

## **DELEGATE'S REPORT**

### **SENY Assembly, 9 April 2011**

At the General Service Board meeting in January it was agreed that the time had come for the General Service Board to do an inventory of itself and the two corporate bodies. Ward Ewing appointed an ad hoc inventory committee to develop the process for this inventory to be presented at the July 2011 Trustee's Sharing Session. In response to the Conference Advisory Action that a description of the role of trustees emeriti be added to the *AA Service Manual* it was agreed that GSO Publications Department be asked to develop a short description of current practice and forward it to the Conference Committee on Report and Charter.

The Corrections Committee reviewed a request to create "a piece of Conference-approved literature for the young incarcerated alcoholic" and took no action. However, the Committee did agree to incorporate this suggestion into its progress report to the 2011 Conference Committee on Corrections regarding the ongoing revision of the pamphlet, "It Sure Beats Sitting in a Cell." The Committee asked the staff member to communicate this suggestion to the Publications Department which has already begun a draft revision. The Committee accepted and agreed to forward to the 2011 Conference Committee on Corrections a progress report on revision of the pamphlet, "It Sure Beats Sitting in a Cell."

We have two important events coming up over the next few months. First is the Northeast Regional Forum, which will take place May 20-22nd at the Sturbridge Host Hotel and Conference Center in Sturbridge, MA. This weekend event is when the General Service Office comes out to the region. There will be presentations and workshops and a chance to ask questions of the office staff and trustees. There is no registration fee for the Forum, just the hotel charges. Fliers are available on the table.

Also coming up is the New York State Informational Workshop, August 19-21st at the Carondelet Hospitality Center in Latham, NY. This weekend is when the four areas of New York State come together to share how we do our 12th Step service and is one of my favorite events. A lot of wonderful information is shared and fellowship is a key point of the weekend. Registration, lodging and meals are \$175.00 for the weekend; day registration is \$15.00 and with Saturday lunch \$23.50. There are fliers available on the table.

Applications for the GSO Staff position are being accepted until April 15th. Desirable qualifications include excellent communications and organizational skills, good computer skills as well as the ability to work independently as well as a team member. AA service experience will also be taken into consideration. A minimum of 6 years sobriety is required. The position will be available mid to late summer of 2011. Please see me for an application.

Finally, March was the official launch of Grapevine's Digital Magazine, in addition to existing print and audio formats of Grapevine and LaViña. If 4,500 print subscriptions were added in addition to current print subscription projections, Grapevine would close the budget gap and become fully self-supporting. That's only 48 extra print subscriptions per area. At \$19.97 per year, about 65 new digital subscriptions per area will close the budget gap. Why not support your Grapevine and subscribe today. See our Grapevine Chair for further information.