Late in December of 2001, in the Tennessee Area we were experiencing tremendous growth and reunification!

Our Area Convention in 2001 was the most successful convention we had ever experienced. The tide was riding high! The fellowship was rekindled and recovery was and is definitely real! The planning for our next year’s convention had already begun, the convention chair was selected and fund-raisers were happening and everything was great!

But as we all know, life has a way of throwing unanticipated curves, which only God, spiritual maintenance, faith and perseverance will overcome! Curves, sliders and even fastballs were thrown our way!! Let me share this experience with you readers as it has truly brought another aspect of the Big Book to life for me.

Our convention chair decided that he would step down from the task of being chairman and the committee all but collapsed because of limited participation coupled with the fact that we were only three months away from the date set for the convention with no hotel reserved! What were we to do?

I don’t know what we were to do but I can tell what we did!

The Area rallied together and the body known as the Area committee became the Convention committee! We all made a commitment to meet once a week until the convention planning was complete. We were determined to have a successful convention! So we struck out on the tasks at hand, some very difficult ones I might add.

As we began to solicit support, we ventured to reach segments of Tennessee, which have not always participated in the Area convention! This extraordinary adventure proved to be a catalyst to a brighter future and great hope in the Tennessee Area fellowship.

Not only was there overwhelming support, there was outstanding representation from all districts in the Area. This is monumental in the fact that, our Area, as well as our lives in the South, and all around the world for that matter, has been plagued with a silent but blatantly obvious separatism. This is not an article on that separatism but on the unity we have discovered as result of reaching beyond the familiar and daring to dive into the unknown!

We all know that cocaine addiction doesn’t care what race, age, sex or religion you are!

The fact that we have been spared for the insidious insanity of addiction is enough to jump for joy but we must go further! The Big Book even tells us that! And that is exactly what our Area did, and will continue to do. I am so very proud to be a part of the Tennessee Area because we focus on the Message and not the Messenger!

It’s an Area that truly welcomes all to become a part of. Cocaine is an equal opportunity destroyer!

As a result of the commitment we made and the goals we had set for ourselves, we have successfully reunited the Tennessee Area! Not to mention the fact we have landed an excited chairman for our next Area convention, which will be hosted...

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Notes from the WSO

With the new year, there is much to do and talk about. First and foremost, the Office continues to work on increasing our efficiency in serving the C.A. Fellowship as a whole as well as the efficiency within the World Service Office.

An example of this can be seen in our web site, especially when you go to our store. Making this ‘customer friendly’ is a constant challenge and we are always open to suggestions, not only in the form of problems you may experience but also if you have any good ideas for improving our services. We always encourage feedback from the Fellowship, positive or negative. Without such communication, it is hard to correct or improve anything.

We are also trying to send out more and more material via E-Mail, thereby speeding up the delivery, hopefully, as well as saving the expense of mailing.

Memphis 2005:

The more we hear about this, the more exciting it gets. The local convention committee is putting countless hours of dedicated effort to pull off a great event. Now it is up to all of us to go there!

In closing, I want to thank all of the fellowships for their continued financial support of the WSO. If you are not sure where your area or district stands in this regard, perhaps you might take a moment and look page 11 of the NewsGram to see how your area or district is doing in donations to World Services. Individual contributions are also improving now that the contribution program is off the ground.

Thank you for all of your support.

Bob C.
Chair of the WSO

The NewsGram is always looking for submissions. If you have ideas, cartoons, poems, stories or any other recovery related material send it and the release form below to: NewsGram Editor, C/O CAWSO, 3740 Overland Ave., Suite C, Los Angeles CA. 90034. We cannot publish your submission without a release form.

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If you would like to be of service ... we want you.

The World Service Office and The Conference Committee welcome the help of any one willing to help prepare the Delegate mailings. This would include copying, collating material, and preparing envelopes.

If you are interested please contact the World Service Office at (310) 559-5833.

Trustee Corner

Teri K.
Chair, World Service Board of Trustees

The Contribution Program is now almost three years old. There are 49 people who have proven that it is safe to participate in direct debit from their respective checking, savings or credit card accounts.

