



# Hand in Hand

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## Board Letter about 4<sup>th</sup> Edition Blue Book

October 12, 2007

Dear RCA Fellowship,

Due to the temporary status of this 2006 DRAFT edition, and the fact that it was intended only for feedback and development, it will no longer be made available for purchase in book form after November 1, 2007. A printable PDF version of the 4th Edition 2006 Draft can be purchased from the WSO for \$5.00.

We intend to have a final revised and edited 4th Edition 2008 Blue Book to disseminate to all RCA groups by April 2008 for Fellowship vote and approval. Once this version is approved it will become the 2008 Fellowship-approved RCA Blue Book.

In the meantime, we recommend that while waiting for publication of the 4th Edition 2008 Blue Book, groups can purchase the 1996 3rd Edition of the RCA Blue Book, which at this time is the only RCA approved book. It is available for \$12.

Please see [4th Edition](#) page

## 7th Tradition Committee Reaches Out By Randy

Hello Fellow RCAers. We had our first 7th Tradition Committee meeting on October 17th. Alexandra, Joe, Gladys, Jade, Karl S., and I attended with regrets from JoAnn, Kate, and Betsy.

Sometimes I feel uncomfortable talking about money, but I don't feel uncomfortable about carrying the RCA message. That helps put the 7th Tradition into perspective for me.

Let me put it another way; RCA has saved our relationship! We saved on divorce costs, counseling costs, and emotional costs. RCA has strengthened our commitment for next to nothing, monetarily. So I think we have a debt that we owe to RCA. We can repay our debt by carrying the RCA message to others in two ways: through service and with monetary commitment. Is there a spiritual part in all of this money business? How much is RCA worth to you?

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### Update your RCA Group's Information

1. Go to RCA website:  
www.recovering-couples.org
2. Under the title banner move your cursor to: "Couple Resources."
3. A drop-down menu will appear; click on "Local Meetings."
4. Check on your group's current posted information by following the instructions:
  - a) select the proper meeting location worldwide
  - b) select the proper country or state
  - c) on the list that appears, click on the meeting of interest
5. Once you have checked the information that is posted, and if you wish to make a change, click on the box labeled "Site Navigation," which is located below the information on the meeting.
6. On the menu that appears, double click on "Meeting Registry."
7. Then follow the detailed instructions that follow.

NOTE: Sometimes e-mail addresses are not accepted by the site, and the update will not be made. Please recheck your meeting under "Local Meetings." If the information has not been changed, then you will need to send the updated information to Steve A. at [wso-rca@pacbell.net](mailto:wso-rca@pacbell.net)

### 4<sup>th</sup> Edition continued

Assuming there is Fellowship approval, the 4th Edition 2008 Blue Book will be published and available at the RCA Convention in San Francisco August 1-3, 2008.

Thank you for your continued patience and support for our RCA Fellowship. The revised RCA Literature Order Form has been sent to all Group Contact Couples, Boston delegates, and St. Louis delegates. It will go out with all literature orders, and is revised for Pay Pal orders. It is also available on the web site.

Sincerely,

Your trusted servants

The Board of Directors

Please see [New Order Form](#) on page 10

### Outreach Committee Needs You

As Vice Chair, I would like you to know that I have divided RCA into four regional groups to get the message out to the fellowship. The Outreach co-chairs and their team members who will contact the GCCs (Group Contact Couples) are as follows:

Vicky irw Jerry	<a href="mailto:harmony_couple@yahoo.com">harmony_couple@yahoo.com</a>	East Coast
Michele irw Ray	<a href="mailto:mtschiidt@sbcglobal.net">mtschiidt@sbcglobal.net</a>	Mid West
Shelly irw Gordon	<a href="mailto:sgordon@g2comm.com">sgordon@g2comm.com</a>	West Coast
Gerrie irw Randy	<a href="mailto:gprymak@mts.net">gprymak@mts.net</a>	Canada

Messages have been sent through them regarding the extension date for the review of the Fourth Edition draft, the posting of the 2008 San Francisco Convention registration form on the web site, and the contest to design the convention brochure. If you are a GCC and have not been contacted on any of this, please let your co-chair know that you haven't been getting the information. This is to help us keep our records straight, because our informational directory is always changing. We need you, the fellowship, to help us with that directory. If your meeting has in any way changed, please check in at the Web site and make the changes. See "Update your RCA Group's Information" in this page's side bar on how to do that.

