

26th Annual Debtors Anonymous World Service Conference

“Working the Steps to Achieve Our Visions”

**Wednesday, August 15 through
Sunday, August 19, 2012**

**Seattle Pacific University (SPU)
Seattle, WA, USA**

Registration Packet

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Pre-Conference Orientation

All conference attendees are encouraged to attend one or both of the Pre-conference Orientation phone meetings.

Dates: July 15th and August 5th

Time: 1 pm Eastern (12 pm Central, 11 am Mt., 10 am Pacific, 6 pm GMT, 7 pm CET)

Conference Dial-in Number: (218) 844-0850

Participant Access Code: 363385#

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Late registration cutoff: August 1, 2012. No registrations accepted after August 1st

Introduction and Instructions

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Traditions reminders

- This is D.A.'s annual business conference, the purpose of which is to conduct the business of D.A. The promotion or sale of products or services by conference attendees should not be conducted at the World Service Conference.
- Tradition 11 states “*Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and films.*” This has been extended to all other media. Hence we suggest that members use first names only and no personal e-mail addresses on documents that are circulated at the World Service Conference (except committee rosters), as sometimes these documents have been posted on the Internet.

This registration packet contains the information you need to register for the Conference. It also contains information that will help your group prepare to send a representative, including a spending plan to help you raise the necessary funds.

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Conference Registration Form for GSRs, ISRs, & Trustees

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(Keep a copy of this page for your records.)

First name:		Last name:	
Address:			
City:	State:	Country:	ZIP/Postal code:
Home phone: ()		Cell phone: ()	
Email address: (please write clearly)			
<input type="checkbox"/> YES Special Assistance. (If yes, please describe your needs below.)			
<input type="checkbox"/> YES D.A. E-News. I would like to subscribe to D.A.'s electronic newsletter. <input type="checkbox"/> Already subscribed			
Conference Committee you are considering. See descriptions on Page 5. You may change your selection at the conference:			
Is this your first WSC? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> GSR (Gen. Service Rep.)	<input type="checkbox"/> ISR (Intergroup Service Rep.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Trustee
Group name:	Group location (city):	Group #:	

Notes:

1. **Group number is required.** Registrations without group numbers may be delayed or returned. To locate your group number, use the "Find A Meeting" page on the D.A. website, <http://www.debtorsanonymous.org/admin/index.php/find>.
2. **Registration Confirmation.** To receive confirmation of your registration, provide an e-mail address or a self-addressed, stamped envelope.
3. **Payment in Full.** Conference Registration, Meals, and Lodging must be paid in one full payment by the listed deadline.
4. **Special Dietary Needs.** Meals are served cafeteria style and will likely accommodate most dietary requirements. If you need advance information about the menu options, you may contact the 2012 Host Committee by email at da2012wsc@gmail.com. Additionally, if you have special dietary needs, you may want to include extra meal funds in your spending plan.
5. **Extra charges.** An additional fee of \$125 will be charged if you fail to turn in your room key at the end of the conference. An additional fee of \$20 will be charged to replace a lost meal card. Room keys or meal cards not turned in at the end of the conference are considered lost and charges will apply.
6. **Refunds.** To receive a full refund (not including your own travel-related expenses), please notify the General Service Office via email (office@debtorsanonymous.org) or telephone (781-453-2743) by 4:00 pm Eastern Time, Wednesday, August 1, 2012.
7. **Terms and Conditions.** By submitting a completed registration form, you consent to the terms herein.

Conference Registration Form for GSRs, ISRs, & Trustees

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(Keep a copy of this page for your records.)

First name:	Last name:
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Registration Options

1. Conference Registration and Meals

Meal plan includes: Four breakfasts, four lunches and two dinners, per person. The meal plan is not optional and does not include the Gala Dinner.

(Choose one of the following)

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|---|-------|----------|
| a. Early: Postmarked on or before July 15, 2012 | \$475 | \$ _____ |
| b. Late: Postmarked between July 16 and August 1, 2012 | \$575 | \$ _____ |

No registrations will be accepted after August 1st.

2. Lodging *(Not included in registration fee.)*

Includes: Four nights private dormitory sleeping room with single bed and dresser. Bathroom and common areas are shared. Linens are provided. Hangers are not provided.

