

June 2023 Newsletter

Emerald Valley

Intergroup



Questions about AA?

Call the EVI office: 541-342-4113
Available 24/7

Visit Us: 2160 West 11th, Suite 1 97402
Open Mon-Fri 9AM-5PM, Sat-Sun
9AM-4PM

EVI Website: www.eviaa.org
Find a Meeting: www.eviaa.org/meetings/

Upcoming HYBRID EVI Business Meeting

Monday, June 19 @ 6:30pm PST

In-Person: 2160 W.11th, Unit I, Eugene,
Online: Zoom ID 870 5057 1775
Password: 656291

Business meetings occur every 3rd
Monday of the month!

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Summerfest 2023 **SAVE THE DATE!**

KEYS TO THE KINGDOM 

NEW INFO!
46TH ANNUAL SUMMERFEST
AUGUST 11, 12 & 13, 2023
at the **GRADUATE HOTEL**
Eugene, Oregon

Summerfest 2023
KEYS TO THE KINGDOM
SPONSORED BY FRIENDS OF SUMMERFEST

Events/Highlights:	Speakers
<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ AA and Al-Anon Meetings➤ Banquets➤ Panels, Speakers and Workshops➤ Raffle, Bingo, and Silent Auction➤ Friday Social & Saturday Night Dance	<p>Heather H, Seaside OR</p> <p>Joette N, Athens GA</p> <p>Jimmy D, Malibu CA</p> <p>◆ <i>And many more from all around the country.</i></p>

WATCH THE WEBSITE FOR UPDATES!

\$40 Pre-Registration • \$50 After June 30th

Visit our website at AA-Summerfest.org to register.
Please note that registration is online this year!
In person registration will be available on-site at the event.
Watch our website and Facebook page for updates.

Get in Touch

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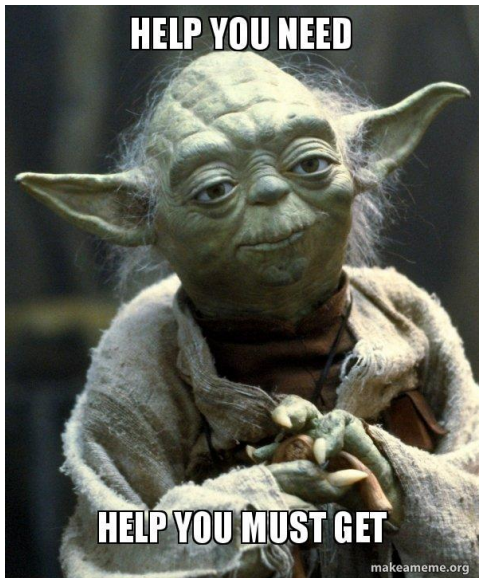
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EVI Newsletter Feedback Survey ([LINK HERE](#))

Please complete by Sunday, July 9.


The EVI Newsletter Team needs your help!

We are looking for feedback on the current EVI Newsletter to ensure that we are meeting the community's needs through newsletter content and accessibility.

Thank you for taking a few minutes to complete the [EVI Newsletter Survey](#) so we can better serve you and our AA community.

Overview of [EVI Newsletter Survey](#) Guiding Questions

1. Do you read the online EVI Newsletter? How do you access the newsletter? How do you read the newsletter?
2. What content in the newsletter is most useful for your recovery journey and/or AA Service? What would you like to see in the newsletter that is currently not in the newsletter?
3. Are you interested in seeing the newsletter in print? If so, would you support reallocating EVI funds to create a print budget?
4. Are you interested in contributing to the newsletter? If so, what would you like to contribute and how often?



Celebrating 75 Years Anniversary

Pacific Northwest Conference

**A.A.'S THREE LEGACIES
OUR COMMON SOLUTION**

JUNE 23-25, 2023
PORTLAND, OREGON
HOLIDAY INN, PORTLAND AIRPORT
RESERVATION CODE: PNC2023

www.PNC1948.org

PNC needs your help...

In order to keep PNC welcoming to all who wish to attend, our committee is in need of monetary assistance for our Spanish and ASL translation/interpretation. Thank you for your voluntary contribution!

Please send to:

PNC2023
1330 LINCOLN ST.
EUGENE, OR 97401

Or...



History of Pacific Northwest Conference

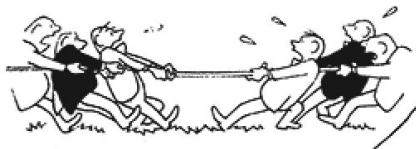
In February of 1948, Bill W. was in Seattle, WA, and spoke to a standing-room-only crowd of AA's and their families. Following the meeting, Bill and some other members from Seattle were driving to Vancouver B.C. when Bill elaborated on his plan for a conference.