Thank you for your efforts in keeping our records straight,

Vice Chair Kate irw Dan at [kdmoran2@gmail.com](mailto:kdmoran2@gmail.com)

## Convention Artwork Contest!

Win a free registration to the 2008 convention in San Francisco by designing the artwork for our flier and banner!!! What a great opportunity to be a part of the RCA fellowship's history by having YOUR ARTWORK featured at the conference, and attend the convention for free!

Please send entries in jpeg file format to [darcy@alteredcouture.com](mailto:darcy@alteredcouture.com) by November 30, 2007. Winners will be notified the following Monday, December 14, and announced in the next Hand in Hand newsletter.

Good luck to you all!!!!!!

Darcy r/w Michael

## 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Committee continued

Here are some of the things we talked about regarding past and future financial commitments that we all owe to RCA:

1. **Keep the WSO office open.** We have had to cut the Office Manager's hours. In some months, usually before and after the convention when sales and donations were low, we had to defer paying the Office Manager and some bills until we had enough money. Besides giving the OM more hours to carry the RCA message, it would be great if we gave him a long deserved raise. We should at least be able to send him to the RCA convention. I feel sad that the World Service Office couldn't afford to send Steve to Boston and St. Louis to experience the tremendous amount of effort by RCA groups to be informed, and to make informed decisions for the future of RCA.
2. **Build a prudent reserve.** Don't we all want that for RCA? We all have experienced rainy days. If there are too many rainy days in any 12-step program, the message stops going out.
3. **Fourth Edition of the Blue Book.** The Literature Committee is working very hard to bring a 4th edition DRAFT to the fellowship by Spring 2008. If approved by the fellowship, the intention is to publish it for the 2008 San Francisco Convention, August 1-3. For that to happen, WSO will need about \$1500 for an editor, \$5000 to publish enough copies to sell over a year, and about \$2000 for a prudent reserve.

Here are some ideas the committee explored. We hope they inspire you:

- **Special occasion cards.** Alexandra is willing to make these up for a couple's anniversary together, birthdays, RCA birthdays, Valentine's day, etc. Couples that feel particularly generous on that special day might make a gift to RCA. A special card of gratitude would be sent.
- **Pass the hat for WSO once a month.** There are about 120 RCA groups. Our challenge to all of you would be to give \$60 per couple per year (that's only \$5 per couple, per month) to WSO. That would contribute to RCA being self supporting.
- **Buy a classic.** Did you know that there are over 800 copies of the time-honored classic, 1996 3rd Edition Blue Book in the World Service Office? This edition was used for the first 18 years of RCA, and costs only \$12. It was reprinted after the Boston convention, when the majority of delegates passed a motion to do so. If they were all sold, that would generate \$10,000.
- **Have a retreat or workshop.** Extra funds raised could go to RCA. This is already being done in Sweden and California, where they send funds left over, and donations generated, to the WSO. Thanks to RCA groups who do that!

## 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Committee summation

We'd like to hear about your 7th tradition ideas. We'd like it even more if you tried them out and let us know how they worked!

One of the last things we talked about was touchy, but we felt it needed airing. The general consensus of the committee was to encourage all contributions to go into WSO general revenue. We know that there has been a tendency in RCA for some to designate contributions for specific things. I can honestly say that the Board and the WSO will do their utmost to honor your wishes. But please put PRIDE and EGO aside, and trust in the Higher Power as expressed in the groups' consciences and committees.

Have fun carrying the RCA message. There are always new couples out there looking for a better way than slamming doors and having shouting matches.

