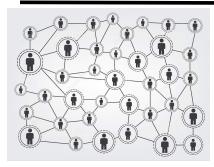
# EMERALD VALLEY INTERGROUP APRIL 2020





# Tradition 5 Primary Purpose

"Each group has but one primary purpose- to carry its

message to the alcoholic who still suffers."

# Committed to our primary purpose:

As we have heard mentioned, we are living in unprecedented times. The current state of affairs has forced us to change how we interact with one another. Daily in-person meetings have gone online or have been halted temporarily. For many of us, the stress and strain of living in economic insecurity and in social distancing can conjure feelings of loneliness and fear. It is critical, now more than ever, that we continue to carry the message to one another and to practice AA principles in all our affairs. This month's newsletter will be dedicated to helping us maintain connectivity with one another – social distancing does not need to mean complete isolation. Although our methods may be different, our message is the same: **We are not alone**. We are part of a network of support that is larger than just one gathering place.

Two sources of information for up-to-date meeting information can be found at www.eviaaweb.org as well as the EVI office 541-342-4113. The EVI office/bookstore at 741 Main St. Springfield is open M-F from 9am-5pm.

## LEARN ABOUT WAYS TO GIVE READ THE GRAPEVINE FREE

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\*AA is more than a set of principles; it is a Society of alcoholics in action. We must carry the message, else we ourselves can wither and those who haven't been given the truth will die." —Bill W., July 1955, The Language of the Heart

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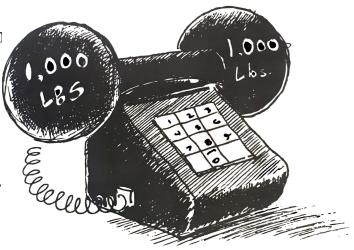
Group Celebrations 
 District and Area Events
 Giveaways

Get your group, district, area or AA friends to join in. Carry the Message, it's easy!

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## Excerpted from AA Today p. 7-8:

"From the beginning, communication in AA has been no ordinary transmission of helpful ideas and attitudes. Because of our kinship in suffering, and because our common means of deliverance are effective for ourselves only when constantly carried to others, our channels of contact have always been charged with the language of the heart."



Do you have a phone list? Do you have ten minutes? Could you call someone you haven't seen in a while?

# EVI in the news!!



# Read and view the article <u>here</u>

EVI March 2020 Financial Update				2020 Avg	Exp 2,411 12,093 1,000 13,055 20,476	Surplus over PR A Prudent Reserve shall be maintained to protect against short-term fluctuations in revenues or expense and ensure consistency in operations. If adverse changes in revenue or expense are determined to be systemic, the	prudent reserve is intended to provide operating expenses to afford EVI the time necessary to resolve the operations issues.	March         YTD         YTD% of           March         Sales         Budget           633         2,544         79%           14         150         83%           42         205         53%           92         56%         689         2,991
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EVI 2020 Financial Report	March	<u>YTD</u>		March	YTD
11th Step Meditation		120.00		320.00	320.0
645 AM Men's Group	80.00	610.00	Sunlight of the Spirit		25.0
Abnornmal Drinkers		-	Terminally Unique		-
ABC Group		-	The Way Home		-
Attitude Adjustment Group		560.00	There is a Solution		25.0
Autumn Group		-	Thurston Bell Ringers		-
Back to Basics Junction City		200.00	Thursday Night Rush Hour C.G.		-
Caduceus		-	Thursday Night Reflections		-
Carpe Diem	125.00	125.00	Thurs Night Group		-
Coburg Fire Stoppers		171.50	TNT		-
Cottage Grove Group		50.00	Tuesday Night Young Peoples		-
Creswell 12 x 12		-	Try God Group		400.0
Daily Reflections		-	Upon Awakening		-
Downtown AM group		244.00	unknown		-
Drop The Rock		-	Vintage Group	200.00	200.0
Early Firehouse Group		-	We Are Not A Glum Lot	135.00	135.0
Easy Does It		-	Wed Beginners Group		-
Everyone's Welcome		-	Wednesday Women's Big Book Study		-
Expect a Miracle		-	Wednesday Night Men's Stag		-
Freedom Bound		-	We're Working On It		-
Freedom Of Choice		60.00	Where The Rubber Meets The Road		-
Friday Night Gratitude (Cot Grove)		-	Woman's How It Works	140.00	140.0
Friday Night Stag		150.00	Women's Big Book Study		80.0
Following the Directions		-	Women's Road to Recovery		-
Get WII Group		-	Women In the Solution		130.3
Good Grief Saturday		-	Women Expect a Miracle		100.0
Gratitude Group		62.70	Young Ducks		-
GWAD (Jesco)		50.00	Total · Contributions/Group	1,600.00	6,612.0
Harrisburg Group		-		1,000100	0,012.0
How If Works		_	EVI ContributionsOther		
Jasper By The Tracks Group		_		March	YTD
Knuckleheads	150.00	150.00	District Contributions	March	
Lambda Group	150.00	130.00	Dist 20		
Last Chance Study Group		336.00	District 6	-	-
		338.00	Total District Contributions		-
Last House on the Block McKenzie River Group		16.00	Contributions/Individual	-	-
		18.00	Faithful Fivers		
Men's Undisiplined Monday Noon Stag		20.00	Individual - Other	458.58	674.8
		20.00	Total Contributions/Individual	458.58	674.8
New Freedom		-	ContributionsOther	430.30	6/4.0
Oakridge Group	300.00	- 600.00			
No Rules Group One Day at a Time	500.00	600.00	EASYPAA ORCYPAA		-
		-		_	-
Physical Awakenings		-	Fund Raiser	_	-
Plant a Seed		-	Assembly Host Com		-
River Road Friday Night Book St		-	Summerfest		-
River Road Recovery	100.00	-	ContributionsOther	-	-
Saturday Morning Steps	150.00	150.00	FundRaising		
Saturday Night Book Study		-	Activities	_	-
Seniors for Sobriety		71.50	CPC-PI		-
Serenity on Sunday		-	Speaker Meeting		-
Serenity Seekers West		-	FundRaising	-	-
Sickman's Group		-			
Sisters of Sobriety		245.00			
Sober Awakenings		815.00			
SOS Group		-	<u>\$</u> /∧ ∧	10	
Sobriety for Life		250.00	Ι ( <b>Ϋ</b> ΑΑ	Im	
Springfield Men's Stag		-			
Springfield Study Group		-	RECOVER	ΥZ®	
Stairway to Sobriety		-			
Step 123 Women's Group		-			
Sunday AM B.B. Study Group		-		J	
Sunday Women's Step Study		-			
Sunday Night Book Study		-		1 1 1	1
Sunrise at Sunset		-			
Sunrise Serenity		-			

