

The Broader The Base

THE GREATER
PHILADELPHIA
REGIONAL
CONVENTION OF
NARCOTICS
ANONYMOUS
XI

APRIL 14, 15, 16,
1995
PHILADELPHIA,
PA

The Higher The Point
Of Freedom

Directions to Wyndham Franklin Plaza

From I-95 North or South (Phila. Int'l Airport, Wash., DC)

Follow I-95 to exit 17 (the "676 WEST/CENTRAL PHILADELPHIA" exit). When you get off at that exit follow 676 west to the first exit which is "Broad Street". When you get off at that exit it will merge you onto 15th Street. The first light that you reach is Vine Street. You will then make a right and proceed two blocks to 17th Street and you will make a left. The Hotel is 1 1/2 blocks on your left.

From PA Turnpike West of Philadelphia

Take the turnpike to exit 24 which is the "Valley Forge" exit. When you get off at that exit, take Rt. 76 East to exit 38 which is "676 EAST/CENTRAL PHILADELPHIA" exit. When you get off at that exit stay in the right hand lane and follow the signs for "Broad Street/Central Philadelphia". When you exit the first light is 15th Street. You will then go two blocks to Cherry Street. You will then make a right onto Cherry Street. You will then go one block to 16th Street and make a right. Go 1 1/2 blocks. The Hotel will be on your left.

From the East - NY, NJ

Take the NJ Turnpike to exit 4. When you get off exit 4 you will then take Rt. 73 North to Rt. 38 West. Rt. 38 West will merge into Rt. 30 West. Route 30 West will take you to and over the Benjamin Franklin Bridge. Once you are over the bridge you will merge into Vine Street. Stay in the lanes that are under the sign that reads "611/VINE STREET LOCAL TRAFFIC". Follow Vine Street to 17th

Street. There you will make a left onto 17th Street. Go 1 1/2 blocks the Hotel is on your left.

To Philadelphia International Airport

When you exit from the garage you will be facing 16th Street. You will make a left onto 16th Street. The first light that you reach is Vine Street, make a right and stay to your left, follow the signs for "676 EAST" and "95 SOUTH". Take I-95 South to Philadelphia International Airport



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Greater Philadelphia Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous

April 14th - 15th & 16th, 1995

Wyndham Franklin Plaza Hotel

2 Franklin Plaza (17th & Race Streets)

Philadelphia, PA 19103

ROOMS: \$79.00 per night flat rate.

Call hotel for reservations at (215) 448-2000

To get this special rate please specify N.A. Convention

(Cut off date for Hotel Reservations is March 24, 1995)

For Additional information contact:

Registration: Kenny (215) 424-2979

Program: Neal (215) 389-2805

Convention Info.: Kerry (215) 763-1702

SPEAKERS:

Send a tape to GPRC P.O. Box 14170 Phila., PA 19138 for consideration and specify clean time.

(Cut-off date for accepting tapes will be December 31, 1994)

REGISTRATION FORM

(Please complete a separate form for each person attending.)

March 31, 1995 is the Cut-off date for Pre-Registration

!! EVERYONE MUST BE REGISTERED TO ATTEND CONVENTION !!

"Free Tee-Shirt for the First 100 to pre-register for a full package."

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Registration Date: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Now until March 31, 1995 Full Package cost: \$70

Registration: \$20 _____ Saturday Banquet: \$35 _____ Sunday Brunch \$15 _____ Dances

After March 31, 1995 Full Package cost: \$75

Registration: \$25 _____ Saturday Banquet: \$35 _____ Sunday Brunch \$15 _____ Dances

Registrations received after March 31, 1995 will not be mailed a confirmation notice.

If you have any special needs please specify: _____

Mail check or money order (no cash) payable to:

G.P.R.C.

P.O. Box 14170

Philadelphia, PA 19138

Newcomer Donation: \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

!! WE'RE BACK !!

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"EARLY-BIRD" REGISTRATION FORM

DEADLINE FOR "EARLY-BIRD" REGISTRATION IS **NOVEMBER 30, 1994**

IT'S A MUST TO BEAT THE RUSH

Come out and help us "Plant the Seed of Recovery"

Mail check or money order (no cash) payable to:
G.P.R.C. P.O. Box 14170 Philadelphia, PA 19138

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The Program Committee is accepting tapes from those individuals who would like to be considered to speak at the 11th G.P.R.C.N.A. Tapes can be submitted to Group GSR's, Area Convention Representatives, or by mail with registration.

