

September 2015 – NHI Committee Reports

<p>Answering Service Naisa C.</p>	<p>The Answering service committee reports no new developments.</p>
<p>Budget Judy G.</p>	<p align="center">Budget Committee</p> <p>The Budget Committee will be meeting on Sunday, October 4th right after the NHI Business Meeting to prepare the new Budget for the 2016 Calendar year.</p> <p>To help us come up with a realistic budget, we need all Committee chairs to submit budget requests and any questions for 2016 by October 1st.</p> <p>Membership on the Budget Committee is open to any member of NHI.</p>
<p>Public Information Eileen RT</p>	<p align="center">Public Information / Public Outreach</p> <p>A fairly quiet summer. The "Is Your Eating Out of Control" posters that WSO/BOT Public Awareness Committee presented as the "Public Information Poster Campaign" have been ordered and should arrive mid to late September. We expect supplies of the posters for the meetings to be available at the October NHI meeting. Two copies of the #120 Revised 2015 <u>"OA Handbook for Members, Groups, and Service Bodies: Recovery Opportunities"</u> (\$2.70 including postage) will be available. One is intended for NHI, and the other as an examination copy, to encourage groups to order their own up to date handbook. An "examination copy" of "Taste of Lifeline" (\$16.20) including postage will be available as well. Welcome back!</p>
<p>Retreat Cheryl L</p>	<p align="center">Retreat Committee</p> <p>I am happy to report that the committee has been hard at work this summer preparing for the Winter Retreat to be held at the Barbara C. Harris Conference Center the weekend of January 8-10, 2016. The theme of the Retreat is “Step” Right Up and the leader is Kara M., a longtime member and annual participant in this particular retreat. Registration forms will be available on the website within the next few days and at this juncture, we need Intergroup Reps to be spreading the word about this event. The cost for the retreat is \$215 per person double occupancy and \$295 for a private room of which there are 3 available for use. The cost includes accommodations for Friday and Saturday night, 5 meals beginning with breakfast on Saturday and all supplies and materials used for the weekend in the activities. The committee is very excited about the theme of this retreat and attendees can look forward to some new and interesting activities while learning how to apply the 12 steps of our program in our daily life.</p> <p>The committee also asks groups to please consider making a donation to the scholarship fund for the retreat. Last year the fund was exhausted and there were individuals who wanted to go who were unable to do so due to the lack of funds. No</p>

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	<p>amount is too small and we are sure that the helping hand of OA will be immensely appreciated by recipients of a partial scholarship. Groups can also consider sponsoring an individual from their midst that they believe would benefit from this type of experience.</p> <p>We encourage all who are interested to register early as space is limited to approximately 22 attendees. We are considering the possibility of holding future retreats at a different time so as to have more rooms available and would be interested in hearing what you and your groups think of this. If there is time for discussion on this matter at the October meeting, I'd be happy to answer questions. The committee meets monthly with our next scheduled meeting on Sunday, September 20th at 2:00 pm at my home in Springfield. If you are interested in helping out and would like to attend, please contact me by email or cell phone and I'll get you directions.</p>
<p>Twelfth Step Within Diane L.</p>	<p>The Twelfth Step Within Committee did not meet over the summer. Anyone interested in TSW committee activities and efforts can contact the chair, Diane L. in person, or at oanhtsw@oanewhampshire.org. All are welcome!</p>
<p>Ways & Means Effie S.</p>	<p align="center">Ways & Means Committee</p> <p>The 2015 Convention , in Hartford, Ct, from 10-23-15 to 10-25-15, is a good opportunity to sell OA bookcovers and earn money to help fund expenses of the NHI delegates/ reps who travel to and attend Regional and national OA events.</p> <p>We have been guaranteed a table and chairs for those who are willing to help staff the table during the convention. I plan to arrive at the hotel in Hartford on the early side and get set up. I am hoping there will be lots of volunteers to do service.</p> <p>Please get the word out to the various meetings that staffing help is needed. If anyone is interested, please give him/her my email address and ask that they contact me, putting the word 'bookcover' in the subject line. To facilitate this process, I will place some slips of paper on the literature table with my email . Please take some and use your best 'sales pitch' to get volunteers.</p>