	\$215	\$ _____
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To register another person for lodging, please use Page 12 of this packet.

3. Gala Dinner / Talent Show / Entertainment *(Not included in registration fee.)*

There will not be a dance at this year's gala.

	\$50	\$ _____
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To register another person for the Gala, please use Page 12 of this packet.

4. Fellowship Day *(Not included in registration fee)*

	\$15	\$ _____
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To register another person for Fellowship Day, please use Page 12 of this packet.

5. John H. Scholarship Program Fund *(Optional contribution)*

		\$ _____
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6. Seventh Tradition *(Optional contribution)*

		\$ _____
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	Total Enclosed	\$ _____
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Send in Pages 1 and 2 of this Conference Registration Form, with your payment.

Please make checks payable to and mail to:

D.A. GSB
 PO Box 920888
 Needham, MA 02492-0009

Your Role at the Conference and Committee Descriptions

When attending the World Service Conference and throughout the year that follows, every GSR and ISR works on a conference committee. This includes attending all sessions of your committee during the conference, and continuing the work of your committee in monthly teleconferences and various e-mail and phone communications during the conference year that follows. In preparation for this, please consider which committee you feel offers the best opportunity for your service to D.A. If you do not make that decision prior to the conference, you can make it at the conference. For some returning delegates, rotating to a new committee provides the highest service to the D.A. fellowship. Descriptions of the committees are provided below. In addition to serving on a committee, you may also serve on one caucus.

COMMITTEES

BDA COMMITTEE (BDA)

The BDA (Business Debtors Anonymous) Committee's purpose is to carry the message to the still suffering debtor and help them apply the Steps and Traditions to all their affairs and not debt one day at a time. The BDA Committee focuses on issues specific to the needs of D.A. members who own or operate businesses, are self-employed or have a desire to own or operate businesses or be self-employed.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE (CC)

The Conference Committee is concerned with the general nature of the World Service Conference. This includes:

- The Charter of the World Service Conference and its relationship to the General Service Board and membership of D.A. as a whole.
- Issues related to the format of the annual World Service Conference of Debtors Anonymous
- Aids the Host Committee in their planning and logistics
- Recommends sites for future annual conferences.

FELLOWSHIP COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE (FCC)

The Fellowship Communication Committee generates and facilitates communication among the General Service Board, the D.A. membership and the debtor who still suffers. This function includes the administration of the "Adopt a Loner" service.

HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, & PRISONS COMMITTEE (HIP)

The Hospitals, Institutions and Prisons Committee is composed of GSRs and ISRs who would like to focus service efforts on carrying the message of D.A. to debtors confined in hospitals, institutions and prisons.

INTERNAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE (IOC)

The primary responsibility of the Internal Operations Committee (IOC) is to support the General Service Office (GSO) of Debtors Anonymous. The committee:

- Focuses on the overall office operations of the General Service Office.
- Interacts with the Board Office Liaison and the Office Manager to support the ongoing work of the GSO.

PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE (PI)

The Public Information Committee interfaces with the media, helping professionals and the general public in person, on the telephone and through written information. The Public Information Committee has:

- Produced a Public Information Manual
- Created sample Public Service Announcements.

LITERATURE COMMITTEE (LC)

D.A. Conference-approved literature begins with the Literature Committee. Members participate in all levels of the literature creative process, including:

- Generating ideas for new D.A. literature
- Works closely with members of Literature Services
- Reviews drafts of literature in process (given to them at the Conference by Literature Services)
- Approves final drafts of D.A. literature
- Brings motion to approve draft of literature to Convocation to become Conference-Approved Literature

RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (RDC)

Revenue for D.A. is the focus of the Resource Development Committee, including:

- Increasing 7th Tradition contributions and clarifying the use of 7th Tradition funds
- Encouraging member participation in service at all levels
- Communicating awareness about the concept of self-support in D.A. at the level of group, intergroup and World Service

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE (TC)

The Technology Committee is composed of GSRs, ISRs, and Trustees who have experience with and/or interest in using technology to grow DA. The Technology Committee focuses on developing the Internet, telephone, and the General Service Office's information technology to increase communication within D.A. and to reach the debtors who still suffer.