**Emerald Valley Intergroup Business Minutes** 

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March 9, 2020

Opening: Serenity Prayer

Introductions (Quorum is 15 EVI Representatives) 22 group representatives New EVI Representatives: 4 new EVI representatives.

APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: motion, 2nd, passed

**APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT:** Off to a good start. Currently over budget and \$7900 over prudent reserve. Motion, 2nd, passed.

APPROVE AGENDA: Motion, 2nd, passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS (limited to two minutes)

**Steering** (Chair); 1)Doing EVI "analytics" so we have data to take to new groups so we can inform new groups what we do for Alcoholics in our community. Developed an Ad-hoc committee.

2)Formed and ad-hoc to rewrite the office volunteers manual. New Office coordinator guidelines. 3)Steering committee and EVI meetings will not hold hands, going "toe to toe".

**Grapevine;** Allen, Binder party, March 23 to put grapevines into the new binders, food is provided. **Office Coordinator;** Need volunteers Monday- Friday. 6mos sober. Gregory is rotating, thanks Gregory for your service.

Activities; Lynn, meets on the 1st Sunday at 12;30. Movie night March 28, 6:00 Campbell, Java Jive is about full.

H&I (Hospitals & Institutions) Curt, good turnout. Rotating positions in March. 2yr sobriety required.

**Outreach;** Clint, gathering data for "analytics" to present to new groups. Meeting 2nd tues. 5:30. **Speaker Meeting;** Kay, Committee has done a great job keeping things going in Kay's absence. New Flier.

**CPC/PI** (Cooperation with the professional community/public information) Sierra, Meeting tomorrow, 6:30, will have some new ideas.

Meeting Guides; Ellen, updated meeting guides tri fold. Master copy in office.

Website; Not here

Archivist; No report

Literature; Jenny, getting ready for a new order.

Diverter; Not here

Newsletter; Della, copies are available.

**Al-anon;** Joann, "alcoholism is a family disease" triangle. New alateen meeting. Workshop about alateen coming up. EVI is "cooperation not affiliation" with Al anon.

Tech Support; Dave, fixing broken forms. Working on PayPal.

#### **OLD BUSINESS -**

1. Open positions. Activities co-Chair; Take to your group. Outreach co-Chair; Take to your group. Website co-Chair; Eugene is available. Motion to waive 6mos requirements for co-

chair, 2nd, passed, minority opinion, re-vote, Passes. Service resume by Eugene, voted in.

#### **NEW BUSINESS** -

• Add Tech Support bylaws update. Take to your group, 1 yr commitment for the Chair and co Chair. 1 yr sobriety for Chair, 6mos for co-Chair.

- Speaker meeting. Propose by-law change to make Speaker Meeting a 2 yr term for Chair and cochair, 2nd. Discussion. Motion to vote tonight, 2nd, not passed, Motion tabled, take back to your group. Motion to table EVI speaker meeting election until next month, 2nd, passed.
- Rotating positions in March;

Office coordinator Chair and co-Chair; Radley is available, service resume, elected. Co-Chair is open. CPC/PI Chair and co-Chair; Sierra will remain as Chair, elected, Byron will remain as co-Chair, elected. **Diverter Chair and co-Chair**; Suspend until next month, 2nd, passed.

EVI speaker Chair and co-Chair; Tabled until April. Tech committee Chair and co-Chair; Tabled until April.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS;** Coburg firestoppers can't meet. John "God hears us all" meeting for hearing impaired, Thursday, 5pm 1376 Olive St.