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(Please place an **X** next to the meeting you wish to be considered.)

Opening Meeting Banquet Meeting Spiritual Meeting: (5yrs.+ Clean Required)
 Workshop Meeting (3yrs +Clean Required) Topic Meeting (2yrs +Clean Required)
 Marathon Meeting (1yr +Clean Required) Please submit this form & tape with Registration.

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Before November 30, 1994 - Registration is only \$10.00 with Full Package.
-Full Package Includes: Registration, Saturday Banquet, Sunday Brunch, & Dances.

Registration. \$10.00 _____ Saturday Banquet Buffet: \$35.00 _____

Sunday Brunch \$15.00 _____ Dances: Fri: **FREE** Sat: **FREE**

Total cost of Full Package for "Early-Bird" Registration: \$60.00

JUST REGISTRATION: \$15.00

!! Does not include Saturday Banquet or Sunday Brunch !!

Registration Only: \$15.00 _____ Newcomer Donation: \$ _____ Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____
THIS FORM IS NOT VALID AFTER NOVEMBER 30, 1994

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GPRCNA XI

April 14, 15, 16, 1995

The 12 Steps Of N.A.

1. We admitted that we were powerless over our addiction, that our lives had become unmanageable.
2. We came to believe that a power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.
3. We made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God *as we understood Him*.
4. We made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.
5. We admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.
6. We were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.
7. We humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.
8. We made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.
9. We made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.
10. We continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.
11. We sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God *as we understood Him*, praying only for the knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.
12. Having had a spiritual awakening as a result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to addicts, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

The 12 Traditions of N.A.

1. Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends on N.A. unity.
2. For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority - a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants, they do not govern.
3. The only requirement for membership is the desire to stop using.
4. Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups and N.A. as a whole.
5. Each group has but one primary purpose - to carry the message to the addict who still suffers.
6. An N.A. group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the N.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property or prestige divert us from our primary purpose.
7. Every N.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.
8. Narcotics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.
9. N.A., as such, ought never be organized, but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.
10. Narcotics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the N.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.
11. Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.
12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.

We would like to welcome you to the 11th Greater Philadelphia Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous. Our theme this year is: "THE BROADER THE BASE, THE HIGHER THE POINT OF FREEDOM". It is derived from our symbol in the Basic Text, which tells us that the base (Goodwill - doing the right thing for the right reasons) and the four pyramid sides (Self, Society, Service and God) all rise to the point of FREEDOM*. The freedoms that our literature talks about are: Freedom from Active Addiction, Freedom to Recover, Freedom of Choice, Freedom to Change, Freedom to Trust, Freedom from the Past, Freedom to Live in the Present, and Freedom from Defects and Shortcomings. These freedoms are achieved by actively participating in the unity expressed in our first Tradition - becoming and staying a part of. It is in the spirit of this unity that we invite you to share with us in this celebration of recovery.

*Page IX, Basic Text, 5th edition

Anonymity Statement

N.A.'s 11th Tradition reads: "Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films." We ask that everyone attending respect our members' anonymity by not using full face photographs, last names, or personal details when describing this meeting to others.

Suggestions

- 1) Reach out and hug each other.
- 2) Allow the flow of recovery to come into you. Go with the flow, and become a vital part of fellowship.
- 3) Reach out to as many of your friends in recovery as possible, especially the ones you haven't met yet. Get their names, addresses, and phone numbers and use them when you get home after the convention.
- 4) Make an effort to get to a service workshop and learn about the spiritual principles in service work.
- 5) Carry the message to the addict still suffering.

Clarity Statement

In Narcotics Anonymous, we are presented with a dilemma. When N.A. members identify themselves as "addicts and alcoholics", "cross-addicted", or talk about living "clean and sober", the clarity of the N.A. message is blurred. To speak in this manner suggests that there are two diseases; that one drug is separate from the rest. Narcotics Anonymous makes no distinction between drugs. Our identification as addicts is all-inclusive, allowing us to concentrate on similarities, not differences.

The above statement is offered in the spirit of N.A. unity. Please remember this request is not made in order to rule, censor, or dictate behavior. We make this request to help provide an atmosphere of recovery, where we can hear the simple, unconfusing, and lifesaving message of Narcotics Anonymous.

Convention Information

Convention committee members will be wearing identifiable ribbons in case you need any assistance. In keeping with our 11th Tradition, we ask that anyone from the press or the media be referred to Convention Information.