CAUCUSES

DIVERSITY CAUCUS

The mission of the Diversity Caucus is to carry the message of Debtors Anonymous to the debtor in underserved populations and locations.

INTERGROUP CAUCUS

The Intergroup Caucus is composed primarily of ISRs but also includes GSRs and Trustees who have experience with their local Intergroups. The main function of this caucus is to create tools, resources and a better understanding of the role of an Intergroup in the overall organizational structure of DA. The Intergroup Caucus helps support both new and existing Intergroups. The Intergroup Caucus also contributes to the efforts to regionalize DA.

INTERNATIONAL CAUCUS

Created by action of the 2011 WSC, the International Caucus' Statement of Purpose is to exchange information and develop initiatives to support the growth of D.A. internationally. It will meet for the first time at the 2012 WSC.

Tentative Schedule – 2012 WSC

Start and End Times		Activity
Wednesday, August 15		
12:00 noon	10:00 p.m.	Conference Registration
4:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	D.A. Meeting
5:00 p.m.	6:15 p.m.	Dinner
6:30 p.m.	9:00 p.m.	Welcome/Orientation/Opening Session/Committee & Conference Reports
9:10 p.m.	10:00 p.m.	Caucus Meetings
9:10 p.m.	10:00 p.m.	Open 12 Step Meetings
Thursday, August 16		
7:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	Conscious Contact/BDA Meeting
7:30 a.m.	8:45 a.m.	Breakfast
9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	General Session: GSB Reports
11:00 a.m.	12:00 noon	General Session: Open Forum
12:00 noon	1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 p.m.	2:00 p.m.	General Session: Open Forum (cont.)
2:00 a.m.	2:15 p.m.	Break
2:15 p.m.	4:45 p.m.	Committee Meetings
4:45 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	D.A. Meeting, General Service Board Open Meeting, Conscious Contact
5:30 p.m.	6:30 p.m.	Dinner
6:45 p.m.	8:45 p.m.	Committee Meetings
7:15 p.m.	7:45 p.m.	Committee Chair and Treasurer Training
9:00 p.m.	10:00 p.m.	Caucus Meetings
9:00 p.m.	10:00 p.m.	D.A. Meeting
Friday, August 17		
7:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	Conscious Contact/BDA Meeting
7:30 a.m.	8:45 a.m.	Breakfast
8:45 a.m.	12:00 noon	Committee Meetings
11:30 a.m.	12:00 noon	Committee Chairs meet with each other
12:00 noon	1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:15 p.m.	4:45 p.m.	Committee Meetings
5:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.	Caucus Meetings
6:00 p.m. on		Dinner on your own/Free time
8:30 p.m.	9:30 p.m.	D.A. Meeting
Saturday, August 18		
6:30 a.m.	7:20 a.m.	Conscious Contact/BDA Meeting
7:00 a.m.	8:15 a.m.	Breakfast
8:30 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	Convocation
12:00 p.m.	1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:15 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	Fellowship Day
5:30 p.m.	10:00 p.m.	Gala Dinner/Talent Show
Sunday, August 19		
6:30 a.m.	7:20 a.m.	Conscious Contact/BDA Meeting
7:00 a.m.	8:15 a.m.	Breakfast
8:30 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	Convocation and closing

Notes regarding the Convocation:

The culmination of the conference is the Convocation, which goes through **Sunday at 12:00 p.m. (noon)**. These sessions are where issues that affect the D.A fellowship as a whole will be considered and decisions will be made. Your vote is an important part of the group conscience of the World Service Conference. Plan to attend the convocation on both Saturday and Sunday, and arrange your travel so you can **stay for the entire Sunday Convocation.**

Travel, Lodging, and Metro Seattle Information

General Conference Location

Seattle Pacific University (SPU)
3307 3rd Ave West
Seattle WA 98119
www.spu.edu

Specific Dormitory Location on SPU campus

500 West Emerson Street
Seattle, WA 98119

When you Arrive on the SPU Campus

Pick up your conference materials at Emerson Hall (#57 on the SPU Campus map on page 9)

Airport

The major airport serving the Seattle area is Sea-Tac Airport (airport code: **SEA**).