Our thanks to the Group Contact Couples and to Outreach for getting the message out that RCA needs to be self-supporting through its own contributions. Thanks to Elise W. and JoAnn S. who give back to RCA by volunteering in the WSO office. Thanks to RCAers that give back to RCA by serving on committees. Thanks to RCA groups that give back to RCA by contributing through the 7th Tradition.

Randy and the 7th Tradition Committee

If you would like to join the 7th Tradition Committee, please call Randy 204-668-1515.

## Developing a New Intimacy

by Alexandra in recovery with Joe

"The only requirement for membership is a desire to remain committed to each other and to develop new intimacy." RCA Preamble

In meetings, we witness our partners and ourselves mirrored in other couples. We gain perspective on our partner. We see our humanity. We feel compassion and gain understanding. We are no longer alone. We heal from the shared honesty and

vulnerability present in the room. We find forgiveness for each other and ourselves.

We turn our individual wills over to our Higher Power for the meeting's duration. We let go and miracles begin to happen.

We are amazed as our partners share things we never thought they could or would. We feel a sense of liberation. We are in a new frame of mind. We become accountable for our actions in a different way. We speak from our hearts with humility. We place the good of the relationship above our personal wants. We take responsibility for our actions and wonderful things happen. Our partner accepts us – warts and all. This acceptance, without blame or shame, brings with it true intimacy (into me see).

Our couple recovery develops and our individual recovery attains a new depth. We feel, in truth, committed and intimate in a way we never imagined.

### Partner Reflections

Am I remembering to place the good of the coupleship above my personal wants and needs?  
How am I willing to be vulnerable in our coupleship?  
How am I willing to be accountable to my partner?

### Couple Reflections

In what ways are we learning to be more intimate? How have we been helped, as a couple, by the sharing of other couples?

### Affirmations

We are not alone in our humanity. We are safe to be intimate with our partner.

## Do You Need a Meeting?

by Amanda C., Santa Rosa, California

"Do you need a meeting?" Many of us have asked our partners or ourselves that question in times of stress. That was just our impetus for

starting a new RCA fellowship in our town of Santa Rosa, California.

First, a little background: it was mid-April of this year and it seemed like David and I had been moving for weeks. Our garage was still not painted, and our living room was piled high with furniture and boxes from the larger house we'd just left. Every day, all day, we spent packing and unpacking, cleaning and organizing. We were both so tired that intimacy had begun to seem like a chore. Conversations became terse exchanges of facts, and some rude words (and gestures) were exchanged as well.

In the middle of this David received a call from our friends Terry and Laurie. We had participated in RCA with them in a neighboring town. When that meeting broke up David immediately sent for a meeting starter packet from WSO, but we'd somehow never gotten around to calling a meeting. But that day when Terri asked, "Do you guys need a meeting?" we jumped at the chance.

The meeting worked its usual miracle as we were able to air our stresses in a safe space, and since then we've barely missed a Saturday. Although we are still only four we remind ourselves of Chapter 11 of AA's Big Book, which tells how one member became two, became three, became four. Now there are over 2 million members of AA. Our fellowship is still young and small, yet we are hopeful that we will continue to grow. Meanwhile, we remind ourselves that it takes only two couples to create fellowship.

## RCAC 2007 Financial Report

by Scott L Treasurer of RCAC 2007 IRW Mary Monica

On behalf of the 2007 St. Louis Convention Committee I wish to thank everyone who attended and helped make the convention a success. We were gratified to hear that you enjoyed your visit to the Gateway City, and that the Convention was an opportunity to grow in your couple recovery.

While I can confidently say the convention was

financially successful, it would be premature for me to estimate just how successful. Be sure to check out the 7th Tradition Report in the next issue of the Hand in Hand for up to date information.

## Bed & Breakfast Club

### NEW B & B LOCATION!

"Guest bedroom (queen size bed) with private bathroom across the hall. We have a screened porch, grill, and large deck. Just 2 doors away are tennis courts, a lake, and a pool!"

