



August 30, 1984

Dear Fellowship,

It was this committee's group conscience that we could not segregate or discriminate by condemning or condoning the requests for various special interest meetings. We could not come to a fair conclusion. We would either have to accept all, some, or none of these requests. Therefore, it was our decision to eliminate special interest meetings from WCNA-14 altogether.

If we were to honor all requests, would we be condoning the segregation of addicts from one another? If we were to honor some requests, would we be discriminating against those which we did not honor? Where are we supposed to draw the line on special interest meetings? Does there need to be a line drawn?

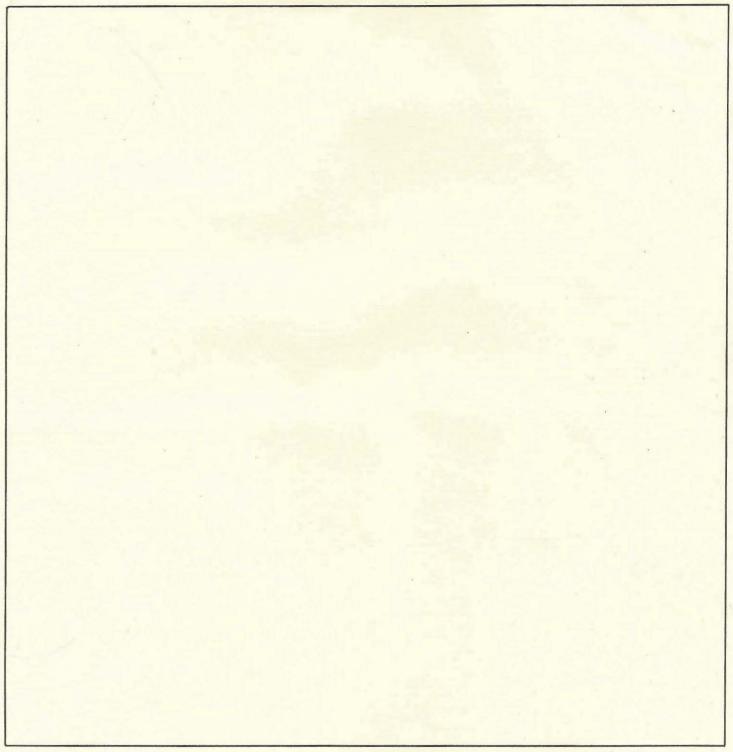
Which, if any, special interest groups are acceptable? Why? Are we dealing with right or wrong? If so, should we be the ones to pass judgement?

These are a few of the questions to which we had no answers. We had no direction from W.S.C. other than that it was our decision to make. We didn't feel qualified to make a judgement on behalf of N.A. as a whole. We felt that any decisions, pro or con, regarding any particular special interest meeting or meetings would have been judgemental. Ultimately, after a great deal of controversy, we came to the conclusion that no special interest meetings meant no judgements.

One thing is certain: we are all addicts coming to N.A. seeking recovery from addiction. This is our common bond.

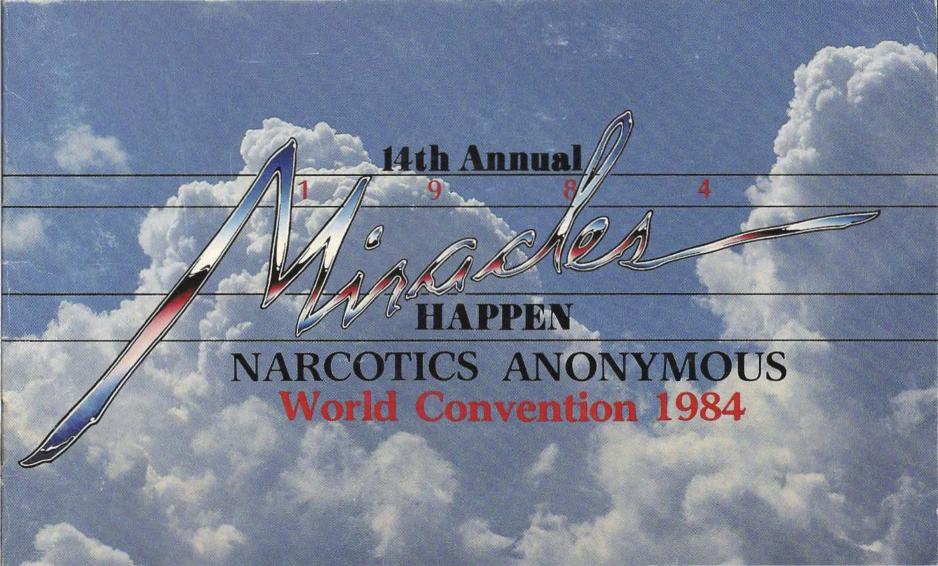
Yours in the Miracle of Recovery, Convention Committee for WCNA-14