Please make your flight arrangements so that you can stay for the entire Convocation on Sunday (ends at 12 pm, noon).

Transportation to/from Sea-Tac Airport to Conference Site *(preplanning recommended)*

Public Transportation – www.soundtransit.org. Combination of rail and bus transit. Approximately 1.5 hours. Involves multiple transfers. Pre-planning is recommended. Approximate cost \$10.

Airport Shuttles - <http://shuttleexpress.com/seatac-airport/default>. Fare, effective February 2012: \$36 one way. \$62 round trip.

Car Rental - Available at airport.

Taxi - Available at airport.

Driving Directions

Starting from Sea-Tac Airport: Your rental car agency will provide instructions from the airport to I-5. Once you reach I-5, begin traveling North. Proceed with directions below "From Interstate I-5".

From Interstate I-5: Coming from the North or South on I-5, take the Mercer Street Exit (number 167). Coming off the exit ramp, move into the right-hand lanes. Turn right onto Fairview Street. Continue to the stoplight and turn left onto Valley Street. At the next stoplight, turn right onto Westlake Avenue. Follow Westlake Avenue around Lake Union until it becomes Nickerson Street. Stay straight on Nickerson Street. You are now on campus. After you pass Third Avenue West, take the third parking lot entrance on the left. You will be in the Nickerson parking lot (#48 on the SPU campus map on page 9).

Once parked and out of your car, proceed to Emerson Hall (building #57 on the SPU Campus map) to pick up your conference materials.

Parking on SPU Campus

Parking is free in any lot on campus for conference attendees.

Lodging Accommodations

There are no lodging accommodations at the conference site prior to or after the conference. If you are planning to be in the Seattle area prior to Wednesday, or after Sunday, you will need to make alternate lodging plans.

Lodging check in on Wednesday 08/15/2012 is no earlier than 4:00 PM.

Lodging check out on Sunday 08/19/2012 is no later than 1:00 PM.

Special Needs

If you use a wheelchair or have a mobility challenge, the Host Committee can assist you. **The campus is situated on a hill and housing is about a block from the conference activities.** The hall where the committees will meet has one floor accessible by a ramp and one floor accessible only by stairs.

We request that you let us know in advance so that we can accommodate you. Please contact: da2012wsc@gmail.com

Amenities at Conference Site

- The WSC Hospitality Room will offer complimentary snacks to WSC attendees throughout the conference.
- Complimentary high-speed wireless internet access
- Newsstand / Coffee Shop / Vending machines
- Campus bookstore
- ATM machines/Bank
 - Weter Hall lobby
 - Outside U.S. Bank (across from the SPU Bookstore)
 - Student Union Building (SUB)

Area Grocery Stores

Corner Place Market (C-Store) Subway (inside C-Store) on campus in Gwinn Commons 206-281-2808	PCC Natural Markets - Fremont 600 North 34th Street Seattle, WA 0.5 miles (206) 632-6811	7-Eleven 9 Nickerson Street Seattle, WA 0.2 miles (206) 285-0496
Ken's Market 2400 6th Avenue West Seattle, WA 0.7 miles (206) 282-1100	Safeway (with pharmacy) 2100 Queen Anne Avenue North Seattle, WA 0.8 miles (206) 282-8090	Metropolitan Market Queen Anne 1908 Queen Anne Avenue North Seattle, WA 0.9 miles (206) 284-2530
QFC 1801 North 45th Street Seattle, WA 1.5 miles (206) 632-9253	Fred Meyer 915 Northwest 45th Street Seattle, WA 0.8 miles (206) 297-4300	Whole Foods Market 2001 15th Avenue West Seattle, WA 1.1 miles (206) 352-5440
Trader Joe's 112 West Galer Street Seattle, WA 1.1 miles (206) 378-5536	Ballard Market 1400 Northwest 56th Street Seattle, WA 1.6 miles (206) 783-7922	Metropolitan Market Uptown 100 Mercer Street Seattle, WA 1.7 miles (206) 213-0778

Area Restaurants

Anthony's Homeport (Shilshole). 6135 Seaview NW. 206-783-0780. Seafood. **3.5 miles**

