

ANOTHER REWARDING WEEKEND OF SERVICE AT THE SPRING REGION 7 ASSEMBLY

Sunday weather was an issue but this seem to be part of the routine—in October we had a rainy weekend also. The emphasis of this assembly seems to be the convention Labor day weekend in Philadelphia and the Fall election for open positions on the board. Old issues of Lifeline are available for free at the WSBC if you let our trustee, Donna, know that you need them ahead of time. Donna also emphasized the availability of a new brochure # 120 titled OA COMES IN ALL SIZES.

The Assembly considered two motions that will be brought before the WSBC. The motion to spend \$20,000 for a PI campaign was approved; the motion to replace him/her with God in the STEPS and TRADITIONS was defeated. As Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee we discussed the fact that Pay Pal will be up and running on the Region 7 website in a couple of weeks which can be used for purchases of pins, paying registrations and making contributions to the assembly; reimbursement for mileage would be at 14 cents per mile (the amount allowed for charitable organizations by the IRS); discussion of the forms and procedures used for scholarship forms; to create an iron-on decal for tee shirts to be sold as a fund-raiser at the Philadelphia convention; to order 500 more pins to sell as a fund-raiser at the convention; and to print a card with an explanation for the Region7 logo to be included with the sale of these two items.

The assembly had an open discussion of sharing our experience, strength and hope on ABSTINENCE—how to get it and how to keep it. The Outreach Committee will be spending \$2500 to create a new display board and the Assembly approved a \$ 200.00 scholarship fund to cover the cost of shipping the board for inter-groups that could not afford it. The fall Assembly dates are 10/5 to 10/7 and will link up with a meeting of the Worldwide Assembly Chairs, which is held annually and will coincide with our Region 7 Fall Assembly.