On behalf of the World Service Board of Trustees, I wish to thank each and every member of CA that heard this appeal for financial support and took the ACTION. In 2004, approximately $9,124 made its way to CA as a direct result of the CA Contribution Program. The average donation from each member is between $10 and $15 with an average total donation of $677 per month. These few (49) have made 1800 books available for the inmate requests received by the staff of the World Service Office.

Who will now find it in their hearts to contribute? Can you find 30 cents a day to contribute to World Services’ effort to carry the message?

The materials to start a meeting known as a Starter Kit have been requested by new members in far off places. The cost of sending the Starter Kit to Kenya, a $60.00 shipping expense, is very high. Will you be the person who will sign up to have $5.00 a month taken from your account? If you can, then you will have made recovery available to those suffering in Kenya, Spain, Venezuela, Mexico and in the USA.

Fear! Oh what I have heard in regard to fear of having the World Service Office have the banking information of our members, or the fear of what if I get laid off…. These are fears. Reality check: The World Service Office uses the current security systems available by the banking industry. All your personal information is on a secured server, kept by Wells Fargo. Canceling your contribution is as easy as a phone call with a follow up note – you can stop the charge up to 24 hours prior to the date you have given for the withdrawal.

As I write this I consider what could happen if 1,000 members sent $15.00 a month. Could we fund the delegates? Take the burden off the areas? Could we send more information to the professional communities so that the name Cocaine Anonymous could emerge from our seeming obscurity as an anonymous Fellowship and judges and institutions would recognize our name as a solution to the problem of Crack addiction?!

I speak to you from my own experience. The World Service Office has had my contribution and all my personal data without incident. When I see the starter kit requests, my heart fills with joy knowing I help. Because I want the hand of CA to be there for the next suffering addict, I took action. Sometimes I need prodding from my sponsor to do the right thing. This subject, I just needed time with my HP to know it was the right thing to do. Giving to World Services has given me a sense of belonging, much like my home group does on Sunday nights.

I hope you join us on the broad highway that has so much room. We 49 people want that number to triple by this Conference. Can you give 30 or 50 cents a day to help an addict that needs to hear the message? Please fill out the form and mail it today.
Walking into recovery my first time I would have to admit was a little frightening! There were a lot of ideas presented to me that just didn’t make sense and some that flat out scared me.

The idea of having a Higher Power was okay but having to trust Him and pray to Him was a little too far fetched. When my sponsor sat me down and we did my first two steps that was all right. I had no problem admitting complete defeat and coming to believe.

But having to make a decision to turn everything over to God as I understand Him, that was something I had a hard time with.

The first thing my then sponsor asked me was if I was willing to at least try and I was. He then proceeded to tell me to think of it as a God who understands me. And that made all the difference in the world.

I don’t understand God, I just know that there are events that have happened in my life that I cannot explain. And because of that there has to be a power greater than me working.

After I became willing to accept the ideas a whole lot of opportunities that had never presented themselves before opened to me.

There is a simpler way that also was shown to me early on and that helped me through a lot of trying time early in my recovery. That was the first three steps simplified with: I can’t, He can, let Him and that makes a lot of sense.

I cannot control my life. I have already tried and it doesn’t work. I have come to believe that he can. So why not let Him.

Once I was able to do this the rest of the steps were no problem. And my life was a whole lot easier to manage.

There is no right or wrong way to work this program. There are a few simple suggestions. But in the Big Book and the 12 and 12 it does very adamantly state that without the third step the rest of the steps are worthless. The Big Book states that this concept, the Third Step, is the keystone of the new and triumphant arch through which we passed to freedom. This means that if we are unable to let a Higher Power have control of our lives, whatever that power may be, then we are still trying to run the show.

The Big Book also states that we cannot try to run the show or old behavior will creep back up and that is not good. I try to be as adamant as I can with my sponsees about the fact that this program doesn’t work if they’re not willing to give their lives completely to their Higher Power.

I know today with sixteen months clean that there is a Higher Power and it is not me. I had to go and do a little research trying to run the show myself with little success before I crawled back to this program. When I was done trying and became willing to have just a little faith everything changed.