GPRCNA XI is a NON-SMOKING convention except in designated rooms. Hotel check-in begins at 3:00 P.M. Friday and check-out is 11:00 A.M. Sunday.

"We are not responsible for our disease, but we are responsible for our recovery." Please be responsible for your conduct and maintain courtesy when dealing with hotel staff and other members of the fellowship.

Hospitality Suite

Friday 3 p.m. - continually to Sunday 12 noon.

Meditation Meeting - Saturday 9:00 a.m. -

Non-smoking room

Coffee

FRANKLIN ROOM

Friday: 3 - 4 p.m.; 5 - 7 p.m.; 10 p.m. to 12 midnight

Saturday: 7 - 10 a.m.; 1 - 3 p.m.; 5 - 7 p.m.;
10 p.m. to 12 midnight

Sunday: 7 a.m. until

Merchandising Information

Friday: 3:00 p.m. to 6:30

9:00 p.m. to 11:30

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

10:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Registration Information

Friday: 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.
9 p.m. to 12 midnight
Saturday: 8 a.m. to 12 noon
1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
10 p.m. to 12 midnight

No registration on Sunday

Clean Time countdown sheet will be in the
Registration Area.

Sign Language Interpretation

The Main meetings will be interpreted in American Sign Language

Legend

(S) = Speaker (T) = Topic (W) = Workshop * = Ticket

Badges must be worn at all times

Entertainment

April 14, 1995 - Friday

CONFERENCE CENTER HALL

10:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	Recovery Play: "Why Are We Here?"
11:10 - 12:10 a.m.	Jazz Band
12:30 a.m. - 1:30 a.m.	Comedy Show
2:00 a.m. - 3:00 a.m.	R&B Band

WYNDHAM BALLROOM *

11:30 p.m. - 3:00 a.m.	Dance
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April 15, 1995 - Saturday

CONFERENCE CENTER HALL

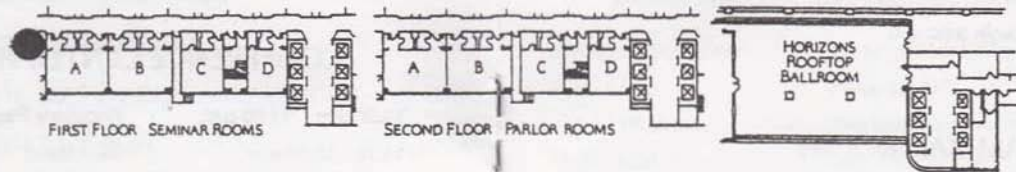
12 noon - 4:00 p.m.	Karaoke Show
10:30 p.m. - 11:30	Fashion Show
12 midnight - 3:00 a.m.	Oldies Dance *

WYNDHAM BALLROOM *

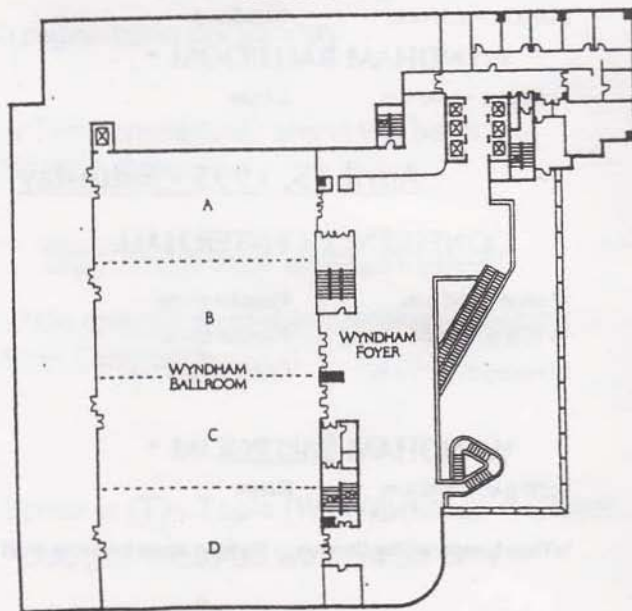
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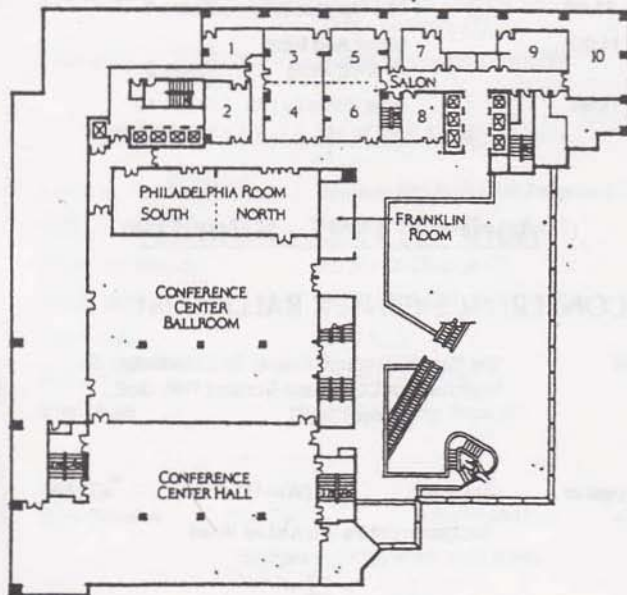
Wyndham Franklin Plaza Hotel



