

## **HISTORY OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS IN PHILADELPHIA AND PENNSYLVANIA**

**This is a book about a vision, a plan, and a program for people with the disease of addiction.**

### **The Birth of Narcotics Anonymous in Philadelphia and Pennsylvania**

**It's founders; it's trusted servants and all the decisions, commitments and responsibilities that addicts took on while maintaining a drug free lifestyle. This book is about the dedication to make this a worldwide fellowship known as:**

**"NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS"**

**It is dedicated to all the addicts who died from the disease of addiction  
May you rest in peace!**

**Roy P. was born April 14, 1949; He was raised in California. His father was a Doctor and a drug addict; he died in 1981 from drugs. His dad was in and out of trouble because of his profession. Roy's father kept boxes and boxes of samples of all different drugs in the closet. It was 1964 and Roy was studying for finales for school, his dad gave him a bottle of Benzedrine. He was only 15 years old, Roy took it and man that is what he was looking for, and it made him feel great! He had tremendous amounts of energy to study his schoolwork. From this point on, he was always in trouble in school. He was known as a discipline problem. He had access to all sorts of drugs; they were all over the house. He became a drug addict.**

**They lived in San Mateo one county down from San Francisco. Roy was attracted to bikers and hippies; he would steal his father's drugs and trade them for street drugs. These were the real hippie days Haiti Asbury and long hair. Between his looks and how high he would be, he was thrown out of different restaurants. After using all kinds of drugs for approximately three years, Roy was experiencing a lot of pain and emptiness he took more drugs so, not to feel the pain. Roy was shooting LSD and flipped out he collapsed and had a brake down. He withdrew from people and was acting very strange for about 8-9 months.**

**In 1967 his parents were scared for his life, they had him court committed and took him to a private mental hospital in Santa Monica, California. He was escorted into the hospital he was a skinny ass speed freak. The hospital was filled with drug addicts and burnouts. He was in a straight jacket and shackled to the bed. Roy was lying there hopeless and for the first time in a long time, he thought about GOD. He asks what he had done to be like this. One positive thing did happen while Roy was here an A.A. guy that slipped was also at the hospital. He told Roy all about Alcoholics Anonymous A couple months later Roy's mom came to visit him; he pleaded, begged, and convinces his mom to take him home with her. This was entirely against medical advice (AMA) the Psychiatrist explained to his mother that he just was not ready yet. The Psychiatrist was right Roy got loaded the night he got out of the hospital only to make matters worse. Roy had a convulsion (Grandma Seizure) that was Roy's bottom at that time. Roy had mention to his**

mom about what that guy had said to him about the A.A. meetings. He explained that the man really said, "it works" I would like to try these meetings for myself, but where are they? Roy's parents had a friend that they knew that went to A.A. his name was Bob L. They called him on the phone and explained Roy's situation. Like a good A.A. member Bob was there on another twelve-step call. Bob was sober in A.A. for over 20 years and it showed. He was a Jazz musician. Bob knew where all the meetings were.

In the summer of 1968 Bob took Roy to his first A.A. meeting in Palm Springs, California. Roy felt very uncomfortable everyone was older; they treated him like a little kid. Roy was 19 years old at the time. They were in there 30's and 40's. However, Roy really did not want to die he knew it was life or death so he continued to make A.A. meetings. His mother could not handle the insanity any more between Roy's and her husbands using drugs she moved back to Philadelphia where she was from. She lived in the Frankford section of Philadelphia on Overington Street. Roy continued to live with his father in California, but he knew in his heart that if he would stay there he would die. Roy made the phone call to dear old mom and next thing he knew he was on a plane to Philadelphia. Roy had a way with his mom plus he was a very good talker. Roy did what he knew to stay sober he made A.A. meetings right here in Philly. He attended a Glenside A.A. meeting in Montgomery County, PA. And met this woman named Annette. He engaged in a conversation with her and the truth just flew off the tip of his tongue. He explained that A.A. made him feel uncomfortable with everyone being older and him being a drug addict and all. She told Roy about this meeting in Philadelphia called Young Men's Club; she took Roy's phone number and had this guy call him named Dick F. Dick drove to his house picked him up and off to Young Men's they went. Roy walked in a little apprehensive not knowing what to expect.

They were Roofers and Criminals and they even did drugs he fit in somewhat here. He felt a little more comfortable than in those other meetings. Roy was getting his life together and started missing his father; he went back out to California for a visit. While there he called his old friend Bob L., he told him about the trouble back home feeling out of place. He told him about Young Men's that he fit in best there. Bob told Roy about this Alcoholics Anonymous Regional Convention in California and invited him to go. Roy went with Bob and it was the right decision, it was the spring of 1969. It was there that Bob introduced Roy to a man and woman who had this Little White Book it was called NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS. It had the letters N.A. on it inside two circles on the front cover (Circa mid to late 60's) It also had two addresses on it. Roy had his regular conversation about not fitting in A.A. and that he was going back to Philadelphia. These two N.A. members gave Roy 1 or two of these pamphlets and said, "This program is for drug addicts, Welcome". They also asked him to go start some meetings. They understood that young people were not treated right. He could tell they knew what they were talking about when they said, "Alcoholics think that our drug problem isn't as bad as their problem." Roy stayed at the convention and hung out with these two recovering drug addicts and Bob for next two days. He picked their brains about all that they knew about N.A.

Roy was excited about getting home and starting a N.A. meeting. Finally, he got his flight back to Philadelphia and boy what a flight it was. Imagine a meeting

for drug addicts. When he arrived, he called Dick F. he ran down his whole experience he had at that A.A. Convention. About the two addicts he had met and how cool they were, they really understood me. They gave me these N.A. books and told me to start meetings here. The next day Roy met Dick and showed him the books. Dick knew a member of Young Men's Group that was a printer. Roy and Dick both put up money and had 1000 books printed. Dick worked at Eagleville Hospital as a counselor; he put in a request for Roy to start a N.A. meeting at Eagleville. The Hospital was opened in 1909 originally for (TB) Tuberculosis it was called The Philadelphia Jewish Sanatorium for Consumptives. Years had gone by than on July 28, 1965 it started treating men who were suffering from Alcoholism. The sanatorium officially changed its name to Eagleville Hospital and Rehabilitation Center. In 1968, Eagleville pioneers a new approach to addiction treatment and begins treating drugs as well as alcohol addiction. Even though it had been treating drug addicts it was reluctant to let Roy start the meeting. With our Ultimate Authorities Love Eagleville finally gave Roy the OK to start the meeting it was the summer of 1969.

Roy was in the Elevators Union and he remembers the first drug addict that attended the meeting. He was a Jewish fellow from Mt. Airy, shortly after that, the meeting was getting 10 to 12 people coming. Six or seven months into it, Roy started using again, it was early 1970. Roy does not exactly know what happened to the meeting for sure but he thinks it folded soon after he left. Roy returned to meetings in 1972 and the meeting was there at Eagleville. Roy was in and out of the meetings and finally in 1973 he stopped using. He met these two brothers Mike and Danny S. they took Roy under their wing. They were from the Logan section of Philadelphia They took Roy to A.A. meetings and started the first N.A. meeting in Philadelphia 13th and Ruscomb Streets. They had meetings between just the three of them. They held meetings at the Mike and Danny's parent's house. Roy relapsed again and lost everything, his Porsche got re-possessed.

September 1970 Dick F. moved to upstate Pennsylvania. He was involved in starting a new drug and alcohol treatment facility known as White Deer Run, located in Allenwood Pa. Approximately 1971 four men went to White Deer Run at Dicks request to start NA meetings in the facility and the surrounding neighborhood, mission accomplished. At a later date guys who knew Dick from Young Men's traveled to Dicks house to throw him a ceremony party to celebrate Dick helping his first Drug addict, Roy P. He attended with several other people. Many addicts were a great inspiration to NA. Roy's question was how it worked with all the drug talk. However, it did. "I don't know how people stayed clean" Roy said, "Meetings were like organized insanity". AA guys would come to NA just to hit on the NA women. Roy remembers an informal NA meeting at Holy Child Church; they went through the formats and everything. Roy was still having a tough time staying clean. He came back to meetings again and made the Levittown meeting there were fifteen people there. Then he went to the Springfield meeting they had 25-30 addicts there. On a Sunday, Roy stopped by the Norristown meeting there were 30-40- addicts in attendance. Roy noticed that Narcotics Anonymous was growing. He knew when people were discharged from Eagleville Hospital they went

to a halfway house located in Norristown. They were sent to NA meetings as a condition to reside in the house.

## **NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS WAS GROWING IN PENNSYLVANIA**

### **1969**

Roy P. brought white book back from Santa Monica, California. Eagleville Hospital gave Roy permission to start NA meeting summer of 1969. Dick F. a counselor at Eagleville was instrumental in helping Roy start the meeting. Eagleville Hospital was the first H & I meeting.

### **1970**

**January 1, 1970 Joe K. Clean date and still clean today.**

Several men were treated at Eagleville Hospital for their addiction. These same men started Narcotics Anonymous meetings all over Pennsylvania. Dick F. left employment at Eagleville Hospital to help start a treatment facility called White Deer Run located in Allenwood, Pa.

### **1971**

**February 1, 1971 Rich M. Clean date and still clean today.**

**April 8, 1971 Ralph S. Clean date and still clean today.**

**July 1971 Bob Mc K. Clean date and still clean today.**

Boulevard Group was started at the First Christian Church of Christ 10th and Roosevelt Blvd. Philadelphia Pa. This was the first meeting in Philadelphia. Four men traveled to White Deer Run at the request of Dick F. to aid in starting N.A. meetings in the area and at the treatment facility. White Deer Run was the second H & I meeting the members were Bob K., Ronnie M., Dutch H., and Brian T. This meeting was recorded on tape. The White Deer Run Meeting was stopped because Dick insisted on taking "urines" and the addicts had to pay for them out of their own pockets. As a result the addicts got angry and the meeting was stopped.

An N.A. Meeting was started at Eagleville Outpatient in Norristown.

### **1972**

The Lewisburg group was organized on January 24, 1972 in Lewisburg Pa. Williamsport group hosted its first meeting on September 22, 1972. When the group was formed, five addicts had been clean for more than one year. Eagleville Outpatient N.A. meeting moved to St. Augustine Church Green & Basin Sts. Norristown, PA. Tuesday Night 8:30 this meeting was Co-Founded by Bob McK. and Rich M.

Norristown meeting was under surveillance at this time there was two cops when you went in the meeting and two cops when you left. One evening there was a knock at the door it was two cops, they had this guy they pushed him into the meeting and said we're tired of arresting this guy see what you can do to help him. The guy stayed clean for a few months and the cops did not come back.

**April 15, 1972 Ray T. Clean date and still clean today**

**JUNE 20,1972**

**Announcement: Help Instruct Prevent in Drugs "Narcotics Anonymous Meeting" Thursday Nights 7216 West Chester Pike Upper Darby, Pa. 8:30pm' till 9:30pm In Upper Darby Phone: 734-1155**

**"Narcotics Anonymous Meeting" Haverford State Hospital Narcotics Anonymous Tuesday Nights Main Building #4 Room 112 8:30pm' till 9:30pm**

**November 23, 1972 Bill B. Clean date and still clean today**

Ray T. came to N.A. to help his brother get off drugs Ray did not think he had that bad of a problem because he did not shoot drugs Brian did. Ray realized he was an addict just like his brother

**December 30, 1972 Dutch H. Clean date and still clean today**

**Meeting List of NA in the USA for Pennsylvania 1972**

**Printed by the World Service Office.**

**1. Thomas C. D. Social Service Dept.  
Eagleville Hosp. & Rehab. Ctr.  
P.O. Box 45  
Eagleville, PA. 19408**

**2. Church of the Redeemer  
P.O. Box B.B.  
Springfield, PA. 19089**

**3. Gerold O. T.  
Box 792  
State College, PA. 16801**

**4. 4/20/72  
Robert Y.  
H.I.P.I.D. NA  
Box 448  
Upper Darby, PA. 19082**

5. 4/22/72

Leonard J.  
220 Halley St.  
Erie, PA. 16511

6. Robert J. K.

63 Phoenixville Pike  
Exton, PA. 19341

## 1973

### **JANUARY 9, 1973**

**Inmates Ask Drug Program Data; Meeting Set Up With Prisoners. Some inmates at Chester County Farms have shown an interest in Narcotics Anonymous. How do they get in touch with the group? - J. M. West Chester, PA Call - 276 2703. The 20-member-group of ex-addicts meets nightly throughout Philadelphia area. Anyone with drug problem can call any time, day or night. Headquarters are: Narcotics Anonymous, World Service Office, 2335 Crenshaw blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. 90016. Joe M. who was a prison guard at Chester County Farms. Ronnie M. was the first 12-step call from the HOTLINE # they went to 5th & Reed, St. Luke's 3rd floor to get him. He was crazy crawling around under the table, once they told him they were addicts that could help him, he got right up off the floor and sat at the table with undivided attention. He acted like he wasn't even crazy any more.**

**Chester Co. Farms became the first H & I meeting in Pennsylvania and the East Coast**

**The phone number 276-2703 Became Philadelphia Inter-groups first phone line service. The phone line was connected at Brian T. house Phila, PA. For the first couple of years. Located at Frankford Ave. & Belgrade on Belgrade.**

### **NA Inter-group**

**Feb. 4, 1973 Sunday First Meeting of NA Inter-group**

**Ray T. was elected Chairman - Rich M. was elected Treasurer - Charlie F. was elected Secretary**

**We will try to elect one officer from each area. Officers will hold office for 3 months.**

**All groups are to ask for speakers for Chester County Farms**

**Maureen M., Jim B. and Mike S. will compose a letter for N.A.**

**World Services to make them aware of what we are doing. The letter will be presented at the next meeting.**

**March 4, 1973 N.A. Inter-group Sunday**

**First Meeting List and phone list was presented and OK**

**Letter to California Presented and OK**

**Rich M. will make copies of the NA flyers 300 copies.**

**Ray M. will make copies of meeting list and N.A. letters 300 copies**

**Contact has been made with G.S.O. at White Deer Run**

**Ray T. is working on T.V. spot announcement for NA.**

**Addicts on Methadone programs are welcome at our meetings**

**Each group may chose to financially support World Services**

**A postscript was added to the letter to World Services inquiring about the function of World Services. We are sending the N.A. card for approval.**

**April 1, 1973 N.A. Inter-group Sunday**

**Ray T. read some of the new letter from California.**

**It was proposed that we follow the G.S.O. structure.**

**April 15, 1973 N.A. Inter-group Special Meeting**

**Proposed Draft By-Laws of the Inter-group of NA of Middle Atlantic States.**

**ELECTIONS: Ray T. was elected Chairman, Charlie F. was elected Secretary, Eddie C. was elected Treasurer, Bob K. was elected Co-Chair, Rich M. was elected Head of Literature committee**

**By-Laws of G.S.O. were received & adopted to meet our needs.**

**The N.A. By-laws will be sent to each group by the secretary for the next meeting of Inter-group 4 copies**

**May 6, 1973 the date these people were recognized was**

**First Official Members of Inter-group.**

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|------------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1. Charlie F.    | 4. Brian T. | 7. Jim B. |
| 2. Maureen Mc G. | 5. Ray M.   | 8. Ray T. |
| 3. Roy P.        | 6. Rich M.  | 9. Bob K. |

**Each Inter-group meeting will open with the 12 Traditions.**

**NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS MEETING LIST AUGUST 5, 1973**

**SUNDAY NIGHT - 8:00 - Doylestown Group 31 Ashland St. Doylestown, PA.**

**TUESDAY NIGHT - 8:30 -- St. Augustine Church Green & Basin Sts. Norristown, PA.**

**TUESDAY - 8:30 - Muhlenberg Lutheran Church 13th & Ruscomb St. Philadelphia, PA. (1st Tuesday of month is an open meeting)**

**TUESDAY - 8:00 - Lewisburg Group third St. St. Lewis Church Lewisburg, PA.  
- 322-9616**

**WEDNESDAY - 8:30 - St. Emmanuel Lutheran Church Hanover & Walnut St. Pottstown, PA. (Last Wednesday of month - open)**

**THURSDAY NIGHT** - 7:00 - Friends Hospital Adams Ave. & Roosevelt Blvd.  
Philadelphia,  
PA. (All meetings open)

**THURSDAY** - 8:30 - Collegeville Group St. James Episcopal Church Rt. 422 &  
Evansburg, PA. (Last Thursday - open meeting)

**FRIDAY NIGHT** - 8:30 - First Christian Church 10th & Boulevard  
Philadelphia, PA.

**FRIDAY NIGHT** - 6:30 - Divine Province Group Crampian Blvd. Williamsport,  
PA. - 322-9616

**May 6, 1973 N.A. Inter-group Meeting**  
Chairman of N.A. will call W.S.O.  
Recognized Collegeville N.A. for Delegates  
Bill B. and Rich M. Co-Founded Collegeville. Thursday night 8:30  
Table: Urinalis at Williamsport & Lewisburg

**June 2, 1973 N.A. Inter-group Meeting**  
Get together all questions for G.S.O. and write letter  
Get vote from groups about Lewisburg & Williamsport  
Each Inter-group meeting will open with the 12 traditions

**July 1, 1973 N.A. Inter-group Lewisburg (N.A. Round-up)**  
Question of urinalysis at Lewisburg and Williamsport; is taking an urinalyses to be  
a voting member at Lewisburg & Williamsport in Violation of the 3rd & 4th  
tradition? Vote: Pottstown 2-Yes  
Lewisburg 2-No  
Williamsport 2-No  
Philadelphia 5-Yes  
Norristown 2-Yes  
Collegeville 2-Yes

Inter-group suggest that Williamsport and Lewisburg delegates take back to their  
groups that they are violating 3rd & 4th traditions  
Rich M. was given \$15.00 to have Inter-group approval stamp made up  
Pottstown Wednesday Night step recognized by Inter-group and new delegates will  
be at August meeting. Bob K. and Joe K. started Pottstown N.A. They were the only  
two people at the first 4-meetings the sign in book would say 1-week Bob K. -  
Chaired and Joe C. Spoke. The next week it would say Joe C. - Chaired and Bob K.  
- Spoke and they switched back and fourth.  
Williamsport retreat & Inter-group meeting to be held Labor Day weekend with a  
weekend campout



**August 5, 1973 N.A. Inter-group Collegeville  
Doylestown was recognized.  
4th step inventory sheets were tabled.**

**September, 1973 N.A. Inter-group Pottstown  
N.A. Stamp was delivered  
Letter is to be written to L & W to invite them back to Inter-group as long as  
traditions are followed  
Cross off L & W from meeting list**

**September, 1973 N.A. Inter-group Pottstown  
Elections  
Bob K. was elected Chairman  
Bill B. “ “ Secretary  
Ray M. “ “ Treasurer  
Brian T. “ “ Co-Chairman**

**October 7, 1973 N.A. Inter-group Meeting Pottstown  
Brian T. made a phone call to the Lewisburg and Williamsport Chapters of N.A.  
Joe K. is going to speak to the Detox unit in Pottstown  
Dutch H. and fellow members are going to start a new meeting at Today, Inc.  
Ralph S. wrote a paper up on the 1st Tradition  
Bob K. is suppose to send World Services another letter**

**Nov. 4, 1973 Inter-group held in Phila. 13th & Ruscomb Sts.  
Joe K. spoke to the Pottstown Detox unit First Detox Commitment  
Bob K. is going to write the letter to the World Service this month with a copy of the  
first tradition  
Ralph S. gave all groups a copy of the first Tradition.  
Today, Inc. Meeting started in Nov. by Dutch H. second meeting in Rehab.**

**Dec. 2, 1973 Inter-group held in Norristown, Sandy St.  
Meeting at Today, Inc. is now running on Wednesday night.  
The slogan “If you want to use drugs, that’s your business, if you want to stop that’s  
ours: was approved to be put on the back of the N.A. Booklets  
50-50 tickets will be sold to N.A. & A.A. members only unless someone at an open  
meeting (non-addict) would like to purchase some.  
Doylestown Group has moved their meeting to Byberry State Hospital They had  
made it a step meeting  
Pottstown N.A. has changed their location to High & Hanover Sts.  
PUBLIC SERVICE  
If you do drugs, That's your business. If you want to quit using that's our business.  
"NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS" 24-hour HOT LINE Number (215) 276-2703 we  
would like this shown during the announcement.**

We are not interested in what or how much you used or who your connections were, what you have done in the past, how much or how little you have but only in what you want to do about your problem, and how we can help. Call Narcotics Anonymous.

**January, 1974 N.A. Inter-group Meeting Collegeville**

The number of groups represented in Intergroup are SEVEN: NORRISTOWN, BYBERRY, COLLEGEVILLE, POTTSTOWN, PHILA, 10TH & BLVD., PHILA, 13TH & RUSCOMB, TODAY INC. They all get \$6.50 worth of literature.

**January 19, 1974 Dave F. Clean date and still clean today.**

**Feb. 1974 N.A. Inter-group held in Pottstown, PA.**

Jim B. is going to write a letter to the T.V. station and try to get the HOT-LINE number flashed again.

Elections:

Chairman - Dutch H.

Co-Chairman - Bob K.

Treasurer - Bill B.

Secretary - Ray T.

**February 20, 1974 Jim B. Clean date and still clean today.**

**March 3, 1974 N.A. Inter-group 13th & Ruscomb**

Roy P. Nominated as Chairman (12th step) Accepted by him 2nd & Passed Box of 12 step books turned over to Roy P.

Lord's Prayer

**March 24, 1974 Johnny C. Clean date and still clean today.**

**April 7, 1974 N.A. Inter-group Meeting Collegeville**

Dutch H. had to resign as Chairman due to his move to Ocean City.

Literature / Public relations officer. Linda F. for Chairwoman First Women in N.A. Service.

Brian T. to call California 2nd & passed

Motion to keep Eagleville off the new meeting list

Telephone # to be put in telephone book for Approx. \$2 extra a month - OK by group

Carl W. - Pottstown Meeting Relocated to A.F.L. - C.I.O. Union Hall 1304 High St.

Pottstown, PA. Wednesday Night 8:30pm

Second Annual Inter-group Round - up

To be held July 21.