Today I think you would die trying to convince me that there is not a Higher Power. And that is all due to finally working my Third Step honestly and completely.

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Some time ago the World Service Office published a “wish list” of items and services it was in need of. The fellowship answered by donating many of the items on the list as well as providing valuable volunteer hours.

We would like to thank all of our members who have donated their time and various items from our C.A. World Service Office Wish List throughout the year.

These donations include: Refrigerator, File Cabinets, Office Furniture, Lighting, Conference Table, Logistics Assistance, Large Monitor for the World Service Conference, New computers for the office, Binders for delegate mailings, Screen for our warehouse door, CAWS Convention Web Site Hosting, Materials and labor to build a new wall.
Tales from a Convention Junkie

MIKE P.  
SAN JOSE, CALIF.

Editor’s Note: This is the second part of a multi-part article, which will present a member’s view of the conventions.

The Seventh Convention remained in the West, this time in Los Angeles for the first time. The theme here was We’re Entirely Ready. The turnout here was huge. I think they may have exceeded the numbers from Phoenix. There were friends from Oklahoma, and New York and Illinois that were making these annual events more and more special.

I feel this was the convention where we learned the value of having a fellow addict as our speaker instead of a lecturer. My Higher Power was sure with me at that convention. I didn’t know I had been given a time slot to interview for the Pacific North Regional Trustee and missed it... but they rescheduled me.

Next May we went to Montreal, Canada for the very first International Convention. It was 1992 and the Eighth Convention, theme Humbly Ask Him and the first time the words Cocaine Anonymous were not printed on the logo. This Convention was my first as a newly elected Trustee. The terms were five years then for our Trustees. The Trustees meet for three days prior to the start of the Convention. One night before the Convention we went out to eat and ran into another Trustee in a small restaurant way off the beaten path.

I have been amazed at the times I found a fellow C.A. member in cities completely by surprise. There were Trustee meetings all the time and I loved it. Being a Trustee was always an honor and a thrill to me. I found more time to participate in this convention than I did in the San Francisco convention. The language difference was not as much of a barrier as I thought it might be.

The 1993, Ninth Convention was held in Houston, Texas. I got married two days before we left for the convention. We knew we would always have a trip for our anniversary because we planned on going to every convention ...so far so good. There was a lot of hard work done by the Houston Fellowship in preparation for a thousand cocaine addicts coming to town.

But one very special guy was missing. H. Lee was my roommate and fellow Trustee but he had passed away not too long after the Montreal Convention. He was one of the first people in Texas to support C.A. There is a shirt from Dance Around the World, now known as Celebrate around the World, that honors him. It has a cowboy boot, a rose and a piece of gum as part of the logo: those items represent H. Lee, a man whose humor and generosity helped C.A. grow throughout the Southwest.

The 10th Convention, We’re Here and We’re Free, was held in Cleveland. The hotel was close to the Lake and we could see the Rock-n-Roll Hall of Fame being built. Cleveland was very hospitable to us and the Convention had great events. For me, the highlight was a side trip to Akron to visit the home of Dr. Bob. About six of us went as though we were on a pilgrimage. There are 12 steps from the sidewalk to the front porch. To be able to see where it all started so many years ago... and see it still working and growing in so many different 12-Step Programs was truly awe-inspiring.

A Host of Friends, Number 11 was held in Salt Lake City, Utah. I was the Pacific Northwest Trustee and this fell in my region. I flew to Salt Lake every month for more than a year before the convention. The SLC fellowship was one of the smallest fellowships, but conversely one with a lot of convention experience. They had been putting on a Rockies Convention every fall for a number of years by then. This small group had a lot of heart and desire and I became as close to all the members there as I was to my home group.
I am now back home from the CA UK 13th convention which was outstanding. Each year the convention grows, which was this years theme “Thus We Grow.” I am delighted to say that we attracted over 850 paid registrations with full audiences at all of the workshops, speaker meeting and a seated banquet of over 420. We had members from all over the UK, Scotland, Holland, Sweden, South Africa, Hong Kong and of course the USA and Canada. The geographical recognition included Iran, three members from Isreal, and a newcomer who flew in from Poland with 24 hours - truly it is hard to find words to cover the emotion, enthusiasm and grace that we have been given and the energy that is so alive on this side of the pond.

