

**R2 Trustee Report
Spring Assembly March 25, 2006**

World Service Office Staff Member Honored Locally

The New Mexico Chapter of Meeting Planners recognized World Service Office Staff member Sandra Allen as 2004-2005 Member of the year and it seems a fitting accolade for Sandy as evidenced by the many successful events she has coordinated for World Service Office. According to the Managing Director Sandra's participation in this association enhanced her expertise as OA's official Meeting Planner.

Publications

OA's recent publication of "OA Members Come in All Sizes" has sold out since its first printing and plans are to adjust the title to attract the target audiences composed of OA members not necessarily overweight and those who identify as anorexic or bulimic.

Lifeline subscriptions reduced from 12 to 10 issues per annum after January 1, 2006 but only with new subscribers. Be aware that shipping prices increased and some literature prices changed in the New Year therefore refer to www.oa.org for a complete listing.

Hearing is Believing: OA Members Speak is newest Audio Publication from WSO that blends the voices of many recovering OA members into one providing a poignant narrative of the disease of compulsive overeating from onset to cure. Purchase through catalog number 685, Cassette \$5.00 or CD at \$6.00.

OA in the Media

An OA meeting is embedded in the bonus version of the DVD entitled "Super Size me" and of course no faces or names were used however as a Region 2 Representative observed the DVD is devoid of OA contact information.

As requested I forwarded this observation to WSO and the question was subsequently sent to the BOT Chairman who spoke of this DVD at the informal BOT meeting in November 2005. I was informed the director Allen Morgan Spurlock was contacted a few years ago but such contact failed to gain formal OA reference information within the bonus DVD.

World Service Business Conference (WSBC)--May 1-6, 2006

WSBC will be held at will held at a different location than last year that of Hotel Albuquerque at Old Town located at 800 Rio Grande Blvd. NW, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Because of the drastic reduction of purchase of literature at conferences BOT Executive Committee found it more cost effective for delegates to preorder and pick up literature before Thursday evening during Conference and notice of this change will be in the 2nd and 3rd Conference Mailing. Also the Delegate Support Fund Application has been revised in order to help requesting service bodies be more explicit when itemizing their expenses and this news will be available in the 2007 WSBC mailing.

The second Conference mailing is now available on the OA Web site at www.oa.org/ws_business_conf.html and below are highlights of the Agenda Questionnaire for Proposed New Business Motions and Proposed New Bylaws Amendments. There seems to be an unusually small number of items in the Agenda Questionnaire with only **four** New Business Motions and **three** Proposed Bylaws Amendments and I'm sure more will be proposed from the conference floor in May.

WSBC 2006 Proposed New Business Motions and Proposed New Bylaws Amendments

Item Number	Motion	Relevant Bylaw
A	Change the name of "HIPM" Committee to "Professional Outreach Committee"	None
B	Have Region and WSO co-host future WSC with left over funds going to Region	None
C	Change Unity Day from February to the Saturday after OA's Birthday, January 19	None
D	Add Exercise as the 9 th Tool of Recovery	None
1	Each IG shall adopt and submit Bylaws Conforming to OA Bylaws within 1 year of WSO registration date	Subpart B Article VI, Section 2
2	Each Region shall adopt and submit Bylaws Conforming to OA Bylaws within 1 year of WSO registration date	Subpart B Article VII, Section 3
3	Each N/LSB shall adopt and submit Bylaws Conforming to OA Bylaws within 1 year of WSO registration date	Subpart B Article VII, Section 3

World Service Convention 2007/2010

"Ring in Recovery and Declare Your Freedom from Compulsive Eating" at the World Service Convention, August 29–September 1, 2007 at Loews Philadelphia Hotel Philadelphia, Pennsylvania USA.

And it's not too early for **2010 50th Anniversary World Service Convention** to be held in the Los Angeles area and already in the planning stages guided by vital information obtained from **2010 WS Convention Survey** disseminated to service bodies this pass fall. Input from a total of **313** surveys reflected that **83%** of respondents would attend and only **17%** said they would not. WSO Meeting Planner estimates between **1,000 and 1,200** would attend and **90%** of attendees predict they will choose to stay at the designated Convention hotel if it's within their budgets.

Professional Exhibits Fund

In November 2004 the Board of Trustees approved the Professional Exhibit Fund which allows service bodies to apply for funding for professional conferences and conventions when the service body lacks financial support to exhibit at such events. And additional incentive is the ability to purchase literature at reduced cost through the Region Trustee therefore local service bodies can contact the Region Trustee when applying for Professional Exhibits Fund to obtain OA Literature at up to 50% price reduction.

FY 2005 Contributions by Regions

First glance at Fiscal Year 2005 figures Region 2 was ahead of others contributing **\$55, 747.11** to the **\$294,897.99** of monies to Overeaters Anonymous making up **18.9%** of the whole. However when this amount is divided by the 1092 registered groups within the region, R2's donation per group amounts to **\$51.05** which is fourth in comparison to R4 at \$79.90, R7 at \$77.09 and \$52.53 for R5. And I was told by Sarah Armstrong, Controller for WSO that the figures above reflect all donations for from the region to OA.

Mexico

Intergroup Mexico is asking for stories from the OA family to incorporate into a new Magazine, "Testimonies of Life" and the editor indicated such stories from many members is as an ideal way to exchange experiences and I will follow with more news about this publication as the news becomes available.

Trustee Reponses

In September 2005 the Chairman of the BOT responded to an Intergroup in southern California which called into question the Carnival Cruise Line funding raising flier. The chairman's letter expressed displeasure with flier and cited violations of Traditions per Board informal and eventually Region 8 withdrew the flier and refunded any money received back to donors.

Many OA groups meeting in churches received a document titled "Little Cindy's Letter" distributed by a Denver Publishing Company taking advantage of meeting contact information at OA's Website or through hard copy of the OA Meeting Directory. WSO contacted the publishing company and explained the meeting information is intended for OA use only and to prevent further misuse of meeting list WSO updated the website with a Privacy Statement.

Trustee Board Committees

As a member of the World Service Board of Trustee I chair or serve on about 5 committees in support of OA's functioning and they are **Co-Chair of the Conference Literature Committee, History and Archive Committee, the Technology Committee, International Publications Committee and an interim subcommittee tasked to completed OA's 7 year literature review.**

The **History and Archive Committee** completed an arduous task that of hand scanning a majority of the Co-Founder's (Rozanne S.) personal archives and placing them into a more durable format on DVD. Headed by Dexter J., Region 6 Trustee, the committee has plans to equip WSO with a "State of the Arts" Library to facilitate research of valuable files of OA's History.

In OA Service
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