**May 5, 1974 Inter-group Meeting.**

**Ray T. Got U.S.A. letters made up & he will send them out this month.**

**Subject: Brian T. Call to Calif.**

**Call was made to New York - only (1) meeting up there (only 1 girl) and were going to correspond with her. First Correspondence outside PA. Other than California.**

**A motion was made to call Calif. again second & passed.**

**St. Luke's meeting dropped by the individuals who started it.**

**LETTER TO CALIFORNIA NO DATE:**

**Dear Friends,**

**We are sending this letter in reference to phone call made in May. Concerning Communication problems between us and G.S.O. We talked to Debbie D. about these problems. She said to write a letter with all our questions and problems and said we would definitely get an answer this time.**

**1) We were wondering why in the last 6 months we have written many times asking various questions and never received any answers.**

**2) We have started a N.A. Inter-group and would like to know difference between our Inter-group and G.S.O. if any.**

**3) We were wondering if literature that we make out here should be sent to you for approval before we distribute it we Our Inter-group is making up a stamp reading N.A. Inter-group approved but we would like to know where we stand on this problem.**

**4) We would like to know how close the N.A. Big Book is and if you have any other literature other than the N.A. pamphlet, please let us know if there is anything we can do to help.**

**5) We talked to Debbie D. about the fact that some groups had sent money to G.S.O. quite a while ago for N.A. Books and never received them. Debbie said if we wrote and told her the amount of money sent and the group she would send the books to us.**

**Springfield N.A. \$10.00 about 9 months ago.**

**Lewisburg N.A. \$10.00 (please send these books to Ray T. house with reply to letter)**

**6) Please send the list of any other meetings in our area.**

**Thanks for your cooperation**

**Yours & Fellowship N.A. Inter-group**

**Brian T.**

**June 2, 1974 Inter-group Meeting Collegeville**

**Ray T. sent out half U.S.A. letters**

**Brian T. reported Calif. Called us & sent us a letter.**

**Brian T. Contacted Sandra C. who's from N.A. in New York she's one of the few People involved with N. A. up there, so were going to corresponded with her.**

**Letter received from California Sylvia M. P.O. Box 24603 Oakland, Calif. 94623**

**N.A. Box 954 Berkley, Calif.**

**Secretary to send a response to Calif. w/ a copy of our area Literature.**

**St. Luke's Meeting Started up again by Ralph S. on Saturday Afternoons - 1 Year Sobriety required.**

**Inter-group Newsletter to be Worked on - if possible - For Round up Noting what we've done & what were going to try & do.**

**Sobriety Chips to be looked into by Linda F.**

**June H. Brought up that there is a new Meeting starting up at the Malvern A.A. Clubhouse & she would like a starter kit - Linda F. will take care of it.**

**June 6, 1974 Jim H. Clean date and still clean today.**

**July 14, 1974 Inter-group meeting at Phila. (Logan)**

**Ray T. Sent letters to all NA meetings on U.S.A. meeting list from 1972.**

**Got (4) Returns on letters sent out: (1) from Denver (1) from State College (2) Return to sender.**

**Second Annual Inter-group Round-Up Sunday July 21,1974. Tohicken Valley Parks, Bucks Co.**

**Bob G. request recognition of their group - 30 days in existence Paoli Group Malvern A.A. Center 136 E. King St. Malvern, Pa. 8:30 Tuesday**

**Norristown Meeting started up again - but they need literature & By - Laws.**

**More detailed meeting list when we make them up (such as Open meetings, Closed, Anniversary)**

**August 4, 1974 Inter-group at Collegeville.**

**Dave F. feels we should talk about what is happening w/ N.A. around the country.**

**Literature starter pack:**

**(25) N.A. Books, (1) Preamble, (10) Meeting List, (1) Inter-Group By-Laws, (5) Introduction Letters, (10) 4th Step Inventory Sheets**

**New Meeting in South Phila. Peoples Project & 7th & Moore - Fri. - 8:30pm**

**PA. N.A. NEWS Volume 1, No. 1 first Newsletter. N.A. -- 6261 Broad St. Phila, 19141.**

**September 8, 1974 Inter-group at Phila.**

**Jim B. Says the Norristown Group wants to make up some more of the little yellow cards, & revise some wording.**

**The Norristown Group wants the third & leave out "Honest".**

**The Lansdale Group wants to be recognized by Inter-group. It has been going on for 7 weeks now.**

**Fourth annual banquet in Calif. Nov. 8, 9 & 10 - see Jim B.**

**October 6, 1974 Inter-group at Collegeville**

**Crozier - Chester Medical Center 24th & Upland Ave. Chester, PA. 19013 First meeting Oct. 19th at Sunnyside, at lower end of Crozier Hosp. (Saturday) Good opportunity for 12-step work.**

**Eileen G. Brought up the question of the Ocean City Meeting being recognized.**

**Sharon H. made a motion to recognize the group. Passed Tenth and Central Ave. (church) Ocean City, New Jersey Mondays at 8:30pm Dutch H. started this meeting.**

Norristown group brought up last month about removing the word "Honest" from the third tradition. Ray T. pointed out that the word "Honest" is not in the third tradition in the preamble the words "honest Desire" should be changed to just "Desire".

Bob G. Thinks we should send any changes in the book, Traditions, or Steps, to California for approval.

**November 3, 1974 Inter-group at Phila.**

Southampton (Bob k.) - doing good and getting lots of people. 1st Wed. - Speaker Meeting 2nd " - Topic 3rd " - Speaker 4th " - Step all meetings held down to 2 hours. They could also use some literature books

**December 1, 1974 Inter-group held at Collegeville.**

Elections: Chairman-Harry P. Co-Chair-Jerry S. Sec.-Eileen G. Co-Sec.- Cheryl S. Treas.- Bob K. Pub. Rel.-Tony R.

John C. Pointed out the importance of a home group.

Recognition of Doylestown Group brought up by John N. passed held Tues, Nite at Andrews Hall at 8:00 Church and Mechanics Sts. In Doylestown. Two and a half months Del. John N.

Recognition of Sunnyside Group Passed Sunnyside 7 weeks

Recognition of Oaklane Group Passed 8 Wks. St. Marks Lutheran Church Broad and Chelton Mon. Nite. In Phila. 8:30 (Growth and Golden Book Meeting) Del.

Jerry S. Alt. Mike S.

## 1975

**Jan. 1975 Proposed Draft By-Laws of Inter-group.**

**January 5, 1975 Inter-group at Phila.**

Rick S. reminded the group that the Chester Group was not on the meeting list Jerry S. said he would write it on the remaining list. Also, the address of our office is wrong on the lists. The correct address is 6261 N. Broad.

Jerry and Maria started a project. They are making up N.A. "I Am Responsible" Posters.

**January 19, 1975 Neil M. Clean date and still clean.**

**February 2, 1975 Inter-group at Collegeville**

**14 Meetings in Inter-Group.**

1-South Philly	8-Malvern
2-Southampton	9-Logan
3-Norristown	10-Boulevard
4-Oak Lane	11-Sunnyside
5-Collegeville	12-Byberry

6-Malica Hill                      13-Doylestown  
7-Lansdale                         14-Pottstown

The yellow cards are changed to 3-folds with meeting list.

**March 2, 1975 Inter-group at 13th & Ruscomb.**

Motion to write to A.A. Inter-group in New York for their opinion (& Calif. N.A.) on 50-50s & to be brought back next month Passed.

Pamphlet- ("Sedatives, Stimulants, & the Alcoholic") Jerry S. (Lit. Comm.) Said it's good but it really doesn't pertain to N.A. Motion made not to indorse it Passed.

Clubhouse- Info. Ray T. brought back from A.A. stated it is at group level. Inter-group cannot indorse it Passed.

**April 6, 1975 Inter-group at Collegeville.**

Motion made to get in touch with Calif. about that we do print our own books & to exchange Lit.

Mtg. List Cards are now ready to be sold.

Frank P. brought up that there have been a lot of A.A. speakers at N.A. meetings.

Discussion-People should take pride in N.A. Bring back to groups.

Jim Calif. NA --P.O. Box 622 Sun Valley, Calif. NA / World Service Office 1346 N. Highland Ave. Los Angeles, CA. 90020

Detox List - (Frank P.) Has list of 28 places to date. He ran off 5 copies to be distributed (Lit. Comm. Make up copies. )

**May 4, 1975 Inter-group at 13th & Ruscomb**

Eileen G. said she would write Calif. By next month.

**June 1, 1975 N.A. Inter-group at Collegeville**

Jim H. brought up meetings should be more on sobriety than therapy. Discussion around table. Suggestion to bring back to groups that meetings are based on sobriety. Each group is responsible.

**June 19, 1975 Navy Yard- 1st meeting Thurs. 7:30 Contact Joe O., Jim H., Dan S.**

**July 1975 Ray T. & Sharon T. were on WWDB 96.5 Talk Radio. They talk about N.A. and that help was possible.**

**July 12, 1975 Bob P. Clean date and still clean today.**

Bob went through White Deer Run. Don L. was Bobs Therapist. Bob took a special interest in N.A. because he was born July 1953 the same month and year that N.A. was started in California.

**July 13, 1975 Inter-group Logan**

Questions: What is Addicts Anonymous? Do they function like us? Harry P. will get in touch with chairman to find out if we can support them.

Harry has received Lit. from California N.A. We have a G.S.O. Suggested to bring back to groups as to use Calif. as Ultimate Authority. Ray T. will call Co-founder. Report next month.

P.R. Sharon-Bulletin is coming to Friday Night Open meeting.

**\*\*Take out "Honest" desire.**

**July 18, 1975 50-50 Drawing 10th & Roosevelt Blvd.**

**July 27, 1975 Sunday Bulletin Article. "Addicts Celebrate Freedom with Tales of Old Madness." Muhlenberg Memorial Lutheran Church 13th & Ruscomb.**

**August 3, 1975 Inter-group at Collegeville**

Harry P. Wrote letter to Calif. Hasn't received answer yet.

Sharon T. to call California about info.

Jim H. Brought back info that member of group found Tapes Concerning N.A. 12 & 12 & Sponsorship To contact Literature Com.

Motion to accept Mt. Penn in Inter-group, Passed Faith Lutheran 25th St. & Filbert Mt. Penn, PA. Monday 7:30 to 9:00

Sharon T. got to go on WWDB 96.5 Talk Radio August 8th 2:00p.m.

**August 14, 1975 Norristown State N.A. Group Last Annual Hat Dance.**

Norristown state Hospital Bldg. #1 Friday Night 9:30pm to 1:00am \$2.50 with hat \$3.00 without

**August 29, Thru September 1st Friday to Monday N.A. Northeast Group**

**1975 Campout Oakridge Campgrounds Rt.9 Marmora, N.J.**

**September 7, 1975 Inter-group at 13th & Ruscomb.**

Letter to Calif. no response yet. Brian will find out about calling the Co-founder of N.A.

Norristown Meeting moved to Church on the Mall. (Sobriety First Group)

P.R. Brian NA name flashed on a couple of Radio Stations.

Mary makes motion to change Recovered to Recovering

**September 19, 1975 Friday 50-50 Drawing 10th & Roosevelt Blvd.**

**October 5, 1975 N.A. Inter-group Collegeville**

Letter to Calif.- Harry P. said there's no response yet. He'll write again but he would like Brian to call, also. Do not know if Brian called yet.

Discussions on separating N.A. & A.A. (Using their literature name, announcements, etc.)- Keep it simple-Have N.A. stand on their own.

Chairman: Report Literature-Bill A. writing new literature-20 questions 12 & 12 pamphlets.

P.R.-Sharon-Flashed on Channel 6, Announced on WYSP

**November 2, 1975 Inter-group at 13th & Ruscomb.**

Letter to Calif.-Harry P. got back a "Shakey" letter. They are moving again (back to Sun-Valley) there is no definite answer yet. Also, Jerry wrote again. Motion made to write them again.

New Meeting: (Manyunk) Interact CC. Ridge Ave. & Martin Roxboro 7:30 to 9:00 Thursday Pat P. -Del. Speaker Discussion. Discussion about selling Day-by-Day books at Mtgs. because they are not inter-group approved. \*\*Motion made to accept Day by Day as inter-group approved. Passed.

Chairman Reports Literature- Bill A. - Questionnaire is done. \*\* Motion made to pass 20 Questions and get to printers. Passed.

**IF YOU THINK YOU HAVE A DRUG PROBLEM, HERE ARE 20 QUESTIONS TO HELP YOU DECIDE. YES OR NO**

1. Have you lost friendships due to use of drugs/alcohol?
2. Do you seek an escape through drugs/alcohol?
3. Have you ever used drugs/alcohol to be socially accepted?
4. Do you use drugs/alcohol to enjoy yourself?
5. Was your health ever affected through the use of drugs/alcohol?
6. Have you ever been in a hospital, or institution, because of drugs/alcohol?
7. Were you ever arrested while under the influence of drugs/alcohol?
8. Did you ever take an overdose, or did you ever blackout due to drugs/alcohol?
9. Do you use drug/alcohol to build self - confidence?
10. Did you ever deny or hide your use of drugs/alcohol?
11. Have your normal functions ever been affected by the use of drugs/alcohol?
12. Do people lose respect for you due to your drug/alcohol use?
13. Have you ever engaged in illegal activities in order to get drugs/alcohol?
14. Have you ever felt guilt or remorse because of the use of drugs/alcohol?
15. Have you ever tried to stop using drugs/alcohol, but could not?
16. Have you ever tried to control your use of drugs/alcohol?
17. Is the use of drugs/alcohol making your home life unhappy?
18. Has your personality changed as a result of drugs/alcohol?
19. Have you lost time from school or work, do to the use of drugs/alcohol and/or drug related activities?
20. Have you ever moved from place to place in an attempt to stop using drugs/alcohol?

Through our personal experience with drugs/alcohol, we have found that if you answered yes to 1 or 2 of these questions, you may have a problem with drugs/alcohol. If you answered yes to 3 or more of these questions, you definitely have a problem with drugs/alcohol.

**IF YOU WANT TO USE DRUGS THAT'S YOUR BUSINESS  
IF YOU WANT TO STOP THAT'S OURS**

**CALL NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS - (215) 276-2703**

**December 7, 1975 Inter-group Collegeville**



Letter from Calif. - Jerry received a letter & it was "Shakey" also. \*\*\*Motion made to table letters to Calif. until something concrete happens. Passed (Not to be brought up as old business)

New Meeting: Levittown St. Michaels Church (Rectory) Levittown Pkwy. & Rt.13  
Monday 8:30 Del. John H. Alt. Rich M.

Literature Committee: Bill A. - 20 questions ready \$.01 each. 12-12 1st step is done next meeting.

1975? Boulevard Group Moved to 13th & Ruscomb Muhlenberg Lutheran Church. Friday 8:30.

## 1976

### 1976 World Directory N.A. Pennsylvania. 16 NA Meetings

PENNSYLVANIA- Second most meetings in the world besides California.

SPRINGFIELD- Church of the Redeemer P.O. Box B.B. 19064

UPPER DARBY- H.I.P.I.D. Box 422 19082 c/o Robert Young

ROCKLEDGE- Northeast Group of NA 19 N. Sylvania Ave. 19111

Tom R. (as above)

BELLEFONT- Rockview State Inst. Box A.R.D. 3. 16823

Msgr. Richard J. W. Coordinator

EAGLEVILLE- Eagleville Hospital & Rehabilitation Center. Box 45 19408

Deborah K. Coordinator

NORRISTOWN- St. Augustine Church Basin & Green Sts. 19401 Tu. 8:30 C

UNIVERSITY PARK Eisenhower Chapel Penn. State University 16802 Thu 8:00 O.

CAMPBILL- Holy Spirit Hospital 17011 Detox. Unit 5E. Fri. 8:30 O.

Paul S. 44B Thomas Street. Harrisburg, PA. 17103

H.A.N.A. 1501 Market St. 17011

BETHLEHEM- Del Eisenhower 1873 Eastman Ave. Bethlehem, PA. 18018

DREXEL HILL- Harry P. 2263 Garret St. 19026

Hot Line 1(215) 276-2703 Public Relations. Sharon T. 1(215) 927-7528

NORRISTOWN- Eagleville Hospital Alumni Group 6 E. Basin St. 19401 Wed. 8:00 C.

LEWISTOWN- Bonnie Mc C. 39 Helen Street #2 17044

BERWICK- Frank K. 401 E. 2nd St. 18603

LANGHORNE- Bill A. 140 W. Richardson Ave. 19047 (215) 752-2905

DANVILLE- Danville N.A. Group-330 Bloom St. 17821

Chair. Bob P. 259 W. Main St. 2nd Floor. Bloomsberg, PA. 17815

### **January 4, 1976 Inter-group 13th & Ruscomb**

**Elections:**

**Chairperson-Terri B. Co-Chair-Ursula S. Secretary-Tom R. Co-Sec.-Ken S.**

**Treasurer-Harry P. Literature-Bill A. Public Relations-Frank P. Steering-Brian T.**

**13 Meetings in Inter-group**

**1. South Philly**

**6. Doylestown**

**11. 13th & Ruscomb**

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|----------------|---------------|------------------|
| 2. Logan       | 7. Norristown | 12. Levittown    |
| 3. Southampton | 8. Northeast  | 13. Collegeville |
| 4. Oak Lane    | 9. Mt. Penn   |                  |
| 5. Lansdale    | 10. Manyunk   |                  |

Literature-& Will continue on 12 & 12 Bill has new address for Calif./Lit. Com. will write to them.

**February 1976 Inter-group at Collegeville.**

Neil M. brought up issue wrong address on meeting list.

Bill A. brought up that two people are going to Calif. While we are there, hope to make better correspondence. If anyone else is interested contact Bill A.

**March 6, 1976 Inter-group 13th & Ruscomb**

South Phila. Dropped

Primary Purpose Group is now in Inter-group. Step & Tradition - open meeting 3rd Sat. of the month. Jim H. was the Founder of this group.

Harry P. made motion to un-table Calif.-Passed Letter from California to Bill A. was read by Harry P. Pat P. made motion to stop using stamp - Passed. Pat P. made motion for Bill A. to take copies to Calif.-Passed

**March 20, 1976 Primary Purpose Group of N.A. Presents "CHALK TALK" with Fr. Joe M. Saturday 6:30 at Resurrection School Annex Large & Shelmire St.**

**April 4, 1976 Inter-group at Collegeville.**

Logan meeting was brought up it is back in Inter-group.

(Calif.) Our stamp can be used on our own literature, new material was brought back from Calif. Suggest that we get a bank account. We will receive tapes. We can continue to write 12 & 12 and send to Calif. All books to be bought from Lit. Com. We are aloud to use the Lit. That we have left. Bill A. will call Calif. about were we stand as far as G.S.O.

Harry P. made motion to put meeting list on paper instead of card. -Passed

Terry B. made a motion that the meeting list be accepted as is with the change of Norristown to Sobriety First. -Passed.

New meetings: Wyoming Wyoming Ave. Sunday 3:00pm

Dunmore-First Meth. Church Blakely St. Wed. 7:30

Taylor Gibson Recovery Group Immaculate Conception Church Taylor Ave. & Gibson St. Fri. 6:30

**May, 1976 Inter-group 13th & Ruscomb**

Bill A. talked to Calif. we are G.S.O. for the area

Harry P. Said we should take a look into the N.A. Tree to get ourselves more organized. We will have a meeting to start things in a more structure way.

1st Mention of N.A. Tree.

**May 29, 1976 Denny S. Clean date and still clean today.**

**June, 1976 N.A. Inter-group Collegeville.**

**Pat P. made a motion to Appt. a Com. to go over the N.A. Tree-Passed**

**Jim H. wants to know if Inter-group wants to order Sobriety Chips when and if they have the money. -Passed. To be taken back to groups.**

**New Meeting: In West Chester 216 S. Church at the open door. 8:30 Wednesday night**

**N.A. Tree Jim H. made a motion that the Secretary sends a list of all groups and secretary's names to Calif. Passed. We are not Inter-group we are Area Service Com.**

**The first page of the 1976 World Directory ask to fill out the group sheet for registration enclosed in each directory. If all loners, groups or GENERAL SERVICE REPRESENTITIVES will notify us between now and November First 1976 then our next directory will be much improved. Literature Committee. World Service Office. Copyright 1976 C.A.R.E.N.A. WORLD SERVICE OFFICE BOX 622 SUN VALLEY, CA.91352**

**Delegate=Group Service Rep. Alt. Del.= Alt. Group Service Rep. No more Chair-now Secretary. G.S.R. Elections at the group & A.S.C. about in January. The A.S.C. can be made up of three groups. The Tree suggests that we split up.**

**BUCKS PHILA.**

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

**Doyle-South Hampton**

**Mt. Penn-Lansdale**

**Rox Manyunk-13th Ruscomb**

**Sobriety First-Norristown**

**Primary Purpose**

**Collegeville-Wyoming**

**Dunmore-Taylor Gibson**

**The two A.S.C.'s will meet quarterly and be known as R.S.C.**

**Public Relations WYSP-WMMR-WCAU trying for Joe Spivack Talk shows WCAU T.V. WIBG will be on soon. Noel is making a poster to flash on KYW T.V. WFIL'S call for Action List.**

**New Meeting: in Eagleville starting.**

**July 11, 1976 N.A. Area Service Committee Philadelphia**

**1st Area Service Meeting.**

**The usual business format was put aside due to the need to elect new officers**

**Brian T. -Chairperson Stan B. -Co-Chair Ron B. -Secretary Rich-Co-Sec.**

**Jim H. Said "That the Tree Committee would meet at 1716 Loney St. on July 25 at 6:30**

**Group Feedback: N.E. Regional doing good (10 people at each meeting)**

**August 1, 1976 Philadelphia-Bucks Area Service Committee**

**The Officers are: Chairperson-Brian T. Co-Chair- Mickey Secretary- Ron B. Treasurer- Rich Public Relations Chairperson- Jim H. Literature Chairperson-Bill A.**

**Jim H. made a motion that we get a rubber stamp for our literature with the address on it. Motion was seconded and passed.**

The motion was made by Jim H. that we use 1716 Loney St. Phila. As the Permanent mailing address of Phila. /bucks A.S.C. 1st Time Phila. /Bucks met together.

