

Recovering Couples Anonymous



World Service Organization

2000

Annual Report to the Fellowship

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Welcome to the Tenth Annual
RCA International Convention

Welcome to Los Angeles and the 10th Annual RCA International Convention. It is a pleasure to be here. Patty and I are looking forward to spending this weekend with you. We have always left conventions with a sense of renewal and a deeper commitment to continue our journey in recovery. For us, conventions first and foremost provide an opportunity to spend quality time together in an environment that supports our efforts to enhance our coupleship. We hope this weekend provides that type of opportunity for each of you.

Conventions are also a place where we can learn what other RCA groups are doing; what works well for them as well as what hasn't worked. Over the years, Patty and I have taken numerous ideas back to our home group. Not all of them were used and some didn't work for us. Never the less, going to conventions gets me thinking of more effective ways to improve our relationship, our group as well as of ways to spread the RCA word to those in need. The creativity of people in this fellowship never ceases to amaze me and it is at conventions like this that we have the opportunity to share our ideas and experiences with each other.

Attending conventions is also a meaningful way of participating in the larger fellowship. It is, in fact, an important opportunity for the Board of Trustees to gain input from the membership. During the year our communication with you is mainly informing you of what is going on through Hand-In-Hand. Our role as trusted servants is often difficult without adequate input from you. This weekend, I encourage you to seek out members of the Board and share with us your thoughts, concerns and any questions you may have about RCA. We value your input.

Conventions also provide another opportunity for you to contribute to the fellowship. Every year we have openings on the Board of Trustees and this year is no exception. We have 3 couples who will be completing their terms on the Board. I urge you to consider joining the Board. Nominations and elections will be held Sunday morning after Breakfast. There are multitudes of reasons for not stepping forward for this opportunity to serve. I know, over the years Patty and I have used every one of them. Board service is a sacrifice, a struggle and a leap of faith. I can only tell you that from my experience, it has been well worth it.

I want to thank the Los Angeles convention committee for all their hard work in creating this opportunity for us to be together. I also want to thank the Dallas convention committee for taking on the challenge of hosting the 2001 convention.

Enjoy your weekend.

Kim K.

Chair, RCA Board of Trustees

OPEN BUSINESS MEETING
Los Angeles, California
Agenda

Saturday - August 5, 2000 - 7:30 to 9:00 AM

WELCOME7:30 - 7:40 AM
 Serenity Prayer
 Twelve Steps
 Twelve Traditions
 Safety Guidelines

BOARD INTRODUCTIONS7:40-7:45AM

WSO OFFICE MANGER'S REPORT7:45- 7:55AM

WSO TREASURER'S REPORT7:55 - 8:05 AM

GROUP DISCUSSIONS AT YOUR TABLE8:05 - 8:40 AM

BY- LAW CHANGES8:40 - 9:00AM

Article IV Government

(Current language:)

4.1.1 Structure. The Board of Trustees shall consist of nine voting couples and at least two alternate nonvoting couples, elected at an annual RCAC.

(Proposed language:)

4.1.1 Structure. The Board of Trustees shall consist of a maximum of nine voting couples and two alternate nonvoting couples, or shall consist of a minimum of four voting couples. The voting couples and the alternate couples shall be elected at an annual RCA convention.

(Current language:)

4.2.3 Quorum. A minimum number of individuals of all the individuals constituting the voting couples and the alternate nonvoting couples shall constitute a quorum for the purposes of making business decisions.

^ If there are less than the minimum number of voting individuals present, each member of the alternate nonvoting couples present shall be allowed to vote.

The minimum number shall be two-thirds of the number of individual voting members, rounded to the nearest whole number.

(Proposed language:)

4.2.3 Quorum. For the purpose of conducting business, which requires voting a quorum is required. A quorum consists of a minimum of two-thirds of the number of individual voting members existing on the Board at that time, rounded to the nearest whole number.

If there are less than two-thirds of the voting individuals present, each member of the next alternate nonvoting couples present shall be allowed to vote to make/meet the quorum.

CLOSING PROMPTLY AT 9:00 AM

Until Next Year in Dallas, Texas