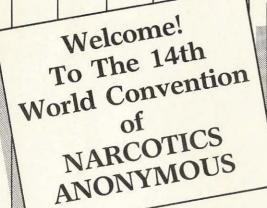
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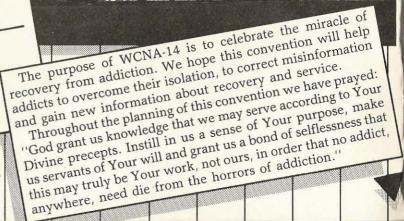
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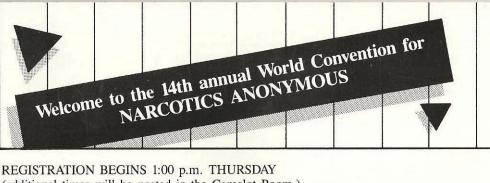




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(additional times will be posted in the Camelot Room.)

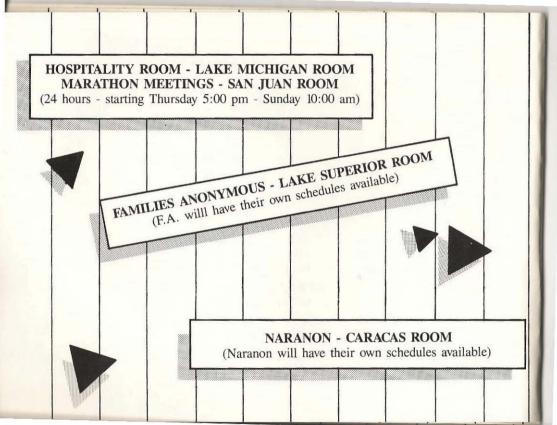
If you have come to share meeting lists, announcements, flyers or whatever, please take these to the Hospitality Room.

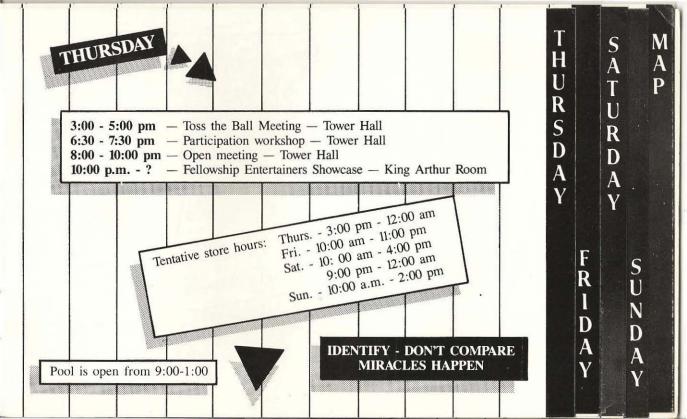
The hotel security will not allow the sale of any merchandise (i.e. T-shirts, medallions, etc.) except for WCNA#14 merchandise in the Camelot Room, during store hours.

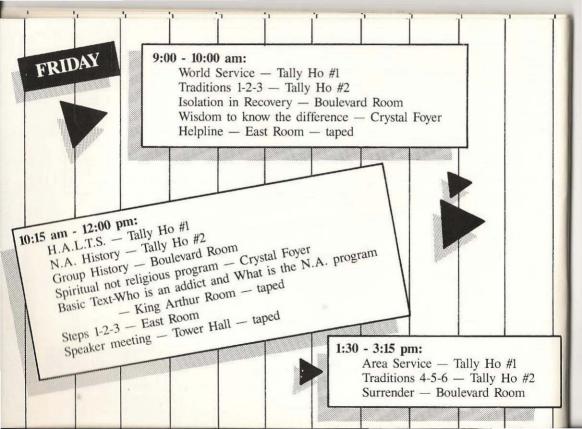
Name tags must be worn for admittance to all WCNA#14 functions. If you need assistance, come to the Camelot Room and ask for a committee member.

