



*United States Service Committee  
Of Narcotics Anonymous (USSC)  
Newsletter*

ISSUE 1, 2013

**THE LATEST UPDATED CONFERENCE CALL SCHEDULE:**

<b>Technology Subcommittee</b>	<b>Public Information Subcommittee</b>	<b>Budget &amp; Finance Subcommittee</b>
Phone # 559-726-1300 Access Code 877259#	Phone # 559-726-1300 Access code 586963#	Phone # 530-881-1400 Access Code 868308#
<b>First Monday of the Month</b>	<b>First Sunday of the Month</b>	<b>Second Saturday of the Month</b>
10:00 PM Eastern	9:30 PM Eastern	9:30 AM Eastern
9:00 PM Central	8:30 PM Central	8:30 AM Central
8:00 PM Mountain	7:30 PM Mountain	7:30 AM Mountain
7:00 PM Pacific	6:30 PM Pacific	6:30 AM Pacific
<b>Administrative Committee</b>	<b>Guardian Committee</b>	<b>Outreach Subcommittee</b>
Phone # 209-647-1600 Access Code 968584#	INFO TO COME	Phone # 209-559-1300 Access Code 268565#
<b>First Tuesday of the Month</b>		Feb. 6, 2013, Feb. 20, 2013, Mar. 6, 2013
9:30 PM Eastern		9:30 Eastern
8:30 PM Central		8:30 Central
7:30 PM Mountain		7:30 Mountain
6:30 PM Pacific		6:30 Pacific
<b>Additional Needs Subcommittee</b>	<b>H &amp; I Subcommittee</b>	<b>Conference Planning Subcommittee</b>
Phone # 805-399-1200 Access Code 108418#	Phone # 209-647-1600 Access Code 44229#	INFO TO COME
<b>First Saturday of the Month</b>	<b>2nd &amp; 4th Tuesday of the Month</b>	
12:00 PM Eastern	9:00 PM Eastern	
11:00 AM Central	8:00 PM Central	
10:00 AM Mountain	7:00 PM Mountain	
9:00 AM Pacific	6:00 PM Pacific	

**MOVING RIGHT ALONG:** The next meeting of the USSCNA is scheduled for May 10-12, 2013, in Atlantic City, NJ. Even though the flier for this event is posted on the usscna.org website, we thought it would be a good idea to show it here also. It is posted at the end of this Newsletter. This conference weekend is what we are calling a “working” business meeting. What does that mean? The Committee is going to finalize all motions from USSCNA - I; nominations for all subcommittee chair positions will take place at this meeting. For anyone who meets the requirements listed in the USSCNA Service Guide, there are nomination forms in the back of the Service Guide. Plans are in the works to create an electronic document containing motions and nominations. We are planning to have this document ready in August for the groups to review. The document will be set up with user instructions and easy to read formatting. Our goal is to make this document “uncomplicated”. Stay tuned for more details!!!

**ASK THE COMMITTEE:** We would like to share with you some emails sent by members of our fellowship recently.

On 12/27/2012, a member asked:

***“What is the relationship between USSCNA and WSO? Is it now recommended that groups donate to the Area, Region, USSC and WSO? Our group is still debating if joining USSC is something we want to do.”***

I recently had a telephone conversation with Fellowship Services at Narcotics Anonymous World Services (NAWS). The result of that conversation was one of recognition and cooperation between the USSCNA and NAWS. The United States Service Committee remains committed in our efforts to provide resources and services to the United States fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous. We also fully support NAWS vision for the worldwide fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous.

There are many ways in which groups donate to Narcotics Anonymous services. Our second concept: “The final responsibility and authority for NA services rests with the NA groups” states, “The people who give their time to service work are a vital resource; without them, our service boards and committees would not exist much less be able to serve. Historically, money and Narcotics Anonymous seem to be an area of contention for many. If a Group, Area or Region supports the USSCNA, that support should also be one of a financial nature. The USSCNA, through group conscience, will endeavor to utilize all donations in an effective and prudent manner.

I have faith and trust, through group conscience, your group makes the decision to join the USSCNA. If you have any further questions, comments or concerns regarding the USSCNA, feel free to contact us at: <http://www.usscna.org/contact>.

In Loving Service to the NA fellowship,  
Chairperson; United States Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous

On 1/18/2013 another member wrote:

***“I am so confused in what USSCNA purpose. I have asked several addicts in Salt Lake City and other areas what USSCNA is about; When I talk with addicts in my area, some get very hostile when your name is mentioned or I get that it is the best thing that is happened since sliced bread. I look at your website and I get more confused why there is a conference or why USSCNA was formulated. Some groups I go to are donating a portion of their basket to you rather than going through the process of donating to Area, Region and World. Are you part of World? Are you here to replace Worlds’ responsibilities for the US? Are you going to be taking over some of the Worlds’ duties such as literature, pamphlets, new books coming out? What is the purpose of USSCNA? I am just confused. Can you guide me how and why USSCNA got started and what your plans are in helping addicts?”***

I would like to personally thank you for your interest in the USSCNA. I was recently forwarded an email by the Technology Subcommittee Secretary about questions and concerns you have regarding the USSCNA. We are here to answer everyone’s questions and concerns. I would like to start by explaining that “THE PURPOSE OF THE USSCNA IS TO COME TOGETHER IN UNITY TO FULFILL THE SERVICE NEEDS OF OUR MEMBER BODIES AS DIRECTED BY THE SPIRITUAL CONSCIENCE OF THE GROUPS THAT HAVE CREATED IT”. It would be unrealistic to believe that everyone would favor the USSCNA, however, the number of groups in the United States that participate and support the United States Service Conference grows larger every day.

The premise, on which the United States Service Conference was created, is that the N.A. Groups are the final authority on all matters involving Narcotics Anonymous services. Through our Subcommittees, the United States Service Committee offers a resource that is no longer available to the fellowship in the United States. As I’m sure us have heard, or maybe seen in print, Narcotics Anonymous World Services (NAWS) are concentrating their efforts on having Narcotics Anonymous meetings in every country around the world. The USSC fully supports this vision.

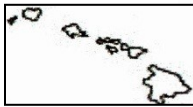
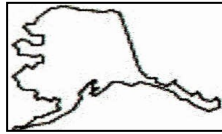
The USSC is here to assist the fellowship in the United States in the ability to better carry the message to the addict who still suffers. To be effective, we utilize and stress the importance of all Narcotics Anonymous literature that is currently available, past and present.

To find out how the USSCNA has evolved, I personally invite you to visit our website at [usscna.org](http://usscna.org) and review the history section. I believe everything you need to know about the creation of the USSCNA will be found there.

In loving service,  
USSC, Administrative Chairperson



United States Service Conference  
of Narcotics Anonymous (USSCNA)  
May 10 – 12, 2013



*Let every group's conscience be heard*

**CLARION HOTEL & CONVENTION CENTER**

6821 Black Horse Pike, Atlantic City West, NJ. 08234

**FOR RESERVATIONS CALL: (609) 272-0200 Mention USSCNA**

**Reservation Deadline: May 1, 2013**

**Rates: \$129 (Single, Double) \$149 (Suite)**

**THIS IS A "WORKING MEETING"**

**ALL USSCNA MOTIONS WILL BE FINALIZED AT THIS MEETING**



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