

December 2014 – NHI Committee Reports

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<p>Answering Service Naisa C.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Telephone Answering Service</p> <p>Back in May a decision was made by the NHI Board to utilize an internet based answering service vs. the carrier we had been using, in order to save our volunteers a lot of unnecessary effort, plus over \$500 a year in telephone service charges. Fortunately we were told we would be able to take both our toll free and our local numbers with us to our new provider, so no brochure or website information would need to be changed. After a too-long process of working with both carriers to update contact information in order to move both phone numbers, we have finally successfully moved over to the new virtual carrier eVoice and the treasurer is in the process of cancelling our service with Earthlink.</p> <p>We still continue to receive very few legitimate calls per month, but, now, at much more reasonable monthly fee. Ha, ha! Though the call volume is low, the answering service is an important part of beginning a program of recovery for those who still suffer from compulsive overeating and NHI is committed to continuing this vital service. Now, however, it will not be as big a financial burden or so volunteer intensive.</p> <p>Before the service was even transferred I put both NHI phone numbers on the "National Do-Not-Call Registry" but we still get many, many more calls unrelated to OA, than we do for OA. However, most of the calls are hang-ups, and only last approximately 4 seconds each. If the calls become a problem, or cut into the amount of minutes our contract allows per month, I will consult with eVoice for a better solution.</p> <p>Anyone with questions regarding the answering service, can contact Answering Service Chair, Naisa Chase at naisa.chase@gmail.com or by Verizon cell at 603-630-9969.</p> <p>Respectfully submitted by: Naisa Chase, Answering Service Chair</p>
<p>Budget Nancy S.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Budget Committee</p> <p>The Budget for the 2015 Calendar year will be voted on at the December meeting. As a reminder, please submit any outstanding 2014 expenses that need reimbursement as soon as possible. Our fiscal year ends December 31, 2014.</p>
<p>Retreat Barbara G.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Retreat</p> <p>We have 22 retreatants registered. Of that number there are 9 people who requested ½ scholarships.</p>

	<p>The retreat scholarship fund had \$546.58 as of last month. Nancy emailed me to let me know there were 2 checks toward scholarships that she had received in the amount of \$199.00 for a total of \$745.58 that was in the scholarship fund as of 11/22. That means that at this point only 7 of the 9 would receive scholarships. We need to decide who will receive the scholarships on Sunday.</p> <p>Plans are set with the presenter. I had talked to the couple about it in late summer . They decided that the wife is going to be the main presenter.</p> <p>Expenses for presenter single room will be \$220 (no meals) meals \$25 Mileage will be about \$60 Total \$305</p> <p>To date there will be minimal additional expenses – coffee, milk, book for presenter, \$20 craft supplies</p> <p>Barbara Garland</p>
<p>Twelfth-Step Within Joyce S.</p>	<p>The Twelfth Step Within committee reminds meetings that December 12 is OA’s Twelfth Step Within Day</p> <p>This is a day devoted to addressing the relapse, recovery and retention of those in our fellowship. We would like to invite meetings and members to celebrate this day sometime during the month of December. Time can be set aside during a meeting, or an entire meeting can be devoted to Twelfth Step Within. Twelfth Step Within Day Suggestions can be found in the December <i>Promises</i>.</p>
<p>Ways & Means Effie S.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Ways and Means Committee</p> <p>During the month of November, the Ways and Means Committee grew to 7 members; Communication with members was primarily through e-mails. The chair met in person with several crafters in order to be educated in logistics and details of crafting book covers AND to develop an initial specific plan of increasing our inventory. The necessary accessories were purchased and delivered. A suggestion was made to add God Cans to our ‘stock’ of items for sale. One member has agreed to be in charge of this venture.</p> <p>December’s Promises has an entry about Ways and Means and a flyer has been created soliciting additional help in both crafting and donations of materials, in the hope of reaching members who may be interested in doing service in this area. The immediate goal is to have new fresh book covers and God cans to add to our collection to be for sale at the 2015 Retreat in Greenfield NH.</p> <p>A longer range goal is to have a well stocked inventory ready for upcoming OA New Hampshire Intergroup events in the Spring and Fall of 2015. The committee</p>

	<p>welcomes all members who wish to participate and it is not limited to those members who are crafters. Thank you to everyone who made the above possible.</p> <p>Respectfully submitted, Effie S Stewart, Chair</p>
<p>Website Jill M.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Website Committee</p> <p>Our website is www.oanewhampshire.org Behind the scenes, we are making progress on giving the website a facelift. Feedback is welcome to make this resource as useful as possible to compulsive eaters inside and outside the rooms. If you find something neat on the website of another service body, we can link to it and share the wealth of info that's out there! We try to post links to local events where we can, whether hosted by NHI or other service bodies. There are more and more links to audio files for meetings, workshops, and conventions. These are all free for you to listen to on your computer or move to a cell phone or mp3 player! See the SHARING AND MORE link. Remember, the username and password for the Restricted Area are "service" and "serenity". This section of the website is mostly business-related but all OA members are welcome to access it.</p>