



# Narcotics Anonymous World Service Conference 2008

Regional Delegate Team Report to  
the Colorado Regional Fellowship  
July 20, 2008



# Personal Notes



- Gratitude for allowing me to serve
- Growth and Learning Experience
- A chance to hear how the rest of the fellowship is doing
- And I got to speak to the CONFERENCE  
(a bit of vanity there, but I am working on that also)



# Good News The fellowship is growing!



## Regions Around The World

There are many NA communities that routinely hold recovery meetings, and some have established service committees but do not necessarily refer to themselves as "Regions".

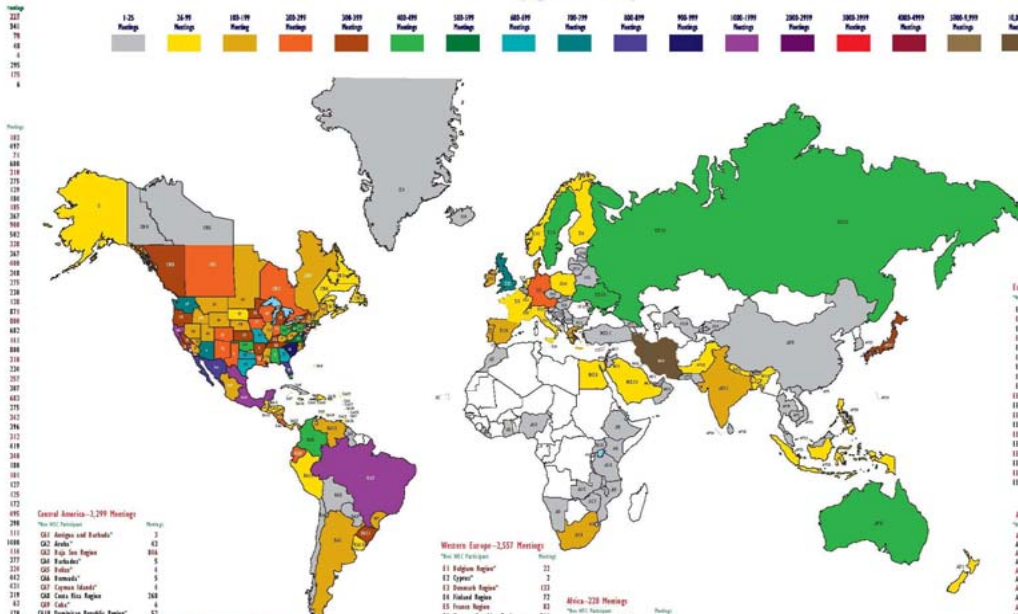
### 49,968 Weekly Meetings Worldwide (April 2008)

#### Canada - 1,184 Meetings

01 US East Region	227
02 British Columbia Region	341
03 Canada Atlantic Region	78
04 Leeward Region	4
05 Southern Territories*	195
06 Yukon Region	105
08 Yukon Territory*	4

#### USA - 25,123 Meetings

1 002 Region	192
2 Alabama, NY Florida Region	497
3 Alaska Region	71
4 Arizona Region	688
5 Atlanta Region	118
6 New York Region	215
7 Virginia-Appalachian Region*	128
8 Kentucky Region	186
9 California Inland Region	105
10 California Mid-Coast Region	267
11 Louisville Region	105
12 Central Illinois Region	162
13 Central California Region	128
14 Chesapeake & Potomac Region	267
15 Chesapeake Region	106
16 Colorado Region	128
17 Connecticut Region	128
18 Eastern New York Region	128
19 Eastern Pennsylvania Region*	128
20 Florida Region	871
21 Georgia Region	462
22 Greater Miami Region	61
23 Greater New York Region	886
24 Greater Philadelphia Region	118
25 Indiana Region	128
26 Iowa Region	128
27 Kansas Region	367
28 Las Vegas Region	462
29 Louisiana Region	128
30 Maine Region	128
31 Mid-America Region	312
32 Missouri Region	618
33 Montana Region	128
34 New Jersey Region	128
35 Nevada Region	128
36 New South Wales Region	128
37 New York Region	128
38 Northwest Valley Region	128
39 Pennsylvania Region	128
40 Rhode Island Region	128
41 New England Region	495
42 New Jersey Region	128
43 North Carolina Region*	128
44 Northern California Region	118
45 Northern New England Region	118
46 Northern New Jersey Region	128
47 Northern New York Region	128
48 NY State Region	128
49 NY State Region	128
50 Pacific Coastal Region	248
51 San Jose Region	62
52 Region 51	62
53 Greater Region	72
54 San Diego-Southern Region	215
55 South Florida Region	128
56 Texas Region	128
57 South Dakota Region	128
58 South Florida Region	128
59 Southern California Region	108
60 Southern Idaho Region	128
61 Utah Region	128
62 Utah Region	128
63 Upper Midwest Region	128
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#### Central America - 1,299 Meetings

