSRs in the areas. This will continue!_

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

_Engaging in fellowship development through functioning as sponsor-region to geographically close fellowships (Denmark and Poland) This has been a great boost for service in areas and raised members awareness of NA as a whole!_

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

_Please come to all our events! You find them on our website: www.nasverige.org We intend to bid for the ECCNA in 2011 and arrange it in cooperation with the Danish Region._

Sweden Region
Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Simple tools, easy to translate, to pass on in the service structure for improving communications.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

To be an RD is immensely rewarding, it is a challenge to learn, to grow and to practice spiritual principles. To interact with the worldwide fellowship puts our local community in a proper perspective!
Tejas Bluebonnet Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................................................................. Zean Bagley
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................................................................. Yes
Alternate Delegate .................................................................................................................. Jerry Muye
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................................................................................. No
How many areas are in the region? ................................................................................................................. 9
How many groups are in the region? ................................................................................................................. 68
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ............................................................ 601
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .......................................................... 72

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount of money contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ....... $13,112
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ................................................ $9612
Where do you purchase your literature? ..... RSC does not purchase Literature except HI and PI and then it is through WSO
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ............... $2400

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ............................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ........................................ Southern Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................................................................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .............................................. 300-400
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .................................................... 2
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ......................... 600-800
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .................................................................................. 501 c3
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ....................... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ................................................................................. Yes
Is your region insured? ................................................................................................................................. No
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................................................................................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .......................................................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .................................................. No
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own phoneline or helpline? ................................................................. Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ......................................................................................... Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? Yes.

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

We will be holding our Regional Assembly in Austin, Texas March 2008 and we will be sending our input on the workshop we will be holding to NAWS as soon as it is over. We have had two areas Houston and Esperanza hold some workshops on the CAR and IDT’s. Esperanza has submitted their input so far and it is attached to this report.

We are also attaching Central Texas Area’s inventory process using the Area Planning Tool.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? Growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

- The Basic Text project and the use of the Area Planning Tool
- Looking into centralizing the Regional Meeting
- Creating a RDA-alternate position that selected one year prior to the WSC-intent to begin training the new RDA before they actually start their work

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

We are attaching a member’s experience from the Esperanza Area relating to a young neighboring area being dissolved and the experience of coming back to the original area.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

Highlights would have to be the World Convention being held in our backyard and the privilege that we had in selecting the support committee.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

We would like to hear other regions experience in how they get the information up to the individual members and home groups in their region.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

An area in our region would like to see us look at the language we use in our literature where we state “drug of choice”, they think that this wording implies that we had a choice. We are still discussing this at the region level but would like to hear other members thoughts.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

The biggest challenge we see in our region is getting members involved in this type of service that are new. How can we insure this level of service is passed on to the younger members and make it attractive?
Tri State Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. ATRHUR DEMPS
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................... No
Alternate Delegate .................................................................... JAMES BURKE
Have you attended a WSC before? ................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? .................................................. 18
How many groups are in the region? .................................................. 493
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ....................... 579
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ....................... 

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? $23,480.16
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ................. $20,749.11
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................ NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? 

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ........................................ No
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ........................................
Does your region have a regional office? .................................................. Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? ........................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ................. 2000
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ........................................ No
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ........................................
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ................
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ............................................. NONPROFIT
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ........................................... No
Is your region insured? ........................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ........................................ Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

I HELD SOME C.A.R. WORKSHOPS THAT AND WORKSHOPS ON THE APT AND BUILDING STRONGER HOME GROUPS WORKSHEETS. THEY HAD MODERATE TO LOW ATTENDANCE.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ....................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

WE HAVE A VERY AGGRESSIVE AND INFORMATIVE P.I. COMMITTEE

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ..................... Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

Tri-State Region
NO EXPERIENCE
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

NO EXPERIENCE
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ...........................................................................Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? ..................Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

SO FAR WE’VE HELD THREE (3) WORKSHOPS AND WE HAVE 1 MORE TO DO IN MARCH.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? ........................................................................................................GROWING

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

MEDALLIONS
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

WE HAD A THEFT OF FUNDS, THAT WE DIDN’T KNOW ABOUT. THE PERSON INVOLVED CAME TO US ON THERE OWN AND RE-PAID THE REGION. AFTERWARDS THEY TOLD US HOW THEY WERE ABLE TO DO IT. SO WE USED THEIR INFORMATION TO SAFEGUARD OURSELVES IN THE FUTURE. FROM NOW ON ANYBODY THAT HANDLES THE KEY TO THE P.O. BOX CAN NOT HANDLE ANY MONEY AND VISA-VERSA.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

OUR REGIONAL CONVENTION IS ALWAYS A SUCCESS. THIS YEAR IT WAS A LITTLE LESS SUCCESSFUL.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

MEDICATION IN RECOVERY

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

WHEN I BEGAN THIS COMMITTMENT I WAS THE RDA IN THE MIDDLE OF MY FIRST YEAR THE RD USED. SO, AT THAT TIME I HAD TO ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE RD. NOT LONG AFTER THAT I WAS VOTED IN AS THE RD. THEN THE C.A.R. CAME OUT AND I HAD TO RELY ON THE PREVIOUS RD AND EXPERIENCED MEMBERS TO SHARE WITH ME THEIR EXPERIENCE. IT WAS SCARY AND REWARDING. THE WE STILL WORKS.
UK Region

Regional Delegate: ...................................................................................................................... Nina W
Have you attended a WSC before? .............................................................................................. Yes in 2006, as RDA
Alternate Delegate: ....................................................................................................................... Liz B
Have you attended a WSC before? .................................................................................................. No
How many areas are in the region? ................................................................................................. 22
How many groups are in the region? ............................................................................................... 766
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ............................................................... 766
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ............................................................. 104

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount of money contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? $78,345.26
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ....................................................... $65,720.13
Where do you purchase your literature? ....................................................................................... NAWS Europe
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ......................... $21,248.49

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .............................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ................................................................. European Delegates Meeting
Does your region have a regional office? ................................................................. Yes – UKSO (UK Service Office)
Does your region have a regional convention? ................................................................. Yes – UKCNA
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .................................................... 700-750
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................................................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? Approximately 15, including LCNA (London convention)
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? LCNA 1200-1500, the others are much smaller
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ........................................................................ UKSO is a limited company
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ......................... Yes
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ............................................................................... No
Is your region insured? ................................................................. Not for Public Liability, but our equipment is.
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle?

Yes we discussed ‘Who is missing?’ and ‘Our Service Structure’ at the RSC and many ASC’s have held additional workshops on these and ‘Building Stronger Home Groups’ as well and have fed this back to WSO.

What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
Firstly we have found that more people attend when held at an RSC or ASC. At the RSC they are there already so are a captive audience and then they have enjoyed partaking in the
discussions, which has then encouraged the RCM’s to take it back to their ASC and hold them there.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ......................................................Yes

What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

UKPI regularly attends 4 - 6 national profile conferences for professionals who have contact with addicts. We run a booth and answer questions. We have recently been asked to present at some of these, and are developing good working relationships with key "audiences", in line with NAs’ PR mission.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ......................................................Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

We have a UK National Helpline with a new unique number: 0845 FREEDOM (3733366). We have also rolled out ‘Helpline from Home’, a system that allows us to redirect the national helpline to member’s landlines to enable us to provide a 24hr service.

Do all areas have their own phoneline or helpline? ...............................................................No, but some do.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Some area phonelines have closed and they are holding training for the ‘Helpline from Home’ scheme as this does not restrict the National Helpline to people living in London.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? Yes we have held some, but not as many as expected.

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? No we did those separately.

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

The ‘Sponsorship Book’ was either not heard of or felt it was too anecdotal with a lot of content that was very long-winded. One Area thought it was a good discussion question as it raised an awareness about the book. Another Area thought more targeted literature for Newcomers on drug replacement programmes would be productive.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? .................................................................Growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

We have tried to generate more discussions on the flow of funds within our Region. Creating an awareness of where money goes has been paramount, providing RCM’s with documentation to take back to their Areas for debate. This has resulted in more discussions when requests for money come up, looking for alternative solutions. We have also seen more donations passed along the service structure with groups and Areas less likely to hold onto money.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

We have faced challenges with breakaway groups in our region that have caused disunity in some areas. The members of the groups talk of being ‘recovered’, the groups have ‘rules’ such as wearing a tie to be a speaker, not sharing any problems or anything negative, not

UK Region
partaking in Tradition 7 if members go to any other meetings, working other fellowship programs. We have asked other regions for their experience on this and are still working on finding the solution to this challenge.

We have also been challenged with Fundraising & Entertainment Committee’s at a regional level and recently put together an ad-hoc committee to see how other regions do this to try and get some experience. So far the feedback has been that they don’t focus on fundraising just fun and also a lot of regions do not have this committee at a regional level, unless for a specific event and then an ad-hoc committee is formed.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

We have produced a new pamphlet about ‘Service and why we do it’ and ‘Self Supporting’ (available of the ftp site) to try and encourage members. We have been recognized by the National Institute for Clinical Excellence as a viable way of recovery. We have changed our policy on donations to the EDM & WSO so are now donating a lot more funds through the service structure. We have also started to pay back the original literature debt we incurred when we set up NA in the UK.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Our Regional Resource Committee is once again up and running, it’s main purpose is to keep records of all policies and procedures and guidelines. It is invaluable at the RSC when clarification is needed on past motions. We are also working towards the Resource Committee collecting all reports prior to RSC and distributing them in one document before the meeting.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

1) How will WSO ensure that World Board approved literature is easily and clearly distinguishable from fellowship approved literature?