(404) 849-2189 – Teri and Matt, , in Roswell (suburb of Atlanta), GA

The 7th tradition Bed and Breakfast Club gives RCA couples an opportunity to connect with other RCA couples. Instead of spending money on a hotel, traveling couples stay with members of the RCA fellowship, and a recommended donation of \$20 to \$30 per night goes to WSO. This is a way to support RCA through our own contributions!

"...hot tub with a view of the Cascade Mountains, dog-friendly" (541) 343-4920 – Gladys IRW Jade, Eugene, Oregon"

"...condominium with private bedroom and bath suite on San Francisco Bay" (510) 235-6111 – Elise and David near San Francisco"

"...own room in their home... surrounded by great books, experience, strength, and hope" (925) 274-1186 – Bob and Betsy from San Francisco"

"...their Rockville home or their Delaware condo (a mile from Bethany Beach)" (301) 424-4594 – Kate and Dan Rockville, Maryland (near Washington, DC)"

"...Winnipeg...ice fishing in the winter to hot summers" (204) 668-1515 – Gerrie committed to Randy, Randy committed to Gerrie"

If you want to add your name to the RCA Bed & Breakfast Club send a finished description to the editor Elise – [davidandelise@earthlink.net](mailto:davidandelise@earthlink.net)

## A Reflection on the St. Louis RCA Convention

by Vicki in Recovery with Mark, In Harmony Group, Hollywood, FL

We have been attending face-to-face RCA meetings for just over a year. We found the atmosphere of caring, compassion, and acceptance to be invaluable in our recovering couple-ship. Attending the annual convention in St. Louis this summer only added to our deep appreciation of this program.

We came as nervous newcomers, not sure what to expect. We found an abundance of experience, strength, and hope from couples in all walks of life: young, younger, and not so young couples; shy, outgoing, married, committed, and life partners; couples new to recovery and experienced 12-steppers alike! We found couples with the same thoughts, the same fears, and the same issues and stumbling blocks that we face each day. There were new ideas, and reminders of old ideas we had long forgotten or lost faith in. There were couples glowing in recovery and love, and couples who were hanging on with their last ounce of strength. There was joy and trepidation, fear and amazing courage.

All around us we found HOPE! It was there in the couples who came to the convention as their very first RCA experience. (What a leap of faith!) It was in the words of the lead couples for the breakout sessions as they told their stories and in the faces of the couples in the rooms as they related what they heard to their own lives. And it was in the voices of couples deep in pain as they asked for ESH. It was in the very air, like the energy from a thunderstorm! It was pouring from the couples as they spoke of the rewards they had received from working all three legs of their stool! I only wish we could bottle the spirit of recovery that was alive in that hotel and I would wear it around my neck all the time.

Meeting and talking with couples out of the

rooms only added to our experience. We had a few wonderful outings with several different couples throughout the weekend and into the next week. New friends and great memories. Lessons learned, feelings validated. Experiences shared, new ideas sparked. Tools introduced and tried, commitments reinforced. Even the reminder that painful lessons are a gift from our Higher Power, too. What we received from this weekend has only been positive and will remain with us for a long time.

## Sponsoring Couples Committee

Steve A., the World Service Office manager, gets many calls from couples in need of help and need a sponsoring couple. Steve is forwarding these calls to the Sponsoring Couples Committee. This is a committee that has been very needed. Thank you Sponsoring Couples: Bob and Betsy, Eleanor and Steve, Tony and Mel, Keren and Bob for your service.

If you are ready to give back to RCA and serve as a sponsoring couple please connect with

Steve Adams, Office Manager  
Recovering Couples Anonymous  
World Service Office  
P.O.Box 11029  
Oakland, CA 94611

(510) 663 2312

wso-rca@pacbell.net  
www.recovering-couples.org

**YOUR SERVICE IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.**

## Office Overview Committee Year One:

For the first time in a few years, the RCA Board established an Office Overview Committee to act as liaison and support for the office and office manager. The Board also approved that most members may be from the Bay Area Fellowship, in

Please see [Office Overview](#) on page 7

## Office Overview continued

order to meet regularly and be physically available for office activities and needs. We hope the OOC will retain people over several years as newcomers come on, learn about the WSO, and help provide continuity for RCA's fellowship.

