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THE NEWSLINE AND WORLD SERVICE OFFICE MOVES

The NEWSLINE is a monthly publication of the World Service Office of Narcotics Anonymous. The NEWSLINE is usually sent to about 1,200 people associated with the Fellowship (group representatives, and other trusted servants of the Fellowship). All of those regular readers have received this issue. But this issue has also been sent to over 2,500 other individuals that have not previously been on our mail list. The reason for this expanded mailing and for this notice at the beginning, is to advise everyone of our new address and phone number. The additional recipients have each been customers (purchased N.A.literature from WSO), or for some other reason wrote to WSO during the past eleven months. At the end of this issue of the NEWSLINE, is a small form that you can complete and return to us if you are not already a regular recipient of the NEWSLINE and desire to receive the NEWSLINE each month. There is not currently a subscription fee for the NEWSLINE.

Now, about that move.

Our new address is 16155 Wyandotte Street, Van Nuys, California, 91406-3423. The telephone number is 780-3951. The area code until January 4, 1984 is (213), but after January 4, 1984, the area code changes to (818). We maintain regular business hours, and after January 1, 1984, we will be open on Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to noon.

Our new home is terrific, it is large enough and will meet our needs for growth for some time. We did have additional office space built in an area that had been used by the previous tenant for warehouse space. The construction has been done by people in the Fellowship and the cost was reduced considerably because of their dedication to the program. The new office construction has caused more disruption than the move made. We have been a little slower responding to regular office duties because of the confusion. The last of this disruption will be over in the next few days, hopefully by the time this is received.

An OPEN HOUSE to celebrate our new office, with coffee and tea has been scheduled for January 14, 1984 between the hours of 1:00 and 5:00 p.m. Although it will not be practical for most of our NEWSLINE readers to be with us, it will provide the opportunity for the Fellowship in the general area to visit and share the enthusiasm our move has generated.

But regardless of the open house, we always keep a pot of coffee brewing for anyone that comes by and visitors are certainly always welcome.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

The Board of Directors of WSO wanted to use this opportunity to convey to the Fellowship their desire for everyone to have a joyful holiday season and express their hope that these holidays will bring happiness and peace to you all. Your office staff joins the Board in sharing these sentiments.

T-SHIRTS AND OTHER THINGS

The response to my notice in the last NEWSLINE, about these non-literature items has produced a slow but steady request. However, the Board of WSO at their November meeting reconsidered the matter and directed that a letter be sent to the WSC leadership and to the RSR's asking for their specific input to this matter. A letter for this purpose has been drafted and will be sent in the early part of December.

N.A. GROWS

Several months ago we instituted a policy of sending letters to each new group registration that we receive and sending a copy of the new group registration form to the RSR of the area in which the group is located. During the last 60 days, since this was started, we have sent over 35 letters. The number of new groups is fairly well spread over the country and also from meetings in Canada. We have recently started a Followup program to inquire if the new group needs further assistance, after 60 days from our receipt of the registration. Additionally, we have put each new group on our NEWSLINE mail list along with sending a complimentary copy of the N.A. Way Magazine. Hopefully these new practices will be of assistance to the stability and growth of each new group.

In concert with the WSC Administrative Committee, our office is beginning to compile and index a folder containing policies that area committees use for administration of their activities. If your area has written policies that you would care to share with us, please send them to us. As more groups form and areas separate from one another or when area committees are formed where there have been none, these guidelines may be of great value.

Our intent is not to create and distribute as policy these items, but to begin to form a library of them from which the Fellowship may draw when there is a need.

