



HEROIN ANONYMOUS WORLD BULLETIN

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Greetings,

We write you as representatives of Heroin Anonymous World Services (HAWWS). This informational bulletin's purpose is to increase communication between the groups of Heroin Anonymous throughout the world.

H.A. World Convention 2017 Announcement

Drum roll, please!

Heroin Anonymous San Diego has been selected as the dedicated host of the second Heroin Anonymous World Convention! Heroin addicts from across the globe will gather, united by recovery, in the summer of 2017. Plenty of fun including music,

banquet dinners, ice cream socials and a movie night are just some of the highlights in an action packed weekend of enjoying life, sobriety and fellowship. In addition, San Diego is a highly desirable tourist destination where you can indulge in many local attractions,

including soaking up sun at the beach, kayaking in the ocean, fishing, and much more. As the details of the convention materialize, they will be posted on the HAWWS website. We hope you'll join us in celebrating 13 years of HA miracles! See you all in San Diego!

MEETING SPOTLIGHT

"Blacked Out" Group – Las Vegas, NV

The Blacked Out group was started on November 10th, 2012. At first we saw an average attendance of about 20 people. From that group, two other meetings have been formed. We hold them at 7pm on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at a local 12-step club. Since Blacked Out first started attendance has grown significantly. Currently, we have an average attendance of about 45 people! We hold

business meetings at the beginning of every month. Blacked Out uses a reading we created as a group to replace AA's "How It Works." We also read the 12 traditions of HA and "A Vision for You." Unfortunately, throughout the years we've lost fellow comrades from the disease of heroin addiction. Still, our fellowship remained strong and those who have fallen have not been forgotten. We remember

the heroin addicts out there who are still struggling, the ones who've fought to live and the ones who continue to stay strong through helping one another by living this program. I'm proud to be a part of the Blacked Out group and I hope those who are in the area will have the chance to visit and share their experience, strength and hope with us.

- Dallin O.

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THE 4TH TRADITION OF H.A.

Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or H.A. as a whole.

HA in Phoenix represents itself as a canvas of different colors. A wide variation of formats, locations, and gender-specific meetings make up HA in Phoenix. Each group has found that it has the autonomy to represent themselves from their own groups' conscious. In the earlier years of HA here in Phoenix, there was a significant difference of opinions regarding how to "run" a meeting. As the fellowship matured, however, we've found ourselves in a place of acceptance, that is, coexistence, with the groups with whom we share the fellowship. In the same breath, however, we also recognize that some expressions of our fellowship may be inappropriate and harm HA as a whole.

When one of our groups, or its members, is identified as having broken a tradition, we do our best to inform them of it. The hard part, though, is in handling the situation as God would have us. It involves coming from a place of love and tolerance, maintaining our own spiritual fitness first.

Conflict has often arisen as a result of our inexperience with practicing the traditions, but we learn and grow through each mistake. We hope that other groups who are growing find the courage to do their own investigation into these important spiritual precepts.

- A group of HA members in Phoenix, AZ

If you would like your meeting featured in our meeting spotlight, or have any other content you would like to submit, please feel free to contact us at the email listed above. Thank you!

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