### Accomplishments:

Bob F. is now authorized to sign checks on RCA's account. Elise has a key to the office and post office box, and is learning how to navigate the computer set-up. She is already able to process literature orders and make deposits into the bank account when the Office Manager is away.

### Things still on our plate:

We began merchandise inventory, but this is on hold, and hasn't made it onto our quarterly or annual reports yet Treasury couple can read bank account balances online. We still need the ability to monitor checks being written, i.e., how much, to whom, and when.

The Office Manager is still working mainly alone, and making decisions without committee knowledge or input. We hope OOC can set up a workable structure to have more transparency, better distribution in decision-making, and have that knowledge shared with fellowship representatives on the Board and Committees.

At this time the Office Manager writes his own paychecks. We recommend that Bob F., as signatory on the checking account and a representative on the OOC, sign the Office Manager's checks each month, giving them a time to meet and assess needs, duties, and upcoming deadlines with the OM on a more regular basis. This may also help OM retain his status as a consultant.

The Board Chair has asked us to go over the details of the office lease. We are not sure we have the expertise for this, but at this point it might be good not to have a lease, as we are so close to the bare bones in meeting our WSO expenses.

The Treasurer and Office Manager set a WSO expense

budget this year and it was used in the Treasurer's quarterly and annual report. The Treasurer has recently given WSO a one-page, monthly budget sheet as a working document, but it has not yet been utilized.

(UPDATE: The OOC met October 2, 2007 in Oakland. The Treasurers and the OM have spoken with a bookkeeper in the Oakland Area. Our goal is to have a lower cost performance of Quick Books tasks, provide accurate quarterly reports, and use our database in a more comprehensive and efficient way, giving the OM more time for tasks that are specific to the RCA fellowship. The OOC agreed there was enough promise to have more talks with the bookkeeper, and a trial run for a few months. At the end of that time the committee will review whether the use of a bookkeeper is a cost effective investment.

Bob F. is now meeting monthly with the OM, and signing his paychecks. Bob also volunteered to work with the OM and manage an updated meeting directory that would be available more frequently.

The Treasury couple and the OM have developed new templates to provide financial transparency. This will allow us to see at a glance how much cash WSO has available to spend and budget, as well as to track funds for a specified use, e.g., the Blue Book printing fund or editing fund. This way, members of the Fellowship can be assured that contributions for a specific use will be saved and spent only for that purpose. - ed.)

## Dates to Remember

**November 11, 2007** World Service Board meeting at 1:00 EST. It is always an open conference call meeting. Contact Kate [kdmoran@gmail.com](mailto:kdmoran@gmail.com) for the phone-into-the-Board-meeting phone number.

**January 15, 2008** Winter Hand in Hand articles due the 15th of January or sooner. Send articles to Elise [marie-elise@earthlink.net](mailto:marie-elise@earthlink.net) and Kate [kdmoran@gmail.com](mailto:kdmoran@gmail.com). We would love your recovery story.

**April 15, 2008** Spring Hand in Hand articles are due

**June 15, 2008** Summer Hand in Hand articles are due

**August 1, 2, 3, 2008** RCACC in San Francisco – THE RENEWAL FESTIVAL "Embrace the Golden Gate, Embrace Recovery" Early Bird Discounted Registration: Only \$39.00 per person, available until May 1, 2008.

If others in your RCA group want the Hand in Hand sent to their email address, they can connect with Steve A., the WSO Manager [wso-rca@pacbell.net](mailto:wso-rca@pacbell.net) and be added to the email list.