BALLROOM LEVEL



MEZZANINE LEVEL



April 14, 1995 - Friday

PHILADELPHIA NORTH ROOM

Marathon meetings begin 3:00 p.m.

WYNDHAM BALLROOM

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Opening Meeting (S)	Wyndham Ballroom
10:00 - 11:30	The Symbol (W)	Room 4
10:00 - 11:30	Mood And Mind Altering Drug	Room 5
10:00 - 11:30	How It Works (W)	Room 10

April 15, 1995 - Saturday

CONFERENCE CENTER BALLROOM

Midnight	We Sought Through Prayer And Meditation To Improve Our Conscious Contact With God... (Step 11) (S)
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April 15, 1995 - Saturday

CONFERENCE CENTER BALLROOM

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Hope vs. Helplessness (T)
9:30 - 11:00	Basic Text (T)
11:00 - 12:30 p.m.	The Symbol (Spanish) (T)
12:30 - 2:00	Gay And Lesbian (T)
2:00 - 3:30	Am I An Addict? (T)
3:30 - 5:00	Coming Out / Staying Clean (Gay / Lesbian) (T)
5:00 - 6:30	How It Works (Spanish) (T)

PHILADELPHIA ROOM SOUTH

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Spiritual Not Religious Program (T)
9:30 - 11:00	Honesty In Relationships (T)
11:00 - 12:30 p.m.	It's About Change (T)
12:30 - 2:00	Unmanageability (T)
2:00 - 3:30	K.I.S.S. (T)
3:30 - 5:00	A Gift Called Life (T)
5:00 - 6:30	Keep Coming Back (T)

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April 15, 1995 - Saturday

SALON # 3

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Steps 1 - 3 (W)
11:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Steps 4 - 6 (W)
1:00 - 3:00	Steps 7 - 9 (W)
3:00 - 5:00	Steps 10 - 12 (W)
6:30 - 8:00	Beach Ball (T)
10:30 - 11:45	Message Of Hope (T)

SALON # 4

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Don't Pick Up, You Won't Get High (T)
9:30 - 11:00	Experience Not Opinion (T)
11:00 - 12:30 p.m.	Letting Go Of Old Lifestyles (T)
12:30 - 2:00	Obsession And Compulsion Without Drugs (T)
2:00 - 3:30	Gratitude (T)
3:30 - 5:00	ASR And GSR (T)
5:00 - 6:30	Relationships Learn To Trust (T)
6:30 - 8:00	Ask It Basket (T)
10:30 - 11:45	We Do Recover (T)

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April 15, 1995 - Saturday

SALON #5

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Acceptance... (T)
9:30 - 11:00	Reaching Out To The Newcomer (T)
11:00 - 12:30 p.m.	Avoiding Responsibility (T)
12:30 - 2:00	Another Look (T)
2:00 - 3:30	Meeting Makers Make It (T)
3:30 - 5:00	Using In Recovery (T)
5:00 - 6:30	Self-Centered vs. God Centered (T)
6:30 - 8:00	Where Am I At Today (T)
10:30 - 11:45	Speaker Discussion (T)

SALON # 6

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Sick As Our Secrets (T)
9:30 - 11:00	Importance Of A Home Group (T)
11:00 - 12:30 p.m.	Living In The Solutions (T)
12:30 - 2:00	Our Primary Purpose (T)
2:00 - 3:30	Changing From Fatally Hip And Cool (T)
3:30 - 5:00	I Found A Home (T)
5:00 - 6:30	Benefits Of The Steps (T)
6:30 - 8:00	Riding Out The Storm (T)
10:30 - 11:45	Intolerance Toward Spiritual Principles (T)