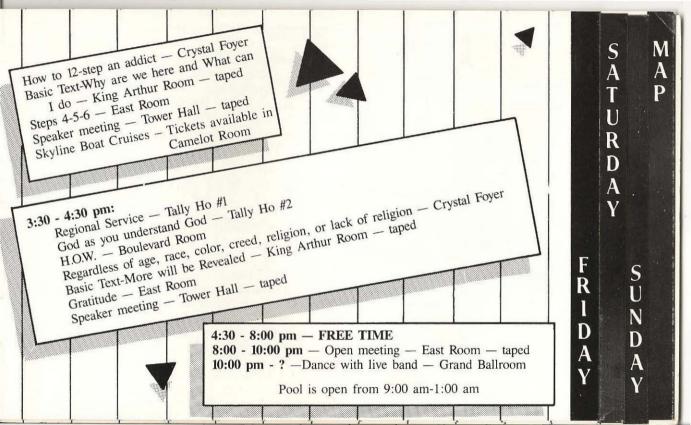
The Camelot Room will have the Program Committee, registration, store, Bid Committee tables, bulletin board & literature.

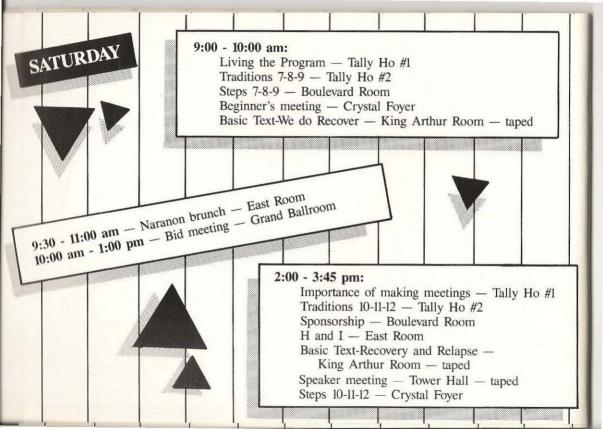
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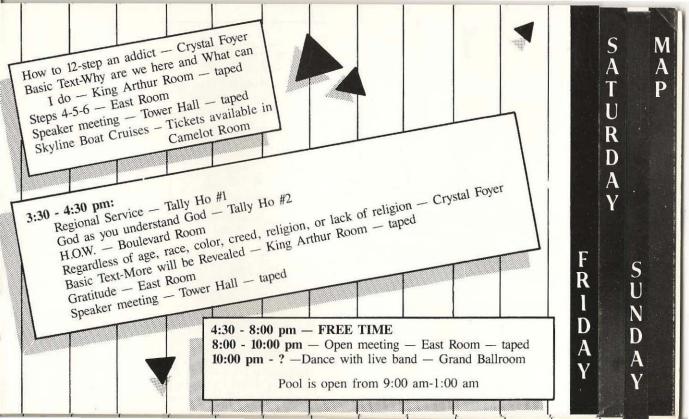


