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## "THE BOOK IS COMING"

The 3rd World Literature Confrence held from Jan. 1 through Feb. 7th in Memphis had two goals as stated by the conference.

These were to have a final draft of the book "Narcotics Anonymous" and to have it distributed to the fellowship in time for approval by this year at the World Service Conference.

Both goals were accomplished with 1200 copies of the review draft being sent on Feb. 27, 1981.

The conference was held in two large rooms on the ground floor of a college dorm on the Memphis State University Campus. Spread out through these rooms were many tables, chairs, eight typewriters, two copiers and seventy members representing thirteen states.

The work went around the clock in shifts, with people always doing something. The work was divided into workshops, with the group getting together once a day or more to form a group conscience where the state of the work would be reported, and major decisions made. Then, the work would start again.

The three main areas worked on were typing, reviewing, and composing. Typing consisted of typing up the material that was done. Reviewing was going over chapters that were in draft, smoothing out rough edges, removing redundancies, and filling in gaps.

Composing was the first putting together of material that had been contributed by members that had not been put together. included writing stories and material needed to go into the chapters.

Two remained undone until the sixth day of the conference.

Each chapter was put through three review workshops and then went to the final review by representatives from areas represented and other members.

The chapters of the book are:

- 1. Who is an addict?
- What is the N.A. program? 2.
- 3. Why are we here?
- How it works.
- 5. What can I do?
- The twelve traditions.
- Recovery and Relapse
- 8. We do recover.
- 9. Just for today.
- 10. More will be revealed.

#### BIG BOOK CONT ..

The book is now in the hands of the fellowship for review, comment, and approval. The comments and changes suggested by the fellowship will be acted on at the fourth World Literature Conference to be held April 25 through the 29th in Venice, CA.

For now, get involved in review work on the book. Contact your area service group and find out how it's being done.

In the Lincoln area, the review workshop is being held on Thursday nights at 7:00 at the Cleanway Club, 2708 Y street, alley way entrance.

Doug W.

## AN INDIAN PRAYER

"Oh great spirit, who's voice I hear in the winds, and who's breath gives life to all the world, hear me.

I come before you, one of your many children. I am small and weak...
I need your strength and wisdom.

Let me walk in beauty, make my eyes ever behold the red and purple sunset. Make my hands respect the things you have made, my ears sharp to hear your voice.

Make me wise, so that I may know the things you have taught my people, the lesson you have hidden in every leaf and rock.

I seek strength, not to be superior to my brothers, but to be able to fight my greatest enemy-myself.

Make me ever ready to come to you with clean hands and straight eyes, so when life fades as a fading sunset, my spirit may come to you without shame.

Author Unknown

#### NAR-ANON!

We now have a Nar-anon meeting every Tuesday night, 7:00, at the Cleanway Clubhouse, 2708 Y street (back alley entrance).

Nar-anon is for friends and family of the drug addict, recovering and still practicing. Nar-anon is slowly growing but still needs your support. Remember, we drug addicts still need to deal with the other addicts in our life. Please spread the word! For information call: Sheila F. or Anne F. - 467-1941

#### NEWCOMERS VOICE

Stepping into an N.A. meeting for the first time, I noticed two things right off.

I was shocked at the number of really decent people that were They weren't the dregs of society as I had envisioned in my mind.

As the meeting progressed, I was amazed at the love people showed for each other. It was real. I felt more accepted and loved at that one meeting than I had in all of my  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years of using. The people worked to make each other feel good and I left the meeting with much less anger for the world than I had when I came.

Now after one month of sobriety, I can honestly say that the understanding and love I feel for myself and others has grown greatly.

Rosie K.

#### IT WORKS!

I believe I've found what works for me here in N.A., Service Work. Knowing that I have something to contribute, I can now give back some of what I received. Reaching out to the newcomer is something that not only gets me in touch with who I am and what I am. but also where I was.

Accepting the position of alternate G.S.R., has helped me

learn more about the traditions and why we have them.

These things have also given me the chance to get to know my fellows better. I started out emptying ashtrays to help out and for a reason to hang around after meetings. It works.

Anonymous

## WORLD SERVICE OFFICE

The golden state of California whence N.A. rays of knowledge that the W.S,O, mail out to every state in the union and the city of Lincoln receive their first starter pack to put us on a road of recovery.