101 CA Region	2
102 CA Region	42
103 CA Region	818
104 CA Region	6
105 CA Region	1
106 CA Region	5
107 CA Region	1
108 CA Region	248
109 CA Region	62
110 CA Region	52
111 CA Region	72
112 CA Region	8
113 CA Region	86
114 CA Region	27
115 CA Region	188
116 CA Region	7
117 CA Region	122
118 CA Region	273
119 CA Region	128
120 CA Region	195
121 CA Region	7
122 CA Region	13
123 CA Region	78
124 CA Region	318
125 CA Region	71
126 CA Region	68

#### South America - 1,033 Meetings

127 SA Region	192
128 SA Region	21
129 SA Region	188
130 SA Region	7
131 SA Region	122
132 SA Region	273
133 SA Region	128
134 SA Region	195
135 SA Region	7
136 SA Region	13
137 SA Region	78
138 SA Region	318
139 SA Region	71
140 SA Region	68

#### Western Europe - 2,557 Meetings

141 WE Region	22
142 WE Region	7
143 WE Region	1
144 WE Region	72
145 WE Region	82
146 WE Region	204
147 WE Region	7
148 WE Region	188
149 WE Region	1
150 WE Region	18
151 WE Region	188
152 WE Region	41
153 WE Region	3
154 WE Region	4
155 WE Region	1
156 WE Region	22
157 WE Region	4
158 WE Region	143
159 WE Region	89
160 WE Region	48
161 WE Region	19
162 WE Region	48
163 WE Region	4
164 WE Region	2
165 WE Region	49
166 WE Region	16
167 WE Region	2

#### Africa - 228 Meetings

168 AF Region	2
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#### The Middle East - 1,472 Meetings

201 ME Region	28
202 ME Region	16
203 ME Region	12,264
204 ME Region	208
205 ME Region	2
206 ME Region	2
207 ME Region	7
208 ME Region	4
209 ME Region	2
210 ME Region	1
211 ME Region	49
212 ME Region	16
213 ME Region	2
214 ME Region	16
215 ME Region	1

#### Asia Pacific - 1,728 Meetings

216 AP Region	16
217 AP Region	16
218 AP Region	4
219 AP Region	1
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#### Europe - 82 Meetings

241 EU Region	2
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#### Latin America - 32 Meetings

261 LA Region	2
262 LA Region	1
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# Sunday



- Opening Session and introductions
- Orientation
- Executive Committee and Human Resources Panel Joint Session
  - Nominations Process
    - World pool members (937 members) 8 or more years clean 601 eligible 79 were interested in being considered for nomination.
  - HRP blind scoring
    - Relevant life experience 20 pts – Service: Current 35 pts Overall 10 pts General questions: 120 pts
    - HRP/WB 185 max points -- Co-facilitator 135 max points (only 6 questions instead of 12)
    - WB 20 candidates: 8 Blind Scoring 12 RBZ
  - RBZ candidates block blind scoring candidates from moving up
  - Education – what role does it play? Life experience score



# Monday



- Fellowship Development

- **North America**

- 15 Zonal forums, 24 Fellowship events, 5 NAWS Events

- **Latin America**

- 1 Zonal forum, 11 Fellowship Events, 2 NAWS events, 2 funded development trips to Paraguay and Bolivia by World Pool members

- **Asia**

- 2 Zonal forums, 10 Fellowship Events including 7 in India, 3 NAWS Events, 1 PR/Fellowship development Trip to China

- **Middle East**

- 11 NAWS Workshops, 4 Fellowship Events, 3 Professional Events

- **Europe**

- 4 Zonal Forums, 3 NAWS Events, 2 NAWS Workshops, 1 Fellowship Event, 3 Professional Events

- **Africa**

- Current translation projects: Afrikaans, Swahili, Amharic
    - No travel since WSC 2006



# NA World Services Report



- **Medallion Survey Results**
  - 5739 responses
  - We own the dies – so we pay for the creation of new dies
  - Roman Numerals Bronze Finish NAWS recommendation based on survey results
  - Aluminum and Tin eliminated for medallions
- **WCNA 32**
  - Disappointing results will force WB to look at placement and processes concerning.



# Intellectual Property



- Draft Basic Text in simplified Chinese
- JFT e-mail 9000+ subscribers since Dec 2007
- Targeted Literature
  - Looks different on purpose
- Book 1 only translated versions
  - Initiate price changes to greater than \$5.50 currently charged, .  
Economic standard in community sets price points on literature, to ensure the availability of literature to the local communities
- Iran
  - State of state affairs – visas to get in to the country are being stonewalled by Homeland Security
  - Unprecedented business experience in Iran lit office
  - 170,000 Basic Texts
  - 1.7 million Ips
  - Literature printed in IRAN
- Stable supply of literature not \$\$ are prime motivation
- NAWS looking at pricing where they are licensed to help regions.
- Sponsorship
  - Indicator of fellowship approval = sales figures



# Lawsuits



- Liability insurance issues-- insurance coverage provided, if named in lawsuit not personal injury or property damage.
- 9 pieces of litigation complaints about conspiring to violate civil rights, 3 PI related, food not up to expectations, civil rights → to multitude of other complaints
- Courts less apt to release early
- Released from 5
- 3 had to proceed
- 2 are ongoing
- 1 to be resolved





# Website Update



**Welcome to www.NA.org - The website for the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous**

- Home
- NA Recovery Literature
- Periodicals & Reports
- Product Catalog
- Purchase Literature Online
- Search the Web Site

**Our vision is that...**  
Every addict in the world has the chance to experience our message in his or her own language and culture and find the opportunity for a new way of life.