The First Pacific Northwest Conference (PNC) convened in Vancouver, BC, Canada Area 79 in May of 1948. The oldest continuing conference in AA still provides an opportunity for AA's from all over the Pacific Northwest to gather together and share, learn, reach out and have fun. The conference typically includes speakers, panels, workshop, and please join us in any of our fellowship events.

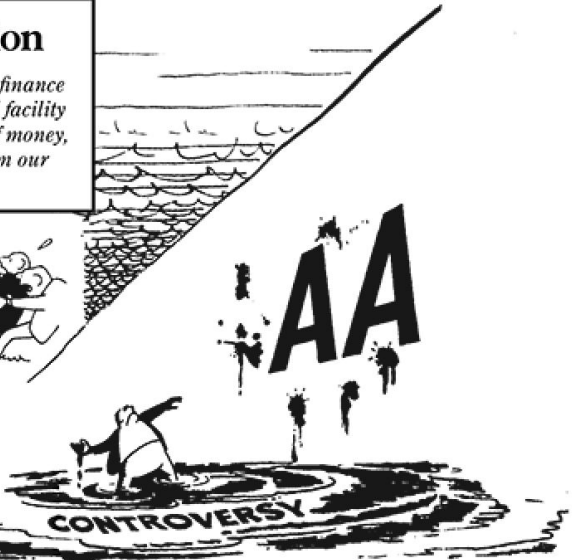
For more information or to register visit www.PNC1948.org

The Sixth Tradition

An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.



We found that there are all kinds of goals, motives and ambitions...
...and the good name of A.A. could be smeared!



The "related facility" may be an outside group combating alcoholism—or an enterprise that AA's want to start. It was the latter that most often confronted the young Fellowship. Outside agencies were pretty scarce in those days, and some members thought AA should cover the whole alcoholism field. Led by a "super-promoter" (as the "Twelve and Twelve" describes him), one group built an all-purpose center, including a section for drying-out treatment. Picture any group tackling such a project! Arguments over cost, architecture, staff, fees, medication, and rules might even make the local paper. (And pity the poor newcomer straying into the group—"We'll get around to you in a minute.")

Though that ambitious center failed, some individual members have since founded successful clubhouses, rest farms, halfway houses, etc. The enterprises are run by these AA's and patronized by other members or prospective members. But money and property *are* involved. Therefore, it has proved wise to keep the operation of the facility completely separate from that of any A.A. group, and to keep "A.A." or terms like "Twelfth Step" out of the name.

Toward outside agencies dealing with alcoholism, the A.A. policy is "cooperation but not affiliation." A group cooperates, for example, by welcoming referrals from clinics or by sponsoring A.A. groups in institutions. But in one area, money for a rehab was solicited *at an A.A. meeting*—implying affiliation. In another, A.A. was listed among beneficiaries of a United Fund drive....

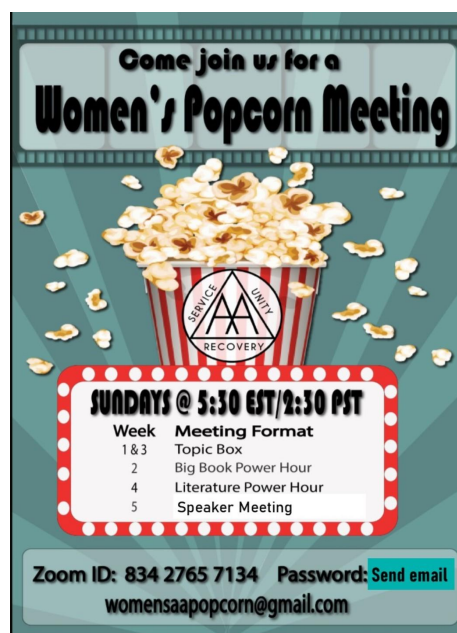


6th TRADITION INVENTORY

Credit: Take the 12, <https://takethe12.org/t6/>

As it states at the top of this page, the 12 Traditions were created to help each A.A. group maintain unity and relate better to the world about us. With that in mind, they have been widely used in helping us learn how to be in better relationships with everyone in our life. Below is a snapshot inventory you can take to see how well you are honoring the spiritual principle found in this Tradition (in and out of the rooms of A.A.). (The foundation of this inventory is from the A.A. Tradition's Checklist first published in the A.A. Grapevine)

1. Should my fellow group members and I go out and raise money to endow several AA beds in our local hospital?
2. Is it good for a group to lease a small building?
3. Are all the officers and members of our local club for AAs familiar with "Guidelines on Clubs" (which is available free from GSO)?
4. Should the secretary of our group serve on the mayor's advisory committee on alcoholism?
5. Should my home group align itself with a treatment center for alcoholics?
6. Should my home group support any other type of treatment plan other than the one found in our basic text?