The office in Sun Valley, CA has been footing the bill for printing, stamps, and office space. There is nothing fancy or flashy about the W.S.O. to keep down the expense of running the office. So the main punch will go to the individual addict, so he can receive guidance on how the program works and how others have worked thiers.

Personal and group contributions can be sent to the World Service Office. All contributions can also be handled through your own area if nct by mail. So PLEASE send contributions. Remember, they are tax deductible.

> M.J.B. Club Reporter

Walk in front of me I may not follow Walk behind me I may not lead Walk beside me And be my friend

Author Unknown

I am more powerful than the combined armies of the world;

I have destroyed more men than all the wars of the nation;

I have caused millions of accidents and wrecked more homes than all the floods, tornado's, and hurricanes put together;

I am the worlds slickest thief,

I steal billions of dollars each year;

I find victims among the rich and poor alike, the young and the old, the strong and the weak; I loom up to such portions that I cast a shadow

over every field of labor,

I am relentless, insidious, unpredictable; I am everywhere— in the home, on the street, in the office, on the sea and in the air, I bring sickness, poverty and death; I give nothing and take all;

I am your worst enemy, I am drugs and alcohol.

Author Unknown

#### CLEANWAY CLUBHOUSE

The Cleanway clubhouse, located at 2708 Y street (alley entrance) has been open and holding it's own, since November.

Membership is \$5.00 a month or \$55.00 a year. It's open every night of the week for meetings and fellowship.

The clubhouse meetings are at 12:30, the first Sunday of every month. So for questions or information about the clubhouse, come join us and see what's happening. Suggestions for the clubhouse and club activities welcome!

Sheila F. Cleanway club Treasurer

Please!!! We need material for our newsletters. We in Lincoln and others around the U.S. would like to know what is going on in your communities. Write stories, poems, jokes, comic strips, ANYTHING!!! We would like to add more to our newsletter, and YOU can help us. We will appreciate anything.

Thank-You

Angie C.

## OUTREACH

## NEWSLETTER MEETINGS

April 11 at 12:00 April 18 at 12:00 April 25 at 12:00 May 2 at 12:00 May 9 at 12:00

#### CLUBHOUSE BUSINESS MEETINGS

April 5 at 12:30 PM
May 3 at 12:30 PM
July 7 at 12:30 PM
These are the responsibilities of all members to get there.
The clubhouse is available for N.A. but is separate.

BIRTHDAYS Feb.& March

1 month

John E. 1-1-81 Joe K. 1-13-81 Rosie K. 1-30-81 James P. 2-8-81

1 year Mark G. 3-9 Mike B. 3-9

3-9-80 3-11-80

## 12-STEP VOLUNTEERS

Mike B. 477-5591 anytime Angie C. 423-1996 anytime Doug W. 464-0979 anytime 476-2403 anytime Rosie K. 466-7364 anytime

## SPECIAL EVENTS

March 21,1981
"SATURDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES"
7;30-11:30 PM at clubhouse
Non-members---\$1.00 (popcorn)

March 28, 1981 POOL PARTY Estar's Health Spa Plattsmouth, NE

## AREA SERVICE MEETINGS

March 25 at 5:00 PM April 5 at 5:00 FM May 3 at 5:00 PM May 17 at 5:00 FM

## CONVENTIONS

11 World Convention of Narcotics Anonymous Sept. 10-13, 1981 Wiami Beach, Florida

June 26-28, 1981
2nd East Coast Convention of
N.A. Trenton State University.
Trenton, New Jersey. Registration
forms available at clubhouse.

May 8-10, 1981 4th N.A. Panama Beach Convention Panama City Beach, Florida.

#### ANNOUNCMENTS

The N.A. Big White Book is in it's final review form. Money eill be needed to publish it after the World Service Confrence approves it. Please send contributions to: World Literature Confrence c/o Nolan W.

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N.A. WORD SEARCH

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LET GO LET GOD
FOUR LEAF CLOVER
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NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS
TIES THAT BIND US TOGETHER
E ASY DOES IT
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ONE DAY AT A TIME
WILLINGNESS
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ADDICT

TWELVE STEPS
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GOOD LUCK!!!!!

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