

Chair's Report – July 2008

Greetings fellow addicts – My second term ends today, so thank you for the opportunity to be of service to our Region. It has been a very rewarding two years for me, watching the Lewis & Clark Area take off, meeting several new friends, and having an excellent excuse to see many old friends.

I would like to give thanks to Co-Chair John F. and others for filling in for me when I have been unable to attend. I would also like to share my deep gratitude for the opportunity to work with so many Manitoba members over the years. Having held nearly every Area position twice, it has been invigorating to try some new positions at the Region, and especially to enjoy the camaraderie and good natures of our international friends. I cannot overstate how attractive it has been for me to work with Daryl, Wendy, Dena, Myk, and Deiter over the years. I am constantly reminded how we do recover, and how recovering addicts can work together in an atmosphere of mutual respect and positive reinforcement.

I would also like to formally thank the late John B. for his steadfast support of our Region for decades. He understood some truths which I was way too slow to accept – that we truly are a world-wide fellowship, and that our Region is a very special strand in the web of Narcotics Anonymous. – Paul S.