

November 12, 2008

**The Carrying the Message Ad-Hoc Committee meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm, 50 Court St. Cromwell.**



We met on November 12, 2008. 6 Addicts in attendance including: Gary M. – Regional Schedule Chair (MSUA), Carlos R. – Greater Hartford Area Webservant (previous regional webservant), Diana F. – Greater Hartford Area, Greg K. – Mid-State Unity Area, Tommy D. - Southern Fairfield County Area and myself (Julie S.) - Tunxis Valley Area.

We discussed the NAWS web contact position. The committee is recommending that policy be changed to state that the webservant be the NAWS web contact, or the alternate webservant in absence of a webservant. The reason is that the web contact has to sign a confidentiality agreement and get a password from NAWS. Some of the offline data entry can be done by other trusted servants but the actual online access is limited by world to the Area or Regional web contact or the Regional Delegate. Carlos R. pointed out that it would be difficult to fill another trusted servant position and that the online schedule is currently the responsibility of the webservant. The concern is that this information be kept up to date at all times and that if there are positions out to the fellowship – hopefully the schedule will not be neglected! Schedule updates will be easier and faster once the database is completed and therefore it is not necessary to delegate this task.

We discussed the new regional schedule change form. The new form includes information that will be used to maintain the database. Group's Area was added to the form to facilitate future maintenance of the database. Groups are listed in the database by Area & Region. If we know what Area the group belongs to it is easier to contact the appropriate RCM with any questions about schedule changes.

The NAWS database was down for maintenance for 2 weeks during November, so I was not able to access it until after our Ad-Hoc meeting. I have printed out a current list of meetings in the NAWS database for each area.

**From November 2008 to February 2009 - If the meeting information is correct in the printed schedule**, please use the attached NAWS forms to add or change meetings in the database, and submit this information to the webservant, Ad-Hoc committee or Schedule Committee. If the information needs to be corrected in the printed schedule as well, please use the new Regional Schedule Committee Meeting information form and submit to the Schedule Committee. This will expedite the process by avoiding unnecessary or duplicated data entry. All meetings will eventually be updated in the database to the

current printed schedule information. In the future we will use the Regional Schedule Committee Information form for updates to the printed schedule, the CT website and the NAWS website.

Additional forms can be downloaded & printed from  
[http://www.ctna.org/schedule.htm#schedule\\_changes](http://www.ctna.org/schedule.htm#schedule_changes)

**The following Areas do not have meeting scouts or Ad-Hoc committee members and are in need of support:** Central CT Area, Greater Danbury Area, Greater New Haven Area, Greater Waterbury Area and United Shoreline Area!  
**Please distribute copies of the Ad-Hoc and Meeting Scouts flyers and announce the need for support at all meetings!** We only have support in 4 of the 9 areas! The meeting schedule is the backbone of our fellowship and it is crucial to keep this information up to date; and to coordinate and communicate within the service structure in order to fulfill our primary purpose – to carry the message to the addict who still suffers!

We had a great meeting and anyone who wasn't there missed out!

It's truly a pleasure to serve,  
Julie S.  
Carrying the Message Ad-Hoc Chair  
(and webservant)