2) Can WSO share with us how they operate as a legal entity while working within the 12 Traditions and remaining accountable to the Fellowship?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

I think one on the challenges has been the training and a need for more. With only the one opportunity to go to the WSC as an RDA it can be a daunting role. Bring back the information about fellowship development and sharing this with our region has opened our minds to the fellowship around us and also the struggles smaller communities have that we as an established community can forget and tend to focus on more ‘high class’ problems. The commitment has brought us unlimited gratitude and a stronger passion for the worldwide fellowship. We have found that by sharing these personal experiences in our reports a greater interest is developing within our Region.
Upper Midwest Region

Regional Delegate ............................................................................................................. Wendy Fonseca-Holt
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate .................................................................................................................. Wesley Kukert
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................... Yes
How many areas are in the region? ......................................................................................... 3
How many groups are in the region? ......................................................................................... 77
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ...................................................... 105
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ...................................................... 8

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ................. $864.21
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ................................................ $1,261.72
Where do you purchase your literature? .................................................................................. NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .................... $60

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ........................................................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ... Manitoba Area participates in the Canadian Assembly and Lake Agassiz participates in the Midwest Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? .................................................................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ......................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .................................................. 287
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ......................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ................................................................. 1
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .................................... 90
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .............................................................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ......................... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ........................................................................... No
Is your region insured? ..............................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ......................................................................................................................... Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
We will be discussing the issue discussion topics at the CAR Workshops (GSR Assemblies).
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ..................................................... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
Our Fellowship Development Committee attended a Meth Conference in Wahpeton, ND.
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ................................................ No
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
We talked about doing this but because we extend over Canada and United States we weren’t able to have a phoneline that would cover the whole region.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. No

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Manitoba Area has its own phone line that covers about 70% of the population (around the city of Winnipeg). There is also a phone line in the Western part of the Province. However, there is nothing in the Northern Section. Lake Agassiz has a phoneline that covers all of North Dakota (itself and the other North Dakota area) so the entire US portion of the region is covered.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................. Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

We have hosted two workshops so far and have one left. All will be discussing the questions as well as the motions.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Both workshops that have happened so far went well but had low attendance.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

Membership has been growing in 2 areas and staying about the same in the third.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

- The challenge of crossing the Canada/US border to get to RSC meetings as well as regional events.
- Preparation for a Regional Inventory
- Discussions on Insurance
- Regional activities happening apart from our Regional Convention.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

- Our web person has set up a Web Forum that we have just started to use. I see it as a great solution to the challenges we face communicating between meetings and could be a big help in exchanging information should one our meetings be canceled due to weather.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

An Area newly seating at the Region in 2005 continues to be a big presence at our RSC meeting. Our Regional Convention (Spiritual Refreshment) is very well received. We have continued to refinement and updating of our Regional Website - keeping addicts and professionals informed on NA meetings, service meetings, events and contact information.

All Regional positions were filled for a short time, a first in a long time, perhaps ever.

Many new meetings were formed , often in smaller towns.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

We are a region with a small population in a large geographic area. We also span two countries, Canada and the United States. When the RSC is held in Canada, many members
from the US are unable to cross the border and the same happens going the other direction. It makes it very hard to find people to be of service at the regional level.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

I will continue to speak to other Conference participants that are from regions that have lower populations and large geographical areas about how they conduct business and do fellowship development.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

I have found the communication from NAWS to be very good, especially now that all the information we receive in the mail can also be found on the website. However, I have found it difficult to get the information passed on to the Areas and Groups, especially those that don’t currently have the RCM position filled. Many people just aren’t interested. It is also very challenging to get trusted servants to take positions at the regional level because of having to cross the Canada/US border to attend RSC meetings. Often those that do take positions can only be at meetings in their own country.
Upper Rocky Mountain Region

Regional Delegate .................................................................Stephen Henderson

Have you attended a WSC before? .................................................................Yes

Alternate Delegate .................................................................Tommy O’Reilly

Have you attended a WSC before? .................................................................Yes

How many areas are in the region? .................................................................5

How many groups are in the region? .................................................................25

How many meetings take place each week in the region? .................................................................113

How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .................................................................5

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .................................................................$3,200

What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .................................................................$3,870

Where do you purchase your literature? .................................................................NAWS

How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .................................................................

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .................................................................Yes

If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .................................................................Rocky Mountain Zonal Forum

Does your region have a regional office? .................................................................No

Does your region have a regional convention? .................................................................Yes

If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .................................................................130

Do any areas in your region hold conventions? .................................................................Yes

If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .................................................................

If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .................................................................

Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No

If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .................................................................

If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No

Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .................................................................No

Is your region insured? .................................................................

Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? .................................................................Yes

What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

At our Regional Assembly we held workshops relating to Building Strong Home Groups, Who is Missing, and Our Service System. The addicts in attendance enjoyed their experience with this process and the assembly also brought together several groups that were able to form a new area within our region.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .................................................................Yes

What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Our region developed at Public Relations statement recently and have expressed to our areas if they need any help, the region would be willing to be involved.
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .................. No
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .............................................. No
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
   Some of our areas have phone lines and some do not. Some have been using their service for a period of time and some are just getting started.
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ......................................................... No
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
   As of this report our region has not yet held the CAR 2008 workshop. We will meet with the groups in March 2008 to provide the information.
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
   As of this time no.
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?
   Growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?
   We had an RCM who researched the idea of insuring all of our groups in the region. It was quite a task and we found out that many groups are insured through their meeting places, and those who weren’t were provided with information that they could consider. It was very informative and the RCM did a good job.
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
   Our region never had a central place to gather information and list local meetings within the region in an effective manner. Since WSC 2006 we developed a web site and are much more effective in communicating with each other and providing information we never had before.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.
   Our biggest success was having a new area form within our region. Due to distances across the state, several groups decided to make some changes and grow on their own and look closer geographically for others who could be part of the area. The new area is the Central Basin area and several struggling groups came together to provide services and help each other.
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?
   Our regional convention is in May so check the web site for a flyer and pass the information on to anyone wishing to visit Wyoming in the spring time.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?
   I believe we should discuss the differences between service and recovery material and also try to provide historical information relating to the decisions that were made in the past

Upper Rocky Mountain Region
and why we have chose to move in the direction we are going now. There appears to be a lot of discussion at forum meetings and group meetings on the literature approval process. I would also like to hear about Public Relations efforts with other regions and if there appears to be more interest in providing services to the public since the PR Handbook came out.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

As a delegate we are asked to do a lot of things for a lot of people. It has been challenging to understand that my role as a delegate is to be responsible to my region and to also be sensitive to the needs of individual members. Sharing with individuals about the process which they can provide ideas and solutions through the service body in a way that works for both the service body and the individual often times challenging and rewarding at the same time.
Uruguay Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................................................................. Martin García de Zúñiga
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................................................................ Yes
Alternate Delegate .................................................................................................................. Juan Piloni
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ......................................................................................... 3
How many groups are in the region? ......................................................................................... 30
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ...................................................... 71
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .................................................. 2

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .......... $15,000
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ............................................. $13,000
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................................................ NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? ............... $1000

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ........................................................................ Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ................................................................. LAZF
Does your region have a regional office? .................................................................................. Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? .......................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ........................................... 120
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ........................................................................ No
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .....................................................................
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ....................................
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration?........ Fundacion Narcóticos Anónimos del Uruguay
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ..................... No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status?........................................................................... No
Is your region insured? ..............................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ............................................................................................................. Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ................................................... No
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ................................................ Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ...................................................................... No
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ............................................................................... No
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

Uruguay Region
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What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

*staying*

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

Uruguay Region
Utah Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Monte Hauck
Have you attended a WSC before?.................................................Yes
Alternate Delegate ...................................................................... Brad Kendrick
Have you attended a WSC before?.................................................Yes
How many areas are in the region?..................................................7
How many groups are in the region?.............................................121
How many meetings take place each week in the region?..............130
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region?...........15

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ............... 
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .............................................. 
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................................. 
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .................

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .................................................................Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum ................................... Rocky Mountain Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? .................................................................No
Does your region have a regional convention? .................................................................Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .................................350
Do any areas in your region hold conventions?...............................................................Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .........................................................3
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ............................283
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration?................................................................. 
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ...............No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status?.................................................................No
Is your region insured? ...........................................................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ...........................................................................................................Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

We did, however most of the attendee’s had not been paying attention to the topics. We will be bringing our answers to the WSC.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .................................................Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ........................................Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

We have an Area which started an 800 number in which another Area has joined in. At Region we are looking at possibly taking over payment and distribution to the Region.
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
   We have such wide open Areas that it is difficult to get everyone to participate.
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ..............................................................................Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
   Yes, and it went well.
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?
   Growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?
   Area Planning Tool
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
   As of late we have been able to attract more GSR’s to workshops than we have in many years.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?
Venezuela Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Eleazar Terrero
Have you attended a WSC before? .................................................. No
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Mauro Giani
Have you attended a WSC before? .................................................. No
How many areas are in the region? .............................................. 3
How many groups are in the region? ............................................ 35
How many meetings take place each week in the region? .............. 150
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .......... 5

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? $1,000
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? $3,000
Where do you purchase your literature? NAWS
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? $500

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? LAZF
Does your region have a regional office? Yes
Does your region have a regional convention? Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? 300
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? No
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? 
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? 
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? Asociación Civil Narcóticos Anónimos de Venezuela
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? Yes
Is your region insured? 
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? Yes

What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
More information, communication, knowledge, unity, more development of NA in Venezuela and more participation in the growth of NA as a whole around the world.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?
PR, PI and H&I service efforts have been done in a smaller scale but with quality in the work. We are trying to all this work suing mass media, newspapers, radio and TV
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? Yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

The helpline has helped us a lot here in Venezuela. Many addicts arrive to our groups and meetings after they call the helpline and they find out about NA, where they receive a personal invitation to attend meetings and they are asked to attend meetings ASAP.