**Information about NA**  
This section contains information about Narcotics Anonymous aimed at professionals in various fields, potential members, and non-addict family members or those seeking basic info.

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# *NAWS report part 2*



- **New offices**
  - Branch office in Latin America
  - New building Tier 1 city or metro area → new building outside of LA
- **Black to Purple multi year key tag**
  - PLPB – are checking on for the regions that are needed



# Approval Tracks for NA Literature



- Fellowship Approved generally “recovery literature”
  - Basic Text 6<sup>th</sup> ed, IP 13 (this cycle) CAR
- Conference Approved generally “service literature”
  - PR handbook (last cycle) CAT
- Board Approved
  - PR handbook addenda and changes, Services IPs



# Tuesday



- World Board Open Forum
- Old Business (Conference Agenda Report Motions)
  - Discussion and Voting 2:30 PM – 9:00 PM
- NAWA Budget and Project Plans
  - Postponed until Thursday due to length in negotiating old business and WB Forum



# World Board Open Forum



- Discussion of Amendments to Old Business Motions
- Specific Colorado Questions:
  - Source of number of meetings:
    - information in db and regional reports.
  - “Split Region” Seating Moratorium
    - Need to balance logistics vs. fair representation
  - Password protected CAT
    - With the website update, all Conference material, literature, convention and NAWS event registration, discussion boards and meeting list updates will be accessible through a single log-on after registration



# Old Business



- Colorado Regional Conscience was the conscience of the Conference
  - Approved Motions 1 – 8
  - Basic Text 6<sup>th</sup> Edition approved by unanimous consent
  - Failed to Approve Motions 9 -13
- Old Business Amendments adopted
  - To add the word attitude to the Basic text Index



# Wednesday



- Facilitation Training and Leadership
  - Part of the Service Learning day yesterday
  - Feed back is appreciated and will be forwarded to NAWS
- Afternoon at Calimigos Ranch
- Zonal Forum Meetings
  - RMZF met and decided topics for Forum Meeting in July



# Thursday



- Elections
  - **Results**
    - **World Board 4 open seats**
      - Jim B
      - Junior Braz
    - **HRP 3 open seats**
      - Margaret M-H
      - Paul F
      - Valerie
    - **Co-Facilitators 2 open seats**
      - Jack H
      - Jimi S





# NAWS Budget and Project Plan Presentations



- **WCNA 32 loss**
  - < 10000 addicts in attendance Saturday night
  - loss offset by bump in donations and literature sales.
- **Targeted Literature**
  - Revision to *In Times of Illness*
  - Ninety-day review and input period, and inclusion in the 2010 *Conference Agenda Report*; Fellowship Approved
- **Living Clean – the Journey Continues**
  - Timeline:
    - Aug '08-Aug '10: Material development
    - Summer 2009-Dec '10: 90 day R&I of chapters
    - April 2010-April 2012: Approval Form
- **Leadership Orientation Material**
- **Service Material**
  - Updating outdate/obsolete service handbooks as time allows
  - New/revised pieces would appear in CAT
  - Resource materials would be approved by the world board



# Friday Public Relations



- **Brief Recap**
  - **NAWS PR Focus group**
    - PR Handbook Addenda
  - **Who's Missing**
    - Attraction not promotion
    - Columbian PSA
  - **Professional Events**
    - WCNA 32 Medical Treatment Panel
    - 31 PR trips (2006 – 2008)
  - **Cooperative events**
    - WSC 2006 with 10 regions
    - 2006 - 2008 for 40 events with regions
  - **Updated 2007 membership survey results**
    - **Highlights:**
    - Response rate:
    - 4000 at WCNA 1600 by mail 7000 by internet



# Friday New Business



- **New Business Discussion and Voting (CAT and motions from the Floor)**
  - 2:00 PM – 1:30 AM
- **New regions Seated**
  - Nepal, Southern Brazil, North Carolina, Poland, Nicaragua, El Salvador
  - Not Seated
    - Eastern Pennsylvania
- **Split Region Seating Moratorium Approved**
- **Service Material Approval Track (approved)**
  - “Before approval and distribution, Service Pamphlets will be sent out to conference participants for a 90 day input and review. Service tools, PR material, bulletins and other material will continue to be developed and approved by the World Board.”  
“and other material” – presentation papers that are presented at professional events.
- **Translations policy \_ approved**
- **Motion 47 make chapters 5 -13 PR Handbook adaptable and revisable (approved)**
- **Motion 56 WB not to be allowed vote on new business (defeated)**



# New Business (Continued)



- **Motion 71 Candidate Profile Reports translated and be made available at the start of the conference (committed to World Board)**
- **Motion 73 project plan to establish a policy that allows all regions seated or non-seated to participate in decision making process the WSC (defeated)**
- **Motion 74 registered letter to non-nominated candidates with some but not all reasons for not being nominated (defeated)**