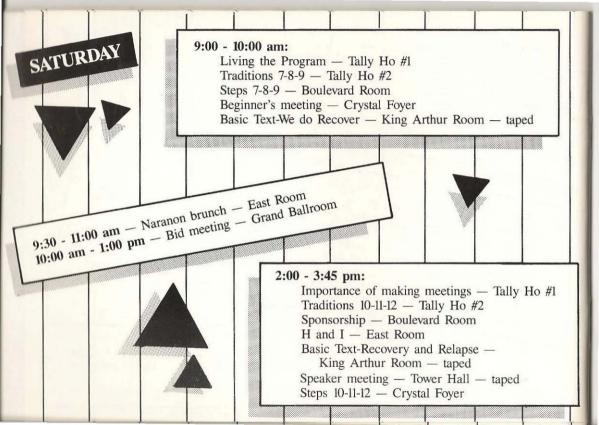


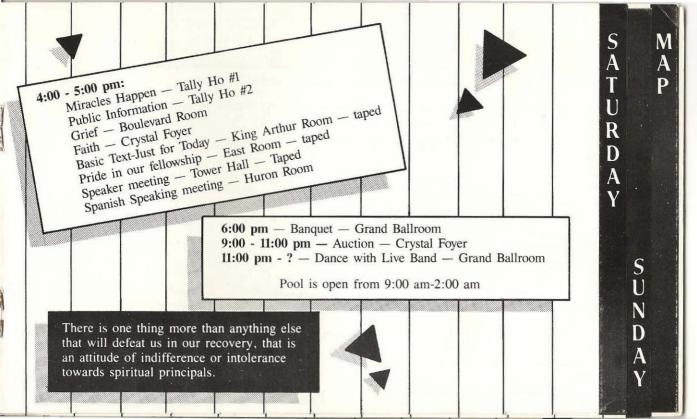


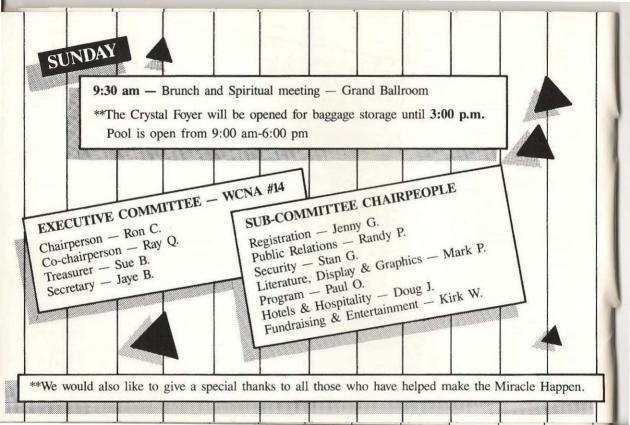


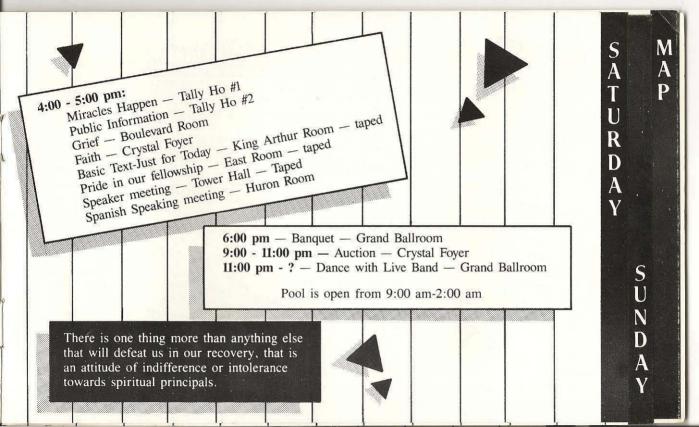


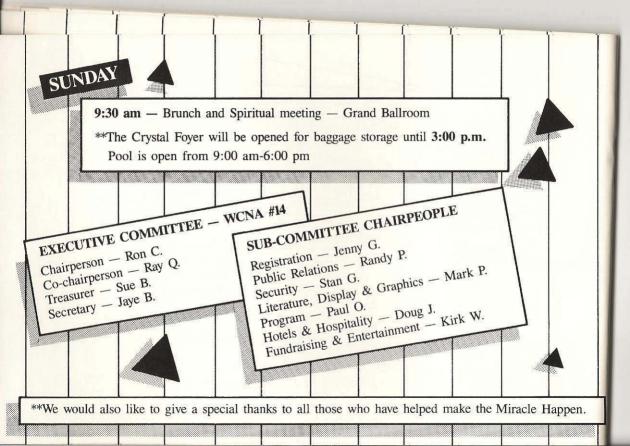












## THE TWELVE TRADITIONS OF N.A.

We keep what we have only with vigilance and just as freedom for the individual comes from the Twelve Steps so freedom for the groups springs from our traditions.

As long as the ties that bind us together are stronger than those that would tear us apart, all will be well.

