



Webservant Report

Connecticut Region of Narcotics Anonymous

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Web Pages

Outdated events were deleted. New events were posted. Old flyers were removed from the server. Area Subcommittee page has been updated. A new link was added to GHASC on the links page.

Website Statistics

In July our website had 5,001 hits (visits) with an average of 161 visits per day, and 2 GB of bandwidth usage (of 20 GB quota.) Our current disk space usage is 383 MB.

Meeting Schedule Updates

Town	Meeting
Danbury	Starting Over
Deep River	River of Recovery
Middletown	Serenity Check
Middletown	No Joke on Oak
New Haven	2 nd Time Around
New Haven	Cedar Hill Miracles Happen
New Haven	GNHA Activities
Northford	GNHA Literature
West Haven	GNHA PI/PL

E-Mail Statistics (July)

Activities (In CT)	7
Bulletin Board Events (Outside of CT)	4
Family Support	3
Meeting Information	20
Professional Inquiries	1
Web Servant E-Mail	20
Website Content	3
Website Support	0
Total E-Mails	58

Schedule & Area Meetings List

Some new options for our online meeting list have been brought to my attention by the previous webservant, Carlos R. Carlos is now the webservant for Greater Hartford Area and he has suggested that we look into using the world service database to maintain our online meeting list, as Greater Hartford Area is planning to do. This will provide new options for searches based on town, day and meetings in other languages, as well as other possible search options. To see what this type of meeting list will look like please visit:

<http://portaltools.na.org/portaltools/MeetingLoc> I have seen an increase in questions regarding which meetings are in which area and we don't have a simple way to look up meetings by area at this time. It is a lot of work to search each day of the week for names of towns in the area. I'm suggesting that we go forward with using the world services data base for this reason. This will eliminate the need to get a list of which groups belong to which area as discussed at the last regional meeting. It will also eliminate some of the redundant and overlapping responsibilities between sub-committees and service positions. The new system would provide a printable format and search options that we do not yet have. In order to go forward with this change and to best coordinate the schedule between the schedule committee, the website and world services we would need to maintain a spreadsheet of meeting information that could be used for the printer and for the online database. I'm suggesting that the schedule committee consider using the excel spreadsheet format (recommended by world services) to eliminate these overlapping responsibilities and better coordinate our service structure in accordance with the concepts of NA service. At this time the world services meeting listing is completely out of date and anyone who is looking for meetings through the NA world website is getting incorrect information. There is no point of responsibility clearly defined for the maintenance of the world service data base and the groups are not effectively managing this responsibility. This is policy does not adequately serve the newcomer who may be reaching us from the world services website and it does not serve to coordinate between service structures. World Services has instructed Carlos that in order to do this we will need to appoint a "Web contact for NAWS". Carlos is suggesting that the webservant position include Web contact for NAWS. I am willing to do the coordinating of the online

data base in cooperation with the schedule committee maintaining the excel spreadsheet. We will need to decide if we should form an ad-hoc committee to bring the meeting listings up to date in this database or if we can divide the responsibilities between areas, sub-committees and trusted servant positions. I'm also suggesting that the schedule committee uses the world services new group registration form and the world services group update form with the information required for the database indicated. We will not be able to process changes without the required information. I will have more information regarding the steps needed to coordinate our online meeting list with the world services meeting list at the next regional meeting. See attached e-mail.

NA Service

Carlos and I also spoke about the need to get more people involved with service on all levels of the service structure. PI/PL is in need of support in many areas and there are quite a few regional positions out to the fellowship. A flyer or an event to promote NA service is a possible solution for this problem. If someone would create a flyer I would be more than willing to post it on the website. I'd like to also suggest that we point out service commitments that are able to be done on a more flexible schedule such as WSR, assisting with verifying information on the website, and creating some graphics or photos for the website. Anyone who is interested in helping to improve the website can contact me for more information.

In Loving Service,
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