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Presently few ASC’s have a helpline in Venezuela. However, lately the committees that have a helpline have benefitted from having this service so they can be more autonomous and independent in their PR service efforts. In this aspect the growth in our region has been excellent.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

Through these Workshops the RDs carry the collective voice of our region. Due to our lack of experience the CAR Workshops that we have held are mostly informative and educational, where we review the material and share and brainstorm ideas and we make decisions.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

The experience has been rewarding. We have learned more and more about NA at the world level. We have more unity and knowledge about the WSC, the WB, NAWS and the WSO.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?

Growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

The IDTs from this conference cycle created a lot of interest in our region; Building Strong Home Groups, Who’s Missing in Our Meetings and Our Service System.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

Groups and H&I panels are closing:
Lack of trusted servants and resources:
We have trained and elected new trusted servants and we have instilled a conscience in the groups and areas so they contribute more resources to their ASC and RSC.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

More knowledge in the regional level so the WSC can truly be a world event. There is more interest than in the past amongst our members in regards to the issues and matters that affect NA as a whole.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

RDs from Latin America who are attending the WSC are having difficulties obtaining their visas.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

We are having problems acquiring dollars to pay our literature debt and to donate money to NAWS because of the controls of the Venezuelan government.

Venezuela Region
Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

Since I’ve been an RD I have been more efficient in regards to my responsibilities both in my personal life and in my recovery and service. I have learned more about NA as a whole and it has motivated me to participate more in the growth and development of NA in Venezuela and around the world.
Volunteer Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. Belinda Harness
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................... No
Alternate Delegate ................................................................. Lynn Shelton
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................... No
How many areas are in the region? ........................................ 11
How many groups are in the region? ...................................... 170
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ....... 389
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .......

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? 
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? 
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................. NAWS & RSO
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)?

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ......................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ....................... Southern
Does your region have a regional office? ................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ......................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ..... 500
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ......................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .................... 1
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? 250
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ............................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ........................... Yes
Is your region insured? ..........................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ........................... Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

Most of the work on the IDT’s was done at the CAR workshops. Most participated but there were a few who stood on the side lines and didn’t. Some voiced concern that their voice wasn’t heard. These folks were reminded that these were done worldwide not just in this region.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ............... Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

We have a regional web site, several areas have PSA’s on the radio.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ........... No
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

*Each area has their own phoneline. The regional phone line was phased out so each area could be responsible for their own.*

Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? .................................................................Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

*Meeting schedules are more accurate, most areas have volunteers to answer calls so the caller is able to talk to a recovering addict.*

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ............................................................................Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?

*Yes we started each workshop with the discussion questions.*

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

*Same as I shared before that a few didn’t participate and some wondered what is the use in trying because they feel like their voice isn’t heard.*

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? .................................................................................................................Same

**Innovations and Challenges**

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

*The PR handbook and the new service pamphlets. Many in the region were upset that they were not allowed to have input on the SP’S, and new lit in general not being sent out to the fellowship for approval. Court cards have created controversy and some feel the World Board has too much power.*

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

*Our regional outreach subcommittee has been reaching out and doing workshop/learning days on the group booklet, the concepts book, guide to local service, traditions and most areas have held inventories.*

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

*We now have active regional PR, outreach and H & I subcommittees. Each area in the region has it’s own website and phoneline. We have a Regional web-site. We completed a regional inventory in 2006 and since then these subcommittees have been formed. We are in the process of planning another inventory.*

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

**Conference Input**

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

*I have been asked by my region to make a motion to have the PI handbook made available to the fellowship, and if it isn’t made available make it clear what to call our subcommittee. The Volunteer region would like all literature to come to the fellowship*

Volunteer Region
Delegates Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate? *Members of the region think the delegate has the power to change the conference material. They expect us to have all the answers.*
Washington/Northern Idaho Region

Regional Delegate: ........................................................................................................... Jack Hovenier
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................... Yes
Alternate Delegate: .............................................................................................................. Dan Friesen
Have you attended a WSC before? .......................................................................................... No
How many areas are in the region? .......................................................................................... 21
How many groups are in the region? ......................................................................................... Approximately 600
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ................................................... Approximately 750
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .................................................. Approximately 150

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount of money contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? $36,000
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ..................................................... $24,000
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................................................... NA World Services
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)?
Approximately $7,500 (this includes PR as half or our Area’s have replaced separate H&I and PI committees with PR committees)

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ................................................................. Yes
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? .................................................. Western States Zonal Forum
Does your region have a regional office? .................................................................................. No
Does your region have a regional convention? ......................................................................... Yes, two.
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ............................................... 750/3,500
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ......................................................................... Yes
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ................................................................. 3
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? ................................. 75/150/500
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? 501c3 Corporation
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? ................. No
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? .......................................................................... No
Is your region insured? ................................................................................................................. Yes
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ......................................................................................................................... Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts? Our members uniformly enjoy discussing the topics using the small group discussion format.
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ................................................... Yes.
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts? We have an active sub-committee that assists Area’s with PR and H&I needs.
Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? ............................................. No

Washington/Northern Idaho Region
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?................. N/A

Do all areas have their own phoneline or helpline? ................................. Yes

What can you share about your experience with these efforts? **Phonelines are considered an essential service.**

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? .............................................. Yes

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? ................. Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts? **No, because we haven’t don’t the discussion questions yet.**

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?................................................................. Slightly increasing.

**Innovations and Challenges**

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle? **Transformation of sub-committees to PR committees. Overcrowding at region conventions. The issue topic of Who is missing from our meetings and why.**

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006. **Numerous orientations of the PR handbook, small group discussion (at conventions, area inventories, RSC etc.) and increased awareness of who is missing from our meetings. Directed our convention committee to follow fire code for overcrowding while maintaining uniform access to speakers and recovery meetings.**

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006. **Familiarity with the PR handbooks across our region. Regional Delegate team will permanently facilitate small group discussion of issue discussion topics at two regional conventions annually. Region adopted a vision statement. Over half our areas have decided a PR subcommittee better meets their needs. No grievances at RSC!**

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants? **If you want to know more, please contact Jack or Dan.**

**Conference Input**

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference? **Yes, the H&I handbook needs to be updated and/or encompassed in the PR handbook.**

**Delegate Experience**

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

  - **Worked well:** A quarterly one page newsletter, facilitated small group discussions, implementing the new area inventory format (modified for our needs), communication with RCM’s.
  - **Challenges:** Fear of change. Communication from RD’s to the group level (but we are doing lots of things to mitigate this).
Western New York Region

Regional Delegate ................................................................. *robert bishop*
Have you attended a WSC before? ..................................................... *Yes*
Alternate Delegate ..............................................................................
Have you attended a WSC before? .....................................................
How many areas are in the region? .................................................. 5
How many groups are in the region? .............................................. 130
How many meetings take place each week in the region? ............. 130
How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? .......... 1

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? .......... $1,000
What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? .................. $900
Where do you purchase your literature? ................................................
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .......... $100

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? .............................. *Yes*
If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ............................ *nezf*
Does your region have a regional office? ........................................... *No*
Does your region have a regional convention? .................................. *Yes*
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .............
Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ................................. *Yes*
If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? ............................ 1
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance at each? .......... 700
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? *No*
If yes, what is the type of legal registration? ........................................
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? *No*
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ..................................... *Yes*
Is your region insured? ......................................................................
Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? ................................................................. *Yes*
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?
Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? .................. *Yes*
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

  *nyadtcp conference, health fairs*

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .................. *No*
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................. *Yes*
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

  *things are running good, same as any other help line but not many problems*

Western New York Region
Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................. Yes
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
   yes we do it all, cat car topics
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?
   make sure there's food, have activates
Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?
   growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?
   new service ips
Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.
Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.
What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?
   what has worked well is teaching, training the trainee, being better than I was trained!
   being committed fully to the duties of being rd. and showing decorum (proper behavior; good taste in conduct, speech, or requirement of polite)
   challenges are getting gsrs to get more involved, staying to the end.
Western Russia Region

Regional Delegate .......................................................................................................................................

Have you attended a WSC before?...........................................................................................................

Alternate Delegate ....................................................................................................................................Andrey

Have you attended a WSC before?...........................................................................................................

No

How many areas are in the region?...........................................................................................................

10

How many groups are in the region?.........................................................................................................

112

How many meetings take place each week in the region? ...........................................................................

330

How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? ....................................................................... 

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Donations and Literature

What was the total amount contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007? ................ $5,000

What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? ......................................................... $4,000

Where do you purchase your literature? ............................................................................................... NAWS

How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? .................................

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? ............................................................................................Yes

If you answered “yes” above, which zonal forum? ................................................................................... EDM

Does your region have a regional office? ...................................................................................................No

Does your region have a regional convention? .........................................................................................No

If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? .................................................................

Do any areas in your region hold conventions? ..........................................................................................No

If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .....................................................................................

If you answered “yes” above, how many per year? .....................................................................................

Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Yes

If yes, what is the type of legal registration? .......................................................................................... noncommercial fund

If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? Yes

Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? ..........................................................................................Yes

Is your region insured? ..............................................................................................................................

Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? Yes

What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts?

We had workshops in Moscow, StPetersburg and Novosibirsk with following themes:

1. Building strong home groups.
2. Who is missing from our groups and why?
3. Our service system.

We have about 500-700 members on these workshops.

The format of workshops was taken from NAWS.

Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? ................................. Yes

What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts?

Western Russia Region
We do every week presentation for professionals, officials and various types of hospitals and institutions. Often it consists of four parts: 1. Intro. 2. Power point presentation. 3. Recovery story. 4. Questions and answers.
Also we have three regional web-sites and now we are working hard on creation the regional web-site.
And we have a lot of workshops for our members to teach them about PR.

Does the region have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? .................................................. No
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?
Do all areas have their own hotline or helpline? ................................................................. Yes
What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

In most of our areas and groups we have phoneline. We put our phonenubmers on our calling cards or in yellow pages books or on posters and boardsheets. People can receive information about NA, meetings and so on.

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? ................................................................. No
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions?
We’ll have it at our next RSC in March in Ekaterinburg.

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006?
The number of members in our region is growing

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?
The most interest subject was about the translation of the word addiction.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

1. We had no experience with PR work and presentation. So we ask NAWS for help. We received a lot of information, templates, files and good advices from NAWS about this kind of service. And also we did a big PR presentation with NAWS in Moscow. Also at the same time there was a workshop about PR. Delegates from all areas and groups of Russia were there.
2. About addiction. We have a lot of workshops and hot discussions about it. We had discussed this question about two years before we came to the consensus. All over the country we’ve discussed it.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

1. We realize that the PR work is very important for our future. In Voronezh was a PR presentation for the militia officers. Also in some other cities. PR committee is working hard on creating our website. We have PR presentations in many cities and it really helps us to grow. In Moscow weekly we have 5 presentations for professionals in H&I. 2. Winter EDM in Hungary 2008. It was the first time then we’ve sent our delegate somewhere on our own money.
3. The book Sponsorship is now at the end of translation. Also PR Handbook translation is in process. Finally we have approved translations of the books Just for today, Step working guide and a number of IPs.
4. We donate WSO with a sum of 1000 dollars.
5. Our FD committee made a lot of activities. Our voluntaries were in many cities of our country.
Main topics of workshops were:
World Service structure, Sponsorship, 12th step, New Groups development, H&I.
In Volgograd was a big two days workshop.
Main themes were:
1. Recovery in NA
2. What does it mean – Life in NA Program?
3. NA service structure.
4. NA group.
5. 12 step in motion.

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?
We have some problems with church. Some of our Moscow NA members were invited to take part at the round table about drugproblems, addiction and so on. This round table was organized by church officials. Most of speeches were about 12steps. We as NA are criminal conspirators and members of the Masons secret order from their point of view. Also we are zombies! Our program was created by Nazis and so on. So they decided to write a letter to church Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia and ask him to stop support of self-support groups such as NA, AA and so on. Some our groups have meetings in churches. In our country church has some political weight so this situation can cause real problems for us. So we understood that we have to work hard on PR to give our society correct information about us.

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?
Fundraising suggestions.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?
Wisconsin Region

Delegate: Duane Teschler
WSC experience delegate: No
Alternate: John Halverson
WSC experience alternate: Yes

Areas: 16
Groups: 280+/
Meetings: 435+/
H&I panels: This is an approximation. Some facilities/institutions/Jail-prisons have panels while others are regularly formatted topic/subject types of meetings. Some meetings are done once monthly, twice monthly, or weekly. I would have to estimate an average of 15-20 meetings &/or panels per week.

Donations:
Expenses:

Literature Source: WRSC purchases its literature from the Wisconsin Regional Service Office.
H&I Literature: The WRSC Regional H&I functions are handled by the Area Service committees with various amounts per Area. Some jail facilities are supplied by local Home-Groups. This makes it more difficult to bring an exact figure. It would be safe to say that an excess of $25,000 combined expenditure was done by Areas & Home-Groups & Fund Raisers. Another service provided to the Wisconsin Region is in the form of Project Hope. They buy “Books for Crooks” and are self-supporting through donations & fundraisers. The address: KMASC-Project Hope P.O. Box 1022, Sheboygan, WI 53082. In 2007, over $6,000 worth of literature was distributed to incarcerated individuals, at their request, at no cost to themselves. Project Hope is facilitated by volunteers and their services are made known solely by word of mouth. While this service was originally intended to service WISCONSIN REGION, literature has been distributed to other states, as well - Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, and Missouri.

Zonal Forum: Yes
Name of Zonal Forum: Midwest Zonal Forum
Regional Office: Yes
Regional Convention: Yes
Reg. Convention Attendance: 500-1,000 depending on location
Area Conventions: Yes
Number of Area Conventions: 4
Area Convention Attendance: Varies from 300-600 (RRCNA XVII [2008] 450 registered)
Regional Corporation: Yes
Type of Registration: 501-c3 WRSC, WRSC and WSNAC. Wisconsin Regional Service Committee, Wisconsin Regional Service Office, & Wisconsin State Narcotics Anonymous Convention are all 501-C3 non-profit corporations.
Taxes Paid: Yes
Tax Status: Yes
Issue Discussions: Yes
PR: Yes
Regional Helpline: Yes
Area Helplines: Yes
CAR Workshops: Yes

Membership Size: There seems to be an increase in membership numbers and our meeting numbers have increased approximately 30% over 4 year span. (Based on number of meetings)

Date: March 28, 2008

Issue Discussions Experience: We held round table discussions at the Regional Service Conferences.
One was focused on predatory behaviors in NA, another on “Who’s Missing?” at WSNAC, Accessibility/Additional Needs. Who’s missing? Addicts brought up the fact that culturally different ethnicities like Hmong, Indigenous Native Americans, Hispanics were often missing because of language & cultural differences and how the different cultures relate to people outside of their core group or family group.

**PR Experience:** Overall, PR in Wisconsin is healthy, dynamic, and growing. PR has added 2 new professional conferences to its schedule since 2006. PR maintains a Regional Helpline that gives each Area its own Helpline. PR maintains a Regional website. [www.wisconsinna.org](http://www.wisconsinna.org) PR maintains a complete on-line meeting directory of each Area. PR maintains a Regional calendar and posts the events and activities of the Areas on-line. PR publishes a complete Regional meeting directory twice each year. PR works in cooperation with the local Area PR committees to provide human resources for the professional conferences. PR assists the local Areas with PR workshops and additional literature for local PR initiatives. PR assists the Areas in maintaining their own area meeting lists. (Excel files of meeting lists) PR has appointed a NAWS Web Contact to update the NAWS on-line database.

**National Rural Institute on Alcohol & Drug Abuse Conference June 3-7, 2007**

WRSC & NAWS, in partnership, attended the 23rd annual National Rural Institute on Alcohol & Drug Abuse Conference June 3-7, 2007 in Menomonie, WI. The conference was well organized & attended. There were 8 exhibitors in the main hall. Most of the registrants were involved in either treatment or drug court or both in their home states. Several registrants were also members of NA.

The Items of most interest were multi-language key-tags as well as other literature items. Many key tags & many mini-texts were given away, & other lit sold. Great interest in “In Times of Illness” was shown. During one of the plenary, there were discussions from the floor concerning methadone & other drug replacement treatments. While we were not asked any specific questions, there was much discussion of medication in treatment. It was noted in the opening plenary that the most abused drugs in rural communities were alcohol and crystal methamphetamine imported from Mexico. It was noted that NA was not given the same respect as AA. When NA was mentioned it was as if almost an afterthought. The drug problem in Iran was discussed in one plenary, and only mentioned AA. Considering NA’s development in Iran in recent years, that seemed to be unknowledgeable at best & disrespectful at worst. The words “Drug Problem” & “AA” were often used in the same sentence. It is obvious to us that more PR needs to be done in this area. We have some specific Ideas that could illustrate the broad scope and appeal of NA at these conferences:

1) Equip future PR-Teams with a current full-color map of the world showing the number of meeting by country & a growth rate chart for display.
2) Create a handout or display of the current language translation projects in progress and translated pieces currently in circulation.
3) When Listing NA in the program as exhibitors, include a brief statement describing the program. (The only statement in the NRIADA program was that literature would be available.)

In addition to the multi-language key-tags, it was suggested that the multi-language IP#1 packet be included as handouts at future conferences. Our presence at this conference was considered an over-all success and the PR-team looks forward to attending it again.

**Women & Poverty Conference Madison, Wisconsin 5&6 Sept, 2007**

The Badgerland Area of NA participated in the conference with the organization & planning of the Area PR chair. The Area and the Region applaud their efforts. Local meeting directories were distributed, as were phone line fliers, sample of all the key tags. Spanish & English copies of the literature were there.
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for display purposes. Registration & literature was supplied by WRSC. The conference attendance was relatively small. Not many visited exhibit tables although professionals tended to stay longer and were more intently focused on finding info & using NA resources to address their clients’ issues than at WAAODA. One individual asked how to make the clear connection between drug use and violence to their clients. Another from DOC in Janesville, WI seemed interested in having IP’s at their Probation/Parole offices. It was noted that BASC (Madison) provides Literature displays in their correction offices. Other area H&I subcommittees have these displays in their Incarceration facilities, as well. Women and Poverty added a workshop on Substance Abuse & Poverty as a direct result of NA’s annual presence at this conference.