## Final Thoughts

- The 2008 RCACC will be in San Francisco.
- In 2009 RCACC will be in the East. The 2010 RCACC will be in the mid continent. Maybe your RCA group wants to bid on 2009 or 2010!
- Do you want to be a sponsor couple to a struggling RCA group and phone into their meeting and serve as speaker couple? Email Betsy [betsyf2720@earthlink.net](mailto:betsyf2720@earthlink.net) or preferably phone (925) 274-1186

### Recovering Couples Anonymous

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**THE RENEWAL FESTIVAL**  
**Embrace the Golden Gate, Embrace Recovery**  
**August 1, 2, 3, 2008**  
**DOUBLETREE HOTEL SAN FRANCISCO AIRPORT**

835 Airport Blvd., San Francisco, CA 94010-9949

Phone: 1-650-344-5500 Fax: 1-650-340-8851 On-line or phone reservations:

<https://secure.hilton.com/en/dt/res/index.jhtml>

**CONVENTION REGISTRATION:**

Registration for the conference and/or meals does **not** include hotel rooms. Please contact the hotel directly to reserve a room. **All registration information is strictly confidential.**

**PLEASE PRINT:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want you email(s) & phone(s) on attendee list? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

**CONVENTION REGISTRATION FEES:**

**Early Bird Discounted Registration:** Only \$39.00 per person, available until May 1, 2008

	Before June 1	On or after June 1
Registration only:	_____ \$45	_____ \$60
Meal Package:	_____ \$100	_____ \$120
Sat. Banquet only:	_____ \$50	_____ \$65
Fri. WSO RCA Lunch	_____ \$18	_____ \$20

**Banquet Meal:** Beef \_\_\_\_ Chicken \_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_

If you are only sending in your registration at this time, do you plan on purchasing the Meal Package or Banquet meal at a later time? \_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

SORRY NO REFUNDS!!

**SERVICE:**

I/We are interested in providing service \_\_\_\_\_

As a leader Couple Topic we are interested in a break out meeting titled \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN THIS PORTION WITH YOUR CHECK OR MONEY ORDER**

**MAILING INFORMATION FOR REGISTRATION:** Registration confirmation will be e-mailed.

Program packets will be available at the registration table at time of check in.

For additional information, contact Darcy at 650 966 1776 or email [darcy@alteredcouture.com](mailto:darcy@alteredcouture.com)

Please mail your check or money order in US funds made payable to: **RCA 2008** c/o Darcy Fowkes, 52 Woods Lane, Los Altos, CA 94023

**Hotel Reservation Info:**

1. On-line or phone reservations <https://secure.hilton.com/en/dt/res/index.jhtml>
2. To receive the discounted rate when registering, you must mention **RCA 2008**. The San Francisco Doubletree is Smoke-Free.
3. The special convention rate is \$129.00 per night per room.
4. Special convention rate not guaranteed after July 18th, so please make reservations early.
5. Make any special needs room arrangements directly with the hotel.

## THIS IS HOW THE NEW ORDER FORM BEGINS:

## RECOVERING COUPLES ANONYMOUS ORDER FORM

These prices are effective October 12, 2007 and are subject to change without notice.

For large orders call or e-mail the office for bulk rates.

## CHECK OR MONEY ORDER INSTRUCTIONS:

If paying by check or money order, it must be in U.S. Dollars or a Check drawn on a U.S. Bank.

Make Check or Money Order Payable to: RCA. Do not send cash. Print out a copy of the Order Form

Complete the printed form enclose payment and mail to:

RCA  
P.O. Box 11029  
Oakland CA 94611

Questions? Phone: (510) 663-2312 or E-mail: [wso-rca@recovering-couples.org](mailto:wso-rca@recovering-couples.org)

Completing your order:

Enter quantity ordered in the blank space to the left of the requested item.

Enter the total dollar amount of the item (quantity X price) in the blank to the right of the item.