**August 1, 1976 Pennsylvania Regional Service Committee  
1st Regional Service Meeting.**

**Mickey was elected Steering Committee Chairperson.**

**Ron B. was elected Public Relations Chairperson.**

**Motion was made to put the Norristown and Frankford and Allegheny meetings on the meeting list. Motion seconded and passed.**

**September 30, 1976 By-Laws Newark Friday Night N.A.**

**Time period for each office: Chairman 2-months Treasurer-Secretary: 6 months**

**General Service Representative: 6 months**

**November 24, 1976 The Southampton Group of N.A. Celebrates it's 3rd ANNIVERSARY 2 Speaker meeting Dutch H. from Ocean City, N.J. Jim H. from Primary Purpose starting at 8:30 County Line Rd. Today, Inc. Outpatient Clinic.**

**December 18, 1976 The Primary purpose Group of N.A. Celebrates it's 1st Anniversary with a very special showing of "GUIDE LINES" with Fr. Joe Martin Resurrection School Annex Building Large & Shelmire St. Fun-Food-Fellowship**

## 1977

**February 27, 1977 George R. Clean date and still clean today.**

**April 24, 1977 Kurt E. Clean date and still clean today.**

**July, 1977 13th & Ruscomb St. Moved to Oxford Circle Group St. Martins Church Fri. 8:30 Oxford & Roosevelt Blvd. Phila.PA.**

**December 17, 1977 The Primary Purpose Group of N.A. 2nd ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION Presents Fr. Martins Film GUIDE LINES Saturday 7:00 Sharp Resurrection School Annex Large & Shelmire St. Phila, PA (N.E. Phila)**

## 1978

**April 1 & 2, 1978 at the third World Service Conference in Los Angeles at Valley College we had a representative from Pennsylvania.**

**May 10, 1978 in Aliquippa, PA. The first N.A. meeting was started in this area. It was the only meeting within 275 miles. There were no meetings in the states of Ohio**

or West Virginia. In a short time (4 years) there have been over 100 meetings, about 12 area service meetings, and four regional. Four hot lines have been established - Pittsburgh- (412) 391-5247 Beaver County- (412) 775-7077 we are in rehabilitation centers, jails, hospitals, and outpatient clinics. By the way, when that first meeting started, there were only about ten members (Double Bubble Group); now they have a regular meeting of 100 people weekly. Yes, **MIRACLES DO HAPPEN!**

**September 17, 1978 Place: Holy Spirit Hosp. Camp Hill, PA.**

**Attendance: 21**

**A motion to send Check in the amount of \$61.63 to Calif. for money owed on Pins was passed.**

**A.S.C. Attendance: 14 actual groups showed.**

**New Business: Project Outreach-possibilities for N.A. posters to be placed in emergency rooms, waiting rooms, guidance offices, etc.**

**Topics For the November R.S.C.**

- a. Who is to be a G.S.D.? Responsibilities read from the N.A. Tree.**
- b. Should there be one or two delegates from Pennsylvania?**
- c. Inquiries into the Phila. A.S.C. and R.S.C.**
- d. Communication gap between our area and the southern area.**
- e. Service to N.A.**
- f. How addicts are attracted to meetings.**

**Bob P. moved to Pittsburgh, PA. and started meetings there.**

**DECEMBER 23, 1978 The Primary Purpose Group of N.A. Invites you to help us celebrate our 3rd ANNIVERSARY Saturday 7:00 The Group presents Father Martins Film "CHALK TALK" Resurrection School Annex Large & Shelmire St. Phila, PA.**

## **1979**

**1979? Tuesday Night Bristol meeting 8:30, 2 Groups in Bucks County 10-25 Members.**

**June 1, 1979 Terry R. Clean date and still clean today.**

**July 1979 TO: Whom it may concern FROM: N.A.**

**N.A. has been active in the Greater Philadelphia Area for the past seven (7) years. Enclosed you will find literature entitled "HOW IT WORKS" A list of specific times and places of N.A. meetings, also enclosed please feel free to contact us at our 24-hour service hot-line number (215) 276-2703 or write us at: Narcotics Anonymous P.O. Box 303 Norristown, PA 19404**

**July 5, 1979 John S. Clean date and still clean today.**

**August 10, 1979 Narcotics Anonymous Newsletter Area Services**

Hello fellow N.A. members Area Service felt a need to let our fellowship in on what actually happens on the second Sunday of every month at the Norristown Y.M.C.A., this is why we are publishing this newsletter.

**PRISONS & INSTITUTIONS**

Broad Meadows Prison for Men - Fri. Night 8:30  
Eagleville Hospital - Wed. Night 9:00  
Bucks County Prison for Men - Every other Sat. Night 7:00  
Today, Inc. - Thurs. Night 8:30  
First Hospital & Institution Meeting List

**LITERATURE**

At the end of 1978, there was a paper strike in California, which affected our area since we purchase our pamphlets and books from the World Service Office in California. Literature was almost non-existent at meetings. After several months of waiting for the strike to end in Calif., our Area Service decided it would be best if we took the N.A. books and Pamphlets & had them recopied. This decision was not meant to step on any body's toes. Area Services felt that it was important to have Literature on our tables when a new comer or an old comer came to a meeting.

**PUBLIC SPEAKING**

Public speaking is another way of spreading the message. We are always open for invitations to speak at schools, church groups, hospitals, rehabilitation centers, etc. If you hear of or know of any place looking for a public speaker call Rance 666-5151 or any other N.A. delegate of Inter-group. Recently we had the opportunity to speak on a local radio station. This was handle well by two members of the fellowship.

John S. Chairman  
Ray T. Literature  
Steve S. Prisons & Institutions  
Ray P. Treasurer  
Jimmy B. Secretary  
Rance R. Public Relations

Southern Area Service Committee of Pennsylvania John S., Chairman

**August 11, 1979 N.E. PA. N.A. S.C. All day Cookout 9am to Sunset. Lake Jean, Red Rock, PA. Theme: Share a day with fellow N.A. members and help raise support and funds for the first annual N.A. Convention in Pennsylvania. Northeast Pennsylvania Narcotics Anonymous Steering Committee.**

**September 25, 1979 Al R. Clean date and still clean today.**

**1980**

**January, 1980 Hulmeville Steppers formed Sunday Nights 8:30 (3 Groups in Bucks County)**

**February, 1980 Hulmeville Friendship group formed Sat. Night 6:30, 10 to 25 members, -This group was formed at this time with the intention that members could get together afterwards for fellowship on a Sat. Night This added greatly to the unity in Bucks County NA. (Four groups in Bucks)**

**April 1980 “Hulmeville Step Reform Committee” formed. This committee was formed for the purpose of writing & compiling N.A. steps for the Hulmeville Steppers group to use in their meetings. The group conscience of this group had reached a decision that use of A.A. 12 & 12 was indirect violation of the sixth Tradition, and removes it from their tables. Members in this group conscience meeting felt about the need to continue this as a step meeting for their own survival & recovery, thus the decision to write N.A. steps. The committee consisted of 5-10 members who met weekly in a member’s house; they talked about their experiences and feelings about each step, recording their discussions on tape. One member then transcribed the discussions from the tapes and began to edit the discussions into a readable format. This committee continued to meet weekly working on a different step each week, in order, 1 through 12. After completing through the sixth step, several members attended the first East Coast Convention in Lewisburg, PA. There they met members from Georgia, California, Nebraska, Kansas and other places, who had been working on compiling an N.A. Basic Text for Recovery. In this way, Bucks County became a part of the N.A. World Literature Movement. The “Hulmeville Step Reform Committee” Registered with the World Literature Committee. And became known as the “Bristol Literature Committee.” They returned to Bucks County and continued their efforts to write the 12 Steps of N.A. They now received a lot of support from other committees in Atlanta and other places, through regular correspondence and telephone communications. All of these various committees around the fellowship were united by a common bond and purpose - to carry the message of recovery to the Addict-who-still-suffers, through the written word. The “Bristol Lit. Com.” began to draw up outlines for each step as they worked. Finished material was then typed up and copied and sent to Georgia, where all input was being gathered by Bo Sewell, who was the World Literature Committee Chairman. When they finished working on the 12 Steps, one member George Richards traveled out to the second World Literature Conference in Lincoln, Nebraska. To learn more about literature work and to share what we were learning through our efforts. George returned with several new techniques, such as “snip & paste”, which helped to speed up the work and George had a rejuvenated spirit to share. The committee then began to write the 12 Traditions of N.A. The tape recorder was no longer used. They took a pad of paper and a pen and began writing. After everyone was finished writing. All the writing material was gathered together in the middle of the room and then redistributed, making sure that you did not work on the material that you had written. With a scissors and a glue stick,**

words, sentences and paragraphs were cut apart, moved around, and glued back together. The end result was usually one completed tradition in one sitting, reading as if one person had written it. The feeling was that we individuals were not doing the writing. We were merely being used, as instruments by a loving GOD working through us, was overwhelming and clearly evident at times like this.

Halfway through the Traditions, this committee had dwindled down to two active members. The others were either burned-out, had other commitments or were getting loaded again. The Bristol Literature Committee then moved down to Northeast Philly, where many members (mostly newcomers) were willing and filled with the spirit of N.A. They met in a girl's apartment (one bedroom), and there were usually 15 to 25 members participating in each meeting. When the Traditions were completed, this committee began to receive bulk packages of input for different chapters of the book. They would type the material up, take it through the snip and paste process, make copies and pass it on to Atlanta. The committee was now known as the "Philadelphia Literature Committee" Several members from Bucks County were still actively involved in this committees work, and remained involved until all of the work was completed.

**May 2-4, 1980 World Service Conference-5 at Los Angeles, California Valley College. Bob P. R.S.R. for Pennsylvania. Bob was elected as Public Information Chair of the World Service Office.**

**June 27-29, 1980 first East Coast Convention (NEVER ALONE) Bucknell, University Lewisburg, PA. Bob P. was the first D.J., Guido A. Williamsport, PA. Was the first Chairman.**

**July, 1980 Pebble Hill Midnight Meeting in Doylestown, PA. Friday night meeting. 10-15 regular members. First Midnight meeting on the entire east coast.**

**August 1980 "Recovering Addict Inc." A club House Committee formed in Ivyland, PA. For the purpose of starting a clubhouse for N.A. meetings to be held. This committee consisted of four addicts with a dream. They drew up a charter, incorporated the committee, and began to hold fundraisers within the fellowship. Dances, spaghetti dinners, all-night meetings followed by a sunrise breakfast, 50-50 drawings, & addithons. This effort was very unifying for Bucks County and Philadelphia as it brought many addicts to have fun, it gave members something to do, within four months, and \$650.00 had been raised. They ran into some trouble with having the clubhouse here, they had great difficulty finding a place for the clubhouse.**

**Dear:**

**The purpose of this letter is to acquaint you with Narcotics Anonymous. N.A. is a fellowship of recovering drug addicts who meet regularly to help each other to stay**



clean and drug-free. We charge no dues or fees; we are fully self-supportive through our own contributions.

Enclosed you will find information that further explains the N.A. program, as well as a meeting list for the Bucks County area. We also operate a 24-hour HOTLINE service to aid those who want to stop using drugs. The number for the area is 276-2307. It is in operation (7) days a week.

We sincerely hope you will consider us when referring drug addicts who want to stay free of the habit.

For further information regarding Narcotics Anonymous, please contact us:

**BUCKS COUNTY PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE FOR N.A.**  
75 Mac Farland Ave. Ivyland, PA. 18974 or call (215) 322-8896 and ask  
For Al. thank you.

**September 14, 1980 N.A. Area Service Meeting Norristown, PA.**

Literature Committee-Groups that had written something on the step handed it in into the Literature Committee. Ray T. suggested any steps that are completed be copied and distributed to each group rather than wait till we have something on all 12 Steps. This motion was approved.

Guido is going to send us the banner from the 1980 East Coast Convention.

**October 18, 1980 N.A. Regional Service Minutes Holy Spirit Hosp Camp Hill, PA.**

Phila. Area (so.) Discussed public information. 2nd E.C.C.N.A.-Trenton State University, N.J. (conv. comm. doing well) Contact persons are John M. & George R. Progress report on conference/Lincoln, Nebraska, concerning the N.A. Book, Lit. Not approved by World Service Office, but is N.A. Lit. N.A. Confer. Will be held in Memphis, Tenn. 2nd wk. in Feb. (90 days prior to World Confer. 1981) George R. Passed out copies of the 12 steps to all areas.

Each represented area gave a report. Phila. Area, - Northern Area- Lebanon Area- Wilmington Delaware Area, Guido A. /Williamsport, New Regional Delegate. Ohio Groups Rep. Asked questions and sugg. As being separate from the Western Area. Nine groups broke away. Would like to be represented as an individual area from western.

Other Topics - discussed: Boundaries of our Region. Each area take Blue Book back to their A.S.C. groups, read and discuss. Bring a report to the next R.S.C.

Nominations for new Regional Service Delegate.

**December 8, 1980 the Printery 22 Falls - Tullytown Rd. Levittown, PA. 19054 (215) 295-1892 Rich McClelland Invoice 1000 Raffle (50-50) Tickets \$17.00 PAID George R. Jr.**

**December 14, 1980 N.A. Area Service Meeting Norristown, PA.**

**Literature** - Rich reported that we owe California \$200 for literature A large shipment of literature just arrived. We will have \$562 worth of literature on hand a motion was approved that Rich order 30 N.A. World Directories.

**Public Relations** - Pete reported that they met with the reporter from the bulletin to discuss the story on N.A. in Phila. Area. More will be done on story after January 1. Marty Jacobs on channel 48 wants two N.A. members to appear on his show. Faces will be blocked out for anonymity. He wants to tape the show on December 29. We elected Cindy and George R. to appear on the show. George K. and Jane will be backups in case they cannot make it. 1,100 posters were made up and the total cost was \$35.00.

**New Meeting: WAIT Group (Where Am I Today) that meets at 8:30 Friday nights at 37th and Chestnut Streets.**

**George R. reported that we did receive the Eighth Chapter of the N.A. Big Book from Bo S. to be typed by our area. George said that he has some people helping him with this.**

**A.J. from Edison, New Jersey reported that they had their first New Jersey Area Service meeting on December 7th. They plan to meet every second Sunday of the month in Toms River, N.J.**

**George reported that a group of people are getting together to start a Clubhouse called Recovering Addicts. This will be completely separate from N.A. but the space in the clubhouse will be available for meetings**

**May 11, 1980 East Coast Convention is on! 120 People**

**Announcements: June 14th Last day to register for the East Coast Convention Is June 15th.**

**May 24, 1980 N.A. Regional Service Meeting Harrisburg.**

**Guido A. brought up the fact that Pittsburgh Area Service wants to join our Regional Service Group A discussion on where to hold future Regional Service Meetings followed A motion was approved that we continue holding the biannual Regional Service Meetings in Harrisburg which would be a central location. In other business, Bob P. who served as delegate from Pennsylvania to the last N.A. World Service Conference in California gave the following report. The pink pamphlet entitled "We Made a Decision" is no longer approved by the conference. It will be discontinued because it was copied directly from another program. The conference resolved that any N.A. group using A.A. 12 and 12 Book cannot be listed in the N.A. World Directory. "The Voice" is putting out literature on the steps each month. Bo S. has more than enough material for the N.A. Big Book but the material must be approved by the Conference before publication. In Pennsylvania, the non-profit corporation number for N.A. is 790905 and the I.R.S. tax-exempt number is 78-869 Key rings with N.A. logo are not being sold by N.A.**

**July 7, 1980 J.R. F. Clean date and still clean today.**

**December 8, 1980 Dear:**

Enclosed please find information about Narcotics Anonymous. We would like to know if you would interview some members on a talk show or news broadcast. Also enclosed is a Public Service Announcement, which we would like your station to broadcast.

We would appreciate your starting the Announcement as soon as possible and running it for as long as possible. Very truly yours, Pete B.

## **1981**

### **January 11, 1981 Area Service Meeting**

**Public Relations:** Pete reported that the show on 48 went well George & Cindy did well. Newspaper Bulletin Editor left Bulletin. Freedom Sat. 1:00 2205 Bridge Outpatient Center was accepted to area. Dance on Feb.14, for Recovering Addicts Clubhouse.

### **February 28, 1981 Phila. N.A. Newsletter Issue # 1**

**February 28, 1981 Primary Purpose Group of N.A. (and is proud to have) REFORMED AGAIN A step and Tradition group Maternity B.V.M. Rectory Basement 9220 Old Bustleton Ave. Phila. PA. 19115**

### **February 8, 1981 Area Service Meeting**

George from Norristown- Eugenia Hospital Group of N.A. started Sat. at 8:30 in White Marsh, PA. New Meetings Doylestown 611 & 132 Street & Easton Rds. Warrington, Thurs 8:30 Step Church of the Redeemer Bryn Maur March 2, 8:30 Monday. Starter kit for Horsham Clinic, Doylestown 611 & 132.

### **March 8, 1981 N.A. Area Services Meeting Plymouth Meeting, PA.**

Guido resigned, as Regional Service Representative and George R. will take his place.

The following meetings were recognized and put on the next meeting list:

**Sun. Men's meeting 1433 E. Cumberland Phila. C-Disc.**

A New Way Eagleville Hosp. Dining room 8:30 O-Speaker Disc.

**Mon. A New Beginning Church of the Redeemer New Gulf & Pennswood. Rds. Byrn Maur C-S/Disc.**

**Tues. Bucks Co. Community College Student Life Office Swamp Rd. Rd. Newtown 12:30 O-Disc.**

Women through Sobriety St. Andrews Church Old York Rd. Warminster, PA. 8:30 C-S/D

**Wed. Living Room Group 26 N. Sixth St. Reading, PA. 8:00 C-Disc**

**Thurs. ACT 5820 Old York Rd. 1:00 - 2:30 O-Speaker Disc.**

Buxmont Unitarian Church 8:30 O-Step

St. Mary's Hospital Detox Unit fourth floor Palmer & FKFD. Phila. 8:00

**Sat. Freedom Group Bridge St. Rehab. 2205 Bridge St. C-Disc. /last -O  
Primary Purpose 9220 Old Bustleton Ave. Phila C/O Last Sat. S. & T.**  
**Sat. Saturday Night Live Parish House First Pres. Church 292 W. Main  
St. Newark, Del. C/D 8:00 to 10:00**

**March 14, 1981 Phila. Area Services**

**New Meetings: Wilmington Delaware Talking Heads Silver Book Methodist  
Church Lancaster & Woodlawn 7:00 Sunday  
Student Ed Center Bustleton & Lawler Phila. Thurs. 2:00  
St. Joachim's Church Penn & Church 8:00p.m.**

**R.S.C. Report: Bob met at Hulmville Balance \$125. New Area Connecticut, N.Y. 11-  
Meetings, D.C. 34- Meetings, Allentown, Baltimore-Answer Hotline call 1-HR.  
Beeper.**

**A Vote was asked for the approval of the BIG BOOK Unanimous**

**April 4, 1981 N.A. Dance St. Luke's Church. Kensington & Huntingdon Two  
Speaker meeting Followed by "Clean Band" & Dance 8:00 to 1:00 Donation \$3.**

**April 12, 1981 Area Service**

**New Meetings: St. Joe's Hospital College Ave. & Walnut Rm. 197 Lancaster  
8:00 Closed.**

**St. John Chestnut & Mulberry St. Sat. 7:30-8:30 O/S  
Institute of PA. Hospital Strecker Unit 111 N. 49th St. Phila.**

**April 29 Reality Group will change to N.A. 7-Days a week 6106  
Torresdale Ave. 8:00-9:30 Tues. Big Book Fri. Open  
638 Turner St. Allentown, PA. Thurs. 8:30 O/Disc.  
St. Michaels Church 328 Church St. Sellersville Wed. 8:30**

**April 18, 1981 Regional Meeting Baltimore**

**May 1-3, 1981 World Service Conference at Los Angles, Valley College-6,  
Participants- George R. R.S.R., Mid - Eastern Regional Representative Comprised  
of Central & Eastern PA. Delaware, Maryland, East & West Virginia & District of  
Colombia. Planning to bid for the next World Convention.**

**May 10, 1981 Area Service Meeting Plymouth Meeting, PA.**

**New Meeting: First Presterian Church 27 N. Queen St. Tues. & Thurs. Nights 7:30-  
8:30 York, PA.**

**Regional Meeting- John Reported that a few of the areas in the region were  
planning to split into smaller areas. The Washington/Baltimore Area is one**

**June 3, 1981 Bobby B. Clean date and still clean today.**

**June 14, 1981 Area Service Meeting Plymouth Meeting**

**Motion passed that it was against the traditions to let "Confront" come in and tell us about their program.**

**E.C.C.-230 Registration Board Meeting Ohio, tell- Trenton State we will expect 400**

**June 26- 28, 1981 2nd East Coast Convention (Glad to be Alive) Trenton, State University Trenton, N.J. Chairman-John M., Doylestown, PA. Co-Chairman-George R. Ivyland, PA.**

**July 12, 1981 Area Service**

**New Meetings: Tues. Bristol Young Men's**

**Hershey-World Convention - 3rd E.C.C. Pittsburgh**

**New Poster approved**

**N.A. Picnic - French Creek State Park Pottstown, Reading, Downingtown**

**New Business (Motion passed) Starter Kit United Salem Church E. Court St. Thurs 8-9:30**

**Path 8200 Castor Ave. 1st Floor Monday 8:00-9:30 Phila.**

**July 24 Addithon 6106 Torresdale Ave.**

**July 18, 1981 Regional Service Meeting Wilmington, Delaware**

**Newsletter 52-Meetings 10-Institutional**

**Motion Recognize New Areas from New Jersey, Baltimore, Region now has 5 Areas**

**Mark Wash. & Metro Wash. Blue Ridge, VA. Area Answering Service**

**New Jersey-A.J. 18 Meetings HOTLINE (201) 659-6381**

**Baltimore-Louie 6 Meetings HOTLINE- P.O. Box Baltimore N.A. 4730 Baltimore, MD. 21211 HOTLINE (301) 760-9610**

**Harrisburg-Tom 34 Meetings**

**Williamsport-Gary 9 regular/5prison Growing Answering service # on meeting list**

**Phila. -52 Meetings 10 Institution- Newsletter- E.C.C. Success return key**

**Restructuring Region/have been doing well Service Struct. Manual Says Elect.**

**From among officers. 2 E.C.C. Reg. gr. con. If they get bid World Convention will**

**be in Hershey Convention Center. Dept. Health Gov. Thornberg (Counsel on D & A**

**Abuse help with Article about N.A. if they get bid) Letter of need "Why we need**

**Convention as a Region.**

**Motion made that this region be called the Mid Atlantic Region.**

**AUGUST 9, 1981 Area Service Meeting**

**New Meetings: Bristol Immaculate Conception Glad to be alive**

**Pottstown Area Drug Rehab. York & king Sts Pottstown Sat. 8:30**

**We can open a checking Girard pay by phone.**

**August 14, 1981 N.A. Hat Dance 9:30 donation \$2.50 w/hat \$3.00 w/o Building 1 Norristown State Hospital.**

**August 30, 1981 Jill F. Clean date, and still clean.**

**September 13, 1981 N.A. Area Service Meeting Plymouth Meeting, PA.**

The new location for Area Service is the First Unitarian Church 2125 Chestnut St. in Philadelphia. The first meeting held there will be November.

