

To: CJJ
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RE: Fall 2017 Assembly Report

From Friday, September 21st to Sunday, September 23rd, I had the privilege to represent Central Jersey Intergroup at the Spring Assembly. We only had 34 Representatives (which included 6 board members) – 30 is needed for a quorum. Below are the highlights of the sessions that I attended.

On Friday night, the Intergroup Renewal Committee hosted a 'Meet & Greet' to discuss how to bring more people to Intergroup meetings. Some good information was passed on:

1. There is a free phone application called "My OA Toolkit". It includes several prayers, places to keep inventory, food diaries, etc.
2. There is another free phone application called "OA Speaks". This contains Podcasts from the LA Intergroup.

I am the Chair of the 2017 Convention Committee. Here is a brief update on what's going on in that committee:

- The 2017 convention was in Ocean City, MD from November 3rd-5th. The theme will be "Step It Up". You will be able to register shortly. Cost: \$35 until 10/1; \$40 10/1-10/31; \$45 at site. Meals are \$60 (includes lunch and dinner) menu will be on-line;
- Final details regarding scholarships, registration, the Hospitality Suite and food service were ironed out.
- There will be 2 keynote speakers, 5 panel discussion workshops, 15 Interactive workshops and various special focus meetings (For Today, Voices of Recovery and a Men's).
- A new survey was developed. We will be sending out this survey regarding the 2018 convention. We will review those results by the end of the year.
- I was re-elected as Chair.
- The convention committee performed a short skit. The purpose of the skit was to market more convention attendees.
- As a post-script after Assembly, the Convention was a big success with over 200 attendees. We decided that the 2018 Convention will be at the same hotel on November 2,3 and 4, 2018. We had a large number of pre-registrations (perhaps 40-50). The 2018 convention will be called 'Recovery: A Shore Thing'.

During the Assembly sessions, we passed several motions of an administrative nature.

Motions are due /24/2018 for next Assembly. I'm looking forward to it.