Second Annual Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services Training Conference November 2006: We attended the Second Annual Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services Training Conference in Stevens Point on October 25-26. More than 80 information packets were distributed, as well as all available white books. The conference was well attended. The PowerPoint presentation ran continuously and drew attention to our exhibit. The conference rotates around the state and as yet has not published the location of next year’s conference. Our RDA attended the conference and has recommended that we continue to attend this conference, and next time, bring more literature. $100 was budgeted for literature.

3rd Annual MHSA Conference-Oct 2007 WRSC was represented by the RDA and another addict again this year. Over 100 IP-Packets were distributed mixed with English & their Spanish counterpart-IP’s. More than 100 White booklets were distributed as well as Basic Texts, How & Whys, & Step Working Guides that were sold. This conference is interested in having a member of NA address the conference next year. This option is to be negotiated by the PR facilitator. The Conference material, registration, & mileage was funded by the WRSC. A PowerPoint display was run continuously as well, creating much interest and attracting much attention.

2007 WAAODA Conference Report: I. Training sessions: Two training sessions were held prior to the WAAODA conference. Half of the volunteers attended one session, and the other half attended the second session. This was helpful in providing an intimate atmosphere for covering all of the information for the conference, and also discussion about the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) from the PR Handbook. II. Participation in WAAODA: Overall, our participation was a success. Everyone was present for their scheduled time, and our members all received positive feedback from our participation in the event. We received many comments, and some of the comments, requests, and questions we received are summarized here. In general, many people commented on the helpfulness of having our books and IP’s in Spanish. The Spanish literature and the WI Regional Meeting Directories were very popular. A couple of people asked about Spanish speaking meetings in NA. Many people asked about getting support for or starting meetings in rural areas like Oak County, or small towns in rural Wisconsin like Dodgeville. Many of these people acknowledge a desperate need for NA meetings in these areas, and they either die out because of a lack of support, or they haven’t been started. These people were referred to the WI Regional Service Office and the Outreach subcommittees. There were many comments about addressing the needs of the suffering addict in rural areas.
• Many people said that they take the Regional Meeting or local meeting lists and make photocopies for their work environments.
• Many people stopped by our booth to ask us the difference between NA and AA.
• Lots of people requested Milwaukee area meetings.
• A couple of people asked about predators in the rooms and the general safety of people from

Wisconsin Region
predators.

- A few people asked about young people’s groups and meetings. Several people expressed gratitude for making available the Youth & Recovery IP.
- A few people asked about the strength of the NA community in different areas, including Madison.
- Many professionals tried to take the key tags we had for display only. They said they wanted them for display and use at their offices. Several others asked for free literature to be made available to them.

**Recovery Rally Report — September 15, 2007**

The Recovery Rally was held Sept. 15 2007 from 4 to 9pm at Elver Park. We were given 20% of the remaining literature from the Women and Poverty 2007 conference from Region and returned the 80% to the Regional PR subcommittee to use at the Corrections Conference and the MHSA Conference. This literature was used in combination with our stock of literature. The Recovery Rally was overall a success, The volunteers visited with people that came to the table. NA was the only booth at the Recovery Rally and this worked out nicely. We met with a few professionals, and also made a good contact with a new clean living house opening up on campus. Most of the people who visited were lay people, either addicts themselves or friends and family of addicts. Largely we answered questions and gave away meeting lists. There was a bus load of people from Milwaukee, so we gave away several Milwaukee meeting lists. The BASC PR subcommittee would like to thank the WI Region for their ongoing support.

**Regional Helpline Experience:** The purpose of the RSC is to collectively provide services for all the Areas that the individual Areas may not be able to provide for themselves. Of the 16 Areas that comprise the Region, only 4 were able to maintain Helplines. Collectively, those 4 Areas spent approximately $1200 or more per month for these services. The Region also maintained a central information line that only provided meeting locations. That central line was the only Helpline service the other 12 Areas had access to. That service cost the Region about $300 monthly. So, collectively, $1500 was being spent each month on Helpline services that failed to adequately serve All the Areas.

The new Helpline serves all 16 Areas equally. It provides the same services to all the Areas. Each Area can set it up as they wish, as simply or as elaborately as they choose. It costs about $170 per month to provide this for all 16 Areas. This “enabled” at least 4 Areas to terminate a costly financial liability and use that money more productively and responsibly. The 11th Concept clearly addresses this. The net savings around the Region add up to about $14,000 annually. Those savings “enable” the Areas to better carry the message, and to proportionally increase donations to the WRSC, effectively paying for the Helpline system with increased donations. That’s $170 per month divided by 16 Areas, or about $11 a month per Area. This is called creating an economy of scale. Areas that could not afford their own Helplines now have them. All 16 Area Helplines can be accessed from each individual Helpline number or through the central number. It is an efficient and very cost effective system.

**Area Helpline Experience:** Until the installation of the new all inclusive Regional Helpline, only 4 Area were able to maintain their own Helplines. Each Area was spending about $300 per month on the service. The costs were becoming crippling to the Areas and only provided local coverage.

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The Halloo System is being used and allows access for a meeting directory line, as well as live call forwarding if the particular Area is able to man or operate such a service. One drawback to the system is not of the system itself but of the servants overseeing the system. If the system is not checked periodically, glitches that may occur go unheeded. Meeting updates need to be maintained, such as meeting times, dates, & places as changes occur. This creates multiple points of responsibility in the region and requires commitment & vigilance on the part of the Area.

**CAR Workshop Experience:** The Region did not host a CAR workshop. Some Areas did. Overall, they were sparsely attended. The questions were addressed as well.

**CAR Workshop Experience2:** The answers to the questions showed a lack of knowledge about the literatures in question and a general apathy for most of it.

**Local Discussion:** Who’s missing? Predatory behavior Accessability

**Challenges:**
1) Helplines and Regional coverage of viable Helplines.
Solution: Institute the Halloo System Regional Helpline to equip all Areas with an interconnected system at a substantial savings to the Region and to the individual areas.
2) Public Resource Committee coverage.
Solution: More volunteers, better planning; Soliciting assistance from NAWS, Individual ASC’s helping to carry on at the “Home” level, i.e. Big Rivers providing coverage at the Meth Conference in Toma, WI & Badgerland Area stepping up for WAAODA & Women in Poverty.
3) Relationship between the WRSC & WSNAC B.O.D.
Solution: Changing the Regional Meeting Site Rotation.
Secondary Challenge: Eliminated meeting spaced at WRSC & every WRSC meeting & no room for WRSO(Office) or WSNAAC.-NO SOLUTION
4) Challenge: SERVICE DELIVERY
Solution: New Format-CBDM Delivered by PURPOSE INVENTORY Ad-Hoc

**Successes:** CBDM-format Regional Helpline System Increased Success of Project Hope in delivery more literature to more incarcerated addicts—WE BUY “BOOKS FOR CROOKS” to keep “THUGS OFF DRUGS”

**Additional Info:**

**Conference Input:**
I.D.T.’s or Items of interest in WRSC in general, include:
1) Loner Meetings
2) Who’s Not Here—
   1) Old timers
   2) Culture Isolated-Hmong, Indigenous Americans, Inner City, hearing/sight impaired, Rural, and Minority

Wisconsin Region
3) Apathy in Service
4) Predators
5) Conventions
6) Principles before Personalities i.e. Folks not feeling safe & warring factions at home groups. (Power struggles)
7) Deterioration of service commitments—apathy/sponsorship recommendations
8) Lack of rotation in service positions
9) Mentorship
10) Cost of the purchase price of the CAR (Hard Copy) as opposed to Basic Text

Delegate Input: Working well is the willingness of addicts to help with input and yet there seems to be an overall lack of unity to keep our services flowing and not duplicate services and spending to achieve the same results. Individual/group autonomy may sometime override the unity we need to carry the message and ultimately, save lives. A challenge for me is to stay motivated in the face of adversity and not take reactions (or lack of) and responses (or, lack of) personally. It reminds me to keep my own house in order and perform the tasks delegated to me in a timely, orderly fashion.

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AUTONOMY ZONAL FORUM REPORT
WSC 2008

The Autonomy Zone (AZF) is comprised of six Narcotics Anonymous regions. These regions are located in the mid-eastern portion of the United States. These regions are Greater Philadelphia (SE Pennsylvania), Mountaineer (W Virginia, Virginia), Free State (Maryland, Delaware, Virginia), Chesapeake & Potomac (Maryland, N Virginia, Washington DC), Eastern PA (Pennsylvania) and Central Atlantic Region [formally Region of Virginias] (W Virginia, Virginia, Maryland, N Carolina). We meet twice a year on a rotating basis. We recently met on January 26, 2008 in Fredericksburg, VA, hosted by Central Atlantic.

The Eastern PA Region (EPARNA) continues to function as a region, carrying our message of recovery and is an asset to our Zonal Forum. Our continued welcome to EPARNA as we support them in their efforts to be seated at the World Service Conference. This region and its parent region, Greater Phila, have successfully integrated a multi-regional meeting list to better serve both geographical areas. Each region, however, maintains separate websites with respective links.