**New Meetings & Meeting Changes: Sunday Night Surrender Group. The correct address is 608 Welsh Rd.**

**The Bristol Group found a new location. United Methodist Church Mulberry & Ceder Sts. Bristol. Tuesday Nights at 8:30**

**New meeting: Lansdale on Thursday night Holy Trinity Church, 4th & Broad Sts. at 8:30**

**Two New Meetings: One on Monday at 7:30 and one on Saturday at 8:00, on 27 N. Queen St. York, PA.**

**The Ellisberg Freedom Group will hold a meeting on Saturday at 8:30 at St. Andrew's Church.**

**Regional Service Report Both Baltimore & New Jersey Areas were accepted to our Region. Our Region now consists of Five Areas. Harrisburg announced that they would make a bid for the next World Convention.**

**Prisons & institutions: The Bridge would like to have another meeting on Sunday at 12:00 The Holmesburg Prison would like to have a meeting. The Fairmount Institute would like to have a meeting.**

**September 26, 1981 Reality Group will be having a Dance; it will be held at Beth Ameth, Bustleton & Unruh, at 9:00 Suggested donation \$3.00**

**October 31, 1981 Reality Group will be having a Dance, it will be held at Beth Ameth, Bustleton & Unruh, at 9:00 Suggested donation \$3.00**

**October 1981 Area Services.**

**New Meeting: Buck County Community College-Tuesday & Wednesday 12:30-1:30 Counseling Center. O.D. Newsletter needs input anything about recovery 75 Mc Farland Ivyland, PA. 18974 or 322-1552 - Pete.**

**November 8, 1981 N.A. Area Service Meeting Philadelphia, PA.**

The meeting opened at 2:15 with a reading of the Traditions, a moment of silence for the still suffering addict, and the Serenity Prayer. First opening with moment of silence

**The Mid-South Regional Service Convention and the 7th World Literature Conference will be held November 22-29 in Memphis.**

**New Meetings: Community College of Phila. 11th & Market Sts., Tuesday at 12:00 in room 20**

**November, 1981 the Clean Sheet Issue # 3**

**December 3, 1981 Jodi Beth M. Clean date and still clean today.**

## **December 4, 1981 Mid-Atlantic Regional Service**

**Bucks County has grown to 16 Groups. Literature review-holding a Lit. Conference committee to work on Pamphlets "Youth in Recovery" "Use of Medication in Times of Illness" "Sponsorship" Oct. 15-17**

**Fill Out Forms For N.A. Archives.**

**Bill-Pennsylvania, Vir.**

**Randy-Baltimore**

**Bill-Maryland Central**

**Jim-Tidewater, Vir.**

**Deb-Richmond, Vir.**

**Larry-Blue Ridge, Vir**

**-----Washington**

**Elections: Chairperson-Dick, Vice-Chair-Rance, H & I Chair-Frank, H & I Vice-Chair-Tim**

## **Regional Service Report**

**A regional Literature committee was formed. Their goals are to stockpile enough Literature to supply the whole region, compile a regional directory, publish a regional newsletter, and maybe even bring a Literature conference to our region.**

**Elections: Chairperson-Anne (Williamsport) Vice-Chair-Mark W. (Washington)**

**Secretary-Jane (Phila.) Literature-Rich M. (Phila.) Co-Chair-Bill Z. (Washington)**

**Treasurer-Betsey L. (Williamsport) Regional Service Representatives Nominees-1.**

**Guido (Williamsport) 2. Tom L. (Williamsport) 3. Rich M. (Phila)**

**Nominees will come to A.S. meeting to represent themselves. When all 3 have showed, G.S.R.'s will vote and group tally will be used to determine the outcome.**

## **1982**

**The following will be the officers for the 1982 year.**

**Elections: Philadelphia Area Services Chairman-John F. Co-Chair-Rich M.**

**Secretary-Debbie S. Treasurer-Steve K. Public Information Chair-J.R. Literature**

**Chair-Don-Terica Prison & Institution Chair-Chip Hotline Chair-Joe C. -Tom S.**

**Area Representative-Bob Alternate-Pete B. 12-Groups on Donations.**

**January 1982 Western Pennsylvania Regional Meeting Directory 4-Area Service Committee's 1-Beaver Valley A.S.C. 2-Pittsburgh A.S.C. 3-Upper Ohio Valley A.S.C. 3-Erie A.S.C. 28-N.A. Meetings in total.**

**January 15, 1982 World Literature Conference # 7 Philadelphia, PA. Stories for the Basic Text were written here.**

**First group conscience opened 6:20p.m. Friday**

**January 18, 1982 W.L.C. # 7 Phila, PA.**

**Fourth day Morning (Final) 8:55a.m.**

**W.L.C. # 7 Approves Basic Text, N.A.: for Hardback Publication.**

**Pennsylvania Stories in the BASIC TEXT**

**“It won’t get any Worse” George R., Ivyland, PA.**

**“How do you Spell Relief” Terica W., Bristol, PA.**

**“A Gift Called Life” Bob P., Midland, PA.**

**January 23, 1982 N.A. Mid-Atlantic Regional Service Meeting Passaic, N.J.**

**A motion was passed to recognize New York, Allentown, and Tidewater/Virginia Beach as areas of our region. The region now consists of 8 areas.**

**Area Reports:**

**New York City--Terry reported that they now have 9 meetings in their area.**

**Tidewater/Virginia Beach--Bob reported that there are 6 meetings a week in their area**

**Allentown--Bill reported that they now have 8 meetings in the area. They have a hotline, and are distributing posters.**

**Baltimore--Louis reported that they have 12 meetings in the area. Their mailing address is P.O. box 4730, Baltimore, Md. 21211. Their literature committee has been working on stories for the N.A. book. The number of their Institutional meetings has been growing.**

**Philadelphia--Pete reported that 15 new meetings joined in December, bringing the total to 80 meetings in the area. They have also established a literature review committee. The stories were completed at January’s World Literature Conference and included some from as far away as Hawaii, Japan, and West Germany.**

**New Jersey--Bill reported that their are now 30 meetings in the area and they anticipate more growth in the future.**

**Washington--Mark reported that their are 33 meetings in the area. They have a new meeting list and are reorganizing their hotline.**

**Harrisburg/Williamsport--No one present**

**The 3 Persons nominated for Regional Service Rep. declined John F. was Passed to be Regional Service Representative Alternate**

**Tabled for next meeting: Tape recording R.S.C. Meetings, Regional Service Convention, and Nomination for Board of Trustees**

**February, 1982 W.L.C. # 7 Prepared stories for review to be added to basic text.**

**February 2, 1982 Henry D. Clean date and still clean today.**

**February 20, 1982 Primary Purpose Group of N.A. Celebrating our 1st Anniversary (Since the group regrouped) Sat. 7:00 to 8:30pm Maternity B.V.M. Church Rectory Basement 9220 Old Bustleton Ave. N.E. Phila.**

**March 27, 1982 To: the G.S.R.'s of the Bucks County Groups of N.A.**

**From: Concerned members of Bucks County Area.**

**Re: Bucks County forming an Area Service Committee**



**G.S.R.'s** an addithon was held to support the Phila. Literature review committee. During the addithon, a workshop was held to discuss the possibility of Bucks County forming an Area Service Committee. All members present of the workshop felt that, in order for the Bucks County fellowship to grow and still serve the needs of both the recovering addict, and the addict who still suffers in the Bucks County Area, we need to form our own Area Service Committee. But only a small amount of the Bucks County Fellowship were present at the workshop, and we realize that, in order for such a decision to be made, the Bucks County fellowship, as a whole, should be present of represented. To better inform you and the members of your group, we have enclosed with this letter the minutes from the March 27th workshop, and a proposed agenda for an ad hoc committee meeting set forth by that workshop.

**1982** The charter money, That Bucks County raised for the Clubhouse, was turned over to the Philadelphia Area Service Committee. Early in 1982, a place was found in Northeast Philly, at Harbison & Roosevelt Blvd., and the dream became a reality. The Farmhouse at 75 Mac Farland Ave. in Ivyland remained the informal clubhouse (halfway house) Conference Place, ECT... Through 1980-81-82-83. No Addict Seeking Recovery was ever turned away from Ivyland, for any reason....

**April 19, 1982** The 3-2 Group of N.A. Beginning Monday and every Monday there after from 8:00 to 9:00 at Huntington Hospital Adapt Rehab program Fitzwatertown Rd. between Moreland Ave and 611 Willowgrove, PA.

**May 23, 1982** Experience N.A. in South Jersey PICNIC IN THE PARK Cape May Co. Park, N.J. 11:00am to 7:00pm Rain Date June 6, 1982 Food Served At 1:00pm Fun And Games! Adult \$15.00, Children under 10, \$7.50

**June 5, 1982** Mid-Atlantic R.S.C. meeting (Tidewater)

**Jack:** Southside Tidewater Area 7 meetings

**Debbie:** Richmond, Virginia Need help with establish more meetings. 3 meetings.

**Billy:** Peninsula Area Help with literature. 5 meetings, 150 people.

**Paul:** Washington Area 35 meetings. Change meeting from gay serene to Spiritual meeting 5 Institutions.

**Terica:** Buck A.S. Broken from Phila. 2 meetings, still using Phila 3 meetings.

**Bob:** Phila A.S. Fund flow problem. Transition committee formation of new areas, possible region.

**Louie:** Baltimore Area Great Response to Newspaper Article about N.A. 15-16 meetings 2000 members.

**Bill:** Little Apple Area Involved/interested in institutional commitments. 2 new meetings Public relations, Article in paper. Proposed bid for 4th East Coast.

**Joanne:** Connecticut Area Article also in paper resulted in T.V. spot on dope. 11 meetings & 2 in works.

**Clarence:** Washington D.C. Institution Committee to Baltimore Jail men& women meetings Larry: commends D.C.

**Regional Service Report Larry & John Do have World Service N.A. book-Hard Cover also will be available for 12 world service conference. \$25. For first of 1st Edition 43 voting participants at conference Opened with 27 Regions & or States Represented. We were first Region & on a continuous basis. Larry: World Conference will be held in Santa Monica Calif. for 5 days again next year. Bill: World Serve. Be available in tapes, this year.**

**June 25-27, 1982 3rd East Coast Convention (Miracles Happen) Robert M. College-Moon Township Pittsburgh, PA. Executive Chairman-Bob P., New Brighton, PA.**

**July 9, 1982 Gary F. Clean date, and still clean.**

**September 3, 1982 Chuck S. (Chairman) of the Board of Trustees Read a letter from Bobby B. of Phila, PA. Dated 7/14/82 regarding "Fund Raising Monies" and Board of Trustees Response Letter Dated 8/7/82.**

**September 5, 1982 Labor Day Picnic Tyler State Park.**

**September 11, 1982 Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting. Allentown, PA. St. John's U.C.C. 6th & Walnut Sts. Subcommittee Meetings 12:00 Noon Anyone Interested be present Regional meeting 2:00 There will be a buffet with "eat's" A California style meeting and a dance.**

**October 8, 1982 Theatre of the Absurd Holy Ghost Preb. Bensalem, PA.**

**October 13, 1982 Bucks County Courier Times (Area Drug Group Expands) From 1-Meeting in Bristol to 15 Throughout the County.**

**October 15, 1982 Costume dance Salem United Church East Court St. Doylestown**

**October 15-17, 1982 Literature Conference Focus will be on Pamphlets, SPONSERSHIP, USE OF MEDICATION, YOUTH & RECOVERY, and HOSPITAL & INSTITUTION HANDBOOK. 75 Mac Farland Ave. Ivyland, PA.**

**October 21, 1982 Addithon Pebble Hill Church in Doylestown.**

**October 24, 1982 Regional Service Meeting  
Area Reports: Tom - Williamsport/Harrisburg  
Mark - Washington Metropolitan Area New Answering Service  
(202) 338-7989 Approx. 25 meetings.**

Bill - N.J.-23 meetings Public service announcement, shown on cable  
T.V. faces blacked out 201-659-6381.

Baltimore-No show

Bill volunteers move 5-Allentown

3-

Sept. 11 in Allentown

12-sub 2:00 R.S.C.

6th & Walnut

**October 24, 1982 Bucks County Area Services.**

Bucks County P.O. Box 245 Warrington, PA 18976

Hospital & Institutions: formed a committee to Review 3rd draft of Blue H & I  
Booklet. November 3, 6:30-8:00 Bucks County Prison.

A.S.R. report Region was formed.

Lit. Review Committee-had a Lit. Conference finished pamphlets on "Youth in  
Recovery" Almost "Sponsorship"- "Use of Medication in Recovery" sent all info  
down to Florida for their conference.

Anne Carmichael Presbyterian Church Street Rd. Across from Keystone Racetrack  
Bensalem, PA. (Non-smoking) Sat. & Sun Night N.A. groups.

Montgomery County P.O. 462 Norristown, PA. 19404

**October 29, 1982 Halloween Dance St. Paul's Church Nassar St. Princeton.**

### **SUGGESTIONS FOR PHILA. REORGANIZATION**

The What? (5 - new Areas and 1 - New Region)

Area #1-All Phila. Meetings (approx. 25 mtgs-19 Groups)

Area #2-Montc. County meetings (approx-10)

Area #3-All Delaware & Delaware County meetings (approx. 6)

Area #4-All Bucks County meetings (approx. 14)

Area #5-All South Jersey meetings (approx. 9)

Numbers of meetings according to June meeting list.

The How?

1.Each Area Service Committee continues to meet on the 2nd. Sun. of the Month.

2.The Regional Service Committee would meet on a quarterly basis (Jan., April,  
July, & Oct.) on the 3rd Sunday.

3.The new Region could handle most of the services that the Phila. A.S.C. has now.  
Example HOT LINE, Literature Review, Public Information, Prison/Institutions,  
etc. This could be done until each of the new Areas is ready to do them.

4.the new Region could print a Regional Meeting list once or twice a year.

The new Areas could print their own meeting list as needed.

Both the R.S.C. & A.S.C.'s could charge enough to cover the printing coast.

5.Each new Area would only be responsible for:

A.) A \$20 minimum donation monthly to the Region to cover the cost of the  
Hotline.

B.) The only other expenses would be for a meeting place & supplies.

6. Continue as many of the current officers, from our area to new Region, that would be willing to serve. This would help the new Region get started with experience people. Possible they could serve for a six-month term, until elections could be held. The When?

1. As Early as Oct. 1982

2. As Late as Jan. 1983

3. Whatever date we chose--We should try and do it together so we can maintain unity in spirit and in service.

### **REPORT ON THE FORMATION OF A GREATER PHILADELPHIA REGION**

The purpose of this report is to define some of the issues involved in the formation of a Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Committee out of the old Phila. Area Service Committee. The report also makes several suggestions and proposals about how to achieve this, but these are included more for the purpose of stimulating discussion than any thing else and are not meant to be binding. Nor does the report attempt to cover all the issues that are involved in the undertaking.

As of this time four new area service committees have been formed--Philadelphia, Bucks County, Southern New Jersey, and Delaware State-County. Mean while a fifth--Montgomery County--is in the making. It would seem, therefore, that a Regional Service Committee is the logical next step.

The main issue to be considered is the following:

**TREASURY:** The old Phila. A.S.C. treasury contains \$500.00+. Since this money was donated by the groups who would comprise a Greater Philadelphia R.S.C. and since many of the new R.S.C.'s functions, i.e. the hotline, need to be well financed; it might be best to have the entire treasury revert to the new R.S.C.

**COMMITTEES:** The following committees of the old Philadelphia A.S.C. should be absorbed intact into the Greater Phila. R.S.C.

1) Hotline

2) Literature Review--the current policy of the W.S.C. is to encourage the development of literature on a regional level.

3) Literature--The old Philadelphia Area Literature Committee has a \$1,000.00+ worth of literature in its stockpile. This should be sold of before any changes made in this committee.

The following are committees the new R.S.C. might want to form:

1) Finance

2) Public Information

3) Hospitals and Institutions

4) Newsletter

5) Activities-- the old A.S.C. Entertainment Committee could very well be the nucleus of an Activities Committee, but there would have to be a change in its emphasis.

**OFFICERS:** For the purpose of continuity and orderly transition, a previous report suggested that the officers of the old Philadelphia A.S.C. be the temporary officers of the new R.S.C. for a period of three or six months. The officers have agreed to this. It might also be remembered that if the Mid-Atlantic Region disbands several

of its officers are now from the Greater Philadelphia Region and could also offer us their expertise and experience.

**MEMBERSHIP:** A question that will need to be discussed is what areas will comprise the new R.S.C. Will the number is limited to the areas formed from the old A.S.C. or will membership be open to any area, which desires it?

- 1.) Regional Service will be held in Phila. And open to any area, but we should not have the meeting anywhere but Phila.
- 2.) Region formed
- 3.) Oct. 17th 1982 2:00 1st R.S.C. meeting at usual place.
- 4.) Region will do elections when necessary.
- 5.) All assets & Liabilities from the A.S.C. will be turned over to the region.

## 1983

**January 13-16, 1983** the History of N.A. Ivyland # 4, 75 Mac Farland Ave. Ivyland, PA. Pete B. & Denny S.

**February 13, 1983** Phila. Area Service

8-Group Represented. 1-Kiss group 1502 Frankford Ave. 2-Life Wish St. Joachim's  
3. Reality Sat. at 6:00 Hotline-Henry  
Prisons & Institutions 1) Fairmount 2) Gifrey 3) Holmesburg 4) Firehouse 5)  
Bridge-Pine Rd. Really interested in N.A. at Ryan High School  
1-Came to believe 37th & Chestnut 2-Center City Group 3-N.E. N.A. Wed. 4-Phila.  
Comm. College 5-Strecker Path Thurs. at 7:30

**RECOVERING ADDICTS** Club House 6537 Roosevelt Blvd. Philadelphia, PA.19149

**March 20, 1983** Philadelphia Regional  
Public Information John S.  
**APRIL SERVICE CONFERENCE**

**April 10, 1983** Area Services

**Group Reports:**

Reality - Gloria Dei - New Horizons - Lifewish - Serenity - W.A.I.T. - Center City -  
Men at Work - Freedom Group - Primary Purpose - Came to Believe  
At Regional Conference, April 16, there will be a lot of work done on new literature.  
Steve K. Resigned As Regional Representative. Dale B. stepped up.  
New Business: Henry D. read a long (6-page) letter from World Service Literature  
Committee Which essentially bitched a lot about W.S.O. and to explained their side  
of the N.A. Book printing fiasco.

There had been Conventions going on around the East Coast in Pennsylvania but never in Philadelphia, The reason for this was that we had members in Phila. That believed Conventions were not N.A. that Conventions broke Traditions, so for years

we waited until John Swanson said “ I’ll put up a \$100.00 if you do.” Bobby Bonds agreed and so did Dutch Huber. They went down to Atlantic City, N.J. They gambled with the \$300.00 and went on to win enough for the deposit to get the First Convention in Philadelphia going. They got this together in 29-days.

**April 16, 1983 (First Ever Regional Service Conference) #1 Philly Convention Holiday Inn 4th & Arch Sts. Phila, PA. It was a successful one-day affair. Bobby B. - Chaired.**

**April 17, 1983 R.S.C.**

R.S.R. John F. -Answer to letter to Bob R. reply, Called Fri. Bob R. W.S.O. has printed book with deletions target date April 22nd.

**April 28, 1983 Dennis N. Clean date and still clean today.**

**May 4, 1983 The Philadelphia Plan 1716 Loney St. Phila.PA 19124 Jim H. House.**

**May 10, 1983 Harry G. Clean date and still clean today.**

**June 15, 1983 Phila. Area**

Go For It new meeting St. Francis Inn Kensington & Hagert Sts. Wednesday 8:00  
Fairmount Inst. Friday at 8:00 new meeting needs support  
Literature- Henry filled in for Kathy. Literature conference planned for November.  
New 12 Step and 12 Tradition book to be revised by Philadelphia Region. Also  
"Living Clean" (These will be given out Fourth East Coast Convention.  
Prisons & Institutions New meeting in Laurel Hall Detention Center.

**June 24-26, 1983 4th East Coast Convention (Freedom Through Fellowship)  
Lehigh University Bethlehem, PA. Executive Chairman-Bill Allen, Allentown, PA.  
Registration Chairman-Pete B., Lanham, MD.**

**July 10, 1983 Phila. Area**

14 Meetings, Abington Friday at 8:00 needs support. - South Philadelphia Moving from broad & Wharton to Ellsworth & Carlisle for the summer. Same night and time.

**July 16, 1983 announcing the 1st annual Old Timers Reunion 1716 Loney St. Phila. PA. 19111 at 8:00pm contact Jim H. at 215-722-5175**

**August 21, 1983 Phila. Area**

12-Meetings

Dutch & John gave report on California trip. They both resigned as Dutch is now a Trustee And John is World Policy Chair. They are developing a new policy manual, as there is no existing service manual.

California said to specify what edition of the book you want when you order or you'll receive the first edition automatically. What happened with the first edition was that the Chairman of Trustees, Jim K., didn't approve of two lines in the traditions, so he deleted them and then gave to Chuck for printing, telling him to print as is. Jim K. was sent a letter thanking him for his dedicated service. Literature Review: They are going to be having a lot of fund-raisers. Labor day picnic-Tyler State Park-Monday, September 5, 1983, \$3.00 11:00am to? The Fund-raisers are for the 8 -W.L.C. planned for November.

**September 23, 1983** Alice M. Clean date and still clean today.

**October 4, 1983** Rodney I. Clean date and still clean today.

**October 9, 1983** A.S.C. Minutes

New Meeting: Somerton Group St. Paul's Lutheran Church Bustleton Ave. above Tomlinson, Sun. at 6:00pm.

World Lit. Conference held in our region Nov. 6-11, committee needed for review of 12&12-G.S.R.'s get people to be involved, call Bob H.

New Prison & Inst. meeting: Gaudenzia House 19th & Tioga N. Phila.

New meeting: Tues. night 8:30-9:30, Frankford Hosp. Women's meeting 1st floor in conference room #1&2. Enter at Griscom St. entrance.

Survivors Group-S.W. Phila. Mon. night at 7:00 66th & Woodland Meeting for 6 mths.

**November 6-11, 1983** World Literature Conference # 9 Neumann Conference Center Jamison, PA. 12 & 12, Living Clean, Literature Review Handbook

**November 20, 1983** Greater Phila. Regional Service Committee.

Area reports: Bucks, South Jersey, Phila, Montgomery, Tri-County

Lit. Review-Literature Conference held Nov. 6-11 another draft of 12 steps done.

History- World sub-committee. Newsletter Handbook for review to the fellowship.

Copy write was conditionally released. 1st East Coast Literature Conference 3-Regions 1) Greater Phila. 2) Chesapeake-Potomac 3) Mid-Atlantic

**December 12, 1983** Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Meeting

New meeting: South Jersey 34th St. Marina Thursday night Step 8:30-10:00pm

Montco. Area Services held on Dec. 11, 1983 Elections held. Starting Jan.