Chinook's at Salmon Bay (Magnolia). 1900 W. Nickerson. 206-283-4665. Seafood. **1.4 miles**

Dick's Drive-In (Lower Queen Anne). 500 Queen Anne Ave N. 206-285-5155. **2.0 miles**

Dilettante Chocolates (Pike Place Market). 1603 First Ave. 206-728-9144. Sandwiches, soups, desserts. **3.9 miles**

Ivar's Salmon House. 401 Northeast Northlake Way. **2.5 miles**

McCormick & Schmick's 1200 Westlake Avenue North. 206-270-9052. **2.2 miles**

Pasta Bella (Ballard and Queen Anne). 206-789-4933. **4.2 miles**

Ray's Boathouse (Ballard). 206-789-3770. Seafood **3.5 miles**

Simply Desserts (Fremont). 3421 Fremont Ave. N. 206-633-2671. Desserts and baked goods. **1.0 miles**

Starbucks (Queen Anne). 2135 Queen Anne Ave N. 206-301-9477. **1.0 miles**

Via Tribunali: (Queen Anne Hill). 206-264-7768. **1.6 miles**

Wild Mountain Café (Ballard). 206-297-9453. **3.6 miles**

Zeek's Pizza (Queen Anne). 41 Dravus St. 206-285-6046. Pizza. **0.4 miles**

Service Opportunities

We want your help!

Each year, the conference provides opportunities for conference attendees to give service. If you're willing to be of service, please indicate so below, and enclose this sheet with your registration form.

Please note: *In accordance with the spirit of Tradition 6, do not promote outside enterprises or businesses.*

Your Name _____ Phone Number _____

E-mail _____

1. Fellowship Day Speakers

We are looking for people who are willing to speak for approximately ten minutes on one or more of the topics listed below. The Fellowship Day audience will be other compulsive debtors, including newcomers.

Speakers should focus their sharing on not incurring any new unsecured debt, working the Twelve Steps, using the D.A. Tools, and applying the Twelve Traditions. Speakers should share how these foundations of the D.A. program have shaped their recovery. Speakers should also share their experience of how these D.A. cornerstones relate to the listed workshop topics. Speakers must abide by the Twelve Traditions and should limit their sharing to their own experience, strength and hope in the D.A. program.

Speakers must be free from incurring unsecured debt for at least one year. At the beginning of your share, you will be asked to state how long you have been free from incurring unsecured debt.

We will have two or three speakers for each topic. **If you would like to be a speaker, please circle the topics of interest to you.**

All sessions will be recorded. Track 1 will be broadcast live via conference call. **Conference Dial-in Number: (218) 844-0850. Participant Access Code: 363385# (Tell your home group!)**

Workshop Time	Track 1: Working the Steps	Track 2: Service	Track 3: Visions	Track 4: BDA
1:15 – 2:00 PM	Getting started: Steps 1, 2, and 3	Giving back what was freely given to us	Using PRGs and action plans to move toward your vision	The history and importance of BDA
2:15 – 3:00 PM	The Work: Steps 4 – 9	How we helped grow our D.A. fellowship	The connection between going to any lengths to stop debting and achieving your vision	The results of using the Twelve Traditions in your business
3:15 - 4:00 PM	Maintenance and carrying the message: Steps 10, 11, and 12	The gift of sponsorship	Using the Twelve Steps to make your vision come true	The results of working the Twelve Steps and using the BDA tools
4:15 - 5:00 PM	Different Ways to work the Twelve Steps	General Service Board Round Table	How working the Twelve Steps leads to the fulfillment of the D.A. Promises	Using the Twelve Steps and the D.A. Tools to overcome underearning

2. Conscious Contact Sessions

This year's conference will include a series of 45-minute Conscious Contact sessions at the beginning of each day. The goal is to give members the opportunity to practice the 11th Step through meditation, music, physical movement and other spiritual practices. If you are willing to lead a Conscious Contact session, please indicate the nature of the session you would like to conduct.

Nature of your session _____

3. Gala Talent Show

Describe below your 5-minute performance. Microphones will be available. Please list any additional equipment you may need so we may try to accommodate the request.

