

Delegate Report
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Alpena, MI.

Hello Everyone, Welcome to Dist. 28

I hope everyone who made the long drive up here had a safe and enjoyable trip. We do thank all of you for going the extra mile for our area service to A.A. and for some of you I do mean the extra miles. I'm continuing to keep busy in the past month we have attended the Central Office meeting, District Intergroup meetings and district picnics. We attended the Statewide Service Meeting where both the Grapevine and Correction Committees had good attendance.

Last Sunday my wife Liz and I were privileged to meet with Alternate Delegate Larry S. and his wife Kathy (AI-Anons' Alt. Del.) and Larry's Sponsees. We had an early dinner in Adrian before we went to their Intergroup meeting and later in the evening I did a Lead/Delegate report. Both were well attended.

International Convention- On July 4, 1965 in Toronto's Maple Leaf Garden 10,000 A.A. members, family and friends joined hands with co-founder Bill W and his wife Lois and repeated for the first time "I am responsible...." Forty years later over 44,000 A.A.'s returned to Toronto to celebrate A.A.'s 70th Anniversary under the theme "I am Responsible". Over 200 meetings and workshops were held. Meetings were held in several languages including Portuguese, German, Spanish, Polish, French, Italian, Japanese, Farsi and more. One convention goer said "Its like taking a trip around the world..." for the Old-timers Meeting 12 young people (under 20) sober from 1 day to 4 years drew the name of an old-timer with over 40 years sobriety to share his or her story. The 25th millionth copy of the Big Book was presented to the warden of San Quentin, The first AA group behind prison walls was pioneered by the then warden of San Quentin Clinton Duffy in 1942, Why do we have a convention every 5 years for rededication to the primary purpose of A. A. to witness the success and growth of A.A. around the world, to let anyone who needs our program and support know that A.A. is alive, flourishing and available.

New G.S. O. Staff Assignments will take place in Sept 2005; the committee rotates every 2 years. I have copies of the new assignments.

Results of the 2004 Alcoholics Anonymous Member Survey are in 86% of the members belong to a home group, 78% of the members have a sponsor, members attend an avg of 2 AA meetings per week, Average Sobriety of members is more than 8 years. and have complete list of all results. I have copies of the new Anonymity Statement.

2006 ECR/MI State Convention-Troy Marriot Aug. 11,12, & 13th

2007 Mi State Convention will be in Kalamazoo Radisson Hotel July 27,28 & 29th.

Dates to Remember

53rd Mi. State Convention	Aug. 26-28	Mt. Pleasant, Mi.
East Central Regional Forum	Nov. 4-6	Houghton, Mi

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