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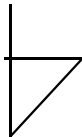
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Carrying the message of hope to the Sex Addict who still suffers

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No Financials this issue.. Next time...

PBR HAS MORE THAN WE CAN PRINT THIS ISSUE !! A MOMENT WAITED FOR !!

Although there are some gaps in what we'd like to have in the PBR each issue, this one is **FULL!!**. We have had a lot of people submit their ESH for our benefit and recovery. Thanks to all!

It is usual to have the Steps and Traditions in each issue. The ones that compare to the months of the publication. Feb-Mar should have had numbers 2 and 3, of each. After all, that's what a 12 step program is all about, eh? We hope the exception this issue will be acceptable. We'd like to hear from you! And we'd also like to have some articles on the 12&12.

We have some things left over for the next issue. Some of this we'd liked to have in this issue, but can't. **Here's an overlook of SOME of what comes in April/May....**

From the Inside:

> Got **Carroll W.'s [Sonny]** letter mid-Dec. [of "Old Brass Rail" fame]. Some "clips" next issue.

> Two notes from **Louis W.**, parts of which will be printed.

> **Bruce W.** wrote [through a Prison Outreach worker].

> **Jim Z.** sent note, gave permission and address for you to write: Jim Z 305569, Waupun Correctional Institute, P.O. Box 351, Waupun, WI 53963.

> **Roger S.** sent letter/poem, also permission and address: Roger S. 806851, Mt. Pleasant Correctional Facility, Highway 218 South, Mt. Pleasant, IA 52641-1837

> "**Stuart**"[pen name] sent poem via P.O. worker.

[Ed note: Consider your anonymity when writing to the prison community; your letters might fall into other hands. Don't give street addresses or phone numbers.]

> Promises from **Jim H.**

> Got [three] on hand from **Joel B.**, use one for sure!!

> "I Miss Him" by an **aging Dakotan.**

> Poetry by BOTH **Bill R.** and **George S.**

> **ISO Outreach** [a regular from now on...]

> **Convention '99 Prevue of activities...**

> **Board/LitCom/ISO** reports from Committees, Sub-Committees; Financial Reports.

> **Other** [If there's any room!.....]

We need to **reiterate !!!**

The PBR is **YOUR** recovery newspaper. It is **YOUR** Experience, Strength, and Hope that we, on the LitCom and PBR staff, **ONLY** pass on, to the best of our ability, to everyone else in the Fellowship. The only thing we transmit are **WORDS. YOUR words!**

If your message is well thought out, concise, of reasonable length, it makes it much easier than to try to make sense of, and edit, submissions which are up to, get this, 4000 and more words!!!! And as we look these over, the longer they are, the more they tend to contravene both Steps and Traditions. Remember, we **don't [want to]** print that which has no place in SAA Recovery. Outside issues are just that, and do NOT contribute to ANYONE'S recovery to Sex Addiction. We can't advertise or sell your merchandise, whether it's a physical product or concepts of your belief system. We err of course and things controversial may be found. Rather not.!

So... We'll send the real long ones back or, when possible, select a sentence, paragraph, or a section which we see as contributory to recovery, leaving the rest.

You know what the central theme of your message is to be. There may be several points you want to make in reporting your experience to accomodate to that theme. Re-read your submissions, do your own editing, even let all, or some of your group see it. Ask for some feed-back and suggestions. We know you have our best interests at heart when writing, else you wouldn't take the time to do it at all.

Also remember, the PBR is here for you to "unload" on if you need to. We may not print anything you write, we may not answer, but will try. But we will support you in your efforts to follow progressive recovery.

We also need your feed-back that the LitCom may make appropriate policy for what they [we] do. Love You!! Thanks !

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