Area 58 Hospitals Committee Service Opportunity

They are seeking volunteers to take an AA Meeting into the Junction City and Salem State Hospitals!

- Commitment requires 1 year sobriety and 1 year off probation
 - The service commitment is to take one meeting in a month
 - You would go into the hospital in pairs with a fellow AA volunteer
 - We went from 50 volunteers pre-COVID to 3 volunteers post-COVID, and our fellow AAs in those hospitals are hungry for meetings to return!
 - There is a certification process to go through, but don't be discouraged! Hospital committee is here to support every step of the way
- If you're interested please email the Hospital Committee at hospitals@aa-oregon.org

For further information contact Mikaila at hospital-n@aa-oregon.org or Kailup at hospitals_chair@eviaa.org.

Area 58 Hospital Committee

**Carry the AA Message
Into the Oregon State Hospital**

You can participate by bringing an AA meeting inside Oregon State Hospitals!

The commitment is to take an AA meeting into either the Junction City or Salem Mental Health Hospital one day a month. This is usually done in pairs, but you do not need to have a partner identified to start this process, the Hospitals Committee is happy to help pair you with a second AA.

The sobriety requirement is one year and one year off probation.

Needed When You Apply to Volunteer for Recovery Services:

- Completed volunteer registration form
- Two references (this can be your sponsor and the Hospital Committee members)
- Criminal background history check approval form

Takes Place During the Certification Process:

- Immunization status of COVID and Influenza
- Proof of TB exam (test can be provided by OSH)
- OSH Safety Orientation class

Important! This is not an actual Clearance Form but a request for one.

Once the Oregon Area Hospitals Committee has received your request, we will send you the necessary forms to get started! We are here to help if you have any questions.

Fill out the paper form below, or email us the following information at:
hospitals@aa-oregon.org

Oregon State Hospital AA Volunteer Registration Request Form

Date: ____/____/____

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Sobriety Date: ____/____/____

"Each of us in turn - that is, the member who gets the most out of the program - spends a very large amount of time on Twelfth Step work in the early years. That was my case, and perhaps I should not have stayed sober with less work."
Bill W. Letter 1959

Rev: 2/23/2023

The EVI Office Needs Volunteers

The EVI office is open seven days a week and is:

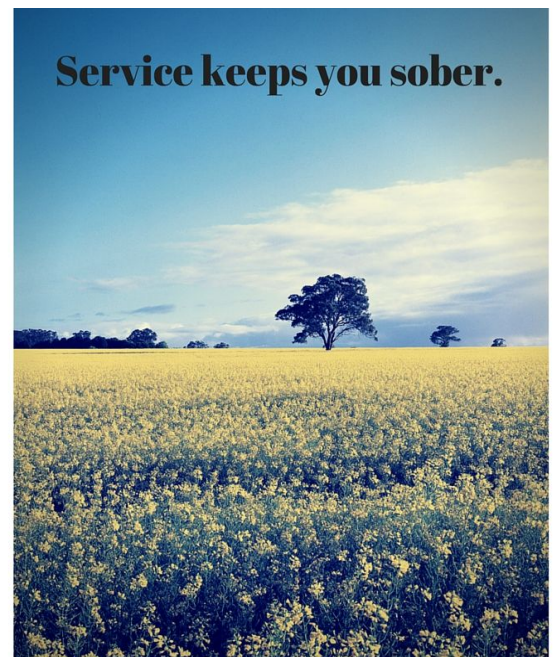
- A safe haven for all of us in recovery
- An informational resource center
- Often a first step in someone reaching out for help from the hand of AA
- A lifeline that provides directions and information about meetings and 12-Step call resources

Volunteer Shift: 4 hours a week

Available Slots: Monday - Friday, either 9am-1pm or 1pm - 5pm, Saturday and Sunday, either 9am-12pm or 12pm-4pm

If you are willing and able to help the EVI office, please contact Carol B. at emeraldvalleyintergroupoffice@gmail.com or stop by 2160 W.11th Unit I. She'd love to show you around.

Office Volunteer Coordinator/Bookkeeper Carol B writes, "We may not be very busy with walk in traffic or calls, but our front door is unlocked and available and the contacts we make are very rewarding."