The Region of the Virginias has recently voted to change their name to “Central Atlantic Region” with an intended purpose of encompassing the geography involved. All services will remain other than the house cleaning involving the new name; i.e. convention name, literature stamping, etc.

All of our regions have been involved with the Issue Discussion Topics (IDT) in one form or another within their regions. Regional and GSR Assemblies are also being held in order to foster communication about these IDT issues. At our last Autonomy Zonal Forum hosted by Central Atlantic, we had several World Board members present to help discussion on WSC information, CAR/CAT mostly. Thank you Craig, Mark and WSO special worker Travis for supporting us for the first time in our forums history! We appreciated your input and look forward to your return engagement.

Last WSC ’06, some of our regions were discussing new insurance plans for the groups and other NA functions. EPARNA has obtained a reasonable cost effective insurance plan from a company in Pennsylvania. This is less than $15 yearly, per facility where NA meets for recovery and service functions.

We are in the process of keeping an updated archives list of the AZF meetings. This information can be found through our link: http://www.cprna.org/azf/ Feel free to correspond with any of our regions through this site or the NAWS sites.

Our next Autonomy Zonal Forum meets in the Mountaineer Region the last Saturday in July. Location TBA. More of the schedule can be viewed via our website.

In Loving Service through Cooperation,
C & P, Central Atlantic, Greater Phila, Mountaineer, Free State and Eastern PA Regions of the Autonomy Zone!

Autonomy Zonal Forum
European Delegates Meeting (EDM) Report To The World Service Conference

April 2008

EDM MISSION STATEMENT

"The EDM is a European based forum of multi-lingual and multi-cultural NA communities inside and outside Europe, whose mission is to further their common welfare and unity, support their growth and help them fulfil their primary purpose of carrying the NA message to the still suffering addict"

Greetings to the World Service Conference participants from the European Delegates Meeting. We hope that you are having a constructive meeting during this week.

The EDM meets twice yearly, for four days - once during the summer at the European Conference and Convention (ECCNA) and once during the winter, usually hosted by a developing NA Community. Since WSC 2006 we have held EDM meetings in Portugal, Switzerland, the UK and Budapest. We have an annual operating budget of approximately € 20,000 (US$ 30,000) This is funded by contributions from member and other NA Communities and funds generated by the ECCNA.

The communities that have been in attendance at our meetings since 2006 are: Egypt, France, French Speaking Swiss Area, German Speaking Region, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, UK, Ukraine and Western Russia. Belgium, Bulgaria, Denmark, Netherlands and Slovenia are also member communities of the EDM who have not attended the EDM meetings in the last two years. We include these communities in our mailings, and invite them to send us a report each meeting on how their communities are developing, and ask them to include any requests for help or experience that the EDM may be able to help with. Since the last WSC we have also been in contact with members and groups in Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Georgia. In July 2007 Malta was welcomed as our newest member of the EDM.

Fellowship Development

There continues to be a large need for help and support from developing communities throughout Europe. To help meet this need we continue to fund attendance at the EDM meetings for some developing communities, and we also fund representatives from the EDM Fellowship Development Resource Pool to travel to meet with local members of the fellowship to facilitate service workshops and share experience. Since 2006, the EDM body has facilitated and funded a Fellowship Development visit to Hungary. In conjunction with NAWS we also sent a representative to Turkey to do FD activity with the local fellowship and attend ECAD, the European Cities Against Drugs conference.

We have also had great developments in the area of neighboring communities “sponsoring’ each other with the exchange of experience and support. Much of these efforts arose from a series of workshops and round-table discussions held by the EDM Fellowship Development (FD) committee during our meetings in 2006 and 2007. These activities have included sending Norwegian trusted servants to Northern Sweden and to a Danish Convention, German H&I members to a Dutch service workshop and Swedish members to the Polish Regional Service Conference. We are really excited by this development in our FD work, and hope to be able to report on many more such activities at the next WSC. These FD efforts have all been facilitated and most have been part-funded by the EDM.

Another part of our FD efforts is in facilitating two day Workshops after our winter meeting, in partnership with and with the support of NAWS. The most recent of these took place in Budapest, Hungary and had members from Hungary, Estonia, Ukraine, Slovenia, Lithuania, Bosnia, Malta, Poland, Latvia, Prague, Croatia, Italy, Turkey as well as several delegates from EDM participating.
They were a great success and we are very grateful to NAWS for their huge amount of help and support, without which these workshops would not be possible.

**Legal Association**
The legal association has been working well, and we are very grateful for the large amount of practical support given to the association by staff at the WSO - Europe. The four members of the EDM Steering Committee serve as directors of the Legal Association, which called EDMNA and has been incorporated in Belgium since 2005. There have been some issues with adapting our accounting methods to the requirements of the Belgian tax authorities, but with the help of the WSO-E we are meeting the challenges.

**Website**
Our website has been online since July 2007, and is growing all the time. At the moment we have over 60 distinct pages of information, including “About Us” a document about the EDM, currently translated into 7 languages.
The EDM website is at [www.edmna.org](http://www.edmna.org) and we encourage other NA communities to link to it.

**European Convention and Conference (ECCNA)**
Since WSC 2006 we have held the ECCNA in Porto, Portugal and Llandudno, Wales, UK. Both were a great success, and enjoyed by members from all over Europe and the world. We would like to extend a warm invitation to the next European Convention and Conference, which will be held in Helsinki, Finland in July 2008.

For more information on this event please go to [www.eccna25.org](http://www.eccna25.org).

At our meeting in Geneva we decided not to hold an ECCNA during summer 2009, as the World Convention will be taking place then in Barcelona, Spain. This has given us a financial challenge, as we will not have any proceeds from the ECCNA that year. We continue to explore different ways of meeting the shortfall in our budget.

**NAWS**
We would like to thank World Services & the World Board for the ongoing support we have received over the last two years, with the workshops that were held in the Ukraine, and Lithuania in 2006, and the attendance of several WB directors and NAWS staff at our meetings. We would also like to extend our deep gratitude to the WSO staff members for the dedicated work they do in dealing with our requests and needs. Throughout the European zone

**Zonal Forums**
We welcome contact with the other Zonal Forums, and invite them to link to our new website at [www.edmna.org](http://www.edmna.org)

In our Summer 2007 meeting in Wales we made our first three Zonal Nominations to positions at World Service Level. We then appointed a workgroup, who studied the possibilities of the best methods to make Zonal nominations, and we are happy to share our findings and methods with the other Zonal Forums.

If you would like any more information about the EDM, please go to [www.edmna.org](http://www.edmna.org). If you would like to get in touch, please send a mail to edm_na@yahoo.com.

**In Service & Fellowship**

**EDM Steering Committee**

European Delegates Meeting
Fraternal regards from all the communities belonging to the Latin American Zonal Forum (LAZF)—Argentina, Área de Habla Hispana del Sur de California (Southern California Spanish-speaking Area), Baja-Son, Bolivia, Brasil (Brazil), Brasil Sur (Southern Brazil), Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Chile, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Grande Sao Paulo, Honduras, México, México Occidente (West Mexico), Nicaragua, Panamá, Paraguay, Perú, Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic, Uruguay, and Venezuela. It is a privilege for us, thanks to our higher power, to be able to share with you about the growth of the Fellowship in this part of the world.

We remember that first casual meeting during WSC 1993, when 4 RSRs, inspired by the WSC 1992’s decision to recognize Zonal Forums as bodies belonging to the worldwide Fellowship, joined efforts to begin a movement that came to be known as Convención-Conferencia Latinoamericana (Latin American Convention-Conference). Back then, Hispanic members residing in New York and Florida gave us their support. Thus, a transformation and growth process started in which Latin America began participating on a biannual basis in the following fashion:

• **First Conference**
  In November 1993, representatives from five regions held a meeting.

• **Second Convention-Conference**
  Held in the great city of Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) in 1995 with six regions attending.

• **Third Convention-Conference**
  Held in Buenos Aires, with the participation of nine regions. On this occasion it was decided to separate the conventions, that is, the local convention was separated from the Latin American Convention due to some confusion generated by holding them at the same time.

In 1998, the names of the meetings were changed to Latin American Zonal Forum (LAZF) and Latin American Convention.

• **Fourth Meeting**
  Held in 1999 in Guayaquil, Ecuador, during the IV CLANA (Latin American Convention of NA), with approximately four hundred people attending. There were 14 regions attending the LAZF.

• **Fifth Meeting**
  The V CLANA was held in Costa Rica in 2001, with an attendance of over 600 people from different parts of the world. For the first time 20 regions attended the LAZF.

• **Sixth Meeting**

Latin American Zonal Forum
The VI Forum was held in 2004 in Montevideo, Uruguay, with 17 communities attending. For the first time members from Cuba attended.

- **Seventh Meeting**

The VII Forum was held in Panamá City, with 20 communities in attendance. During the proceedings the following communities were admitted —Área de Habla Hispana del Sur de California (AHHSCNA) [Southern California Spanish-speaking Area], Brasil Sur (Southern Brazil), and Paraguay.

- **Eighth Meeting**

On this occasion, we meet at SESC DE GRUSSÁI, Brazil, on October 25-28 2007, with an attendance of about 400. The Grande de Sao Paulo (Great Sao Paulo) community joined us. The communities of Ecuador, México, México Occidente (West Mexico), and Cuba did not attend.