Spending Plan Worksheet for Conference Attendees

Funds Available	Planned	Actual
Total		
Expenses: Category & Item	Planned	Actual
A. Conference Registration, Meals, and Lodging		
<input type="checkbox"/> Postmarked on or before 7/15/2012	475	
<input type="checkbox"/> Postmarked between 7/15/2012 and 8/1/2012	575	
B. Lodging	215	
C. Transportation:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Airplane, train, bus ticket, gas, tolls, etc.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Shuttle or taxi from home to local airport (Outgoing)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Shuttle or taxi from SeaTac Airport to Seattle Pacific University (SPU) on Wednesday.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Shuttle or taxi from SPU to SeaTac Airport on Sunday		
<input type="checkbox"/> Shuttle or taxi from local airport to home (Return)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation at Conference (taxi, car, public transportation, etc.)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		
D. Meals (other than meal package included in registration)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Outgoing travel meals		
<input type="checkbox"/> Return travel meals		
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday evening meal		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		
E. Fellowship Day registration fee	15	
F. Gala Dinner / Talent Show	50	
G. Tips & Gratuities		
<input type="checkbox"/> Tips for lodging		
<input type="checkbox"/> Tips for transportation		
<input type="checkbox"/> Tips for meals		
H. Miscellaneous Expenses		
<input type="checkbox"/> 7 th Tradition (A basket will be passed at convocation)		
<input type="checkbox"/> D.A. Literature		
<input type="checkbox"/> CDs of Fellowship Day (\$100.00 estimate for full set)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		
Subtotal		
I. Contingency (10% of subtotal)		
Total		

Guest Registration Form for Fellowship Day and Gala

Only General Service Representatives (GSR's) and Intergroup Service Representatives (ISR's) who have been elected by their group (or intergroup) should register for the entire Wednesday – Sunday conference. Guests are not allowed in the committee rooms (Thursday and Friday) and/or the convocation room (Saturday and Sunday mornings).

Guests are welcome to register for the Fellowship Day Lunch, the Fellowship Day, and the Gala activities that will be held on Saturday August 18, 2012.

REGISTRATION for D.A. WSC Events Saturday 08/18/2012:

NAME: _____ E-MAIL: _____

Lunch & Speaker: \$15.00 _____ PHONE: _____

Afternoon Workshops: \$15.00* _____

Gala Dinner & Event: \$50.00 _____

Make check payable to and mail to:

D.A. GSB

PO Box 920888

Needham, MA 02492-0009

TOTAL Included: \$ _____

AUGUST 1 DEADLINE TO REGISTER FOR LUNCH AND/OR GALA
(So we can give an accurate meal count to the caterer.)

*No one will be turned away from the Saturday afternoon workshops for lack of funds.

For more information please email da2012wsc@gmail.com.

Guest Lodging and Meals:

If you need lodging and/or meals for a guest, please contact office@debtorsanonymous.org. The deadline to arrange additional lodging and/or meals is August 1, 2012

John H. Scholarship Program

Description and Instructions

Purpose

The purpose of the John H. Scholarship Program is to provide financial assistance to GSRs/ISRs who are willing to be of service and to attend the Debtors Anonymous Annual World Service Conference, but lack all the necessary funds to do so.

Allocation Criteria

The allocation procedure for distribution of scholarship funds follows a process mandated by guidelines previously approved by the World Service Conference. These guidelines are available upon request from the General Service Board, Conference Support Committee.

Deadlines

1. Scholarship Applications must be received by June 8, 2012. This allows the Host Committee time to make funding decisions and advise award recipients in a timely manner.
2. Funding decisions will be made by the Host Committee no later than June 23, 2012.
3. Applicants will be notified by June 28, 2012 by telephone, e-mail, or written correspondence.

