



THE MAINLINE

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Greetings,

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

FIRST EVER HEROIN ANONYMOUS WORLD CONFERENCE

Dear members of Heroin Anonymous,

We are happy to announce the **first ever Heroin Anonymous World Conference, to be held in Phoenix, AZ at the annual Heroin Anonymous Area Convention, August 11-13, 2017**. In contrast with a convention, where the main purpose is to raise funds and create unity within the fellowship, the goal will be getting a true group conscience from the fellowship as a whole.

The conferences in other fellowships have focused on topics such as the creation of new literature, upcoming conventions, PSAs available to the fellowship as a whole, recognizing new areas/districts, readings and traditions. The new Heroin Anonymous World Service Manual, guidelines for recognizing Areas, and singleness of purpose are but a few examples of potential topics of discussion at the H.A. Conference.

This is the first time Heroin Anonymous will gather the necessary input from groups around the world to form a true group conscience. We are calling on all Areas to participate in this important event. Without you, a true group conscience may not be possible. Come be a part of securing the integrity and stability of Heroin Anonymous for years to come so we may continue to grow and carry the message to the still suffering heroin addict.

If you would like more details, please email Sharmyn T at hawsconferencechair@gmail.com.

Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you.

In Love and Service,

Sharmyn T.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE HAWS CONVENTION LIAISON

Heroin Anonymous World Services is excited to announce that the **2018 World Convention will be held in Portland, OR, in the summer of 2018**. The fellowship in Portland has been steadily growing over the last few years and we congratulate them. We extend our thanks, not only to Portland H.A., but to all of the groups that submitted bids for the 2018 convention. We will keep you posted on the progress of their convention committee as details materialize.

See you in Portland!

AREA SPOTLIGHT

Mobile, Alabama, USA

More often than not, The Mainline profiles a specific meeting. Sometimes, however, the coordinated effort of an entire city is cohesive and harmonious enough to warrant a spotlight of multiple meetings. The burgeoning fellowship in Mobile, Alabama is one of these cases, the whole being worthy of recognition as the sum of each part.

In Mobile, Alabama, three separate H.A. meetings have been taking root in the recovery community.

Though growth has been slow, we are getting the word out and waiting for addicts to get some willingness and show up! All three meetings are discussion meetings based straight out of the big book of Alcoholics Anonymous. The founders of these meetings are dedicated to keeping the doors open for as long as possible, so that any heroin addict in the Alabama Gulf Coast area has a place to go for help. "Give It Up" meets Tuesdays at 8:00 PM, "Get Started" meets Thursdays at

10:30 AM, and "Immaculate Fix" meets Saturdays at 8:00 PM. All three meetings are held at Downtowner Recovery Clubhouse, 857 Downtowner Blvd, Suite H, Mobile, AL 36609. Whether you are a heroin addict in the area looking for a solution or a member visiting from another city, you are guaranteed to find a place for recovery and fellowship in Mobile.

- Aaron D., Eric E., and Rachel W.

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H.A. CHIP COST INCREASE

Attention, fellow heroin addicts! We have some good news, and some (relatively) bad news. We'll spare you the decision-making process and lead with the good news: Heroin Anonymous is experiencing a renaissance, and growing exponentially. One meeting starts in a city, and the recovery is just so good, it spreads from the city to the suburbs to rural areas, and a single star becomes a constellation. Visitors from other cities like it so much, they bring our brand of recovery home with them, and these constellations

begin to make up a whole solar system. Beautiful, no?

H.A. World Services plays a pivotal role in this growth, sending out start-up packets to any new meeting that makes a request, free of charge.

These packets include key tags and IPs, which provide newcomers with motivation to keep coming back, as well as the information that will help them stay. Heroin Anonymous has been growing so fast, however, and our night sky is lighting up so quickly, that it can be difficult to keep supply on par with demand.

This is where the (relatively) bad news comes in. As of April 2, 2017, our **chip cost is increasing from \$.30 per chip to \$.40 apiece**. With the additional funds generated, we can continue to reach the suffering addict in ever darker corners of the universe. For less than the price of a cup of coffee, just pennies a day, we can improve the lives of heroin addicts all over the world. Cue up the Sarah McLachlan, buy a key tag, and you too can sponsor someone's recovery!

Donations from groups directly to HAWS are vital to the growth of H.A. With your contribution, HAWS can continue providing startup kits to new meetings all over the world completely free of charge. If you're reading this bulletin on an electronic device, click <http://heroinanonymous.org/donate-and-finances/> to be directed to the donation portal. No contribution is too small! Heroin Anonymous World Services Board.

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. Thank you!

- Heroin Anonymous World Services Board

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