**Important Aspects:**

- **Communication**

We must remember certain aspects regarding communications such as the novelty of Cuba's presence in the VI Forum thanks to the cooperation of the WSO. Their participation is important to all of us due to the widely-known political situation in that country which makes it difficult to maintain close communication with members in Cuba. Because of this situation, we had to become very careful regarding our exchange of information with them. Even though that communication had broken, the world office was contacted anew in late 2007 as a result of The NA Way magazine. World Services referred their letter to us and we responded, hoping to restore our contacts, expressing our availability to help them in any way we could.

We work hard to maintain an exchange with our brothers from Latin communities in the United States. Proof of this is the opportunity that arose for their participation in the VI Forum.

We meet every two years and avail ourselves of the World Service Conference to hold a general meeting of the Forum sometime during that week. The effort to maintain constant meetings and communication is supported by Internet tools. In the beginning, members of the fellowship were paying for the service but now it is being paid with Forum funds, and we have set up a new site and a new hosting domain. This tool has made it possible to establish the new www.fzlatino.org web site, with a great deal of information about NA, the regions belonging to the LAZF, regional activities, and the like. We have also set up an e-mail, na-foro@gruposyahoo.com, with the purpose of maintaining constant communication that can foster the development of the communities, provide information about Forum meetings, lend support to its member communities and individual members, as well as give us the ability to contact our delegates, workgroup coordinators, and the Executive Committee (EC) of the LAZF.

This way, we have been able to hold bimonthly electronic (virtual) meetings of the Forum's EC in order to move forward and coordinate the continuity of projects as well as other affairs of the Zonal Forum. It is important to highlight that the EC is consists of 4 trusted servants elected by the delegates of the communities for a four-year fixed period. Elected positions are chair, vice-chair, treasurer, and secretary. Afterwards, the selected servants meet as an EC and select the positions they will fill among themselves. In general, decisions are made by consensus.

We are truly convinced that communication is very important. Proof of this is that owing to constant communication among NA in Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panamá, El Salvador, Honduras, and Guatemala, the EC has participated in all 3 "Encuentro de Delegados Centroamericanos" (Central American

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Delegates Gathering) held in Honduras, El Salvador, and Nicaragua, and was able to support service efforts of the communities attending this multi-regional event.

Other accomplishments we have had because of communications have been the support we got from NAWS, neighboring communities as well as the EC, which welcomed Paraguay at the VII Forum and developed a service structure for them. Paraguay has joined the Forum's distribution list. In like fashion, a development project for NA Bolivia was started in coordination with and financed by World Services, and headed by the LAZF's chair at the time. Likewise, we have produced a Zonal Directory, a list of addresses of the Forum's servants, and the minutes for the LAZF's meetings. The Procedural Guidelines was a project started at the V Forum. Voted as provisional guidelines at the VI Forum, they had been undergoing a review and changes process by request of the VII Forum. They were approved in our last meeting, the VIII Forum, held in Brazil.

Within the structure of the LAZF, we have workgroups that help us carry out the tasks assigned to them by the Delegates. Among the workgroups are: Translations Committee, CLANA Committee, Internet (Web page) Committee, Human Resources Committee (HR Panel), and Latinas Newsletter Committee. All workgroups maintain constant communication and coordination of their services with the Forum's Executive Committee (EC) through its Vice-chair.

The translations team translated the NA Public Relations Manual with the help of a professional translator; World Services is currently revising it. Another project near completion is the translation of the H&I Manual. Work on personal stories for the Spanish White Book was completed and the final selection was sent to the WSO. We also took part in the correction of the Just for Today for January 5.

It is equally important to point out that we have completed working on the Forum's web site. As has been mentioned before, its address is www.fzlalino.com

We are still working on the Latinas Newsletter magazine though we are having difficulties in finding leaders who want to assume that responsibility. We were able to complete our fourth edition; its contents are worked on through the Internet via the na-foro.

The GSR Guide process is on hold and we have not been able to make much headway.

We were able to hold our VII meeting in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, October 25-28, 2007. Its theme was “MENSAJE SIN FRONTERAS” (“A Message Without Borders”). In that event, we held the CLANA as well as our VIII Zonal Forum. The community of Venezuela was selected as the host of our next Zonal Forum to be held in 2009.

We are re-structuring our Human Resources Panel and are asking members who want to serve to join the pool of Panel servants, that is, to register their résumé with the HR Panel.

The EC is receiving recommendations from the Panel regarding the open service positions. It will make its decisions later on.

Another point of great import to us is self-support, which depends in great measure on income generated from 70% of CLANA's profits, since the other 30% goes to the region hosting the event. We mention this because is widely known the financial difficulties many of our Latin American communities, as well as Latin American countries in general, go through. Regardless of this, the practice of self-support has always been a challenge for the Forum. That is why we are always searching mechanisms to help us achieve this end. We make pins, stickers with NA's service logo, T-shirts, and receive contributions from our communities and individual NA members. All these efforts have resulted in our

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diminishing reliance on the generous and unconditional support of world services. We have made progress and can inform you that we have been supporting ourselves with our own Latin American Zonal Forum funds since our VII Forum. We are developing a plan of self-support for our 2007-2009 period. In this regard, we cannot fail to mention the Chesapeake-Potomac Region, which has been supporting us with their donations.

Our last Forum in Brazil left us with specific tasks to be done, aside from the feeling from our communities as to where we need to go. That is why, as an EC, we continue working toward maintaining a fluid communication with DRs from different communities using all necessary mechanisms such as periodic newsletters, a method we are just beginning to implement, and the permanent link through the na-foro distribution list. We are also planning the work that needs to be accomplished within the next two years and the importance of carrying out a development project of communities with big needs, which we have started developing.

We cannot end without expressing our immense gratitude for the brotherly support our fellow Anthony Edmondson has given us; he carries on with the work of George Hollagan whom we always remember. This growth is a result of Anthony's unconditional love toward us. He dedicates himself to tending to our needs and requests with the support of our fellow Johnny Lamprea and the WSO staff. In conclusion, we would like to thank the entire World Board and various Zonal Forums for sharing their experience, strength, and hope.

United without borders,
Pedro M., Carlos Luis N., César G., Yezid D.
Executive Committee, LAZF
2007-2009
Greetings from the Midwest Zonal Forum (MZF). We are grateful for this opportunity to share some information about ourselves, and our recent development, with the WSC and the fellowship as a whole. The MZF continues to function as a service entity whose purpose is to provide participants with a vehicle for the discussion and exchange of ideas on problems and issues confronting regional service conferences and committees in the Midwestern United States. Current participating regions in the MZF include Chicagoland, Minnesota, Greater Illinois, Indiana, Metro-Detroit, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin. We also occasionally have visitors from other surrounding regions. We have no formal seating criteria. When a regional service body says they are part of our forum, we welcome their participation. Participation in the MZF is not limited to Regional Delegates and Alternated. Any addict who attends has full participation rights at the MZF.

Since our inception --as the Midwest Caucus at WSC ’88-- we have been able to remain a consensus driven service body. In other words if any participant is uncomfortable with a proposed decision, we do not implement it. Nonetheless, we are generally able to find common ground and move forward, albeit slowly at times. Some discussion has developed during the past year regarding whether a revision in our consensus building process would better facilitate the flow of business. More will be revealed…Traditionally we have met on a quarterly basis including an informal meeting that takes place at the WSC. The meeting at the Conference remains informal because many interested addicts from the Midwest U.S. would not have the opportunity to attend. We feel that to conduct business at this meeting would go against the spirit of our practice of allowing any interested addict who attends to have full participation rights at our meetings. Our other MZF meetings rotate from one region to the next. The MZF established a permanent regional rotation at our July 1999 meeting in Detroit, Michigan. We also formalized our trusted servant rotation at this meeting. We currently have two co-facilitators, a secretary and a treasurer, as well as a web coordinator. A discussion has developed regarding the necessity of meeting four times a year now that the two-year WSC cycle is firmly in place. Circumstances have resulted in the MZF meeting less than quarterly during the past two years and a proposal was made to scale the MZF back to two formal meetings per year. The participants at the 11/2007 meeting were not comfortable with permanently limiting the MZF to two meetings but did agree to scheduling two formal meetings in 2008 and three in 2009. In addition to our regularly scheduled meetings, The MZF hosts a Multi-Regional Conference Agenda Report Workshop when the CAR and CAT become available. Traditionally this workshop has always taken place in the Michigan Region but during the past year the MZF decided to add it to the regular meeting rotation.

The MZF continues to maintain a website at www.mzfna.org The site contains historical information about the MZF, minutes from our quarterly meetings, information about upcoming events, contact information and links to participating regions. Additionally, the site lists our Mission Statement, guidelines and Statement of Purpose. Discussion about how to develop the site into a more useful tool for the service bodies in the Midwest United States has been ongoing and to date has been inconclusive.
The MZF continues to fund its trusted servants to attend its meetings – when the money is available. This practice has generated an ongoing discussion regarding the evolving purpose of the MZF -- specifically what we can and/or should do in the way of direct services. Any such services would need to represent prudent use of NA funds while not overlapping their efforts with the zone’s member service entities. During the previous conference cycle the MZF has identified a significant void in the provision of public relations services in the Midwest United States, and a work group was established to determine how we could assist local service bodies with projects beyond the scope of their resources, as well as how we could most effectively train addicts in the local fellowships within our zone to provide more effective PR services. The forum has also discussed the feasibility of offering our collective experience, strength and hope to NA World Services to assist with proposed and requested PR initiatives in the Midwestern United States. In the past the MZF has made itself available to assist with multi-regional and regional service learning days. During the past year it became apparent to many MZF participants that with its current structure, providing specific direct services such as PR initiatives is less than feasible. Therefore the forum has consensually agreed to focus on providing workshops for the local fellowships at which the MZF meets. Hosting Regions will request input for workshop topics from the local fellowship. Consensus was reached that, after specific local requests, as a communication link between NAWS and the Regions and Areas, the Issue Discussion Topics, CAR, and CAT should be our primary topic focus. If the hosting fellowship has already thoroughly worked the IDTS, and no other topics are suggested, workshop discussions will focus on the 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts of Service.

