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Dear Newsletter Staff,

Many of you have been sending copies of your newsletters to the World Lit. Committee. I want to thank you for your interest and for sharing this material with us. I have a plan to make the World Lit. Committee more effective in the upcoming year, but I need your permission and cooperation before I can proceed.

The area and regional newsletters I have been receiving, have contained many excellent articles about recovery. You have written on various aspects of recovery from addiction such as total abstinence, working the steps, sponsorship, spiritual growth, working with others, etc. I would like to use these articles for inclusion in my resource files.

The resource files of the World Lit. Committee serve the entire fellowship through the area and regional literature committees in the nation. For example, if a lit. committee in Timbuktoo is writing a pamphlet on Surrender, and they need input, I could send them some articles pertaining to Surrender which I've taken from one or more newsletters. This would greatly improve the communications we have as well as inspire unity because your staff would know that you are helping the lit. committee in a very concrete way. I know that as an area lit. chair last year, it gave me a tremendous feeling of support when I received input on the Traditions from Pennsylvania and Ohio. I also think we could avoid duplicating our efforts by implementing this plan. If several newsletters have published different articles on the same topic, the lit. committee could combine the articles into one cohesive piece and possibly publish it as a pamphlet, booklet, or whatever. I think this was what most of you had in mind when you sent copies of your newsletters to the lit. committee. However, the lit. committee cannot legally use any published material without written permission.

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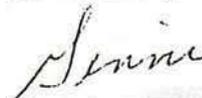
Therefore, if your newsletter staff is agreeable with the process I have detailed above, please complete the attached form and return it to me as soon as possible. I have asked the San Diego Area Lit. Committee to read all of the newsletters I receive, and categorize the articles by topic. We are already expanding the World Lit. resource files so that we can lend aid and support to all of the area and regional lit. committees. I would very much like to forward some of the excellent articles I have read to certain lit. committees who are creating new pamphlets for the fellowship this year. I will await permission from you.

It is also imperative that you obtain signed releases from all members who contribute articles to your newsletter. The release form attached should be the one used. When completing the form remember that your newsletter is the Assignee and the contributor the Assignor.

If you have any questions, comments or wish to discuss any of the above, please don't hesitate to contact me. I can be reached by phone before 8:00 A.M. and after 4:00 P.M. on weekdays, at (619) 235-6346 (Pacific Standard Time). My address is: 1805 Pentuckett Avenue, San Diego, CA 92104.

Thank you for your continued dedication and support to the World Lit. Committee as well as Narcotics Anonymous as a whole. I remain your trusted servant,

In loving service,



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Attachment