Chair-Joe R. Treasurer-Bob M. Secretary-Kevin M. Alt. A.S.R.-Lee J.

R.S.R. report new post office box 30th St. station. Greater Phila. Regional P.O.box 42629 Phila. PA. 19101-2629

**1984**

**Greater Phila. Regional Service Committee**  
**Chair-Jane G. Vice-Chair-Hank W. R.S.R.-Dale B. R.S.R. Alt.-Bob B. H. & I. -**  
**Ken E. Lit. Rev.-Al R. Lit. Dist.-Kathy D. Hotline-Henry D. Treasurer-Steve K.**  
**Secretary-Bob H. A.S.R. Phila. -Mary Mc S. A.S.R. Bucks-Scott D.**

**January 10, 1984 Born to Win Group 3rd Anniversary-1st Reform Church**  
**corner of Paulson & Passaic Ave.**

**January 22, 1984 Tom K. Clean date and still clean.**

**January 27, 1984 a letter written to Dutch H. from: Father Daniel Egan.**  
**Franciscan Friars of the Atonement Graymoor, Garrison, New York 10524**  
**Dear Trusted Servants of the World Service Committee,**  
**There are miracles within miracles; we're all miracles within the big miracle of**  
**N.A.-Especially myself! It overwhelms me, and fills me with awe and true humility**  
**just observing all that God is working in, through and within our fellowship.**  
**Certainly it follows no logic or the accepted tools of the social science. All we can do**  
**is stand back in awe and reverence and make ourselves worthy instruments of his**  
**Grace in the fellowship. If I can help in any small way to serve the N.A. fellowship,**  
**to spread it's message, to prevent even one suffering addict from dying before trying**  
**N.A.-Then I offer my services for what they are worth. I mean, God can work even**  
**through the likes of me. So, I'm formally offering, in writing, to serve on the World**  
**Service Board of Trustees and, to the best of my ability and few finances, to fulfill**  
**the serious responsibility that-office must entail. God Knows! I'll have a lot to learn,**  
**because, up to now, I have served best on the one on one, street and prison level. But**  
**I'm not to old to learn and keep growing with N.A. I'll leave it all to God's will**  
**expressed through your group conscience.**  
**Prayerfully Yours in the Fellowship of N.A.**  
**Fr. Daniel Egan, S.A. "The Junkie Priest" P.S. I just spoke with Jimmy K. in the**  
**Hospital. Give him a hug for me &**  
**assure him of my continued**  
**prayers--**

**January 31, 1984 Tuesday Delaware Step Meeting Raffle N.A. Red Book - 1st**  
**Addition PRIZE Donation \$.50 Winner Will Be Notified**

**February 12, 1984 Narcotics Anonymous - Philadelphia Area Service.**  
**Election: Joe F. Co-Chair, Marianne K. Secretary**  
**H & I, 15-Meetings Andy O. voted in as chairperson of H & I.**  
**Literature report-Andy P.**  
**Literature Review-Cathy D.**

**February 25, 1984 Primary Purpose Group of N.A. 3rd Anniversary (Since the**  
**group regroup) Maternity B.V.M. Church Rectory 9220 Old Bustleton Ave. Phila.**



## **March 9, 1984 Northeast Area Service Committee**

### **Phila. Area Service Committee:**

Approximately two years ago the existing Phila. Area Service Committee was reorganized into five areas. Those five areas now make up the Phila. Region. During an area service meeting, at that time, it was brought up that due to the number of meetings (approximately thirty) the needs of the individual groups could not be addressed. A person at the meeting took the responsibility of looking at a map and dividing the existing area into five new areas to better serve the group's needs. At the following area service meeting, the person brought back their proposal, a vote was taken, and the area was divided into five areas.

Recently a group of N.A. members in Northeast Philadelphia felt their group's needs could best be fulfilled by forming a new area, since the Phila. Area now has at least twenty-two groups. Those N.A. members also felt that by forming their own area, the groups in Northeast Philadelphia could be more supportive of each area, and could better address their group's needs in a smaller setting rather than the present setting of the large Phila. Area.

According to the N.A. service manual, it is suggested that an area could form where groups share the same telephone area, or if the needs of the groups warrant their own Area Service Committee. There are no guidelines in the Service Manual about how to go about reorganizing an area. This time instead of doing it through the Area Service Committee, and only having the GSR's vote, members of groups in the Northeast voted at their business meetings or emergency business meetings. Initially those members in the Northeast involved in the venture contacted all meetings north of Bridge Street (as that area is usually thought of to make up Northeast Philadelphia) and invited them into the area. It was estimated that there would be eleven groups to contact. As of this writing, eight groups have joined the area, one tabled the idea, one rejected the idea, and one has yet to vote on this matter.

On February 29, 1984 GSR's, Officers, and members of the eight groups met and formed the "Northeast Philadelphia Area Service Committee". The following groups will make up the new area:

<b>3-2 Group</b>	<b>Primary Purpose</b>
<b>Gloria Dei</b>	<b>Reality</b>
<b>New Horizon 1</b>	<b>Somerton</b>
<b>New Horizon 2</b>	<b>Abington Hospital</b>

Future planning and preliminary sessions will be held before the first Northeast Phila. Area Service Committee meeting on Sunday May 6, 1984 at 1:00 pm. As before, at our first planning session, an officer from the Phila. Area Service Committee was contacted and asked to attend. In future meetings, officers or interested persons in the Phila. Area Service Committee are invited to attend our planning sessions.

As in the case of the last reorganization, a sufficient time, in this case two months, was needed to make a smooth transition. All concerned in the Northeast Phila. Area Service Committee wants to work closely with the Phila. Area Service Committee to ensure a smooth transition. We do not see the reorganization as a derogatory issue.

We see it as a device to better serve the needs of the groups in Phila., which will better serve the needs of it's members in a smaller setting, and carry the message of recovery. An added benefit to the reorganization is the possibility of in the near future, to have the Phila. Area Service committee and the Northeast Phila. Area Service Committee forms a Region, and shares their needs, concerns, and voice at the World Service Conference.

We would like to thank the Phila. Area Service Committee for their past support and concerns for the groups in Northeast Phila. We would like to thank you in advance for any experience you can share with us, and we look forward in working with you in the reorganization. In the fellowship. Sincerely, Jim H. Temporary Chairperson Northeast Phila. Area Service Committee Rich W. Temporary Vice Chairperson Northeast Phila. Area Service Committee.

**April 13-15, 1984 (A Time To Come Together) #2 Philly Convention**  
Hershey Hotel Broad & Locust Sts. Phila. PA. Bobby B. Chaired.

**April 23, 1984 World Service Conference #9 Retail Clerks Union Hall 1410 2nd St. Santa Monica, California R.S.R. Greater Philadelphia (Present)**

**June 10, 1984 Narcotics Anonymous-Philadelphia Area Service Minutes of Meeting. Group reports (19)**

Deletion of material from the approved version of the basic text "Narcotics Anonymous" first received information informally in Maryland. Contacted RSR. He brought letter concerning 4th and 9th Tradition from WSC (see attached proposal). Turned over to Guido. Guido-Passed out letter from conference. Will send area vote by regional mail and letter sent to area advising of vote. We did not get 60 days. Must be done by June 30 because there will be August printing of Basic Text. Last year this region voted to have sentences left in. Now we will vote as groups. We got to short notice. We can send letter as area about this.

Discussion by Andy O. regarding Traditions 4 and 9. Discussed miss wording of 6th Step in Basic Text. Proposals request 30-days decision dated May 14, 1984. - Received June 10, 1984. Traditions were written as guidelines and protection for groups-not to settle service structure disputes.

Regional Report (Cathy D.)

Old Business-Allen S. resigned as Chairperson of Area. Requested that Area please accept Joe F. as Chairperson. Nominations for co-chairperson for area.

Motion that \$60.00 be used from reserve of \$90.00 to pay for referral of "276" to "1-800." Motion Carried (unanimously)

Announcements New Meeting: Kensington-Richmond-Fish town area (On the Beam Group) meets Monday, 8:30 at St. Anne's Hall, Memphis & Tucker (Beg. meeting) Serenity Group-3rd Anniv. -7/5-1921 Grant Ave.

**July 21, 1984 Regional Meeting hosted by Montco. (12pm to 11pm) Shelly Ridge Meeting Hall, on Manor Road off Ridge Pike, in Layfayette Hills, PA.912-3-**

committee, workshops) (3-5-regional meeting-elections) (5:30-11:00-dinner and dance)

**August 24, 1984 Greater Philadelphia Area Service Committee Meeting.**  
Group reports 21-groups. New Horizons 1 and 2 they are now one group.  
South Phila. -Change in address. The Dixon House 1920 S. 20th Street So. Phila, PA.  
New Groups: Guiffrie Hospital 8th & Girard Phila. PA. Tues. 8:00 on the 11th floor  
Odat needs officers. There is a need for a group to take a new meeting at 9th &  
South St. It's called Al-Assist on Tues. or Thurs. night and Friday day.  
Announcements: New meeting in Bux County at Bustleton & Street Rd. Tues. night  
from 8:00 to 9:00pm Step meeting.

**September 9, 1984 Narcotics Anonymous-Philadelphia Area Service Minutes of meeting.** New meeting: Surrender-8: 30 Wed.-Our Lady of Calvary Teachers Lounge-11024 Knights Rd. (2 blocks north of Red Lion Rd and Knights-between Chalfont & Dundee) Open Beg. Mtg.-Starting 9/19/84 directions: call Ann Marie 331-0968 or Andy P. 676-8784

**September 15, 1984 Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Meeting.**  
All 6 Areas were present Phila. -Bucks Co., -So. N.J., -Shore Coastal, -Montco, -Tri-County. Area Reports: Phila. Area has 3 new meetings K.I.S.S. Group, Surrender Group; O.D.A.T. Group Reality Groups meetings are discontinued because they lost their meeting place.

Bucks Co.-New meeting: "Good Friends" halfway house, Rt. 1, Morrisville.  
One step at a time group Community Reform Church

Street

Rd & Bustleton Pike. Feasterville, PA Tue. 8:00pm

**October 14, 1984 Narcotics Anonymous-Philadelphia Area Service Minutes of Meeting.** The 2 N.J. areas are meeting with rest of N.J. to decide if they are going to form a N.J. Region.

Big discussion-Regional Office-need more investigation for legal aspects, etc.-Can there be a hotline there, etc.?

New Business: Rules be suspended to discuss important matter re: South Phila. Group to be 40 minutes time and each person to talk only for five minutes. Motion Passed.

**October 14, 1984 to the groups in the Philadelphia Area,**  
We the literature review committee of Phila. Are here to serve you. We have been notified by the World Literature Committee that our Basic Text "Narcotics Anonymous" is open for revision. We are asking you to help us serve you. If your group is concerned and would like to participate in the revision of our book, please set aside some time to better our book. Our primary purpose is to carry the message to the still suffering addict and our literature has been proven to be a good carrier of that message. We have picked an article from our international magazine, "The N.A. Way" which refers to our request from you. We do have the time to carefully

review our book. In the name of group conscience, we must look to an Ultimate Authority for our answers in this task. In Loving Service The Phila. Area Literature Review Committee.

**November 11, 1984 Narcotics Anonymous-Philadelphia Area Service Minutes of Meeting. Group reports: New Horizons Moved to Rhawn & Bustleton, 8pm Thurs. Reality Group still looking for location Wed. 8pm-Cheltenham & Harbison. Mon. 12 and Fri. 12:30-1st fl. Bridge Street (2205) South Phila. Has new commitment: Navy Yard military prison Tuesday 7:15; Hispanic Civic Center, 5th and Lehigh; Army Tues. 8:00 Old Business Motion re: South Phila. Group-Is promotion of A.A. literature by individual of a group in direct violation of 4th Tradition. 9 Aye, 5 Nay, 4 Abs.-Passed.**

**New meeting: (How it works group) Broad and York, Watts Street-Thursdays, 8pm, Dropsie Institute-speaker discussion.**

**New address for Philadelphia Area is Philadelphia Area Service, Post Office Box 52020, Philadelphia, Pa. 19115**

**November 17, 1984 Greater Phila. Regional Service Meeting Saturday in Tri-County Area.**

**November 18, 1984 Proposed Guidelines for Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Committee Submitted to the fellowship. Prepared by GPRSE Select Committee J.R.F., Chairperson.**

**December 2, 1984 Joe M. Clean date and still clean today.**

**December 9, 1984 Narcotics Anonymous Philadelphia Area Service Minutes of Meeting. Group reports (20) Hotline Report (Henry D.) We have two bills, \$113.12/\$316.72, don't know which one to pay or both? Will go to Harrisburg this month to see the operation and setup. If any one knows of hotline treasury, if there is one! Does anyone know where Faith and/or Jerome is? I have hotline signup lists, only requirement is to give specific times and days available, am redoing all lists because of Addicts Anonymous #'s, too much to sort! Will talk to Tom M. of hotline bills; about having a hotline based in Philly, not if we can't be organized as it is !!! Any Q and/or A, you can call Henry 637-2765. Positions open-ASR, Tom C., ASR Alt. Dominic, Hotline, Henry Secretary, Loretta, Public Info, Mike S. W.S.O. has a new service, International Affairs Committee; based in NYC Regional Service Office, # (212) 420 9400, job is to promote unity throughout remote areas of the world. Anyone interested, call Henry, or NYC. "See attached"\*\*\*\*\***

**December 17, 1984 Christmas Dance fund-raiser for the 5th E.C.C.N.A. Sat. 9:00pm meeting from 7:30-8:30 St. Raphael's Church, 346 E. Mt. Pleasant Ave. Livingston, N.J. \$3.00**

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### **February 10, 1985 Philadelphia Area Services Minutes of Meeting.**

**New meeting: Manyunk 175 Green Lane, North Light, Inc., 7:30 beginner's meeting (old sign reads Boys club) Friday. Regional-Brian H. was elected Secretary of region. Bill O'N. Was elected H & I Chairman. Joe G. was elected Vice Chairman of the region. Maggie O'C. Was elected RSR alternate.**

**New meeting: Manheim & Pulaski-the church on the corner. 8:00 pm Sunday**

**Diane W's commitment is up as H & I Chairperson Diane was re-elected**

**369 N.A. Wed. 6:00 to 7:30 New**

**Take a Chance Thurs. 8:00 New**

**February 23, 1985 Primary Purpose Group 4th Anniversary (Since the group regrouped) Sat. 7:00 to 8:30pm The Maternity B.V.M. Church Rectory Basement 9220 Old Bustleton Ave. N.E. Phila.**

### **March 27, 1985 Qualifications for a "PURIST"**

**#1) Identify themselves as "Addicts"**

**#2) Sustain their Recovery by attending N.A. Meetings.**

**#3) Would prefer to travel 50 miles to get to an N.A. meeting than to go any other fellowship meeting.**

**#4) Consider their membership in N.A. the most important thing in their life since their very life depends on N.A.**

**#5) Live by the Principles of the 12 Steps & 12 Traditions of N.A.**

**#6) Speak the language of N.A. (Being clean, not sober; accumulate clean time, not sobriety)**

**#7) Refer to our book as the "Basic Text" not the big book.**

**#8) Do not refer the people they sponsor as "pigeons"**

**#9) Quote our "Basic Text" Not any other fellowship books.**

**#10) Are active members on the Group, Area, Region, and World levels.**

**#11) Take their service commitments seriously and try to the best of their ability to carry them out.**

**#12) Attend and support all N.A. functions first before any other functions.**

**#13) Carries the message of N.A. Recovery, which is undiluted, by any other message.**

**#14) Understands that N.A. is a unique and separate fellowship, which offers recovery from addiction.**

**#15) Helps Newcomers**

**A) Explains the meaning of the first step of N.A.**

**B) Explains the concept of Anonymity.**

**C) Shares and cares the N.A. way.**

**D) Encourages involvement in N.A. meetings and other N.A. functions.**

**E) Takes new members to meetings where the N.A. message is found.**

**#16) Cares enough about the future of N.A. to get up and do something about it.**

**#17) Considers it a privilege to serve the fellowship.**

- #18) Upholds the traditions of N.A. in their groups, areas and regions.**
  - #19) Speak up when traditions are being violated even when it brings criticism or resentment from non-purist members.**
  - #20) Realize that their personal recovery is based on N.A. unity...and that N.A. must remain pure to insure its survival.**
  - #21) Realize that our group conscience never goes against the traditions and that there is a difference between "group conscience" and "group opinion".**
  - #22) Are usually misunderstood and/or disliked by non-purist members, but believe in their hearts that it is better to follow what they believe is best for the fellowship of N.A. than it is to please some members.**
  - #23) Share a strong common bond with other purist members and often go to great lengths to seek out other members who consider themselves "purist".**
  - #24) And perhaps most important...Purist give warm, loving hugs...The N.A. Way. In Loving Service,**
- Anonymous Member of the East Coast Vigilante Committee. Written by: Jim D.**

**April 12-14, 1985 (Celebration of Life thru Fellowship) #3 Philly Convention  
Franklin Plaza Hotel 16th & Vine Sts. Phila. PA. Tom S. -Chaired.**

**April 14, 1985 Philadelphia Area Services**

**29 - Groups New meeting: New Attitudes 1912 Welsh Rd. at 8:00pm  
Hotline report -1-800-232-HOPE has been disconnected. Hotline Treasurer out in Harrisburg never paid any bills and we now owe a total of \$2,800.00, of which our area is responsible for 75% we have set up a new number 934-3944  
Regional report-Tom was given vote of confidence as new Convention Committee Chairman. Joe F. was voted alternate RSR from Philadelphia region.**

**May 12, 1985 Philadelphia Area Services**

**Serenity- 4th anniversary 7/11/85 all welcome 1912 Welsh Rd.  
Somerton- (may soon be moving meeting from priest's house to Church hall)  
Hotline report-We still owes a total of \$2,800. There has been \$1,800 raised in fund-raisers. Tickets will be made up for a raffle drawing. First Prize: 2 paid registrations to the World Convention in Washington, DC. Hotel accommodations and train fare included.**

**May 18, 1985 Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Meeting Summerdale & Pratt 12:00 Noon.**

**May 27, 1985 N.A. Memorial day Pinic to benefit the Phila. Hotline "Daisy Field" of Fairmount Park Sponsored by the Manyunk Group.**

**June 9, 1985 Philadelphia Area Services**

**Hospitals & Institutions- Episcopal Hospital has started. There will be a meeting starting at Self-Help Rehab. -2 speaker meeting, 6pm every other Sunday.**

Hotline report Jay C. elected hotline representative. We need support for committee teams. Bill for April & May was \$107.86 Hotline is running smoothly. Any one wanting to get involved contact Harry G. at 698-9706 or Jay C. at 671-1634.

#### **July 14, 1985 Philadelphia Area Services**

23-Groups, new meeting: U-Help, 2600 Kensington Ave., Saturday nights at 8:00  
August 2-4th N.A. Retreat at the Dominican Retreat House in Elkins Park. \$60.00 per person.

#### **August 11, 1985 Philadelphia Area Services**

ASR Report- Next Regional is 9/21/85 at 12:00 Noon. J.R. was elected as RSR Alternate. Regional H & I chairman suggest that H&I cans be put out at group level.

Tri-State doing very well, We are removing our bid for the 8th East Coast Convention and supporting Tri-States bid. There will be a convention committee meeting on 9/5 at 8:30pm at 22nd & Chestnut Sts.

#### **September 8, 1985 Philadelphia Area Services**

Literature Review-The Bucks County Literature Conference is going well. They are covering "It Works: How & Why". Committee is still working on this. The committee lacks the support it definitely needs to properly evaluate "It Works: How & Why", not to mention other information pamphlets. We need active involvement from recovering addicts with wisdom, strength and hope the book needs.

#### **September 21, 1985 Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Meeting.**

#### **October 13, 1985 Phila. Area Service**

Love Street Promotions Club 12th and Walnut

Regional report-Joe F. \*Meeting By Mail. Starlight Group-Bill D. 924-8188.

Chair: Bridge 21st & 28th Spkrs: Sheldon & Bill D. call both

#### **November 10, 1985 Area Service of Philadelphia Sunday.**

The 2 following facilities would like a group to support them: 1) Eastern Phila. Psychiatric Institute Roxborough. 2) Essention Grade school G & Westmoreland Sts.

Riverside House a group is needed for this commitment. "Am I an addict" is still available & approved N.A. literature if any corrections need to be made please see John S. (Thanks John)

Regional Service meetings held on the 3rd Sat. of the month at 12:00pm location-Pratt & Summerdale Sts. Mitch S. was voted in as Convention Committee Chairperson.

30 hours of "UNITY" Pebble Hill Church 611-Edison & Furlough Rds. Jan. 17th 8:00pm to Jan 19th 2:00am Dinner, Dancing, Meetings. (30 hrs. of continuous meetings) 7th ECCNA Convention Comm. is sponsoring "Thanxday"-family reunion Nov 29-Dec.1st. Flyers available. 32-meetings.