Application Instructions *(Application form is on next page)*

In the “Personal Information” section, please provide:

1. Your name, mailing address, phone number, and e-mail address.
2. Your group name and group number.

In the “Expense Information” section:

1. Registration Fee is pre-entered on the form and includes meals and lodging. Scholarship awards will be based on the early registration amount.
2. Transportation. Complete amounts for each applicable line item in this section.
3. Meals (other than meal package included in registration). Complete amounts for each applicable line item in this section, including meals in route to and from conference.
4. Miscellaneous Expenses. Complete amounts for each applicable line item in this section.
5. Subtotal. Add amounts in Rows (A-E).
6. Contingency. Multiply Subtotal of Rows (A-E) by 10%.
7. Total. Add (Subtotal) + (Contingency).
8. Amount of Group Contribution. Subtract total funds your group can contribute.
9. Amount of Scholarship needed. Enter amount requested from the scholarship fund.

Submitting the application

E-mail completed application to:

office@debtorsanonymous.org

Or mail completed application to:

WSC 2012 Host Committee

C/O: D.A. GSO

P.O. Box 920888

Needham, MA 02492

Applications must be received by **June 8, 2012**.

If you apply for a scholarship, please wait to send in your conference registration until after you have received notification regarding the final scholarship decision.

After the conference.

If you receive a scholarship award, after the conference you must:

1. Complete the “actual” column of the application form (Column “B”).
2. Mail the completed form and a check in the amount of **any unused funds** to:

D.A. GSB

P.O. Box 920888

Needham, MA 02492

John H. Scholarship Application Form

Name: _____ Group Name _____

Address: _____ Group # _____

City, State, Zip: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

D.A. E-News. I would like to subscribe to the Debtors Anonymous electronic newsletter.

YES **No** **Already Subscribed**

Applications must be received by **June 8, 2012**

E-mail completed application to:
office@debtorsanonymous.org

Or mail completed application to:
 WSC 2012 Host Committee
 C/O: D.A. GSO
 P.O. Box 920888
 Needham, MA 02492

Please complete Column (A) only

	(A)	(B)
Expenses:	Planned	Actual
A. Conference Registration and Meals – Early registration fee (DOES NOT include Fellowship Day OR Gala)	475	
B. Lodging	215	
C. Transportation – Plane, train, bus, gas, tolls, etc.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation from home to local airport + Tip		
<input type="checkbox"/> Shuttle/taxi from Seattle airport to SPU + Tip		
<input type="checkbox"/> Shuttle/taxi from SPU to Seattle airport + Tip		
<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation from local airport to home + Tip		
<input type="checkbox"/> Baggage charges and tips		
<input type="checkbox"/> Direct vehicle expense (gas, tolls, etc.)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		
D. Meals (other than meal package included in registration)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Outgoing travel meals + Tip		
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday evening meal + Tip		
<input type="checkbox"/> Gala Dinner / Talent Show	50	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		
E. Fellowship Day	15	
Sub-Total		
F. Contingency (10% of subtotal)		
Total		
Less: Amount of Group Contribution		
Total amount of scholarship requested		

Submitting Issues and Concerns to the World Service Conference

The Debtors Anonymous World Service Conference (WSC) addresses the issues and concerns of D.A. groups that affect D.A. as a whole. Using this sheet, D.A. groups or individuals can submit their issues and concerns to the General Service Office (GSO) before each conference. Throughout the year, the General Service Board (GSB), conference committees, and conference caucuses work on these and publish responses either in the WSC final conference report or the D.A. Focus. Please list any issue or concern below you would like to have considered at the WSC. It will be forwarded to the appropriate committee or caucus for their review.

This sheet (preferably an electronic copy) must be used to submit any issues and concerns to the GSO. **Issues and concerns must be received by July 15, 2012.**

For electronic submissions:

Copy and paste this sheet to a new blank document. Please type one issue per page in the space below. Save in Word or rtf format. Note that electronic copies save time for processing and distributing responses to the Fellowship.

Email to: issuesandconcerns@debtorsanonymous.org

For handwritten submissions:

Make as many copies of this sheet as you need. Please write one issue per page. DO NOT write on the back.

Mail to: **Debtors Anonymous**
P.O. Box 920888
Needham, MA 02492-0009

Optional information: CITY:
GROUP NAME:
GROUP NUMBER:

Issue or Concern for the D.A. World Service Conference: *(Please type or write your issue below.)*

Hosting a Future World Service Conference

Would Your Area Like to Host the Conference in 2014 or Beyond?