I had the opportunity to meet so many members, respond to so many questions, and participate throughout the weekend.

in our office, Phone system including set up and regular maintenance.

There are also many members who regularly volunteer their time throughout the year to help keep the office running including but not limited to: Webmaster, NewsGram Editor, World Service Trustees, Typesetter for pamphlets, World Service Office Board Members, Artwork Design for various projects, Maintenance and service for our network system.

We receive so much assistance throughout the year that we cannot list them all. Your support and service is truly appreciated.

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Spotlight on Unity
Unity goes International

PETER O.
HONG KONG

C.A. Unity is now being actively extended around the world and to assist this, an International Outreach Sub-committee that includes members from the USA, Asia and other countries has been formed.

A unity inquiry from the UK has been recently received and this, coupled with the recent World Service Conference approval of your new worldwide areas—Scotland, Holland, Sweden and Hong Kong—means the need for worldwide unity is becoming increasing. This is a positive challenge for the C.A. Unity Committee and already we are looking to create an international website so that everyone worldwide, will be able to receive unity information as and when sought and required.

In addition to the newly recognized areas, meetings have or are about to be started in Spain, South Africa and Australia. As our C.A. Fellowship develops and grows, the need for C.A. Unity will also grow.

The growth of our Fellowships to all parts of the world is a wonderful opportunity for us to “pass the message” to more and more addicts out there. Unity, therefore, becomes a vital function to ensure support and guidance is available to all, as and when requested and required.

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The Ultimate Authority

ERIC R.
NORTH TEXAS

Concept One:
The final responsibility and the ultimate authority for C.A. World Services always should reside in the collective conscience of our whole fellowship.

Concept One ensures that the groups as a whole have a say in what goes on in C.A. Concept One goes right along with our Second Tradition, “For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority— a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.”

Everyone that is a member of a group has a say in what goes on in C.A. A collective conscience from every single C.A. member would of course take forever to be heard.

C.A. has adopted A.A.’s world service structure, which makes millions of voices heard through you, its members. This happens every single year at the World Service Conference. Most Areas are represented there and all are welcome.

How do you get heard? First you should be a member of a group, and participate in your group conscience meetings. Your group should have a GSR, Group Service Representative, that attends the regular District and/or Area meetings. Your GSR takes reports to your group about the things happening in your District, Area, Region, and World Service. Your group should then vote on issues. Your GSR is now your groups voice and takes the group’s conscience back to the proper meeting and votes on the groups behalf. A collective conscience is then formed by your district or area.

Every area of C.A. has the right to send delegates to the World Service Conference. These delegates are elected in by group conscience...your groups. Delegates are now your voice at the World Service Conference. When a group conscience is taken at the district or area level, it is the responsibility of those delegates to take your group’s voice to the World Service Conference. A new group conscience is taken at the Conference and decisions are made on behalf of your area, district, and group by your delegate.

This may sound confusing but it works. If you don’t “get it” I would recommend you participate in your Group, District and Area meetings. It is not all that confusing when you get involved!

Step One: In the Heart of Texas

SHELDON G.
AUSTIN, TEXAS

Step One: We admitted we were powerless over cocaine and all other mind-altering substances— that our lives had become unmanageable.

In my view, Step One is a completely personal step that requires self-examination and is best taken with one’s sponsor. The sponsor will guide us through the Big Book pointing out what this step means.

We need to understand what we mean, when we say “we admitted we were powerless over cocaine and all other mind altering substances — that our lives had become unmanageable.” The Big Book uses more pages for Step One than for any other step, which makes it clear to me that this is a very important step.

I believe that Step One is the foundation of the arch to freedom described in Step Three.

We hear in meetings sometimes “that I did my Step One work while I was out there using.” My view is that our history is invaluable when it comes to looking at ourselves and answering some of the questions. However, that history falls way short of a “heartfelt” admission of powerlessness and acceptance of unmanageable life — when using or clean.