**New meeting: Take a chance-6:45-7:45-Thurs. Manyunk-Tues. 8:00 4555 Pechim Sts. Sal. Army. Lit. John D. medallions 1 yr. to-? \$1.00/ea. Roman numerals "Am I an Addict" is good Literature. 1913 N. 54th. St. Sunlight Group Wed. & Sat 1pm**

**December 8, 1985 Area Service Meeting**

**Mike K. opened the meeting at 7:30 Literature Review Committee should work on the booklet "In Times of Illness", the 12 Traditions in It Works: How & Why, & write input for the Daily Meditation Guide. Motion on floor & passed that the area have a party for New Years Eve. Martinique Motor Lodge 24th & Penrose Jan. 31st.**

**New meeting: Fairmount Institute-"God as I understand him" Sat. 8:00pm 1 hour mtg.**

**Warminster-Grace Lutheran Church Street Rd. Thurs 8:00pm  
Oxford Circle 13th anniversary**

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**January 12, 1986 Area Service Sunday**

**Announcements: "369 N.A." is moving to Krewstown Rd. a business meeting is being held at 369 N.A. (Ryan Ave. & Sandyford Rds.) on 1/25/86 5:00**

**January 17-18, 1986 #1 B.U.C.K.S. Co. Area Convention (Becoming Unified thru Caring Kindness & Service) Pebble Hill Church Edison Furlong Rd. PA.**

**January 27, 1986 Danny M. Clean date and still clean today.**

**February 9, 1986 Phila. Area Service**

**27-Groups Abington Group starting beginners meeting same time as regular meeting.**

**Starlight group 1st anniversary, Sat. 8pm Take a Chance Having Anniversary  
March 20th. 369-Cancelled**

**March 15, 1986 Greater Philadelphia Regional Meeting**

**March 16, 1986 Phila. Area Service**

**ASR Regional yesterday Policy committee needs help J.R.  
N.A.-Way; Loner Group; Banquet GPR#4 GPR Incorporated;  
Unity Abraxas Group 5401 Wayne needs spkrs. Thurs 8pm**

**April 4-6, 1986 (Together We Grow) #4 Philly Convention**

**Phila. Centre Hotel 1725 Kennedy Blvd. Phila. PA. Mitch S. -Chaired**

**April 13, 1986 Phila. Area Services**



**Lifewish-May Anniversary 5th T.G.I.F. New 8th & Bainbridge Fri 8:30pm Church of the Crucifixion 1319 New Tues 5pm 30th St. Flower Shop.  
New Business Clean vs.: Sober Regional Unity Committee 2-day John Swanson Learning Workshops Sponsorship Memorial Day Picnic East River Drive.**

**April 28, 1986 Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Committee P.O. Box 42628 Phila. PA. 19101-2628 The Greater Phila. Region is in its fourth year of existence. We consist of four areas: Philadelphia area, Montgomery County area, Bucks County area, and Tri-County area. Geographically we cover the metropolitan Philadelphia area and the entire state of Delaware. Last year we had 80 regular meetings and 25 hospital and institution commitments. We currently have 130 regular meetings doubled in size, and a strong emphasis is being put on home groups.**

**Currently, all public information and hospital and institution work is being done at an area level. The region has started proceedings to incorporate and is hoping to open an office in the near future. We intend to better consolidate PI work, and have a place to set aside for a permanent hotline. As of this time, all areas have separate answering services. A recent study done by the Phila. Area, found that most people calling our answering service are unwilling to leave a number. Suffering addicts are calling, but until we have an addict answering, we will lose many calls. We are working on improving our current methods in hopes that we can better fulfill our primary purpose.**

**On April 4,5,6 we had our fourth annual regional convention. We were able to donate 200 registrations to local rehabilitations centers in hopes of providing an attractive atmosphere of recovery for those still suffering. Many of these new comers attending were amazed at the size of the fellowship and we can only hope they will keep coming back.**

**The Convention also brought to light a rising controversy existing within the fellowship. Certain individuals, some even forming an "East Coast Vigilante Committee," have taken it upon themselves to be the overseers of Narcotics Anonymous. These individuals calling themselves purist try to impose their will on others. We, of the Greater Philadelphia Region, in no means support such radicalism. We leave the doors of Narcotics Anonymous open to everyone regardless of age, race, color, creed, religion, lack of religion, or proper command of the English language.**

**We believe in a unified program and have the faith that over a period of time, and the necessary change in terminology that exist within our literature, that most members of Narcotics Anonymous will be using the same terms. But we should allow the change to take place on a spiritual level, one with love and understanding, and not with dogma and doctrine. In Loving Service Joe F. R.S.R. & J.R. F. Alt.**

**May 11, 1986 Philadelphia Area Service Meeting Sunday**

**Group Reports: Serenity group-doing well Wed. night, Thurs. night cancelled.**

**New Attitude-relocating to Solly Playground at Bustleton & Solly for a Mon. night step meeting. @ 8:00pm Freedom Group-doing well new meeting Fri @ Midnight.**

New Horizons-relocating to Solly Playground, Thurs. 8:00pm KISS doing good, new meeting Tues. 1:00 pm @ Community Women's Education center, Frankford & Somerset. Request by Tim O. for a meeting at 8th & Luzern. Church office: 225-0309 ASR: Next meeting, May 17, 1986 Pratt & Summerdale 12:00 Noon. Two representatives from the World Service Board of Trustees will be present at the meeting. When a full report from the World Service Conference will be given. Nominations for secretary; Gwenn A. Elected. Pat R. moves from co-chairman to chairman. Nominations for co-chair; Steve J. elected. Nominations for Unity Committee chairman; Donald P. elected.

### **June 8, 1986 Philadelphia Area Service Meeting Sunday**

ASR: Greater Phila. Regional Service Office, Inc. has filed for tax-exempt number. A 6-member panel has been formed. 1. To drop South Philly N.A. from the regional mtng. List and regional activities due to on going tradition violations. A request for a meeting to be started at 7255 Ogontz Ave. at the Faith United Church of Christ (424-2851)

Motion made for the ASR to bring to the region that the members in N.A. of Phila. Area are attempting to adhere to N.A. language and suggest that the Montgomery County Area of N.A. should consider that. This motion was made regarding the mtng. Called Sobriety First. Meeting formed at 8th & Luzern, Sat. 8:00 pm will hold their business mtng the 1st Sat. of the month at which time officers will be elected.

Announcements: PI mtng. 5:00pm at Harbison and the Blvd. prior to next Area Service Mtng.

### **June 20-22, 1986 7th East Coast Convention (Free At Last)**

Bloomsburg University Bloomsburg, PA. Greg P. -Spoke.

**June 21, 1986 1,600 ex-drug addicts at BU for convention. By Leon Bogdan Press-Enterprise staff BLOOMSBURG-"I've been doing chemicals since the age of five," says Billy an Allentown man in his early 30's who now proclaims himself "Free at Last" from the disease of addiction.**

He says he feels good about himself today, a feeling he shares with hundreds of other recovering addicts of all ages, from all walks of life, through Narcotics Anonymous.

"It's like a whole new life, a rebirth of living," he says of being "clean" for the past seven years, a "daily battle" in an ever-present addictive society.

Narcotics Anonymous, a non-profit worldwide fellowship of people whose only membership requirement is a desire to stop using drugs, is staging its 7th annual East Coast Convention this weekend on the Bloomsburg University campus.

Last night, hugs of greeting and smiles were common as hundreds of people converged on campus.

Some wore black leather and long hair; others were in business suits and ties. There were adolescents lounging on the grass, balding men with white beards

watching lanky black youths play a spirited game of basketball, and fashionable, attractive, chatty young women.

All had one thing in common-a past involvement with drugs and optimism that their future will be drug-free.

"Look at all these beautiful clean people. That's why I'm here," says Mac, a middle-aged, gray-haired man from Cleveland, who wore an "Official Hugger" button on his shirt. He was an addict, until a friend introduced him to his first N.A. meeting two years ago.

The convention is expected to attract up to 1,600 ex-drug users from across the country. The N.A. program has reserved 1,800 rooms on campus for a weekend of meetings, recreation, programs and a wrap-up fellowship service Sunday.

A registration fee of \$75 is asked of each person, but as one organizer, Paul, puts it, "We have money budgeted to take someone who may not have it. We are strictly autonomous. We're here for people who want help."

People come to N.A. through jails, hospitals, rehabilitation centers, or just off the streets. The program offers what it says is the best therapy-one drug addict helping another.

The N.A. program, founded in 1953 in Sun Valley, Calif., by a group of addicts who first came together to help each other, "floundered" through the 60's and 70's, says Billy.

But since 1979, the program has doubled its membership each year. Paul explains that's because "it works"

"WE are living proof that it works," says the sandy-haired, spectacled young man. Members attend any of the 6,500 meetings held regularly in 36 countries to share their stories and live with each other. There is no preaching, no commitments. Anonymity is protected since the N.A. program places principles before personalities, they explain.

No photographers or film crews are allowed in their midst. Members are known only by their first names. The program, its members say, is based on attraction rather than promotion. It doesn't matter who you are, what you used, or where you got it.

"We don't preach, but we're here to carry the message to those who want it," says one middle-aged black man. "When I was doing drugs, if somebody told me not to do this or that, I would do it. You start preaching to them you push them away."

As one program brochure describes, "We are people in the grip of a continuing and progressive illness whose ends are always the same-jails, institutions and death."

"The big change in my life is attitude," explains one member. "I feel good about myself for the first time "Free at Last!"

**July 13, 1986 Phila. Area Service**

ASR Next Regional July 19, 12 noon Proxy nominations-Roy-support Diane-elected Old Business S. Philly Conscience-VOTED S. PHILLY IN! Started Bank Account "Combined Account" New Business Motion made to distribute "It Works: How & Why" to literature committee group level GSR to ask group who wants book.

**July, 1986 Sobriety First Group Changes name to Recovery First Group.**

**August 10, 1986 Philadelphia Area Service Meeting Sunday**

**Sunday Night Alive-New Meeting-111 N. 49th St. (PA. Institute) 8:00pm Sunday**

**Hanging Tuff-Moved to Human Resource Building Broad & Jefferson M&W  
7:00pm**

**Together we can-New Meeting-6309 Cresentville Rd (All Saints Church)**

**Mon.8:00pm**

**Unity Committee: Olney meeting successfully started Mon. 8:00pm OD format.**

**Regional Report: Sobriety First changed name to Recovery First.**

**South Philly Group back on regional list.**

**Due to growth Del. & Tri-County areas have divided.**

**World Service Area-Board of trustees requesting input on: close and open meeting  
N.A. relationship to other fellowships-women's and men's groups-Transition from  
rehab to N.A. chairpersons on Methadone. Send input to: World Service Office Inc.  
c/o Board of Trustees P.O. Box 9999 Van-Nuys, CA. 91409**

**New Business: J.R. is our new A.S.R. for the region Al R. our new alternate**

**Announcements: Only the initials "N.A." is permitted on Flyers-do not spell out  
Narcotics Anonymous.**

**September 14, 1986 Philadelphia Area Service Meeting**

**Sicker Than Others - New Meeting-3515 Kensington Ave.-Sunday 11:15pm**

**P.P.C. - New Meeting Ford & Monument Rds. needs officers first Sunday 7:30pm**

**Serenity Moved to Gene's Hospital needs support Wed. at 7:30**

**New Meeting: Tues Sept. 30 & Wed. Oct. 1, 8:00pm Longshore & Hegerman-needs  
name and officers.**

**Old Business: Unity Chairperson-Bill L. elected A.S.R. Tom N. elected**

**J.R. is our new R.S.R. for the region Al R. our new alternate.**

**Freedom Group 6th Anniversary-Nov. 22, 11:00am till? 2205 Bridge St. Use Y.O.P.  
entrance.**

**September 14, 1986 Memo To: All G.S.R.'s From: Literature Chairman**

**The enclosed form must now accompany all book & pamphlet orders. The  
individual group is now responsible to make zerox copies of the order form. As the  
form will not be supplied by the literature committee following this original form.  
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form.**

**Upon entering the area service meeting the order form will be left at the literature  
table before the meeting. Orders will be prepared during and distributed after the  
meeting. This procedure will lessen disturbances to the meeting, and organize  
literature distribution. In Loving Service Literature Committee  
Frank C. 637-7936 Mike B. 646-3825 Bob S. 632-0775**

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**March 8, 1987 Philadelphia Area Service**

**Bottom Line: 2627 Kensington Ave. Wed. & Thurs 10:30am these are new meetings.**

**Germantown: New Group! 47 E. Haines St. Fri 6:30pm new meeting.**

**Livin The Program: New Group! 604 S. 9th St. Thurs. 7:15 pm new meeting.**

**Hangin Tough: 22nd & Columbia Ave. Mon. & Wed. 7 pm this is a new address  
Martin Luther King Center.**

**For Addicts Only: Longshore & Hegerman Tue. 8 pm new meeting.**

**Lit. Review: We are in process of review and input on our Basic Text. Examples of conceptual problems in the basic text:**

**a) Terminology: "clean & sober" "addictions, drugs and alcohol, etc."**

**b) Traditional problems: anonymity breaks in stories etc.**

**c) Other problems: the written explanation of our symbol is not simple.**

**Old Business: M/S/P is there a need for a regional convention?**

**For-28 against-3 Abstain-9**

**If so, should it be a year commitment?**

**For-28 against-2 Abstain-10**

**Announcements: North Phila. Halfway There Group: new meeting 1721 Francis St.  
Tue. 7:30pm New group starts March 15th 9th & South Al-Assist 2nd flr. Mon. 12  
noon-1.**

**March 25, 1987 Steve R. Clean date and still clean today.**

**March 27-29, 1987 (Step Up To Recovery) #5 Philly Convention**

**Dunfey City Line Hotel City Line & Monument Rd. Phila. PA. Steve L.-Chaired**

**April 12, 1987 Philadelphia Area Service**

**Group Reports & Announcements**

**No nonsense group 2627 Kensington Ave. has new meetings-wed. 7pm, Fri 8pm, Sat.  
8pm, Sun 4pm. not on meeting list yet.**

**Woman About Change: new meeting, 11th & Rockland Sts. Sun. 5:30pm**

**Manyunk Group: St. David's Church Thur. 8:30 will be moving to a new location.**

**Salvation Army 7100 Ridge Ave. Thurs. 8:30**

**On The Right Track: 3001 Walnut St. Tue. 5:30 this address is the new location.**

**St. Joseph Hosp.: (no name yet) 16th & Girard Fri. 8:15pm new meeting**

**Area Legs: Ken S. is resigning as RSO rep as of July 1, 1987 we will be electing an  
RSO in June.**

**Regional Report: This Region is making a bid for World Convention 1989.**

**July 12, 1987 Philadelphia Area Service**

**Group reports & announcements: New Group!! "Just Say No" Mother of Perpetual  
Help Center State Rd & Princeton Ave (enter in back door) Tues & Thurs 8:30**

**New Group: "SERIOUS RECOVERY" Rhawnhurst Pres. Church Loretta &**

**Napfle Aves. Wed. 7:30pm new meeting starts 1st Wed. of August, Aug. 5th 7:30-  
9pm**

**New Group: "Recovery Begins With Surrender" Bridesburg Rec. Center Richmond & Ash Sts. Wed. 8:00pm**

**New Group: "New Beginnings" McKean House 2000 S. 7th St. (7th & McKean) Sunday 10am.**

**"Manyunk" Thurs. 8:30 Moved to Ridge & Fairthorn St. also new meeting at Kendrick Rec. center Fri. 8pm Ridge & Roxborough Ave.**

**"Peace of mind" Friends Hosp. Adams Ave. & Roosevelt Blvd. Thurs. 6pm celebrates their 1st Anniversary on July 30 at 6pm in the gym at friends Hosp.**

**"O.D.A.T. 8th & Girard, Tower Building Tues. 8pm celebrate their 3rd anniversary 3rd Tues. in August.**

**"Together We Can" All Sts. Church 6309 Crestenville Rd. Mon. 8pm celebrates their 1st anniversary on July 27th at 8pm**

**"For Addicts Only" Longshore & Hegerman Tues. 8pm Every 1st Mon. of the month we have a tradition workshop. All are welcome & encouraged to come. 1st Tradition Workshop Meeting in Phila.**

**New Biz: The unity committee is bringing to the attention of the area that the South Phila. Group of N.A. has been reported as being in direct violation of our traditions. Suspension of the rules to hold lengthy discussion on this issue. M/S 2/3 in favor M/S for the situation with the South Philly group to be looked into again.**

**\*\*\*\*\*Objection to the consideration of this motion in favor-28 against-0 abstentions-3**

**Suspension of our policy rules**

**In favor-26 against-4 abstentions-1 M/S to take to the region to remove South Philly group off the N.A. meeting list to be voted on here.**

**Objection to where this motion should be voted on. Vote on the objection- in favor of voting on this motion here-18 in favor of taking this back to the groups-14 abstentions-2\*\*passes to vote on previous motion here at this ASC meeting. Restate the motion!**

**M/S/ to take it to the region that the South Philly group should be taken off the meeting list due to continuous tradition violations. In favor-25 against-6 abstention-0**

**This motion will be taken to the region. M/S/P to close at 10:00pm**

**July 29, 1987 Delaware County Times (Hearing the drug addict cry for help)**

**There are several hundred N.A. members throughout the county and about 30 meetings a week.**

**August 9, 1987 Philadelphia Area Service**

**M/S/P to Suspend The Rules (order of the day) to discuss the issue of South Phila.**

**Group. In favor-28 against-2 abstention-7 \*\*Discussion\*\* M/S/P To remove the South Phila. Group from participation in Phila. Area Service & that all of their H & I commitments be redistributed within he area, because of promotion of A.A.**

**Literature. \*\*Discussion\*\* in favor-33 against-7 abstentions-2**

**"Abington" Hospital Fri. 8:30pm changed location to the Beardwood auditorium in the Hospital.**

**H & I: Due to the removal of the S. Phila. Group there are now 2 H&I commitments open. a) Veterans Admin. Hosp. Detox, 39th & Woodland Mon. 6:30 b) Guiffre Hospital Detox 4th flr. Wed. & Sat. 8pm**

**R.S.O. received application for Federal I.D.# will have it within 100 days. Still need members for the pool.**

**Convention Committee to form an ADHOC committee to put together a bid from Phila. Area for the 1989 World Convention!! Get Involved! Walt M. nominated for RSO Rep**

**Area Legs-The following positions are open and will be up for elections at September ASC, BVM Maternity School Hall, Old Bustleton & Welsh Rd. 2nd Sunday in Sept. 7pm. Special thanks go out to Jeanette L. (area co-chair) for sitting in as secretary during Aug. ASC. I really appreciate it a lot. And I'm sure the GSR's in the area do too! Thanks Jeanette!! Love & Hugs, Carol V.**

### **September 13, 1987 Philadelphia Area Service**

**"Sunlight" 5301 Overbrook Mon. & Sat. 1pm Celebrates their 2nd anniversary on Sat. Sept. 26th 12:30-3:30**

**"How it works" is moving to 2415 Germantown Ave. Hartranit Community Center as of 9/24**

**Convention: There is no chance for us hosting a World Convention. We cannot accommodate the number of addicts, up to 10,000 are expected to attend the 1989 convention.**

### **October 11, 1987 Philadelphia Area Service**

**"Keep Coming Back" is celebrating their 1st Anniversary on Nov. 17, 1987 at the House of Covenant 2308 N. Broad St. 7-9pm**

**Regional Incorporation: Board met on 9/25/87. Business to amend by-laws for Swana & Phila reps clean time to be accepted instead of 3 yrs Approved. To ask region for \$10,000.00 for start up budget for 1st year. For fiscal year to be Aug 1st to July 31st-approved. Next meeting 11/14/87 10am at Pratt & Summerdale.**

### **November 8, 1987 Philadelphia Area Service**

**New Meeting!! 821 E. Allegheny Ave. Mon. Midnight & Tues. 6pm.**

**New Meeting!! Conwell & Roosevelt Blvd. Tues. 10:30am**

**New Meeting!! 55th & Vine Group, at 5503 Winter Place Thur. 1pm**

**"God as we understand him" Ridge Ave. & Fairthorn St. Sat. 8pm Celebrates their 2nd Anniversary on Dec. 12, 1987 - 8pm Podium/no discussion**

**"Do or die" Frankford Hospital, Wed 7pm this group is celebrating their 1st anniversary on Wed. December 9th, 1987**

**"How it works" 2415 Germantown Ave. Thurs 7pm Celebrating their 3rd anniversary on Nov. 19, 1987 at 7pm**

**"Freedom Group" 2205 Bridge St. 7th Anniversary of this group.**

**Announcement: Convention Committee Fundraising Dances-Nov. 14th & 28th at BVM (Old Bustleton & Welsh Rd.) 9pm-2pm**

**December 12, 1987 Philadelphia Area Service**

**New Meeting!!! 26th & Cumberland Sts. Mon. 1pm**

**New Meeting!!! (No Name Yet!) 4555 Pechin St. Salvation Army Tue. 8pm**

**New Meeting!!! "The Only Requirement" Frankford Hospital classroom #3, Sun. 12 noon.**

**"New Beginnings" New Location!! Was at 7th & McKean, now at 13th & Fitzwater St. Sun. 10am**

**New Meeting!!! "Saturday Night Live" 3010 S. 18th St. St. Richards Rectory basement Sat. 8pm**

**"Step up to recovery" 4555 Pecchin St. Tues. 8pm celebrates its 1st Anniversary Jan. 14th, 1988**

**"Keep coming back" Tues 7pm is moving on January 15th, 1988 From 2308 N. Broad to Broad & Diamond Brehemn Baptist Church.**

**New Biz: M/S/P to request the original and existing articles of incorporation and by-laws for the WSO, we wish to do this thru the service structure. Intent: We have started a corporation at our regional level. We wish to see how the WSO is directly accountable to those they serve; and how we can do this with our local fellowship. This motion is to go back to the groups. P.S. Announcement: Agenda Report Review Feb. 20, 1988 10am at 22nd & Chestnut Sts. Free Spaghetti Dinner & Dance at 9pm.**

**December 23, 1987 Dan M. Clean date and still clean today.**

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**January 10, 1988 Philadelphia Area Service**

**New Meetings: "55th & Vine St."-5503 Winter Place, Thurs. 1pm.**

**"Recovery Inn"- 1502 Frankford Ave. (L.K.E.C. Bldg.) Monday, 6:00pm (Starts 1/25/88)**

**"West Oaklane"-Limekiln Pike & Walnut Ln. (St. Athanasius School-next to church) Mon. 8:00pm First meeting was first Monday in January.**

**"How"-New Location! -1528 Girard Ave., Friday 8:15pm. Will be celebrating their 1st Anniversary in February. (No exact date yet)**

**"Living the Progam"-New Location! -1319 Locust St. (Union Building) Thurs 7:30**

**"Manyunk"-New Location! -6730 Ridge Ave. (Salvation Army Bldg. next to Pizza Hut) Thurs. 8:30pm**

**"No-Nonsense"-2627 Kensington Ave. (9) meetings per week.**

**"Center City"-3rd & Walnut Sts. (Salvation Army Building) is celebrating their 9th Anniversary, Wednesday, January 27, 8:00pm**

**General Elections--The following were elected to Area office:**

**Chairperson-Jeanette L. Co-Chair-Bill L. Secretary-Arlene F. Treasurer-Carol I. Steve J., the outgoing Area Chairperson, thanked the Area for allowing him to serve for the past year.**

**(From RSO Board) M/S All existing bank accounts under RSC be placed under parent account of the RSO. Intent: It will provide a tax-exempt number for all the**



accounts, which was one reason for the forming of the RSO. There will be no changes in the way business is done.

(From Lit. Review) M/S That printing and distribution of the 4th Edition be stopped and the 3rd be printed and distributed now.

### **February 14, 1988 Philadelphia Area Service**

New Meetings: 5728 Chester Ave. (Unity Temple Church of God in Christ), Saturday, 6:30-8:00pm starting Feb. 20th. (Good Cares Group)

"Clean Together"-22nd & Chestnut Sts. Tues. 8:00 Celebrates their 4th Anniversary, Tuesday February 16th.

"Just for Today"-New Location & Time! - Now at Castor & Pratt St. (St. James), Tuesday 10:00am (Moved from Conwell & the Blvd.)