- 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 10. but trusted servants, they do not govern.
- 3. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop using.
- 4. Each Group should be autonomous, except in matters affecting other Groups, or N.A. as a whole.
- 5. Each Group has but one primary purpose to carry the message to the addict who still suffers.
- An N.A. Group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the N.A. name to any related facility or out-

- side 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.
- N.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create special boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.
- N.A. has no opinion on outside issues; hence the N.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.
- 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.

## JUST FOR TODAY

Tell yourself -

JUST FOR TODAY my thoughts will be on my recovery, living and enjoying life without the use of drugs.

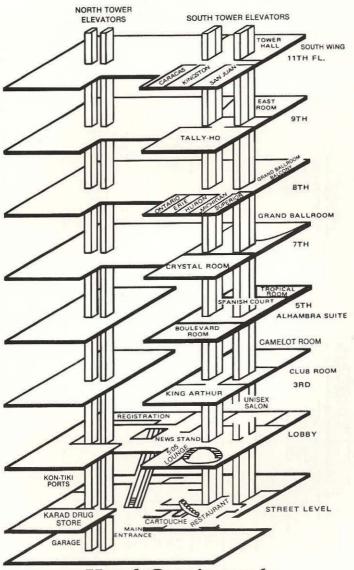
JUST FOR TODAY I will have faith in someone in N.A. WHO BELIEVES IN ME AND WANTS TO HELP ME IN MY RECOVERY.

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 to 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 else to fear.

## notes:



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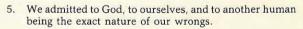
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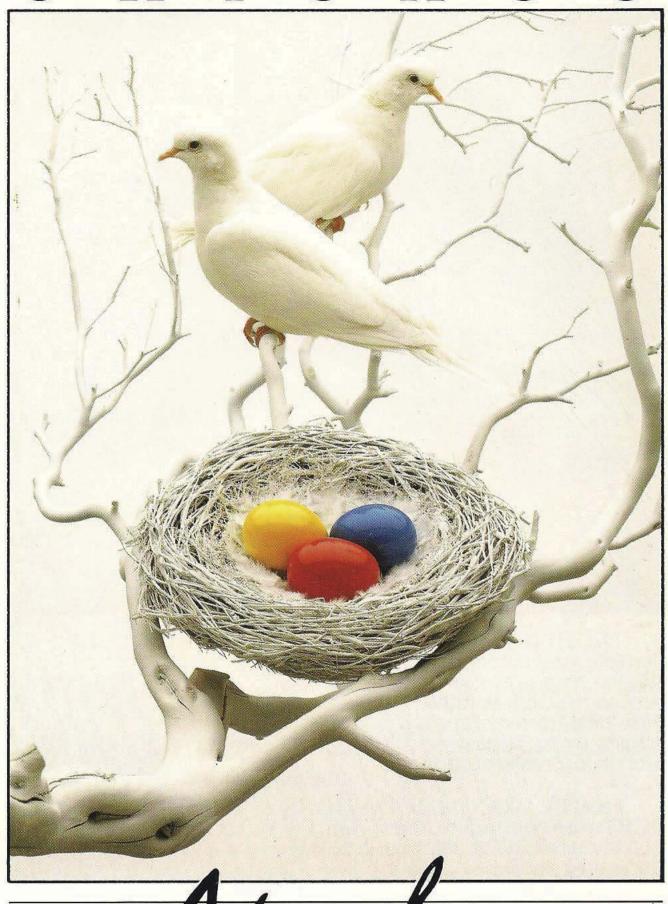
If you want what we have to offer, and are willing to make the effort to get it, then you are ready to take certain steps. These are suggested only, but they are the principles that made our recovery possible.

- We admitted that we were powerless over our addiction, that our lives had become unmanageable.
- We came to believe that a power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.
- We made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.
- We made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.



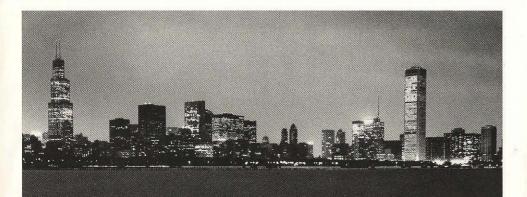
- We were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.
- 7. We humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.
- We made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.
- 9. We made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.
- We continued to take personal inventory, and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.
- We sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God, as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us, and the power to carry that out.
- 12. Having had a spiritual awakening as a result of those steps, we tried to carry this message to addicts and practice these principles in all our affairs.