The Big Book states, “that the idea that somehow, someday we will control and enjoy our use is the great obsession of every abnormal [addict]” and “we learned that we must fully concede to our innermost selves we were [addicts].” That is the first step of recovery. “The delusion that we are like other people, or presently may be, must be smashed.”

The Big Book provides us with questions to help us determine if we have a problem. The answers, however, are left to us and only us, as no one can determine for another if he/she is and addict.

In our C.A. 12 Step Guide pamphlet it says, “Barring divine intervention of a Higher Power, we will use over and over again, no matter how much we want to stay clean.”

For me personally, Step One has convinced me that when it comes to cocaine and managing my life, I’m hopeless on my own power. I believe the hopelessness of this step is what helps me do the things that are required for me to stay clean and sober and connected to a power greater than myself. So, if it has been awhile since you last connected with Step One, find an addict who is desperately searching for the solution and see how, “no matter what our history is,” Step One is the same for all of us addicts in Cocaine Anonymous.
One of the events was a train ride through parts north of SLC. I have a great photo of a bunch of California addicts holding their hats as the train wound around the mountains. It was truly a Host of Friends.

The 12th Convention was in Atlanta, GA just a few months before the Olympics came to town. The theme was 12 Years and 12 Steps. A group of the Trustees went on an excursion to Stone Mountain and took the trolley up and hiked down. I try to observe our Traditions and to me that means not using a camera in our meetings. That leaves me with having to trust my memory for the details of the conventions, while I have pictures to remind me of the activities and events. I remember a lot of fun activities the whole time we were in Atlanta and I also felt a little sad, as it was my last time as a Trustee.

Denver, Colorado was host to the 13th Convention, with the theme We Carry This Message. Denver revisited all the previous logos and put a great poster and shirt together, a collage of every convention to date. The best memories of any convention are getting to see my fellow addicts and old friends. The group of Trustees that I served with felt like family …so new conventions had begun to feel like family reunions by the time the 14th Convention rolled around.

Serenity by the Sea was held in Los Angeles. It was going to be in San Diego, but the expense of that seemed to be too much for us and we partied in LA.

As I recall there were more than 1,800 addicts in attendance: all partying like crazy and all clean and sober.

Attention, all new and returning WS Conference Delegates: The WS Conference Committee is always looking for ways to better assist the Delegates and to facilitate the smooth running of the Conference.

Each year with the help of the evaluations filled out at the end of the conference, we explore and discuss new ways to assist you.

We know how confusing it can be if it’s your first Conference, especially if you are coming from new areas, or if you are from an new area or where there may not have been any prior delegate participation at the Conference.

This year, we have come up with a new idea that will help some of our new delegates; it’s called the “Buddy System.”

We have also revised the Delegate Registration form by adding a check box that asks the question: If you are a new or second year Delegate, would you like a returning delegate to help guide you, or help you better understand the terms and actions that take place at the conference?

This buddy would be a Conference Sponsor, if you like.

In addition, there will be another check box on the registration form for returning Delegates, preferably those Delegates with 2 or more years experience at a WS conference, to indicate if you would like to do service at the conference to help the new Delegate.

Speaking as a past Delegate, I know that when I first came to the Conference I was confused to say the very least. Not only was I a new Delegate, but a Delegate from a new Area and there was no one back home to guide me to answer questions like: Who is Robert and where did these rules come from?

I would have loved to have had a Conference buddy or sponsor to guide me through the process. I think it would have been especially helpful during the following year too, to have help with crafting referrals and to help understand the responsibility and even encourage participation in the committee work throughout the year.

Any one interested in getting or being a conference sponsor can E-Mail the committee at ConferenceCommittee@ca.org. We hope this will be a helpful and enjoyable experience for all who wish to participate. We look forward to seeing you in September at the Conference.

In love and service,
The Conference Committee
The Committee dedicated to helping you, help CA.