Dr. Bob's Thoughts on Anonymity

-Dr. Bob and the Good Old Timers
- Member Contribution: Ron S.

Warren recalled, "He [Dr. Bob] said there were two ways to break the anonymity Tradition: (1) by giving your name at the public level of press or radio; (2) by being so anonymous that you can't be reached by other drunks."

In an article in the February 1969 Grapevine, D. S. of San Mateo, California, wrote that Dr. Bob commented on the Eleventh Tradition as follows:

"Since our Tradition on anonymity designates the exact level where the line should be held, it must be obvious to everyone who can read and understand the English language that to maintain anonymity at any other level is definitely a violation of this Tradition."

"The A.A. who hides his identity from his fellow A.A. by using only a given name violates the Tradition just as much as the A.A. who permits his name to appear in the press in connection with matters pertaining to A.A."

"The former is maintaining his anonymity above the level of press, radio, and films, and the latter is maintaining his anonymity below the level of press, radio, and films - whereas the Tradition states that we should maintain our anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films."

Speakers Needed



Welcome!

We are an AA online group focused on sharing experience, strength, and hope. Thank God for the traditions that bind us. We believe that Bill and Bob would be proud of technology enabling us to reach alcoholics in their respective environments. "We shall be with you in the fellowship of the spirit, and you will surely meet some of us as you trudge the road of Happy Destiny".

AA UNITY IN RECOVERY ZOOM GROUP

Meetings are starting October 11, 2020. In an effort to keep our meetings safe, we ask that you email for the password.

aa.unityinrecovery@gmail.com

 MEETING ID: 720 314 8528

MON: 7 PM CST CLOSED DISCUSSION (AA LITERATURE)

WED: 7 PM CST CLOSED DISCUSSION (AA LITERATURE)

FRI: 7 PM CST OPEN SPEAKER MEETING

SUN: 10 AM CST CLOSED SPIRITUAL MEETING

The online AA Unity in Recovery group is looking for speakers for their **Friday night** open speaker meeting on Zoom.

The meeting is at 7PM CST
Password is **aaunity**.

If you have 1 year of sobriety and a clear message of recovery contact the group at aa.unityinrecovery@gmail.com.

They are currently scheduling for September 9 and September 16

EVI Calendar of Events

Have an event you'd like to add to the EVI calendar or a flyer you'd like to include in the newsletter? Email the newsletter at evinewsaa@gmail.com

JULY 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
25	26	27	28 HGI MEETING 6:00-7:00PM ZOOM	29	30	1 1ST SAT. SPEAKER MEETING JULY 1-5:30 - 8:00PM 2537 GAME FARM ROAD/ZOOM
2 1ST SUNDAY SPEAKER MEETING 1:30 - 3:00PM HILYARD COMMUNITY CENTER	3	4 EVI 4TH OF JULY BBQ 12:00 - 3:00 PM CAMPBELL SENIOR CENTER	5	6	7	8 EVI SPEAKER MEETING 7:00 - 9:00 PM BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH
9 CPCPI MONTHLY COMMITTEE MEETING 2:00 - 3:00PM ZOOM	10 EVI STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 6:30 - 7:30PM ZOOM	11 CPC/PI COMMITTEE MEETING 6:30-7:30PM ZOOM	12	13	14	15 3RD SPEAKER MEETING 6:30-7:30 PM VALLEY METHODIST CHURCH
16	17 EVI BUSINESS MEETING 6:30-7:30PM EVI OFFICE/ZOOM	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 HGI MEETING 6:00-7:00PM ZOOM	27	28	29

AUGUST 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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EVI SPEAKER MEETING



Saturday, July 8, 7PM

Al Anon Speaker
AA Speaker

Bethesda Lutheran
Church
445 Royal Ave., Eugene

4th of JULY
RED, WHITE & BBQ
Tuesday July 4, 2023
FAMILY FRIENDLY! - 10:30 - 4:00
CAMPBELL SENIOR CENTER
155 HIGH STREET, EUGENE
LAWN GAMES!

In-Person Meetings
Click [HERE](#) to view area in-person meetings.

Online Meetings
Click [HERE](#) for area online meetings.

Who Is A Member Of Alcoholics Anonymous?

The origins of our Third Tradition By Bill W.

- Member Contribution: Ron S.

The first edition of the book *Alcoholics Anonymous* makes this brief statement about membership: "The only requirement for membership is an honest desire to stop drinking. We are not allied with any particular faith, sect or denomination, nor do we oppose anyone. We simply wish to be helpful to those who are afflicted." This expressed our feeling as of 1939, the year our book was published.

