

Welcome to the worldwide community of over 10,000 trained AVP facilitators as well to your local community group

You are entitled to a number of special benefits from AVP/NY and AVP/USA:

1. **Free e-subscription good for one year following your T4F workshop to *The Transformer*,**

The quarterly newsletter supporting and celebrating the facilitators of AVP workshops. Be sure your name is sent in by your local coordinator to transformer@avpusa.org Free subscriptions for new community facilitators are sent electronically. To upgrade to a paper copy, send \$5 to AVP USA, 1050 Selby Ave., St. Paul, MN 55104.

(Prisoner facilitators receive a free paper issue, after the first year the cost is \$5.)

2. After the first year, ask about the SHARE-A-TRANSFORMER DEAL Only \$20 for **all your facilitators** to receive an electronic newsletter. OR \$12/year electronic; \$16.50/year mailed. Sign up go to www.avpusa.org Click on Transformer

3. **Deep discounts on publications** especially *Basic, Advanced and Facilitators Training Manuals* from www.AVPUSA.org Check out the column **Especially for Facilitators-** "Order Manuals" Go on line, browse and set up your own account username and password, find AVP Studies, workshop aids and re-entry booklets. Find the *Organizing Kit A Guide for those Initiating or Strengthening AVP in Communities and Prisons*.

4. **Free AVP facilitator online discussion groups** (list-serves) give you a forum to find solutions to your questions about workshop challenges, local group issues and general policy questions. Just email avp-l+subscribe@avpusa.org .

5. **AVP/NY facilitator list and directory.** Please let Shirley Way, Office Coordinator for AVP/NY (315-604-7940 or 800-909-8920 or info@avpny.org) know that you would like to be on the listserv and included in the directory of AVP/NY facilitators. Only those listed receive the directory.

6. **Mentors to help with new AVP programs** are available to start you off on the right foot. Contact Shirley Way (see #5 above) or go to www.avpny.org

7. **AVP/USA Facilitators home page** on www.avpusa.org including posting new exercises, agendas, flyers, local chapter database, and heaps of information on organizing your local group and on the national organization.

8. **Attend the AVP/NY Annual Gathering and the AVP/USA national conference** for facilitators every year on Memorial Day weekend to hone your skills, discover new trends, have fun with your peers and become involved in your national organization. New York's Annual Gathering is in early September.

9. **Take advantage of Seed Grants** for local groups' development of programs. The Committee of Local and Regional Groups (CLARG) and the Finance Committee receive requests for small grants (\$500) to help your group get started in a new area. Check out www.avpusa.org for details.

Your participation in AVP/NY and AVP/USA is vital to the ongoing growth of AVP.