"Start To Live"-3rd & Reed Sts., Sunday, 7:00pm. First Anniversary, Sunday March 6th 7:00pm

### **March 13, 1988 Philadelphia Area Service**

New Meeting: 1537 N. 59th St. (St. Rosa Lima Parish Hall, downstairs), Tuesday 8:00-9:30

"More Will Be Revealed"-Masher & Tioga (School Auditorium) sat. 3:00

"Surrender To Win"-John McCullough Hall, Torresdale Ave. betw. Levick & Robbins, Saturday 8:00pm.

"Take A Chance"-Parkwood Playground, Academy Ave. & Torrey Rd. has added a new open meeting, Saturday 12 Midnight.

New Business: Motion from "Recovery Begins With Surrender" group (to go back to groups): M/S That any meeting whose name separates or excludes other members of N.A. should change it's name or be removed from the meeting list (for example, "Women About Change" "Men At Work" N.A. Women Of Today" And for Addict's Only") Intent: To uphold the 1st, 3rd, 5th and 12th Traditions.

### **March 25-27, 1988 (Spiritual Connection) #6 Philly Convention**

Adams Mark Hotel City Line & Monument Rd. Phila. PA. Steve L.-Chaired

### **April 10, 1988 Philadelphia Area Service**

New Meetings: 444 E. Girard Ave. 7 days a week 8:00pm First meeting Mon. May 2. 29th & Dickinson Sts. (S. Philly) Graysferry Community Center, Wed. 7:30

Pickering & Gowen (Mt. Airy), Tuesday 7:30

Motion from "For Addicts Only" Group (to go back to groups) M/S To form a committee pertaining to the creation of a new area. All are welcome to participate. Intent: Due to the overwhelming size of the already existing area and the creation of a number of sub-committees, a true group conscience cannot be achieved.

### **May 8, 1988 Philadelphia Area Service**

"If you want what we have"-Celebrating it's 1st anniversary with a marathon meeting from Fri. March 27, 7:00pm, to Sat. March 28, 7:00pm St. Gabriel's Church, Front & Roosevelt Blvd.

**"Last Chance" Thurs. 8:00 New Location: North Catholic High School Erie & Torresdale Ave.**

**"Lions Den" 8th & Luzern Sts. Saturday 8:00 Celebrating it's 2nd Anniversary June 18, 1988**

**Any Meeting Changes, additions or deletions, please contact Public Information Rep. for Philadelphia Area meeting list--Danny M., 464-4555**

**May 21, 1988 BVM Church Free Mini Convention ("Therapeutic Value") 12 noon to 2:00am Old Bustleton Ave. Near Welsh Rd.**

**May 30, 1988 the 3rd annual Unity Day Picnic will be held Memorial Day, on Lemon Hill (near 33rd & Poplar in Fairmount Park)**

### **June 4, 1988 Area Service**

**Meeting was called to order and open with the 12 Traditions.**

**Attending: Bob K. -Living the Program, Scott-New Alternatives, Adam-Attitude of Gratitude, John S. -No And A's, Bill S. -Surrender to Win Old Business**

**Elections were discussed, Bill S. made a motion to table elections because of poor attendance until a later date. Motion was seconded and passed. John S. suggested having elections in two weeks and to send flyers to groups announcing the election date. A motion was made passed. Bob discussed his concerns about the date being to soon and suggested that elections be discussed in the area's business meeting. A motion was made and seconded 20-1 that only GSR's would vote in the election.**

**The next order of business was the geographical boundaries. A motion was made by Bill that the geographical boundaries be the Riverfront area, motion was seconded by Bob and passed. Bill also made a motion to name the area the Riverfront Area; the motion was seconded and passed.**

**A motion was made by Bill to draft up a letter to area services to thank them for their support and to inform them of the group's decisions about the area and send a copy to to groups. Motion was seconded and passed On June 12, 1988 the letter and the map will be bought to area services as motioned by Lindy second by Bill and passed by vote to include a map.**

**The next order of business was a motion made by John to elect two representatives, a voice and a chairperson. The voice would be responsible for reporting the information to the mother area. The motion was second by Scott and passed. These positions will only be temporary. Elections as follows: Temporary Chair-Alice  
Temporary A.S.R.-Bill  
Temporary Sect.-Nancy**

**The group discussed pulling together to draft the letter. A decision was made to include all of the information from the last three meetings and send it to the groups as decided earlier. The present GSR's gave their addresses after the meeting in order to make themselves available for helping with the letter.**

A motion was made to decide when the meeting for elections would be held. A motion was made by Bill and second for the meeting to be held on June 18, 1988 at 2:00-7:00pm at McCullough Hall, Robbins & Torresdale Streets. Motion passed. Motions were made that questions needs to be directed to Bill or secretary. Second and passed. The motion was also made to close the meeting. It was seconded and passed.

### **June 12, 1988 Philadelphia Area Service**

New Meeting: "Just Say No"-Simon Playground, Woolston & Walnut Lane, Thurs. 7:00Pm

"Surrender Together"-John Gloucester House, 22nd & Manton Sts. (betw. Federal & Wharton), Wednesday, 6:30

"YMCA"-52nd & Chestnut Sts. Wednesday, 7:00-8:30

42nd & Wallace Sts. Mt. Olivet Tabernacle Baptist Church, Tues. 10:30am

"Lance Chance" 820 E. Allegheny Ave. Thurs. 8:00 this is a new location.

Announcement was made of the new Riverfront Area. (See attached letter).

That the Meeting List format\* be changed to accommodate the rapidly growing Region.

(\*The format now proposed for the Meeting list would be a 16-page booklet the same size as the white book. There would be room for approximately 350 meetings. Also listed would be the steps and Traditions, where and when the Areas meet, and the hotline numbers for the Areas as well as New Jersey.)

**June 18, 1988 Riverfront Area formed at John McCullough Hall Torresdale & Robbins Aves. This Area was started by Billy S. A.K.A. Billy the Roofer. Alice M. was the First Chairperson.**

### **July 10, 1988 Philadelphia Area Service**

New Meetings: "One Solution"-Waterview Recreation Center, Haines & McMahon Sts. Wednesday, 7:00pm

"Spiritual Connection"-St. Joseph Baptist Church, 40th & Sansom Sts. Friday 8:00

"21st Street"-21st & Washington Ave. (at methadone clinic) Thurs 9-10:00am

65th Ave. & Wistar St. Advocate Lutheran Church (E. Germantown) Sat. 7:00pm

Pechin & Martin Sts. Bethanien Lutheran Church (in basement) Mon. 6:00pm

Started Monday July 4th.

"Grays Ferry Recovery"-New Location: Myrtlewood & Dickinson Sts. Wed.

7:30pm this group has added a new meeting Friday 8:00

"No Nonsense"-2627 Kensington Ave. (U-Help Center, 2nd Fl.) Celebrating its 3rd Anniversary, Sat. August 27, 1988 at Visitation School Hall, "B" & Lehigh St. 8-11:00

"Serious Recovery"-Loretta & Napfle Sts. Rhawnhurst Presbyterian Church. Celebrating 1st Anniversary, Saturday August 6, 1988. Free spaghetti dinner at 5:00pm and meeting following. All are welcome!

"38th Street"-38th & Chestnut Sts. 8th Anniversary, Fri., August 12, 8:00pm

**July 30, 1988 1st Annual "Funnin'-N-Sunnin"-Saturday 9:00am till Dusk Tyler State Park, Newtown, PA.**

**August 14, 1988 Philadelphia Area Service**

**New Meetings: "Meeting Makers Make It"-17th & York Sts. Saturday 1:00pm**

**128 W. Diamond St. Thursday 9:00pm**

**"451 University Ave."-451 University Ave. Wednesday, 10:30am**

**"Primary Purpose"-92 W. Spenser St. Saturday 7:00pm (New Address)**

**"Together We Can" 6301 Crescentville Rd. Monday 7:30 Celebrating their 2nd Anniversary, Sunday, August 29th 7:30pm**

**New Meetings in Bucks County:**

**Wednesday, 12 noon, The Aldie Foundation, Main & Union Sts. Doylestown**

**St. John's United Methodist Church, Almshouse Rd. Ivyland, Thursday 6:00pm**

**Trinity Lutheran Church, 5th & Chestnut Sts. Perkasie, Friday 8:00pm**

**First Baptist Church, Main St. Doylestown, Friday 8:00pm**

**St. Roberts Bellarmine Church, Euclid Ave. Warrington, Saturday 10:30am**

**Pebble Hill Church, Edison-Furlong Rd. Doylestown, Saturday 12:00 midnight**

**September 11, 1988 Philadelphia Area Service**

**New Meetings: "H.I.V. of N.A." 1216 Walnut St. Friday 7:30pm**

**"Vision of Hope"-124 W. Diamond St. Thursday 9:00pm**

**Tulip & Wakeling, Monday, 8:00pm**

**52nd & Market St."-22 N. 52nd St. Thurs. 1:00pm Celebrating it's first anniversary, Thursday, October 27, at 1:00pm**

**September 17, 1988 Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Committee Meeting**

**We now Have Six Areas in our Region. 1)Phila. 2) Bucks 3) Riverfront 4) Montco 5) Clean Acres 6) Delco**

**Clean Acres Area (16) Groups and (20) meetings Two (2) New Meetings: Footwork-Messiah Lutheran Church 46 W. Lancaster Ave. Friday 8:00pm**

**Burning Desire W. Chester Clubhouse 575 E. Gay St. Friday 11:00pm**

**Delco Area: Area new name "Delco" changed from "Tri-County"**

**G.P.R.S.O. Board Inc. Joe F. Voted in as new Chairperson, Bill L. voted in as Co-Chairman.**

**October 9, 1988 Philadelphia Area Service**

**New Meetings: "We Do Recover"-Whitehall Recreation, Tulip & Wakeling Monday 8:00pm**

**30th & Allegheny, Mercy High School, Tuesday, 7:30**

**Literature Status: There are two new pamphlets: IP#23,"Living Clean on the outside" and IP#24 "What's the Basket For"**

**November 13, 1988 Philadelphia Area Service**

**New Meetings: "The Miracle Continues"-30th & Allegheny Ave. Tues. 7:30**

**"Roxborough"-480 Green Lane (Methodist Church) Wednesday 7:00pm**  
**"Your Choice"-700 E. Westmoreland, Ascension Rectory Basement, Sat. 7:00pm**  
**4200 Wallace St. Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, Thurs. 7:00pm**  
**RSO Board: The Regional Service Office is now in existence at 6129 Ridge Ave.**  
**Suite 201, in the Roxborough section of Phila.**

**December 10, 1988 First Inner City Area of Phila.**

**December 11, 1988 Philadelphia Area Service**

**"God Cares"-5728 Chester Ave Sat. 6:30-8:00pm Celebrating it's 1st Anniversary,**  
**Saturday, February 25, 1989**

**"Hanging Tough"-22nd & Huntingdon, Mon. & Wed. 7:00 This Group has**  
**committed to the Inner-City Area of N.A. Celebrating it's 4th anniversary, Wed.**  
**January 18, 1989 7:00pm**

**"Take a Chance"-Academy & Torre Rds. 3rd annual Christmas Party Sat. 12**  
**midnight to 10:00pm Santa & Refreshments**

**"West Oak Lane"-Limekiln Pike & Middleton St. Athanasius School, Mon. 8:00pm**  
**Celebrating it's 1st Anniversary, January 2, 1989 7:00-8:00pm**

**New Business: The following letter was read:**

**Dear Members of the Greater Philadelphia Area Service Committee,**

**We of the new Inner City Area Service Committee of N.A. humbly submit this**  
**letter of secession to the Greater Phila. Area Service Committee to inform you that**  
**we are now a new area with 23 groups committed. We, the members of the Inner**  
**City Area, are grateful to have had the opportunity to serve the Greater Phila. Area**  
**Service Committee, and to have gained experience, strength and hope through**  
**service to the Greater Phila. Area Service Committee to branch out on our own, in**  
**accordance with the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions and N.A. unity. On December 10,**  
**1988, we elected officers for our new area and at our next meeting in January, we**  
**will be forming subcommittees. We realize that growth in the Inner City Area**  
**Service Committee will be painfully slow as well. But with the guidance of the**  
**Greater Phila. Area Service Committee, our parent group, we can go through the**  
**blood, sweat and tears together and then we can and will bring about more N.A.**  
**unity to help carry out our primary purpose, to help the addict who still suffers.**  
**Trusted Servants of**

**The Inner City Area of N.A.**

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**January 14, 1989 Inner City Area Saturday 3:00pm 1524 Girard Ave (St. Felix**  
**Center)**

**February 12, 1989 Philadelphia Area Service**

**New Meeting-Starts at 7:00 on Wednesday-open meeting. Steven R. 8126 Bustleton**  
**Ave., Apt. B-2 Phila. Pa. Call me at 244 1218**

**Start to live group-Sunday at 7:00 pm, is having its 2nd anniversary on March 19th.**

**Down Payment On life-Mondays 6:00-7:30 pm, Hersch Rec. Center (formerly the mann rec. center) 5th & Allegheny Ave. beginning Monday February 27, 1989  
Agenda Review Workshop in the making date and time not known yet, for more information contact Hank S. 427-1081**

**February 16, 1989 Prayer of St. Patrick To: Danny M. Thanks for Caring about our history John F.**

**February 16-19, 1989 (The Miracle Continues) #7 Philly Convention  
Adams Mark Hotel City Line & Monument Rd. Phila. PA. Rodney I. -Chaired**

**March 5, 1989 Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Committee  
Philadelphia Area- an agenda report workshop is being held Saturday March 18, at 1:00, at Le Masquerade located Tulip and Ontario Sts. for more Information call Hank 427-1081**

**Bucks County Area-We now have (20) groups and 21 meetings new meeting:  
Surrender to win group, 7:30pm Saturday night Southampton Friends Meeting Place, Street and Gravel Hill Rds. in Southampton.**

**Clean Acres Area-New meeting Tuesday night "S.T.A.R. Group" St. Paul's Church on Business Route 30 just west of route 202, Exton. The W.A.I.T. Group" has changed locations same day (Sat.) same time (7:30) at the Y.W.C.A. in Coatesville.  
Small Wonder Area H & I has (13) commitments.**

**Inner City Area (29) Groups.**

**R.S.R. the Greater Philadelphia Region has been in existence seven years. In 1988/1989, we are still continuing to experience a great increase in our unity and level of commitment to service by members in our region. We now have 215 groups. In the last year, we have had three new Areas' formed in our Region. Due to the growth of Phila. Area it split into three areas, PHILADELPHIA, RIVERFRONT and INNER CITY. Another Area in our Region split into two Areas, CLEAN ACRES and DELCO. We now have eight Areas in our Region.**

**We recently held our Regional Convention at the Adams Mark Hotel in Phila. There were approximately 2000 addicts in attendance. The Convention came out \$35,000 in the black.**

**R.S.O. Board Inc. Telephone for office was turned on and the number is 483-5154  
Open House was held 2/25/89**

**Hospitals & Institutions: Speaker discussion on "What is H & I Work" & "How the Panel System Works"**

**March 12, 1989 Philadelphia Area**

**More will be Revealed-First Anniversary party, Saint Hughes basement auditorium. Mascher and Tioga Streets, Saturday April 8, 1989 4:30pm until?**

**New Meeting: The Miracle Continues-B & Olney Ave. Zider Playground, Wed. 7:00  
We Chose Life-7526 Frankford Ave. First Anniversary on March 24, 1989  
Convention Committee Representative-Danny F.**

### **April 9, 1989 Area Service**

The convention committee would like to thank the fellowship for their support in making the 7th G.P.R.C.N.A. a success. The total income from fundraising merchandising, registration and banquets was \$107,065.00 with expenses of \$71,565.00. This left a balance of \$35,565.00 to go to the Region, and \$5,000.00 will go to the account to start funds for the 8th G.P.R.C.N.A. There is \$5,167.00 in left over merchandise that can be sold at future fundraisers. Alice H. elected Convention Chair. R.S.O. Board Members: Bill O., Bobby B., elected.

### **May 7, 1989 Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Committee**

**Bucks County Area:** We have elected Scott D. to represent our area on the R.S.O. Board.

**Clean Acres Area:** New Saturday night "Restore Us To Sanity Group" meeting at United Methodist Church on High and Bernard Streets in West Chester at 8:30pm. This brings our area total to (18) groups and (25) meetings.

The Tuesday Night Alternative Group is having an Anniversary Dance on Sat. May 20th at Bowling Green Institute. In June, Clean Acres will celebrate its first anniversary.

**Montco-New Meeting:** Steps to Living-Thurs. 8:00 to 9:00 Lower Presbyterian Church, 3050 West Ridge Pike, Eagleville.

**Delco Area-New Meeting:** Thursday Nite Eddystone of N.A., 8:30, St. Rose of Lima Church, Simpson & Chester Pike, Eddystone, PA.

#### **Inner City-39-Groups**

**Riverfront Area-**When the new meeting list is published we will have 8 new meetings for a total of 22.

**R.S.R. Report-**The conference meetings were attended by 59 out of 60 regions. Japan was not present. We have over 210 meetings in our Region and who knows how many addicts in those meetings.

### **May 14, 1989 Area Service**

**New Meeting:** Juntos Poednos (Together We Can)-Group of N.A., 2831 N. Hutchinson Street, Wednesday at 7:00pm (Spanish Meeting)

**Convention Committee-**The next convention committee will be on May 31, 1989 at Mt. Sinai Hospital, 4th & Reed at 7:00pm 2nd floor.

### **August 4-6, 1989 (1st Riverfront Area Learning Conference of N.A.)**

**Holiday Inn-Center City 1800 Market St. Phila. PA. Vito L.-Spoke Banquet. Alice M. -Spoke Spiritual Breakfast.**

**September 12, 1989 Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Committee Meeting Philadelphia Area-Three New Meetings:** Come together clean group, Wed., 7:30, J.F.K. Hospital Rm. 229, at Langdon & Cheltenham...MOM, 12:00 noon, 1026 Arch St., at the Vet Center...Lesbian & Gay's "Life on Life's' Terms" Sat. 5:00pm, 6511 Lincoln Drive.

**Clean Acres Area-The Just For Today Group has moved to the Good Samaritan Church on Route 30 in Paoli, next to Wendy's...The Independence Group celebrated their 2nd year anniversary...The Burning Desire Group celebrated their one year anniversary... The W.A.I.T. Group celebrated their 5th anniversary on Aug. 5th. Inner City Area-ASC is moving to a new location in the AFCOM Building at 25th & Lehigh Ave.**

**Riverfront Area-We are growing and have had a group join us from Camden.**

**Bucks County Area-Area Chair-Dave W.**

**Small Wonder Area-Ad-Hoc Committee is set up for fact finding on forming a Region in Delaware.**

**R.S.R. Report-There have been workshops recently concerning World Services, the World Lit. Committee, Board of Trustees and W.S.O... There are members and Areas that are considering forming new Regions and boycotting World Services, starting a new fellowship and possible starting a new service structure. The World Lit. Comm. and Board of Trustees have considered and/or implemented plans to have W.S.O. paid employees to write the steps and traditions portions of It Works: How and Why. This is contrary to the World Lit. Com. guidelines and the motion passed at WSC 89 that stated that the trustees would follow these guidelines.**

**R.S.O. Board Inc.-Elections-Chair-Joe F. / Co-Chair-Jim K. / Treasurer J.R. F.**

**November 12, 1989 Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Committee Meeting**

**Bucks County Area-Mini-Convention April 20th at Camp Neumann, Jamison, PA.**

**Clean Acres Area-Two new meetings brings our total to 20 in area. 1. Friday 7pm**

**Lincoln University Union Hall, Oxford 2. Sunday 2pm St. James Church, E.**

**Lancaster Ave., Downingtown. Commitment to Recovery Group 2 year anniversary**

**Montco Area-Two new meetings: The Basic Recovery Group of N.A. Walnut &**

**Summit Ave. Jenkintown, PA. 8:00pm Thurs. and the Willow Grove Meeting,**

**McKinley Baptist Church, Willow Grove, 8:30pm Sat.**

**Inner City Area-We have about 8 new groups in area in the past two months.**

**Bee Hive Area-For a new area all is going well. We are putting on a Convention**

**November 1990 Thanksgiving Weekend. 11-meetings total in Bee-Hive Area.**

**R.S.R. Report-French Basic Text out by Dec. 15...Preliminary contracts for the Australian Convention are being worked on ...Received bids from Canada for 1992.**

**R.S.O. Board Inc.-On Sept. 11th, R.S.O. Chair and Treasurer were asked to step down. Elections: Jim K. /Chair...Bobby B/Co-Chair...Lou C. /Treasurer...John D.**

**/Secretary**

**Ad-Hoc Committee on our Relationship with the WSO, WSL, BOT, & WSC**

**Publication on the Commemorative Edition of the basic text to celebrate the one-**

**millionth copy sold. 1) The WSO made the decision to go ahead and do this and the**

**fellowship at large was not informed of this even in the making. 2) The WSO is**

**using all the profits to translate the basic text into other languages. This also was not communicated to the fellowship.**

**December 29, 1989 Need Never Die Group of N.A. 1st Anniversary 7pm-2**

**Speakers Tyson & Sackett St. Come Join Us - Friday**



## 1990

**January 14, 1990 Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Committee Meeting Bucks County Area-“Fearless and Thorough” group found a new meeting place, Wednesday night 8:00pm at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, Intersection of Levittown Parkway and Millcreek Parkway.**

**The Thursday night “Hope without Dope” meeting in Warminster it’s 5<sup>th</sup> Year Group Anniversary on the first Thursday in February.**

**“More Will Be Revealed” changed its name to “More Will Be Revealed One Step at a Time”**

**The Mini Convention that was supposed to go off on April 20<sup>th</sup> at Camp Neumann has been delayed once. The facility we were going to use fell through.**

**Montgomery County Area-New meeting: Lutheran Church, Main & 7<sup>th</sup> Avenues, Trappe 10:00pm Sunday. Area Service has new meeting place. Temple University Ambler Campus, Bright Hall Rm. 202, Meetinghouse Road, Ambler. Please remember to scratch off Conshohocken Meetings from meeting list.**

**Delco Area: Swarthmore Group meets 7:30 Friday nights at Harbison Recovery House, Yale Ave. & Chester Rd. Suite 6, in Swarthmore.**

**Inner City Area-We just celebrated our first anniversary.**

**Bee Hive Area-New meeting: Shickshimy on Wednesday 7:30 Shickshimy Methodist Church on Rte. 11.**

**R.S.O. Board Inc./Meeting List-The first 2400 copies of the winter 1990 meeting list were delivered to the regional office on Tues, January 9. This region is still growing and we anticipate having to make adjustments to our present format to accommodate the addition of new meetings without making the booklet too large. (Currently 36 pages) Elections: RSO Representative-Stan C. elected Grateful Dave elected. Policy-Grateful Dave elected.**

