

Fred, below is the article for the PI News.

Western States PI Learning Day Convention

By the time you receive this issue of the PI News, the 1995 WSPILD will have concluded in Las Vegas, Nevada. The 9th Western States Public Information Learning Day Convention was held on November 5th and 6th, 1995. Trusted servants from Alaska to Mexico, from Colorado to Hawaii gathered to share their experiences in carrying the message through public information.

In 1994, I attended the WSPILD in Portland, Oregon, as a member of the WSC PI Committee. I had never been to an event like this before. I didn't know what to expect. It turned out to be a great experience for me. I found so many addicts like myself sharing their passion of serving NA by doing public information work, I was overwhelmed.

I attended workshops all day and came away with new ways about how we can carry the message to the public. Most of all, I was reminded that we don't do PI alone! In my home region, I had become very used to coordinating projects by myself. I had gained so much experience at doing PI projects that others in the service structure were very willing to let me do it all at the regional and sometimes at the area level.

When I returned home, I began to speak of PI being a responsibility of the Fellowship, not just one person. I made more announcements at NA meetings about PI. When projects and opportunities for PI presentations, I worked real hard to bring in new members of the Fellowship be a part of.

I wish I could say that the Fellowship answered the call. We still have problems getting NA members to serve on the PI Committees. What's changed is that I've been able to share what's most important to serving in public information: the spiritual part, WE!

If you've never been to a PI learning day, I highly recommend you try to attend one. It will give you valuable new ideas and the opportunity to learn from others. Most of all, you can make new friends in NA who share the unique and humble privilege of sharing our message through public information service.

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The next WSPILD will be held in Honolulu, Hawaii, on the weekend of November 8-9, 1996. More information can be obtained by writing to WSPILD '96, PO Box 90365, Honolulu, HI, 96835. Or you can call Erik R, Convention Chair, at 808-833-1845/Fax 808-833-2263/E-Mail 76220.34@compuserve.com. .

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