

The KANSAS CITY PIPELINE

KANSAS CITY DISTRICT OF COCAINE ANONYMOUS
DISTRICT NEWSLETTER



SPECIAL (CONVENTION) EDITION

UNITY PURPOSE:

To enhance communication and outreach among diverse elements within the fellowship of Cocaine Anonymous in the interest of carrying the message to the addict who still suffers and promote unity.



The Editor

This special edition is being written to reach as many members possible so as to get you and hopefully keep you informed of the 23rd Annual World Service Convention that is to be held in Kansas City, MO at the Westin Crown Center Hotel on Memorial Day Weekend 2007. If you have never done anything for your recovery, this is a treat that will be most enjoyable to you. I have been involved with our Area Convention that takes place every year in August between St. Louis and Kansas City for a number of years. This particular event is like giving myself a vacation away from the hectic 9-5 and the sometimes chaotic life at home. It is a refreshing time to retreat to some self-overhaul, to meet new friends and to fellowship with old ones, to get a solution to a pressing problem and to have some plain ole fun.

Special Events

How many people that live in the surrounding area of Kansas city have been to some of the famous landmarks? If you are interested in tours and history, come partake in history as we go thru the city and check out the highlights as we visit the Baseball Museum on that Saturday and the Truman Library on Sunday. Have you heard the phrase "Hi, may I help you?" Join us on the park grounds at Washington Park on Friday as we are catered to by the most famous BBQ people in Kansas City. We have Big Book Trivia, and if anyone can think of any other event that you would like to happen, call me. This committee is made up of any trusted servant that's willing to volunteer.

Pearl B (816) 822-1227

FUN FUN FUN

Want To Have Some

Hello Kansas City. This the Chair for Entertainment. It's count down time we are all working hard to get this wonderful Cocaine Anonymous World Service Convention finely tuned. This an Area adventure so the opportunity to work with persons from St Louis and Columbia is possible. We need people to work, stay calm, and have Fun doing it. The next project for entertainment will be auditions for the Battle of the Bands. Please join up with winners!

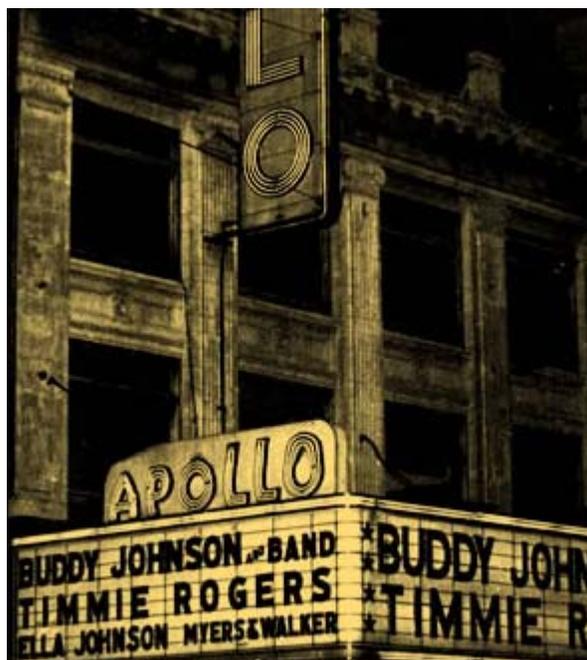
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SPOTLIGHT ON SPEAKERS

With a total of eight speaker meetings over the five day period, there will be plenty for everyone! We have speakers coming from our own area and region, from all over the continental US, and from "across the pond" (the United Kingdom). I know we are in for a treat ~ the speaker selection committee put in a lot of hours listening to and coming up with the final speaker slate. The first speaker will kick off around 7 p.m. on Thursday, there will be meetings Friday noon and evening, Saturday noon and evening, Sunday noon, and the main speaker meeting will be the one after Sunday night's banquet. The closing speaker will be right after Monday morning's brunch. Get ready to be fed, not only with good food but with their experience, strength, and hope!