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## Share in the experience of WCNA 14 "MIRACLES HAPPEN"

The 14th Annual World Convention for Narcotics Anonymous

"So won't you please come to Chicago for the help that We can bring"\*

Labor Day Weekend AUGUST 30-SEPT. 2, 1984

at

#### THE HOTEL CONTINENTAL

Near the lakefront, along the Gold Coast

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#### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CONVENTION INCLUDE:

Fun-Fellowship-Recovery
24-Hour Hospitality Room
Around the Clock Marathon Meetings
First Rate Accommodations
Elegant Dining-Banquet
Workshops-Speakers-Dancing

#### HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS & RESERVATIONS

Please make reservations directly with the Hotel Continental 505 No. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60611

Prices are reasonable:

Single Occupancy . . . . . \$35 Extra bed per room . . . . . \$10 Double Occupancy . . . . . \$35 plus 10.1% tax

Be sure you clearly identify yourself as attending WCNA-14, in order to guarantee receiving convention rates. Convention hotel rates are available 2 days prior to and after the convention.

Payment for rooms due upon check-in.

We need help. In order to determine our needs for banquet and room accommodations, please fill out the form below and return them to us by July 30.

—Detach and mail with payment—DO NOT MAIL CASH—

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#### SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

If you are physically limited in any way (blind, deaf, wheelchair bound, etc.) and need special accommodations, please advise:

Registration Chairman

WCNA-14 1744 W. Devon Box 24 Chicago, IL 60660 30 days in advance

#### FAMILIES ANONYMOUS AND NARANON

Both fellowships will be represented at the conventions. Specific details on events and schedules will be forthcoming.

#### PRESS & PROFESSIONALS

If you are a member of the press or work in the field of addiction as a professional or para professional (and are not a member of N.A.) please advise:

Public Relations Chairman WCNA-14 1744 W. Devon Box 24 Chicago, IL 60660

#### TRAVEL INFORMATION

#### AIR TRAVEL

Chicago is serviced by 2 major airports, O'Hare and Midway. Bus transportation from O'Hare via Continental Air Transport is \$6.00 one way, \$11.00 round trip. From Midway, bus service via Continental Air Transport is \$5.00 one way, \$9.00 round trip. Cab service from O'Hare to the Hotel Continental is approximately \$18.00 and from Midway is approximately \$14.00. Public transportation from both airports is available. For information call (312) 836-7000.

#### RAIL TRAVEL

Chicago is serviced by Union Station. There are rail connections for all rail served points in the U.S. and Canada.

#### PRIVATE AUTO

If you plan to drive, parking is \$3.75 per day.

If you have any questions regarding travel or if you need to make arrangements for travel from the airports/trains, or if you just can't or don't feel like figuring out the above information contact:

Hotels and Hospitality Chairman WCNA-14 1744 W. Devon Box 24 Chicago, IL 60660

## SERVICE MEETINGS AT WONA-14 THURSDAY

2 pm - 5 pm W.S.C. POLICY SUB-COMMITTEE - TROACAL ROOM

## FRIDAY

HAM-IPM W.S.C. FWANCE SUB-COMMITTEE - TROACAL ROOM
HAM-IPM OPPERTUNITY TO READ 3 PLECES OF LAKE HURON
NEW REVIEW LITERATURE
HORON-IPM NARANON LITERATURE WORKSHOP-LAKE MICHIGAN
IPM-3PM W.S.C. ADMINISTRATIVE COMM. - TROPICAL ROOM
3PM-5PM W.S.C. INTERNATIONAL SUB-COMM. - LAKE HURON
IPM-6PM MEETING OF BID CITIES WITH WCNA-14 - TROACAL ROOM

### SATURDAY

DAM-IPM LITERATURE WORKSHOP FOR \_ TROPICAL ROOM
"JUST FOR TOOMY" DAILY BOOK

DAM- 4PM W.S.C. H. & I. SUB-COMM - TROPICAL ROOM

DAM- 3PM W.S.C. CONVENTION COMMITTEE - LAKE MICHIGAN

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