Enter the address you would like these materials mailed to below:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. No. \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

RCA Group Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Group Service Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE: This is a revised literature order form, effective October 12, 2007**

~~“Recovering Couples Anonymous Blue Book” 2006 4<sup>th</sup> edition draft (Board approved)~~

~~Revised basic text of the RCA program plus new and expanded material, including new couples stories, and new reflections. This edition will be voted on at the 2007 RCACC.~~

~~\_\_\_10011-2\_\_\_\_\_ \$14.95\_\_\_\_\_~~

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**\_\_\_10011-2\_\_\_\_\_ \$5.00\_\_\_\_\_**

**“Recovering Couples Anonymous Blue Book” 1996 3<sup>rd</sup> edition**

**Time honored RCA approved basic text of the RCA program. All the information you need to begin the RCA program and start an RCA group.**

**\_\_\_10011\_\_\_\_\_ \$12.00\_\_\_\_\_**

THERE WILL BE NEW SHIPPING CHARGES, BUT THE REST OF THE  
FORM SHOULD LOOK THE SAME

## EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE

The following RCA folks are grateful to RCA and are giving back by doing service work. Their service is greatly appreciated. If you wish to serve, write Kate [kmoran@gmail.com](mailto:kmoran@gmail.com)

### Literature

Alexandra  
Karl S.  
Tony

Carl S  
Joe G.

Carla and George  
Mary Monica

### 7th Tradition

Alexandra  
Joe G.

Gladys  
Karl S.

JoAnn  
Randy

### Communication -- Hand in Hand and Website

Elise  
Dennis S

Mark irw Vicky  
Clif irw Barb

Kate M.  
Steve A.

### Sponsor Couples Committee

Keren and Bob  
Bob and Betsy

Mel and Tony  
Eleanor and Steve

### Convention Support

Darcy and Michael  
Jo Ann  
Mary Monica

Brian irw Linda  
Kelly and David  
Pat and Karl

Lyrallen and Judy

### Ethics

John R.

Kathleen and David

Mary Monica

### Structure

Steve S  
Karl S

Dan OC  
Richard P

Brian R

### Office Overview Committee

Andy R  
JoAnn  
Elise

Bob F  
Steve S  
Steve A

Alan

### Outreach

Kate  
Gerrie's team in Canada, ND & Germany  
Michele's team in the Midwestern & Mountain states

Shelly's team in the Western States  
Vicky's team in the Eastern states

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR RCA WSO**  
**07/01/2007 through 09/30/2007**

**7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Donations**

**Group**

- 24005 Winnipeg, CAN Hand in Hand	\$100.00
- 43020 Tucson, AZ Wednesday	\$50.00
- 45015 Jamestown, CA Joint Venture Group	\$132.75
- 45045 Culver City, CA Sunday Night CLARE Group	\$114.56
- 45052 Oakland Earlybirds	\$200.00
- 45100 Santa Cruz, CA	\$100.00
- 61020 Norwell, MA	\$100.00
- 62000 Birmingham, MI	\$100.00
- 61020 Norwell, MA	\$100.00
- 62025 Saginaw, MI	\$15.00
- 63010 Minneapolis, MN Monday	\$42.00
- 63015 Lake Nokomis, MN	\$12.00
- 66002 Bozeman, MT	\$25.00
- 77005 Eugene, OR	\$84.05
- 78025 Pittsburgh, PA	\$5.00
- 78030 Leesport, PA Miracle Mountain	\$50.00
- 79001 Myrtle Beach, SC	\$125.00
- 83020 Ft. Worth, TX	\$150.00
- 83060 Austin, TX Riverbend	\$38.00
- 84010 Salt Lake City., UT	\$25.00
- 87010 Seattle, WA Sunday	\$200.00
- 88005 Morgantown, W.VA.	\$5.00
- 89010 Oconomowoc, WI	\$50.00

**Event Donation**

- 2007 RCACC 7 <sup>th</sup> Tradition donations:	
Main Speaker Meeting	\$372.00
Sunday Meeting	\$364.00
Special Journals	\$60.00
2007 RCACC Committee	\$449.21
Fundraising Income	
- B&B Fundraiser Donation	\$170.00
Individual Donations	
- from six individual couples	\$586.00
<b>Total Donations</b>	<b>\$3,734.57</b>