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April 15, 1995 - Saturday

SALON #10

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Concepts 1 - 6 (W)
11:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Concepts 7 - 12 (W)
1:00 - 3:00	Hospitals And Institutions (W)
3:00 - 5:00	Public Information / Phone Lines (W)
5:00 - 6:30	Unity (Subcommittee) (T)

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April 15, 1995 - Saturday

WYNDHAM BALLROOM A

7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Importance Of Vigilance (W)
9:00 - 11:00	N.A. Unity (W)
11:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Indifference / Intolerance (W)
1:00 - 3:00	Staying Clean On The Outside (W)

WYNDHAM BALLROOM B

7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	History Of N.A. (W)
9:00am - 11:00	It Works- How And Why (The Book) (W)
11:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Parenthood And Recovery (W)
1:00 - 3:00	Jails, Institutions And Death (W)

WYNDHAM BALLROOM C

7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Traditions 1 - 3 (W)
9:00 - 11:00	Traditions 4 - 6 (W)
11:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Traditions 7 - 9 (W)
1:00 - 3:00	Traditions 10-12 (W)

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April 15, 1995 - Saturday

WYNDHAM BALLROOM D

7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	HIV (W)
9:00 - 11:00	Illness In Recovery (W)
11:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Living With Mental Illness (W)
1:00 - 3:00	Recovering With AIDS (W)

WYNDHAM BALLROOM

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	BANQUET *
8:00 - 10:00	Banquet Speaker Meeting (S)

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April 16, 1995 - Sunday

7:00 am - 12:00 (Noon)

Spiritual Breakfast (S)

Brunch *

Wyndham Ballroom

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The 12 Concepts of N.A. Service

1. To fulfill our fellowship's primary purpose, the N.A. groups have joined together to create a structure which develops, coordinates, and maintains services on behalf of N.A. as a whole.
2. The final responsibility and authority for N.A. services rests with the N.A. groups.
3. The N.A. groups delegate to the service structure the authority necessary to fulfill the responsibilities assigned to it.
4. Effective leadership is highly valued in Narcotics Anonymous. Leadership qualities should be carefully considered when selecting trusted servants.
5. For each responsibility assigned to the service structure, a single point of decision and accountability should be clearly defined.
6. Group conscience is the spiritual means by which we invite a loving God to influence our decisions.
7. All members of a service body bear substantial responsibility for that body's decisions and should be allowed to fully participate in its decision-making process.
8. Our service structure depends on the integrity and effectiveness of our communications.
9. All elements of our service structure have the responsibility to carefully consider all viewpoints in their decision-making processes.
10. Any member of a service body can petition that body for the redress of a personal grievance, without fear of reprisal.
11. N.A. funds are to be used to further our primary purpose, and must be managed responsibly.
12. In keeping with the spiritual nature of Narcotics Anonymous, our structure should always be one of service, never of government.

Just For Today

Tell yourself:

Just for today my thoughts will be on my recovery, living and enjoying life without the use of drugs.

Just for today I will have faith in someone in N.A. who believes in me and wants to help me in my recovery.

Just for Today I will have a program. I will try to follow it to the best of my ability.

Just for today through N.A. I will try get a better perspective on my life.

Just for today I will be unafraid, my thoughts will be on my new associations, people who are not using and who have found a new way of life. So long as I follow that way, I have nothing to fear.

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For our eleventh convention

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Because ...

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PROGRAM CHAIR: Neal (215) 389-2805

GENERAL CHAIRPERSON: Diane (215) 457-9613

INFORMATION CHAIR: Kerry (215) 763-1702

CONVENTION INFORMATION COMMITTEE

**Needs Your
Support**

G.P.R.C.N.A.

We meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday
of the month at
5th and Allegeny
7:00pm

COME OUT AND GET INVOLVED
For more information contact,
Kerry 763-1702

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JAZZ SHOW

FASHION SHOW

SPLASH PARTY

DANCING

RECOVERY PLAY

COMEDIAN

* MARATHON MEETINGS * FELLOWSHIP * UNITY *

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WANTED!



Huggers and Greeters!!

The Hospitality Committee for
the
G.P.R.C.N.A.
Needs You!!

Our Meetings are the 2nd & 4th
Tuesday of the month at 5th
& Alleghany Ave Rec Center
7:00pm

Sometimes a simple hug is all we
need!!!!



Contact Joyce 227-7944

Lyn 424-0765 Regina 226-5644