

# *Director's Report... 02/24/02 - 03/16/02*

## *Reflections*

Since the last report, the Council has been busy with several meetings. The By-laws Committee has met twice and the Full Council and the Executive Committee each met once. Good progress continues to be made by the By-laws Committee and the Executive Committee has taken up the issue of the Professional Advisory Council. The Board concentrated most of its last meeting on a discussion of a Vision Statement.

**Outreach** contacts over the past three weeks have included the following:

CARE/NH (Community Alliance Reform Effort) Year 3 Summit,  
Community Services Website development meeting (Community Health & Hospice);  
Laconia Area Land Trust meeting with Linda Harvey;  
Community Technical College System Board of Trustees meeting  
Granite State Youth Mentors meeting with Mimi Bergere  
Barnstead meeting with Welfare Director (w/Holly DeWald, John Egan and Cathy Apfel);  
Department of Corrections "Going Home" grant meeting;  
Press Conference at Laconia Police Department re: new City Prosecutor;  
United Way meeting with Bruce Van Derver, Executive Director;  
Horizons meeting with Jacqui Abikoff, Executive Director;  
County Human Services Coordinator meeting (w/Carol Schofeld);  
Teen Court, observation;  
Community Health & Hospice re: Channel 25 series on Early Child Development;  
Restorative Justice Advisory Committee;  
Meeting with Rick Batstone, Belknap County Sheriff's Department.

**Presentations** to outside groups have include the following:

Laconia Kiwanis Club, presentation on Citizens Council (approx. 20 people)  
Belknap County Police Chiefs Association (10 people)  
Congregational Church Men's Group (approx. 20 people)

**Training** opportunities, in conjunction with other state and private organizations included  
Structured Decision-making Process (Dept. of Children, Youth and Families)  
Asset Based Community Development (John McKnight)  
Community Leadership Institute/New Futures w/Gil Schohan

Various other internal meetings with council members and staff also occurred during this period.

## *Looking Ahead*

Scheduled meetings and presentations for the upcoming two week period include:

- 3/18 - Alton Selectmen's meeting with Council member Dick Wallace;
- 3/19 – By-laws Committee meeting (Council office at 8:15 A.M., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- 3/20 – Lakes Region Community Development Clearinghouse (SAU #30 at 7:30 A.M.)
- 3/20 – Gov. Comm. on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (Hearing at CTC/Laconia at 6:30 P. M.)
- 3/20 – County Convention Budget Hearing (7:30 P. M. at County Complex – Laconia)
- 3/21 – Restorative Justice/Mediation Training session at County Complex (6:30 P.M.)
- 3/22 – Meeting with Natalie Allen (NH DHHS District Office Director)
- 3/22 – Meeting with Ray Barrett (Genesis Behavioral Health)
- 3/22 – Mediation organizational meeting bag lunch (Council office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor))
- 3/22 – Press Conference at G&C Chambers re: Reclaiming Futures grant
- 3/26 – Juvenile Crime Enforcement Plan meeting (Council offices, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor)
- 3/28 – Meeting with NH Children Trust Fund re: Citizens Council
- 3/28 – CTC Board of Trustees meeting (Concord)
- 3/28 – Belknap County Economic Development Council, Annual meeting
- 3/29 - By-laws Committee (Council offices at 8:15 A.M., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- 3/29 – Youth Detention Center meeting w/Egon Jensen
- 3/29 – NH Rural Development Council Executive Committee meeting.

## *Events of Interest*

### **Governor's Commission on Alcohol & Drug Abuse Prevention, Intervention and Treatment**

Wednesday, March 20 from 6:30 P.M. – 8:30 P.M.

Public Forum to discuss alcohol and drug issues in our community

New Hampshire Community Technical College, Room 200A

379 New Prescott Hill Road (Route 106)

Laconia, New Hampshire

### **County Convention Budget Hearing**

Wednesday, March 20 at 7:30 P.M.

Belknap County Complex

Laconia, New Hampshire

The Citizens Council Budget will be discussed at this meeting. If all goes well. The Citizens Council will become a full Department within the County as of April 1, 2002.

Council members Gil Schohan, Alida Millham, David Russell and Dr. Jim Pilliod are planning to be in attendance.

Please call the Council office (528-3185) should you have any questions or wish to have additional information and any of the above items.

*Alan*

