# CSC 2011 CoDA Literature Committee Report

## I. Mission of CLC

The CoDA Literature Committee remains committed to its mission of encouraging and facilitating the creation of new literature written by and for the Fellowship of Co-Dependents Anonymous. Writing for CoDA is a wonderful way to "carry the message," as expressed in Step Twelve. The CLC welcomes participation from CoDA members.

We invite submissions from individuals and from groups. For information on current projects, to find out how to participate, and to offer suggestions for new or existing literature, please contact: CLC at **literature@coda.org**.

## II. Goals and Accomplishments for 2010-2011

The CLC set out to accomplish certain projects and achieve certain objectives and goals and successfully accomplished many of them as noted below.

**a. Identify projects and elect project leaders**. CLC reviewed the accomplishments of the CLC in 2009-2010 and under the guidance of project leaders elected by group conscience, took on the following projects:

(i) **Revision of Patterns and Characteristics of Codependence.** In response to many requests by CoDA members, CLC revised the current Patterns and Characteristics to use a third-person format in order to alleviate concerns regarding the use of "negative" affirmations. The revised version of the Patterns and Characteristics of Codependence will be presented for vote at CSC in July, 2011. Additionally, to permit those CoDA groups who prefer the "I" statement format to continue to use the existing Patterns and Characteristics as a CoDA Conference endorsed service item, CLC is submitting a motion to retain that existing service item on the CoDA website for use by those groups in the exercise of their autonomy under Tradition Four.

(ii) **Revision of Patterns of Recovery.** In response to requests for updated Patterns of Recovery, CLC revised the current Patterns of Recovery to include a recovery pattern for all of the current patterns and characteristics of codependence, and will be submitting the revised Patterns of Recovery for vote at CSC in July, 2011.

(iii) **Ongoing Projects.** CLC took on the following projects and its members are continuing their efforts for a) Grief Recovery pamphlet or booklet, b) a manual of operations in collaboration with CoRe for the publication portion of the manual; c) summaries of talks provided by CoDA members on audio CD's sold by CoRe; d) assembling personal stories of recovery for the Storygatherers Project for eventual compilation and inclusion in CoDA literature; and e) a tool for sponsors called Thirty Questions to assist sponsees in working Steps One through Three.

**b. Additional Activities**. In addition to these specific projects described above, CLC completed the following activities:

(i) **Copyright Issues**. CLC worked closely with the CoDA Board or Trustees and CoRe as requested in reviewing requests for copying or reprinting CoDA literature or service items posted on the CoDA website, related intellectual property issues and in determining the correct copyright notices on CoDA materials.

(ii) **New Service Items**. CLC reviewed, revised and approved the new ***Recovery from Codependence*** pamphlet currently on the CoDA website that was created by a local CoDA group for outreach purposes. CLC also reviewed and approved the use of the ***CoDA Step Prayers*** as a service item also now available on the CoDA website.

(iii) **New Sponsorship Booklet.** Although the new sponsorship booklet entitled "***Sponsorship: What's In It For Me?***" was endorsed by CSC in 2009, printing of it was delayed for a variety of reasons. CLC worked closely with the Board and CoRe to ensure its printing and distribution in 2010. CLC subsequently edited it for a second printing which is now available for sale through CoRe.

(iv) **Review and Editing of CoDA Literature.** At the request of CoRe in anticipation of reprints of CoDA literature, CLC members have reviewed and edited the ***Affirmations*** booklet, ***Tools of Recovery*** handbook and will be reviewing and editing the meditation book, ***In This Moment*** this year.

## III. Goals for 2011-2012

CLC will continue to support its mission stated above by working on the ongoing projects described above, continuing to support the Board of Trustees and CoRe in the publication of CoDA literature and protection of CoDA's intellectual property, and continuing to review submissions for new literature and service items as received. It will also review, edit and update existing CoDA literature prior to reprinting as requested by CoRe.

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