The next formal meeting of the MZF will take place in October 2008 hosted by the Minnesota Region. The specific date and location will be posted on the World Services Calendar, as well as at www.mzfna.org.
The North East Zonal Forum was born out of an idea that was nurtured from the first East Coast Convention in 1980. Sometime in the 80’s Several Regions got together to discuss what NA is like in other parts of the country. Then at the WSC in Dallas Texas in 1992, a couple of other parts of the NA World had already been meeting as Forums or Zones. Many non-US Regions attended the WSC for the first time and many were seated. One committee produced a paper about Zonal Forums. Again, a thought was expressed about starting a North East Zonal Forum. The Regions of the northeastern USA were approached about meeting and a small meeting was held.

The next meeting was at the Multi-Regional in New York City. Members of the Western States Forum and Canadian Assembly shared their experience, strength, and hope. We agreed to write a simple Statement of Function and Purpose. Participants shared on the unmanageability of the East Coast Convention (ECC) in each of our Regions over the past 7 or 8 years. The ECC couldn’t find an area in any of our Regions to continue and it ceased to exist. We now have a concrete example of the benefits of talking and sharing with other Regions. Several addicts met at the Connecticut Regional Convention in Stamford and wrote our Statement of Function and Purpose.

We met next after MARLCNA. >From that arose one of our first guidelines—that the NEZF will not meet in conjunction with another event; we would discuss issues in common to the areas and groups and our Regions. The NEZF is comprised of 13 Regions of the Northeast portion of the United States. ABCD, Buckeye, Connecticut, Eastern New York, Greater New York, Mid Atlantic, Mountain Valley, New England, New Jersey, Northern New England, Northern New Jersey, Northern New York, and Western New York, all current and active members and Tri-State is a current in-active member. We meet twice a year for 2 days, once in the winter, usually in January or February, and once in the summer, usually June or July. We meet on weekends, with Orientation on Friday Night, Discussion Topics, on Saturday, and Business Sessions on Sunday usually ending at 12 Noon. We elect our chair and vice chair for one-year terms, and our secretary for two years. These are non-funded positions.

After many painstaking meetings discussing our proposed GUIDELINES, at the meeting in Pittsburgh in June of 2002, we finally took a giant step forward and approved our GUIDELINES. We as a body have decided now that we have them we will use them. When we started, the meetings were hosted by Regions who volunteered to host them mostly in the New Jersey Region, then New York City, upstate New York and Pennsylvania. We now follow our Guidelines and the Alphabetical Rotation to Host. I'm glad to say it is working well and all 14 Regions have hosted the NEZF. Northern New England was the only Region that hadn't hosted, but hosted the NEZF the Summer of 2006 and completed the cycle of all regions hosting the NEZF at least once. We now are leaning to a Consensus Decision making Process. We entertain proposals rather then motions. We discuss World Issues and Hot Topics. We've had the privilege of having World Board Members do a CAR Workshop at our meetings, first at La Guardia in New York, January 2004 and recently at Newark Airport this past January 2006 and in Williamsville New York near Buffalo in January 2008.

We had an ad-hoc committee work on a Power Point Presentation on NA and the Services we provide, which is something that all the members of the (NEZF) are very proud of. We now have an ad-hoc committee in place working on putting together a (ZWW) Zone Wide-Workshop. It's still in the planning stage but as we say in NA, "More Will be Revealed". Our ad-hoc committee on (ZWW) is pointing to possibly Eastern New York in June of 2009 as a possible sight for our first (ZWW). At our last Zonal Forum a Proposal was passed to read our Mission statement before every session that we meet starting in June 2008. We are still in the process of setting up a web-site for our zone and when it gets up and running we will be able to report on it further.

In Loving Service
Jim G Chair

Northeast Zonal Forum
PlainsStates Zonal Forum

Zonal Co Facilitator ................................................................. Reid C
Have you attended a WSC before? ........................................ Yes
Name of Zone ................................................................................ PlainsStates Zonal Forum
How many areas are in the zone? Six
How many groups are in the region? Please refer to regional reports
How many meetings take place each week in the Zone? Please refer to regional reports

Donations and Literature
What was the total amount of money contributed to the zone by regions, areas, groups, and activities in 2007? $340 from Regions $1669 in event fund raising
What were the total annual expenses for your zone in 2007?
$672.06 donation to NAWS $400 in PR efforts
Where do you purchase your literature? Our lit source has been WSO and Regional contributions
How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)? unknown

Your Zonal Service Structure
Does your zone have a zonal office? No
Does your region have a zonal convention? No
If you answered “yes” above, what is the average attendance? ........................................ No
Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of zonal structure? No
If yes, what is the type of legal registration ? n/a
If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? n/a
Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? No
Is your zone insured? No
Has your zone held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? Yes
What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts? Mostly positive reactions, volumes of information and discussion generated
Has your zone participated in any public relations efforts? Yes
What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts? Efforts to develop contacts, a professional looking booth presentation and extended efforts from Zonal members have been widely accepted & appreciated

Does the zone have any type of NA phoneline or a helpline? No
What can you share about your experience with these efforts? n/a
Has your zone hosted CAR workshops? 2006 & 2008 ........................................ n/a
If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? At the workshops yes
Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts? Yes
Has the number of members in your zone been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? Seen as growing
Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your zone over the past conference cycle?

Please share some solutions to challenges your zone has faced since WSC 2006.

*Delivering services to the Regions that are seen as valuable by doing multi state substance abuse conferences and returning to our Regions with volumes of information. (Maybe facilitating Zonal meeting in the different regions to meet those regions needs Aka Nebraska’s need for H&I effects, South Dakota’s native American’s PI effects, and so on.)*

Please share some highlights or successes your zone has experienced since WSC 2006.

*Develop of Policy Guidelines and repeat participation in themed States Gov conference on Substance abuse [http://www.pszfna.org/docs.html](http://www.pszfna.org/docs.html)*

What additional information would you like to share with other conference participants?

*The need for some kind of heads up on PI opportunities (see below)*

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

*Lit making as approved in the 2006 WSC National data base on Conferences in which Regions and/or Zonals can provide PI efforts*

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

*We changed to using an elected RD to act as Zonal Facilitator and those challenges aka discussion about meeting in a hotels attached to casinos as a concern( finding places to meet as a Zone), keeping the Regions on track( discussion can be varied). Taking back information and DTF workshop format from our Zonal has worked very well.*

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The WSZF has been meeting for about the last 17 years with a meeting at the WSC and a discussion forum meeting held in the month of July. It has been a sharing session type meeting with a passion for remaining a non deliberative body. The forum has been using consensus to choose and prioritize the discussion topics.

The WSZF includes the following Regions, Southern California, Arizona, Rio Grande, Pacific Cascade, Sierra Sage, Washington Northern Idaho, Region 51, California Inland, California Midstate, Central California, Northern California, and San Diego Imperial.

A website with our guidelines and past reports can be viewed at www.wszf.org.

Our sharing session in July 2006 was held in Santa Barbra California with topics:
1) Insurance
2) Relationships with treatment centers
3) Incorporation
4) Function of Board of Directors without a Regional Service Office
5) Common Needs
6) Taxation
7) Area Conventions
8) Website Content
9) NA Youth Committees

We also had NAWS Participation with Ron M. WB and Steve R. WSO in attendance. With their guidance we roundtabled discussed the 2006 Issue Discussion Topics.

Our sharing session in 2007 was held in Ontario California with Topics:
1) Sponsorship behind the walls
2) Web based Phonelines
3) Virtual worlds in NA service
4) RD Term Limits
5) Getting more involvement in CAR Workshops
6) Rogue Events
7) Insurance---Insurance across the border
8) Financial Software & Systems for Financial Accountability
9) Attendance & Rotation of Service in Sparse Area’s
10) HRP Lack of responsibility & Accountability
11) Raffles, Solicited donations from outside fellowship
12) Getting Oldtimers back into meetings/service
13) Fund Flow
14) Paid Events & the 7th Tradition
15) Cultural Outreach

In the event, due to the large list of topics, we can not share on them all during our meeting we will hold them over to our next meeting and make a decision at that time whether or not to keep them on the list.

We again had NAWS participation With Ron M. WB and Chris C. WSO in attendance With their guidance at this meeting we workshopped/roundtabled the new Public Relations Handbook and Being an Effective RD/RDA. We found these sessions to be very informative.

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In 2008 we will be meeting the week of the Conference to suggest and prioritize topics for discussion at our regularly scheduled meeting in July. This year our meeting will be held in the Seattle/Renton area of the state of Washington on the 18\textsuperscript{th}, 19\textsuperscript{th}, and 20\textsuperscript{th}.

In Service
Michael M.
RD California Inland Region