Yes, help is needed...during the actual convention we will want to make sure their needs are attended to, and offer up some KC hospitality...that includes transportation to and from the airport, and basically being available while they are here if they need anything. If anyone is interested in helping out on the speaker committee please contact **Ellen U at 816-931-2077.**



By Jahi B

The World Service Convention in Kansas City Missouri will be an unforgettable event with one of the main entrainment events taking place on Saturday. That event is called Apollo Night which takes its name and concept from the famed "Showtime at the Apollo"

The Apollo or The Apollo Theater started in 1914 when it was constructed in the heart of Harlem, New York. It wasn't until 1934 when the already popular amateur contest went live on the radio did it start to gain national attention. One of the first winners of the amateur contest that year was Ella Fitzgerald. The year after that Bessie Smith and Billie Holiday graced the Apollo stage and mesmerized the audience with their undeniable style and talent. Since then such names as Steve Wonder, Michael Jackson and Lauryn Hill have performed on the Apollo stage. The talent for Apollo Night at the 2007 World Convention promises to be on the same caliber and in the same famed tradition where the infamous audience will pick the winner of the contest. Many former winners of the Apollo amateur contest went on to promising careers and although we can't promise fame and stardom we will be giving away prize money totaling \$1,500. The Greater Missouri Area, host of the 2007 World Service Convention, is inviting

anyone in the fellowship that feels they have talent to submit a video of their performance. All entries must be submitted no later than November 30, 2006 and only those videos with self-addressed envelopes and postage will be returned. You can mail your entry to The Greater Kansas City District of CA, PO Box 3094 Kansas City, KS 66103. If selected contestant(s) must provide own transportation and accommodation to the Convention.

From the **Hospitality Chair**-Calvin P
This committee is making a request for monetary contribution for coffee at the convention. Coffee is \$25 a gallon. We are asking for each 4 gallons from each group. We would like each group to give a monetary gift of \$100, but will take whatever a group can donate. Houston did not have to pay for coffee at all because the groups in the area stepped up to donate money for coffee. People are needed in the hospitality room during the convention. This is the "Show-Me" State Area hosting this World Service Convention, let's do it!!!! Please see **Calvin P(816) 547-3330**

Register on line for the convention and save money and paperwork Ask Darci for information

WORKSHOPS

No, this is not a shop where you go to do some work, Higher Power, forbid!! These are interactive meetings where you learn more in-depth experience strength and hope of how different people handle certain topic matters in sobriety (e.g. relationships, women issues, men issues, principles before personalities.) There are 9 workshops offered at this convention. You may even volunteer to do a workshop on a subject of your choice. see **Barbara S** for details.

If you need any information on the **WORLD CONVENTION** in general, our own **Harriet W** who has answers, can place you with the committee that fits your interest. Go ahead ask her!!!

FUN RUN WALK WILL TAKE PLACE DURING THE CONVENTION. CARLA G IS THE PERSON TO SEE. GET YOUR WALK ON!!!!

Rod D is doing all of the **OUTREACH**. He needs other hands and arms to help. Get with him.

Marathon meetings will take place during the convention around the clock.

Memorabilia will be available.

Transportation is Available
Roger J is the Transportation Chair

Watch for the cool decorations provided by Decorations chair, **Paula D.**

GSR's don't forget the next regular edition of the Pipeline, which will be the Fall edition due in October- Let's keep it moving!!!! Gather up information from your groups; jokes, birthdays, meaningful, simple stuff that you heard at a meeting, write it down and send it in.

Anybody with ideas on **fundraising**, see **Dennis R.**

Jerry P is taking on the task of **Serenity Patrol**, to bring peace whereas there may be some chaos. Are you brave enough to help out?

Remember the dates for the World Service Convention is May 24th thru May 28th, 2007, to be held at Crown Center, Kansas City, Missouri See you there.