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If your area or district has an event that you would like to list in the Calendar Of Events contact the World Service Office in one of the following ways:

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The Storybook Subcommittee of the WSC Literature, Chips & Format ("LCF") Committee is still hard at work on CA's next book, "Hope, Faith & Courage Volume II, Stories and Literature from the Fellowship of Cocaine Anonymous." We're nearing the home stretch of a long process which began when the 1999 World Service Conference approved the concept for a 2nd edition of the storybook, to be compiled by the standing subcommittee of LCF. Several calls were made to the fellowship for story submissions, with the final deadline ultimately extended to January 1, 2005.

Our first book was published prior to the establishment of our current 12 Point Literature Approval Process, which requires at point 10 that all draft literature pieces be submitted to the delegates for feedback. Applying this part of the process to a large project like Volume II raise several concerns, including the cost of copying and postage. As a result, the 2003 Conference unanimously passed a motion "That when the draft of the new story book is submitted, that the exception be made to the 12 point process, that the "story" section not be published in the 10th point, and the Literature, Chips & Format Committee have the responsibility of the choice of stories, with Trustee approval."

The remainder of Volume II, including the cover, an updated Preface and the proposed Table of Contents, completed its journey through all 12 points at the 2004 Conference. A motion was also passed in 2004 to allow LCF to craft and present to the Conference an approval process tailored specifically to future books.

The Storybook Subcommittee has been involved in various stages of the story selection process for the last several years, working together via an online discussion group and numerous conference calls. The most promising stories are currently being edited by subcommittee members and will be presented to the full LCF committee for its approval. Once LCF has approved the final selection, the stories will go to the World Service Board of Trustees to ensure that there are neither Traditions violations nor concerns that might affect Cocaine Anonymous as a whole. Following approval by the WSBT, the stories will be sent to the WSO to arrange for professional editing. The edited draft will then be returned to LCF for its approval before going to press.

We thank all of you who submitted stories for your contributions to this project and for your continuing patience as we finalize the story selection. We are all very much looking forward to the day we can hold Volume II in our hands!
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Calendar of Events

**Trudging the Road of Happy Destiny**
13th Annual Cocaine Anonymous Convention
June 4-5, 2005
Robert A. Stein Community Center
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
Contact info: Tracy or Kevin (204) 229-1806 or tlallan69@hotmail.com

**2005 Show Me Recovery Convention Bridge Back to Life**
Greater Missouri Area
Holiday Inn Select
811 N. Ninth Street
St. Louis, Missouri 63101
(800) 289-8338
Dwanna R.,
Convention Chair (314) 367-0574

**The Courage to Change**
CALA 21st Annual Convention
Palm Springs
August 25-28, 2005
Doral Desert Princess Resort – Palm Springs
Cathedral City, Calif.
Chairperson: Sean D.
(310) 204-2564
Hotel Liaison: Neil B.
(310) 398-9245

**Opening the Doors to the World**
C.A. Conference 2005
Aug. 29 - Sept. 4, 2005
shearton Four Points
Los Angeles, Calif.
CAWSO (310) 559-5833

**Step Into the Light**
TORCA IX Convention
Southern Ontario Area
Toronto, Ontario, Canada
October 21-23
Ramada Hotel & Suites
300 Jarvis Street
Toronto, Ontario
(800) 452-5134
Nicole S., Convention Chair
Sarah M.,
Hotel Liaison (416) 444-7853

**To the Newcomer**
17th Annual Midwest Regional Convention
Ohio Area / Midwest Region
October 28-30
Holiday Inn
5513 Milan Road
Sandusky, Ohio 44870
Howard O.,
Convention Chair (330) 253-2819
Kelly R.,
Convention Co-Chair (330) 687-7115
Debbie D.,
Registration 330-374-3777

**May the Fourth Be With You**
CA River Unity IV Convention
October 28-30, 2005
Sacramento/Twin Rivers Area
Red Lion Hotel Sacramento
1401 Arden Way
Sacramento, CA
(916) 922-8041
Ernest M., Convention Chair (209) 601-7034
Felicia A., Outreach (209) 467-4375
Mark T., Hotel Liaison (916) 548-8771