

Fellow WSEA 92 Members,

This will be my last report to you as your Panel 58 Delegate but before I begin I would like to share with those who may have not heard the news that Paul B WSEA 92 Translation and Special Needs Chair passed away on November 23<sup>rd</sup> at the VA hospital in Seattle where he was being treated for leukemia. Paul was very active in sponsorship and leaves behind a legacy of humble Service and caring during his 29 years of sobriety. Paul encouraged many members to become involved in the Fellowship and was much loved by the people that knew him. There will be a memorial for Paul on Sunday December 27<sup>th</sup> in Spokane from 5:00 – 8:00 PM. For more information regarding Paul's memorial please contact me by going to <http://www.area92aa.org/officers/index.php> and selecting the Area Delegate link.

I would like to thank each and every member of WSEA 92 for allowing me the opportunity to serve you in this Panel 58 rotation. To the new Panel 60 Trusted Servants of WSEA 92 you have the trust and faith of us all to keep our Area happily and usefully whole.

Since the Election Assembly I was fortunate to be invited to participate in a Home Group inventory in Spokane on October 24<sup>th</sup>. On November 1<sup>st</sup> Gene D. WSEA 92 Panel 52 Delegate and I participated in a Traditions workshop in Pullman on the Campus of WSU my alma mater. On November 15<sup>th</sup> I had another opportunity to participate in a Traditions Workshop in Walla Walla with our Panel 58 Alternate Delegate Mauro P. On December 5<sup>th</sup> the newly elected WSEA 92 Committee and Delegates allowed me the privilege of participating in the Panel 60 Appointed Officer selection meeting held in Moses Lake at the Alano Club. I am confident that WSEA 92 will be well served by the new committee chairs and officers that were chosen. The last planned event for me in 2009 will be the Spokane Central Office inventory on December 13<sup>th</sup> to be held at the Spokane Alano Club at 12 noon. What a wonderful way to end the year and my rotation, for it is through inventories that we learn and grow if we are willing.

#### **In news from the General Service Office (GSO):**

As referenced from the November Board report by Madeleine P. Pacific Regional Trustee and the *AAWS Highlights* report, October 2009.

During the Board weekend 2 visitors from the General Service Structure Mexico were welcomed.

#### **Alcoholics Anonymous World Service (AAWS)**

##### **Hope Video**

- The Hope Video was made available for distribution as the Board did not conclude that the objections against the video rose to the level of a Concept V minority appeal.

##### **Archives**

- Michelle Mirza who has been serving as the Acting Archivist has been appointed as Archives Director
- The Archives is open to visitors as the renovation and expansion project has finish ahead of schedule

##### **2010 International Convention (IC)**

- The IC continues to exceed expectations at over 26,000 registrations as of this report
- Nearly half of registrants have purchased a copy of the souvenir edition of AA Comes of Age
- The anonymity protected Flag Ceremony will be available over the internet through the Monday morning after the convention
- Over 84% of registrations have been received online - a first for conventions

##### **Special Needs pamphlet project**

- Not many submissions have been received in response to the call for recovery stories from those who face additional challenges in receiving the message of AA.
- In the upcoming Holiday issue of Box 459 the SN pamphlet project will be highlighted

##### **International Service**

- Oct 11-18 - Jo-Anne L and Don M Trustees at large attended the 16<sup>th</sup> REDELA (meeting of the Americas) in Arequipa Peru
- Oct 19-26 – Warren S (International Desk) and Valerie O'N (GSO Publications Director) attended the 15<sup>th</sup> European Service Meeting in Frankfurt Germany

##### **Finance (1/1 – 9/31/2009)**

Increases over same period 08 can be attributed to sales prior to the July 1 price increase.

- \$10,891,000 net sales up 14% FSP (from same period) 08
- \$7,895,500 gross margin from literature up 16% FSP 08
- \$4,371,000 in contributions was down 6% FSP 08
- \$10,992,500 total revenue (gross profit from literature sales, contributions and interest earned on cash flow) up \$959,300 FSP 08
- \$1,026,100 unaudited income up from \$315,900 loss FSP 08

#### **Publications (1/1 – 9/31/2009)**

- 1,852,873 books were distributed up 14.9% FSP 08
- 1,379,096 total AA purchases
- 473,777 non-AA purchases 25.6% of total distribution
- \$871,162 unaudited actual sales are \$159,656 under gross sales FSP 08

The following items will be priced as follows:

- 2009 Hope video DVD (DV-09) \$10
- Young People's videos DVD (DV-10) \$10
- American Sign Language (ASL) 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition Big Book –DVD (DV-11) \$32
- ASL 12x12 DVD (DV-12) \$23
- CPC DVD English/French/Spanish of all CPC videos (DV-13) \$10
- Young People Posters in French (FM-7) \$1
- 12 Steps, 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts set of window shades (M-26) \$72
- Abridged English 4<sup>th</sup> Edition Big Book CD (M 81-A) \$18
- Set of 22 radio PSAs – New Voices CD (R-10) \$15
- Young People Posters in Spanish (SM-7) \$1
- Abridged Spanish 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition Big Book CD (SM-81A) \$18
- CPC Human Resources/Medical/Corrections videos \$10

#### **Grapevine (GV)**

##### **Grapevine (1/1-9/31/2009)**

Frances Brisbane Class A Trustee will be serving on the Grapevine Board

- 103,300 average circulation (106,099 print/1,143 audio) 3.3% over budget
- 87,283 (books, CDs, other) were distributed
- \$95,500 reported loss

#### **La Vina**

- 9,775 circulations down 717
- \$36,780 net loss

#### **In other news:**

##### **Box 459**

The Winter 09 issue of Box 459 is out and you can get yours through "AA Digital Delivery" it's free, all you have to do is sign up at <https://dds.aaws.org/Login.aspx>. This quarters Box 459 shares information on Regional Forums, the 2010 International Convention, Special Needs literature submissions, new staff assignments and Loners International Meetings (LIM). There are articles on 12<sup>th</sup> stepping, anonymity and the internet, and 12 tips on keeping your Holidays sober and joyous. Do yourself a favor sign up and check it out.

##### **WSEA 92**

After its start at the WSEA 92 Pre-Conference Assembly in 2008 the request to have the Unity Declaration placed back into the AA *Group* pamphlet will happen during the next printing scheduled for summer 2010. In addition the request that the Unity Declaration be added to all AA literature when feasible and economical will be reviewed by the AAWS Board during their January 2010 meeting. This action by the board would be in keeping with the 1973 Conference Literature Committee advisory action.

#### **Upcoming Events**

Jan 15-16 – WSEA 92 Quarterly – Lewiston ID

Mar 5-7 - PRAASA 2010 - Los Angeles CA - Host Area 05 SoCal

Apr 18-24-60<sup>th</sup> GSC-Rye NY- Practicing AA's Principles-the Pathway to Unity  
May 14-16 - Western Canada Regional Forum - Saskatoon SK  
July 1-4 - 2010 International Convention - San Antonio TX  
Aug 27-29 - Pacific Regional Forum - Torrance CA - Host Area 09 Mid SoCal

Yours in the Fellowship,  
Rad M.  
Delegate 58/92