



Hospitals and Institutions
Chair report
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I would still like to hear how everyone is using the July Grapevine issue. Any feedback would be great. The women at Ada County had a great idea about having two issues a year dedicated to Institutions. So I also thought that an issue dedicated to Treatment would be great as well. So, I want to thank the women at Ada county jail for their input. This is why we need participation so that we can exchange ideas to try and make a difference.

Sean and I are still moving forward with the web page. I have forwarded our mission statements to him as well as our email address and Bridge the Gap pamphlets. I will be meeting with Sean this week to review what is going on with the H and I web site. It is still in the test phase, so it is not on the actual web site yet. We will talk more about the web site as it is developed.

The PRASSA registration form is STILL here, so lets get the registration done today and get it sent out this week I hope that we all still can go. I hope everyone is still excited about this.

I would still like the committee to consider *Living Sober* as another one of our tools that we begin to use. I think that this is one book that we should consider trying to use. Can we kick around the ideas of at least getting this book in the hands of facilitators to use as a meeting topic? Or does anyone have any ideas? I know that a lot of people don't even know about this book. Maybe we can review the book at our business meeting.

The Assembly went well. There was a great response to the Thank You Card that we received from the Snake River Valley Correctional Facility. My hands were tied to 5 minutes, so I need to polish my reports to be able to get as much information out there to the Area as I can for the next Assembly. The Roundtable Friday night was well attended with a lot of great information being kicked around. There was a talk of having some of our committee members attend actual groups and putting on a workshop. I hope you guys are willing to support such an adventure. It might go along way to get volunteers.

November 5th I will be attending a meeting with the sheriff at Ada County. I have some ideas about the application process I hope to have some good feedback for next moth.

Remember, Keep it Simple

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