At each World Service Conference (WSC), the Conference Committee brings before the Convocation a motion to select a site for a future year's conference. Currently, site selection is occurring two years in advance. At WSC 2012, the Conference Committee will be accepting and evaluating proposals to host the 2014 World Service Conference. All areas are encouraged to consider hosting a WSC. It is suggested that smaller areas, or those areas with few meetings, work with other meetings in their region to build a strong host committee. A list of prior host committee chairpersons and samples of previous proposals can be obtained from the Conference Committee.

To assist areas interested in hosting a WSC, the following guidelines are suggested:

1. Three or more years ahead, any member of the fellowship may submit a Letter of Intent to the Conference Committee and the GSB. This letter communicates an area's interest in hosting a future WSC and serves to gauge local interest. Two or more local D.A. members should sign the letter. This does not commit an area to host, but instead allows the Conference Committee and the GSB to plan for future conferences.
2. Between three and two years out, the interested city/area/Intergroup should hold a group conscience meeting of all participating area groups and individual members willing to work on the conference, in order to gain agreement to present a formal bid to host the WSC. A written proposal is then developed. It is recommended that the proposal include:
 - a. Name of proposed host city/area (City, Intergroup, local groups, etc.)
 - b. Possible sites (hotels, retreat facilities, convention centers, colleges)
 - c. Preliminary site proposals, including bids (primarily for cost comparison of room rates)
 - d. Names, contact information, and experience of proposed Host Committee members (i.e., years in program, solvency dates, prior D.A. service, prior WSC participation, etc.)
 - e. Prior experience of local fellowship in hosting conventions, workshops, fellowship days, etc.
 - f. Details of proposed area, including airport proximity and transportation costs to/from airport, other general costs, seasonal considerations, etc.
 - g. Any other information that would help the Conference Committee understand the area's capabilities, depth of experience, willingness, etc.
3. Two years prior to the proposed bid year, one or more persons from the bidding Host Committee (do not have to be a GSR or ISR) must attend the next WSC. The presenters should submit their written proposal to the Conference Committee no later than the first committee meeting session of the conference. The Conference Committee will then, working in conjunction with the trustees' Conference Support Committee, schedule time for presenting teams to make their bid presentations and address questions.
4. By tradition, the Chair of a Host Committee whose bid has been accepted is expected to attend the World Service Conference for the year immediately prior to the WSC they'll be hosting. The Host Committee Chair has the option of attending that WSC as either an elected delegate (a General Service Representative or Intergroup Service Representative), or as a nonvoting observer. If serving as a GSR or ISR, the Chair will be a voting member of both the WSC Conference Committee and the Convocation. If attending as an observer, the Chair will attend sessions of the WSC Conference Committee and Convocation without voting rights. In either case, the Chair's costs for attending the preceding year's WSC, including registration, travel, lodging, and meals, will be paid by the Fellowship as a whole.

5. Once a host city/area is selected, a General Service Board (GSB) trustee will be assigned to the Host Committee to serve as a liaison between the Host Committee and the GSB.
6. In preparation for the conference, the GSB will:
 - a. Sign any contracts
 - b. Approve the conference income and spending plan
 - c. Approve the conference theme
 - d. Approve the registration packet
 - e. Approve flyers and fundraising outreach to the fellowship
 - f. Provide the Host Committee with seed funds (approximately one year in advance)

Other important considerations:

- The WSC is traditionally held in mid-August.
- Approximately 110 - 130 D.A. members attend the conference. A majority of the attendees are from the United States.
- Twelve breakout rooms are needed: Nine for committee and caucus meetings, one for the GSB, one for hospitality room, and one for the technology room.
- One large ballroom, set up classroom-style, is needed for the general sessions and the convocation. A second large room is needed for a buffet line and seating for meals.
- Accommodations and meals for 110-130 people will be needed, including the ability to meet special dietary requests. The GSB can provide sample menu suggestions to hotels to accommodate these needs and to ensure accurate pricing estimations.
- Saturday afternoon a Fellowship Day is traditionally held in conjunction with the WSC.
- The Saturday dinner, speaker and gala may attract additional non-delegate members and guests. Adequate seating must be assured for this event, along with additional floor space for the evening's entertainment and dancing.