**BIRTHDAYS AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS;** Leah 36yrs. **CLOSING** Responsibility Statement 7:32

#### 4-6-2020 EVI Steering Committee Minutes



- Zoom online meeting at 5pm, going over protocol.
- Open with Serenity Prayer
- Introductions: Curt, Terry, Mary, Leah, Chaz, Jude, Steve, Matt, Brenda, Meg, Stephen (guest), Mary, Radley.
- Stephen is helping on Primary Purpose ad-hoc. Need groups/EVI to use secure Zoom. Introduced some best practices for having Zoom meetings. Shared a Powerpoint to highlight the different accounts. Discussion about need for accounts for EVI.
- Treasurer report; currently over prudent reserve. PayPal is working well to get contributions. Motion to approve, 2nd, passed.
- Bookkeeper report; Craig sent report. Everything seems well.
- A lot of Ad-hoc committees are going on. See handout from Chair.
- Proposed changes to Social Distancing Policy. Radley simplified the printout. Motion to approve the new policy, 2nd, passed.
- Question about having one person in the EVI office on a volunteer shift. Discussion. No formal policy, but volunteers are encouraged to close if they are the only one there. Suggest adding some language to the Manual.
- Office hour adjustment. Motion to have EVI open M-F, 12-4, 2nd, amended, to M-F normal hours, 2nd, passed. Leah will contact Diverter for weekend coverage.
- Single signer on checks during stay at home. Temporary, Curt is sending digital copies of written checks to Leah. 2 people verify.
- New Business: Suggestion to have phone sponsors available on diverter list. Discussion.
- Close with Responsibility Statement at 6:15

# More online AA gatherings

Intercounty Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous

## A.A. IN WAR & CRISIS: A HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

#### RCHIVES COMMITTEE PRESENTS A

The SF & Marin Archives Committee is honored to share the experience, strength and hope of A.A. members, local Intergroups and the General Service Office during times of war and crisis at home and abroad. From World War II to 9/11 and Hurricane Katrina, learn the ways A.A.'s have found to stay connected, stay sober and help the suffering alcoholic.

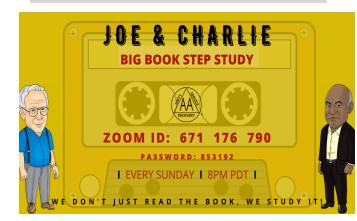
Saturday, April 11, 2020

#### 2 to 4pm

Presentations by Roger W. (Fort Knox, KY), Panel 68 Delegate, Area 26 Greg M. (Henderson, NV), G.S.O. Manager 1999 – 2019 Moderated by Jackie B. (San Francisco, CA)

> Join online or smartphone https://zoom.us/j/754500377 Join by Telephone (669) 900-6833 Meeting ID: 754 500 377

#### International Women's **Corona Woodstock Of AA APRIL 11<sup>TH</sup> & 12<sup>TH</sup>** Zoom Meeting ID: 360 364 347 🗲 Password: 992155 All meetings are Central Daylight Time (CDT) Or dial by your location: +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) +1 929 205 6099 US (New York) +1 301 715 8592 US +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston) +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose) +1 253 215 8782 US Find your local number: https://zoom.us/u/ai02YnbOM All meetings are Central Daylight Time (CDT) SATURDAY, APRIL 11TH 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Step 1 Brenda J. (McKinney, TX) 10:15 AM - 11:15 AM Step 2 Tina H. (Waukesha, WI) 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM Step 3 Sloan B. (Waukesha, WI) 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM Steps 4 & 5 Jennifer H.-K. (Plano, TX) 2:45 PM - 3:45 PM Steps 6 & 7 Judith R. (Bismarck, ND) Lisa L. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Steps 8 & ay Beach, FL) 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Al Anon y 5. Justin, TX) SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Chris C. (Coshocton, OH) Step 10 11:15 AM - 12:15 PM Christina G. (Brecksville, OH) Step 11 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM Step 12 Snow P. (Boca Raton, FL)





# Do you know where to find a meeting?

Check out the EVI homepage:

https://eviaaweb.org/meetings/

Check out the Meeting app:



Check out the "Motherlist of online meetings":

https://docs.google.com/spread sheets/u/0/d/1gz\_z2U9Vy9uReIyY6q4itNXJsUhn87M4 Wco-a-KeT8/htmlview

# Words to live by:

#### **Dr Bob's Dialogue**

"The trouble with us alcoholics was this: We demanded that the world give us happiness and peace of mind in just the particular way we wanted to get it - by the alcohol route. And we weren't successful. But when we take time to find out some of the spiritual laws, and familiarize ourselves with them, and put them into practice, then we do get happiness and peace of mind. I feel extremely fortunate and thankful that our Heavenly Father has let me enjoy them. Anyone can get them who wishes to. There seem to be some rules that we have to follow, but happiness and peace of mind are always here, open and free to anyone. And that is the message we can give to our fellow alcoholics."

From Dr. Bob's last major talk December 1948 Detroit, Michigan