**Old Business: That all N.A. Literature be written and developed through fellowship via the Regional Literature Committees, overseen and facilitated by the World Literature Committee (WLC) and that the staff team approach recommended by the WLC not be approved. Passed 8-0-0 Unanimous.**

**February 3, 1990 Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Committee Meeting Phila. Area-Elections: Chair-Jodi S. Co-Chair-Ken P. Secretary-Kara F. Treasurer-Joe M. ASR Alt. Dan F.**

**Clean acres Area-We now have 20 groups with 25 meetings. 2 new groups G.U.T.S., Friday night & Spiritual Connection, Sunday 2:00 New ASR-Tom P. Alt. ASR Art P.**

**February 4, 1990 Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Committee Meeting Exact same minutes as February 3, 1990**

**February 24, 1990 Primary Purpose Group of N.A. Is Celebrating our 9th Anniversary (since the group regrouped) Sat. 7:00 to 8:30pm Maternity B.V.M. Church Rectory Basement 9220 Old Bustleton Ave. N.E. Phila.**

**March 23-25, 1990 (Through Principles We Unite) #8 Philly Convention Adams Mark Hotel City Line & Monument Rd. Phila. PA. Alice Martino-Chaired**

**April 10, 1990 The Philadelphia Inquirer (Addicts help one another recover) 100 N.A. Groups in the City.**

**July 27-29, 1990 the 2nd Riverfront Area Conference (United We Stand) Phila. Holiday Inn 4th & Arch St. Phila. PA Center City**

**November 23-25, 1990 (spiritual Foundation) Inner City #1 Holiday Inn 18th & Market Sts. Phila. PA.**

**November 23-25, 1990 (Freedom, Growth, Unity) 1st Bee Hive Area Birthday Sheraton-Crossgates Public Square, Wilkes-Barre, PA.**

**November 30, 1990 World Service Office, Inc. vs.: David Moorhead in Civil Action Suit This was for printing the "Baby Blue Books"**

## **1991**

**February 8-10, 1991 Mid-Atlantic Regional Learning Conference VII (Unity Through Service...What Can We Do?) Holiday Inn East 4751 Lindel Road, Harrisburg, PA. 17111**

**March 8-10, 1991 (The Ties That Bind Us Together) #9 Philly Convention Valley Forge Convention Center 1200 First Ave. King of Prussia, PA. Gary F. Chaired**

**March 10, 1991 Pure & Simple Area had First Area Service Meeting**

**March 24, 1991 Greater Camden Area had First Area Service Meeting**

**April 6, 1991 Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Committee Agenda Meeting Area Reports: 1. Philadelphia 2. Riverfront 3. Bucks County 4. Clean Acres 5. Small Wonder 6. Montco 7. Delco 8. Inner City 9. Bee Hive 10. Scranton Metro 11. Schuylkill Valley.  
Bucks County: New Group "Learning to Live" meets at 7:00pm at Somerton & Paris Sts., Trevoise.**

**Clean Acres Area: Wed. Night Meeting in Paoli moved to St. Paul's Episcopal Church (Rte 30 and 202) in Exton at 5:30pm**

**New meeting: "Recovery on the Hill" 400 Oak St. Coatesville, PA. Sat. Morning at 10:00am**

**Small Wonder Area: New Meeting: "The Message thru Experience" meets Sat. night at 8pm at the first Unitarian Church, Halstead Rd. & Concord Pike, Wilmington, DE.**

**Delco: New Area Officers: Chair: Michael K. Co-Chair-Dominic G. Alt. ASR-Brian W.**

**RSO Board the Bee Hive Area has asked us to open a Branch office in Wilkes Barre. Intent: To serve the northern areas, as well as the surrounding Regions that have no RSO office, also to serve the various Rehabs in the area.**

**Open Forum: That J.R. will be elected to the World Bid Committee. He needs a letter of intent to be drafted, along with the History of the Region. Also, a letter of need from the RSR, along with a letter of qualifications, comments from the RSC. The RSC gives its approval and support how ever possible.**

#### **April 7, 1991 RSC**

**Two Areas have requested to join the region, they are: Pure & Simple Area and Greater Camden Area. Both were accepted.**

**Delco-N.A. Rocks meeting has moved to Middletown Pres. Church, 8:30pm on Sat.**

**Inner City-Memorial Day picnic at Lemon Hill (Fairmount Park) May 27, 1991.**

**Bee Hive-Camp-out July 4<sup>th</sup> Weekend. Unity day May 11<sup>th</sup> Diamond Methodist Church in Hazelton,**

**RSO Report: The RSO is moving down the street to a larger building.**

#### **April 12-14, 1991 3rd Bucks County Area Convention of N.A. (The Gift of Recovery)**

**Holiday Inn Bucks County Trevoise Corporate Center, 4700 Street Rd. Trevoise, PA.**

#### **June 2, 1991 Greater Philadelphia Regional Services Committee**

**1991-92 Proposed Budget Regional Service Committee World Convention Bid \$250.00**

**World Bid 1994 Committee One bid has been received. A committee meeting is being planned for May. All those who volunteered to help will be contacted with exact time and place. Motion from Riverfront - That a W.S.O. Branch Office be opened on the East Coast Intent to better serve the growing needs of N.A. Motion Failed 6-2-1**

**Philadelphia Area: Now has 54 Groups.**

**Bucks County: So, far 13 out of 18 groups have handed in the results of the World Agenda Report.**

**Inner City; Area is doing well, 84 groups are participating in the Area.**

**Bee Hive: Our Acceptance Group out Reach meeting will celebrate one year in April.**

**Scranton Metro:** Area has 6 regular meetings per week and one H & I meeting Sunday night.

**Pure & Simple Area:** We the Four groups decided to form a transition committee. At this time our groups withdrew from the Little Apple Area to form the Pure & Simple Area of N.A. Chair-Randy H. Vice-Chair-Debbie B. Secretary-Chris C. Treasurer-Ginny H. ASR-Gene R. ASR Alt. Bob L.

**Greater Camden Area:** We have six groups joining the area. The Area has 11 meetings being held. The next ASC meeting at 7pm at the Camden Rescue mission 1634 Broadway, Camden, N.J.

**June 2, 1991 Greater Philadelphia RSC from: Al R. & John S., RSR & RSR Alternate. Re: Report from the World Service Conference. Personal Reflections:** In closing, I'd like to thank you all for the opportunity to have served you in this capacity. I feel different than I did in 1986, % short (or maybe long) years ago, when I became RSR Alt. This commitment has changed me as a person. There are so many people I have met, things I have shared and life lessons I have learned as a result of serving in this manner. These treasures I will carry with me the rest of my days. It has taught me what commitment is because there were times when I wanted or other people in my life wanted me to resign but I hung in there and saw it through. I'm leaving with a mixture of sadness (like giving up an old friend) and relief (like the feeling you get when you stop banging your head against a wall). In all seriousness, thanks for the experience! I will remain your trusted servant, in loving Service, Your Friendly Neighborhood RSR. Al R.

**June 25, 1991 Recovery First Group is Celebrating 20th Anniversary Church on the Mall Plymouth Meeting Mall.**

**July 27, 1991 Riverfront Conference 3 (Just for Today) Howard Johnson's 11580 Roosevelt Blvd. Phila. PA. 19116**

**October 6, 1991 Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Committee Agenda Meeting. Bucks County: new group "Spiritual Foundation Group" meets in Southampton on Street & Churchville Rds. At Good Shepard Church starting 8/6/91**

**Clean Acres:** we have 18 groups/23 Meetings. Two groups recently celebrated anniversaries: 10 years-"Easy Does It" group. 9 years-"W.A.I.T." group. Our areas 4<sup>th</sup> anniversary was in June. Clean Acres Trusted Servants: as of August 4, 1991

**Chairperson-Dan B., Co-Chair Jay, Secretary-Joe, Treasurer-Cindy, ASR-Rob U. Clean Acres ASC. P.O. Box 316 Downingtown, PA. 19335 Help line: #344-3250**

**Swana Area:** Our new Area Chair is Mike R. and our Co-Chair as Allen T.

**Inner City Area:** Again we have moved to 3512 Haverford Ave. The Inner City Area has won the bid to host the XIII ECCNA.

**Bee Hive Area:** Our Tunkhannock Outreach meetings have formed a group. They had previously been supported by members of the Acceptance Group.

**Pure & Simple Area:** We have 1 new meeting for addicts.

**Schuylkill Valley: The “Here at last group” Has a new meeting place. We meet at 7pm Sunday evenings at the Emmanuel United Methodist Church at Silverwood & Gates Sts. In Roxborough.**

**Greater Camden Area: We have at this point 6 groups.**

**West, Southwest Area: There are 18 Groups committed to the area. Elections for sub committees will be held 8/18/91 at 1pm at 47<sup>th</sup> & Brown St. Presently our ASC Trusted servants are as follows: Chairperson: Allen, Co-Chair: Marcel, Secretary: Aquanetta, Treasurer: Earnest, ASR: Samir, ASR Alt.: Bob, RSO Rep: Penny. RSR/RSR Alt.: John S. & Henry D.**

**RSO Board Inc: \*Emergency meeting was held June 3<sup>rd</sup> to discuss missing money. At this meeting, two plans were pursued to contact an attorney and contact the WSO for advice. The WSO reminded us that we are talking about a volunteer not a paid employee. The books were reviewed and records were pieced together to come to the sum of \$14,409.67. Some members had spoken to him and he agreed to sign an agreement to repay debt. The Board has agreed the statement read payments of \$150.00 per month. Payments will begin September. If this agreement is broken, we have seven years to take legal action since this document was signed and his rights were waived for defense. RSO, moved to 6212 Ridge Ave., which is enough space to handle phone line when necessary. The board has set up a few committees to deal with specific issues; 1. Projects to purchase a copier. 2. Duties and responsibilities of the Special Worker. 3. To hire an Attorney. 4. Finalize committee.**

**East Coast Convention: We met at the ECCNA-12 and our meeting was productive with approx. 10 addicts in attendance. We had a number of concerns which all pointed to not having an ECCNA any longer. There will be a motion asking this question. Thank you for allowing me to serve.**

**Respectfully, JR F.**

**World Bid Committee: That a letter be drafted by the Regional chair to give out support to other Regions that also have a bid in for the next World Convention in 1994.**

**Respectfully, JR F.**

**A motion from the Inner City Area to obtain a letter of support from this Region to host the ECCNA-13. It is noted that they want this motion to go back to Groups.**

**November 28-December 1, 1991 2nd Bee Hive Area Convention of N.A. (WE Do Recover) Ramada Public Square, Wilkes-Barre, PA. 18702**

## **1992**

**April 17-19, 1992 (The Promise is Freedom) #10 Philly Convention  
Wyndham Franklin Plaza 17th & Race Sts. Phila. PA. Danny F. -Chaired.**

**June 19-21, 1992 13th East Coast Convention (The Gift of Listening)  
Temple University Broad St. at Cecil B. Moore Ave. Phila. PA.  
Hosted by Inner City & West-Southwest Area**

**April 19, 1992** The Philadelphia Inquire (Conventioneers united in bid to stay drug free) 4,000 participants were in the City for three days at the Wyndam Franklin Plaza Hotel.

**August 10, 1992** Letter from Temple University about 13<sup>th</sup> ECCNA.

Mr. Rodney I. 5231 Oxford Avenue, G-2 Philadelphia, PA. 19124

Dear Rodney,

I hope your summer has been restful and fun. We have been busy here, but I am managing to get a break. In fact, I will be on vacation when you receive this but will be back in the office the week of August 24, 1992.

We have all of the bills and I am ready to submit them to you so that Narcotics Anonymous can raise the necessary funds. Listed below are the figures for each expense, totals, and amounts paid and due.

Total Due \$42,627.70

Paid into Account \$32,240.00

Balance \$10,387.70

I have enclosed copies of these expenses. I hope to hear from you soon regarding a date when this account can be closed. Sincerely, Mansura K.

**September 25-27, 1992** Bucks County Area Convention of N.A. 4 (The Growth of Recovery) Sheraton (Formerly the Royce Hotel) 400 Oxford Valley Rd., Langhorne, PA.

**November 26-30, 1992** The 3rd Bee Hive Area Birthday of N.A. (Message of hope promise of freedom) Ramada Inn Public Square, Wilkes-Barre, PA. 18702

**December 5, 1992** Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Office, Inc. RSO Board Meeting. Attendance: Board Members: Chair, Donald C.; Vice-Chair, Steve R.; Secretary, Arlene F.; Regional Reps, George (Regional Co-Treasurer), Vito L., Agnes B.; Area Reps, Yusuf G. (South Philly), Dwayne I. (ICA), Thomas R. (Montco). Other: JR (Office Manager), Art (Acting Regional Chair), William B.

**December 6, 1992** Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Committee Regional Meeting Minutes.

Bucks County-New meeting, at 1:00pm on Thursday at Good Friends in Morrisville. West/Southwest-We have 30 groups representing our area. This area does want to look into the feasibility of forming a new region.

Delco-The Good Orderly Direction Group at Bryn Mawr Hospital has moved to Clothier House (across from the emergency entrance).

South Philly-We have four groups that came to the area: God has a Plan for us, 20<sup>th</sup> & Chester St. at 7:00; Steps on Catherine, 635 Catherine St.; Promise of Freedom, 11<sup>th</sup> & Chestnut St., Jefferson U.; Clean on the Mezzanine, 1028 Locust St., Rm. 21, Jefferson Alumni Hall. The next ASC will be at Tasker and Napa Sts.

Pure and Simple-Continues to grow with seven groups and nine meetings.

**Inner City-We have been meeting at Pulaski and Manheim for the last two months, the time is still 2:00pm every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month. The Inner City Area has now split into two new areas.**

**Greater Camden Area-We have 7 groups and 15 meetings. Our Afternoon Recovery Group has added a new meeting on Saturday at 12:00 noon at West Jersey Hospital, Mt. Ephraim Ave. and Atlantic Ave., Camden.**

**Schuylkill the SVA meets the last Wednesday of every month at 480 Green Lane, Roxborough at 8:30pm.**

**Pyramid of Freedom-Our Area location is now at 11<sup>th</sup> & Rockland Sts. At 2:00pm-6:00pm every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month.**

**SWANA-Currently we have 32 groups, 39 meetings, and our H & I Sub-Committee is supporting 18 commitments.**

**Northwest-Our area meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at 1:00pm at Chelton and Ardliegh Sts. Communities Locations are Germantown, West Oak Lane, Mt. Airy, and East Germantown. At the present, there are 7 groups committed.**

### **December 7, 1992 RSO Board Special Meeting on Multi-Regional Office.**

**There was no quorum, so the meeting was basically an informal discussion of some of the issues involved in setting up a multi-regional office.**

**We are still waiting for information to come from Florida, Chicago, and Texas on multi-regional offices, and from Michigan, concerning their sub-region system. The Chair will make sure that we have this information by our next meeting on this in February. Some of the general topics that were discussed included:**

**Bookkeeping System (the office Manager has already been making plans so that our current computer system will accommodate entries for various regions and areas) Representation on the Board Distribution of Funds.**

## **1993**

**January 29-31, 1993 (We Pass it On) 1st Camden Area Convention  
Hyatt Hotel Rt. 70 Cherry Hill, N.J.**

**June 13, 1993 Philadelphia Area Service.**

**“The Sky’s the Limit” group of N.A. meets Thurs 7-8:30pm United Methodist Church, Castor & Hunting Park Aves. This meeting was started by Danny M. Reality is Freedom Group: We have moved it’s 11am Sunday meeting from the Whitehall Commons building at Folkrod and Tackawanna Sts. To the Whitehall Rec. Ctr.**

**November 27, 1993 Bee-Hive Area 4th Annual Birthday Celebration  
St. John's Lutheran Church Academy & River Sts. Wilkes-Barre, PA.**

## **1994**

**January 28-30, 1994 Greater Camden Area of N.A. #2 (We Pass it on Unity is a Must) Hyatt Hotel Rt. 70 Cherry Hill, N.J. 08002**

## **1995**

**April 14-16, 1995 the Greater Phila. Regional Convention of N.A. #10 (The Broader the base the Higher the Point of Freedom) Wyndham Franklin Plaza Hotel @ Franklin Plaza (17th & Race Sts.) Phila. PA.**

**March 10-12, 1995 (The Treasure of Life) Small Wonder Area #1  
Holiday Inn 700 King St. Wilmington, DE. 19801**

**December 1, 1995 Greater Philadelphia Regional Services Trust N.A. Leadership and Courage to Change**

**The World Service Meeting held on, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 1995 in Manhattan Beach, California, was interesting. We also raised a concern about maybe proposing more than one structure, to allow the fellowship to review and give their reactions. This would let them decide what plan best works for N.A. as a whole. One other thing that is very important, we would like to make every group in the region aware of the Conference Agenda Report '96. Trusted Servants: ARSR Richard C. and RSR Theron W.**

## **1996**

**January 26-28, 1996 The Greater Camden Area Host Their 3rd Annual Convention of N.A. (We Pass it on 3 We Found a Home) The Sheraton Inn Cherry Hill 1450 Route 70 East Cherry Hill, N.J. 08034-2258**

**February 10, 1996 Primary Purpose Group of N.A. Come help us celebrate! 5th Anniversary Saturday 7:00 to 10:00pm Loretto & Napfle Sts. Phila.**

**March 22-24, 1996 Small Wonder Area #2  
(The Treasure of Life 2 True Balance)  
Holiday Inn Dowingtown 700 King St. Wilmington, Delaware.**

**April 5-7, 1996 Greater Phila. Regional Convention of N.A. #12 THE WAR IS OVER "Wake Up" The Marriott Hotel 1201 Market St. Phila. PA. 1907**

## **1997**

**March 28-30, 1997 Greater Phila. Regional Convention of N.A. #13  
Adams Mark Hotel City Line Ave. & Monument Rd. Phila. PA.**



**November 14-16, 1997 5th Bucks County Area Convention of N.A. (We Choose to Live) Sheraton Hotel Oxford Valley, Langhorne**

## **1998**

**January 16-18, 1998 The Greater Camden Area's 5th Annual Convention (Beyond Our Wildest Dreams) The Four Point Hotel Cherry Hill 1450 Route 70 East Cherry Hill, N.J. 08034-2258 Janine A. -Chaired**

**September 22, 1998 Greater Philadelphia Regional Service Office, Inc. GPRSO Board Meeting Minutes.**

**Executive Board Members Present: RSO Treasurer-Maurice M. RSO Secretary-Liz M. Executive Board Member Not Present: RSO Chair-Eugene B. RSO Co-Chair-Charles C. Board Members Present: Bucks Area-Nancy O. Clean Acres Area-Henry B. Delco Area-Bill O. Inner City Area-Darryl L. Philadelphia Area-Gail M. Pure & Simple Area-Tom C. South Philly Area-Paul W. SWANA Area-John D. West Southwest Area-Joe A. Convention Chair-Carol B. Meeting List Chair-Carl G. RSO Policy Chair-Alonzo B.**

**Board Members Not Present: Camden Area-Mark W.**

**Areas Without Representations: Bee Hive Area-1996 Montco Area-04/97 Northwest Area 05/98 Pyramid of Freedom Area-07/98 Riverfront Area-10/97 Schuylkill Area-06/98 Regional Web Site-would like to add a Bulletin/Share board This would enable addicts to share thoughts, anniversary's, announcements, anything they'd like, on to the board.**

## **1999**

**May 7-9, 1999 Greater Phila. Regional Convention of N.A. (The War is Over 2) Convention Center Phila. PA.**

**July 30-31 & August 1, 1999 South Area Convention of N.A. (Dare to Dream 4) Phila. PA.**

**November 26-28, 1999 Bee-Hive Area Birthday Convention of N.A. 10 Ramada Plaza Hotel 20 Public Square Wilkes-Barre, Pa. 18701**

## **2000**

**January 21-23, 2000 6th Bucks County Area Convention of N.A. (What I can't do alone We can do together) Sheraton Bucks County 400 Oxford Valley Road Langhorne, PA. 19047**

**February 26, 2000** The Greater Philadelphia Region Of N.A. Presents Their First Ever Regional G.S.R. Assembly Rec. Center @ Chelton & Ardleigh Sts. Phila. PA. Sat. 10:00am til 8:00pm For Information Contact: Chas. N. Or Steve R.

**March 10-12, 2000** Small Wonder Area of N.A. (Miracles Happen Because we are Miracles) Wyndham Garden Hotel Wilmington, Delaware

**April 21-23, 2000** Greater Phila. Regional Convention of N.A. #15  
Adams Mark Hotel City Line Ave. & Monument Rd. Phila. PA.

**September 1-3, 2000** South Phila. Area Convention of N.A. 5 (We continue to dream & dreams come true) Adams Mark Hotel City Line Ave & Monument Rd. Phila. PA. Veronica B. -Chaired

## **2001**

**August 13-15, 2001** Greater Phila. Regional Convention of N.A. #16 (Will Come to Celebrate Our Mutual Recovery) Valley Forge Radisson Hotel and Convention Center 1200 First Ave. King of Prussia, PA.

**August 31, September 1-2, 2001** South Philly Area Convention of N.A. (Dare to dream 6) Holiday Inn 10th & Packer Ave. Phila. PA. 19148

## **2002**

**January 7, 2002** Need Never Die Group of N.A. Celebrates 13 years Monday night Tyson & Sackett begins 7pm Gary F. -spoke & Maureen-spoke.

This information has been compiled for the last 15 years, 95% of this information has been taken from Area and Regional minutes. Any additions or corrections will be appreciated, please contact Danny Martino at 2143 Shallcross Street, Philadelphia, PA. 19124 or call me at (215) 289-9910 or please E-mail me at [NAHistoryPhila@AOL.com](mailto:NAHistoryPhila@AOL.com).

Any additions must be in writing, such as, original minutes, flyers, etc. We are looking for original minutes from all the areas in the region regarding the formation of that area. We are also looking for original flyers for all the area conventions and the starting of N.A. meetings and or anniversary's. Anyone with 10 years or more wishing to have their name and clean date put in the time line please send information.

In the near future, we are planning to open a N.A. History Museum in Philadelphia. We are accepting all N.A. archive donations to let our history be known to our fellowship. Your donation will be recognized on a plaque in the museum.

**I would personally like to thank all the addicts that have donated N.A. History memorabilia and information up to this point. This dream would not be possible without your kind efforts.**

**With sincere thanks to all addicts, Danny Martino, N.A. Historian.  
Miracles Happened in Philadelphia and Pennsylvania too! 1/27/2002**