Merchandise	\$3,703.17
NIAC Dividend	\$60.69
Postage and Handling	\$679.82
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$8,178.25</b>

**EXPENSES**

Bank Charges	\$15.00
Consultant:	
-Web Master/ e-mail	\$660.09
-WSO Office	\$2,765.00
Insurance	\$646.40
Internet - Website	\$93.25
Office Supplies	\$96.03
Pay Pal Fees	\$65.13
Postage	
- Elise Davis - Reimbursement	\$236.71
- Postage	\$35.82
Printing and Copying	\$122.85
Professional Fees	
- Bookkeeping and Accounting	\$100.00
- QuickBooks online services	\$25.00
Rent	\$1,732.11
Taxes and licenses	\$22.51
Telephone/Fax/DSL	\$287.12
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$6,903.02</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$1,275.23</b>

## Treasurer's Report

**Table 1: RCA Income Sources**

Category	Previous Five Years					Last Year*
	'01-02	'02-03	'03-04	'04-05	'05-06	'06-07
1. Group Donations	\$10,443	\$11,174	\$11,888	\$10,384	\$11,668	\$14,244
2. Individual Donations	\$4,753	\$3,081	\$2,849	\$3,216	\$7,437	\$7,886
3. Convention & Other Donations	\$13,723	\$1,735	\$4,523	\$5,124	\$8,261 **	\$9,598
4. Net Merchandise	\$5,986	\$8,431	\$14,472	\$13,718	\$7,728	\$7,851
5. Total Net Income	\$34,905	\$24,421	\$33,732	\$32,442	\$35,094 **	\$39,579

**Notes:** \* Fiscal year ending June 30, 2007 (average of Treasurer's and Office Manager's numbers).

\*\* Does not include \$3,097 printing donation.

**Table 2: Income/ Expense**

Category	Previous Five Years					Last Year*
	'01-02	'02-03	'03-04	'04-05	'05-06	'06-07
1. Net Lit. plus Donation Income	\$34,905	\$24,421	\$33,732	\$32,442	\$35,094	\$39,579
2. Total WSO Expenses	\$33,206	\$34,513	\$33,480	\$32,175	\$33,885	\$42,072 **
3. Net Income/ Loss	\$1,699	-\$10,092	\$252	\$267	\$1,209	-\$2,493

**Notes:** \* Fiscal year ending June 30, 2007 (average of Treasurer's and Office Manager's numbers).

\*\* Includes \$2,244 parliamentarian bill plus \$4,986 back CA sales tax and deposit.

**Table 3: Merchandise Income/Expense**

Category	Previous Five Years					Last Year*
	'01-02	'02-03	'03-04	'04-05	'05-06	'06-07
1. Merchandise Income	\$12,030	\$19,301	\$18,983	\$17,232	\$18,907	\$24,650
2. Merchandise Expense	\$6,044	\$10,871	\$4,511	\$3,514	\$11,179	\$16,799
	50%	56%	23%	20%	59%	69%
3. Net Merchandise Income	\$5,986	\$8,430	\$14,472	\$13,718	\$7,728	\$7,851

**Notes:** \* Fiscal year ending June 30, 2007 (average of Treasurer's and Office Manager's numbers).

**Table 4: Group Donations**

Category	Previous Five Years					Last Year*
	'01-02	'02-03	'03-04	'04-05	'05-06	'06-07
1. Group Donations	\$10,443	\$11,174	\$11,888	\$10,384	\$11,668	\$14,244
2. Number of Groups Donating	53	45	46	44	36	60
3. Average per Group (Annual)	\$197	\$248	\$258	\$236	\$324	\$237

**Notes:** \* Fiscal year ending June 30, 2007 (average of Treasurer's and Office Manager's numbers).