Since that day all kinds of experiments with membership have been tried. The number of membership rules which have been made (and mostly broken!) are legion. Two or three years ago the Central Office asked the groups to list their membership rules and send them in. After they arrived we set them all down. They took a great many sheets of paper. A little reflection upon these many rules brought us to an astonishing conclusion. If all of these edicts had been in force everywhere at once it would have been practically impossible for any alcoholic to have ever joined Alcoholics Anonymous. About nine-tenths of our oldest and best members could never have got by!

Who'd Have Lasted?

In some cases we would have been too discouraged by the demands made upon us. Most of the early members of AA would have been thrown out because they slipped too much, because their morals were too bad, because they had mental as well as alcoholic difficulties. Or, believe it or not, because they did not come from the so-called better classes of society. We oldsters could have been excluded for our failure to read the book *Alcoholics Anonymous* or the refusal of our sponsor to vouch for us as a candidate. And so on, *ad infinitum*. The way our "worthy" alcoholics have sometimes tried to judge the "less worthy" is, as we look back on it, rather comical. Imagine, if you can, one alcoholic judging another!

At one time or another most AA groups go on rule-making benders. Naturally enough, too, as a group commences to grow rapidly it is confronted with many alarming problems. Panhandlers begin to pan-handle. Members get drunk and sometimes get others drunk with them. Those with mental difficulties throw depressions or break out into paranoid denunciations of fellow members. Gossips gossip, and righteously denounce the local Wolves and Red Riding Hoods. Newcomers argue that they aren't alcoholics at all, but keep coming around anyway. "Slippees" trade on the fair name of AA, in order to get themselves jobs. Others refuse to accept all the Twelve Steps of the recovery program. Some go still further, saying that the "God business" is bunk and quite unnecessary. Under these conditions our conservative program-abiding members get scared. These appalling conditions must be controlled, they think. Else AA will surely go to rack and ruin. They view with alarm for the good of the movement!

At this point the group enters the rule and regulation phase. Charters, by-laws, and membership rules are excitedly passed and authority is granted to committees to filter out undesirables and discipline the evil doers. Then the group elders, now clothed with authority, commence to get busy. Recalcitrants are cast into the outer darkness, respectable busybodies throw stones at the sinners.



Cont...Who Is A Member Of Alcoholics Anonymous?

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As for the so-called sinners, they either insist on staying around, or else they form a new group of their own. Or maybe they join a more congenial and less intolerant crowd in their neighborhood. The elders soon discover that the rules and regulations aren't working very well. Most attempts at enforcement generate such waves of dissension and intolerance in the group that this condition is presently recognized to be worse for the group life than the very worst that the worst ever did.

After a time fear and intolerance subside. The group survives unscathed. Everybody has learned a great deal. So it is, that few of us are any longer afraid of what any newcomer can do to our AA reputation or effectiveness. Those who slip, those who pan-handle, those who scandalize, those with mental twists, those who rebel at the program, those who trade on the AA reputation - all such persons seldom harm an AA group for long. Some of these have become our most respected and best loved. Some have remained to try our patience, sober nevertheless. Others have drifted away. We have begun to regard these ones not as menaces, but rather as our teachers. They oblige us to cultivate patience, tolerance and humility. We finally see that they are only people sicker than the rest of us, that we who condemn them are the Pharisees whose false righteousness does our group the deeper spiritual damage.

Ours Not to Judge

Every older AA shudders when he remembers the names of persons he once condemned; people he confidently predicted would never sober up; persons he was sure ought to be thrown out of AA for the good of the movement. Now that some of these very persons have been sober for years, and may be numbered among his best friends, the old-timer thinks to himself "What if everybody had judged these people as I once did? What if AA had slammed its door in their faces? Where would they be now?"

That is why we all judge the newcomer less and less. If alcohol is an uncontrollable problem to him and he wishes to do something about it, that is enough for us. We care not whether his case is severe or light, whether his morals are good or bad, whether he has other complications or not. Our AA door stands wide open, and if he passes through it and commences to do anything at all about his problem, he is considered a member of Alcoholics Anonymous. He signs nothing, agrees to nothing, promises nothing. We demand nothing. He joins us on his own say so. Nowadays, in most groups, he doesn't even have to admit he is an alcoholic. He can join AA on the mere suspicion that he may be one, that he may already show the fatal symptoms of our malady.

Of course this is not the universal state of affairs throughout AA. Membership rules still exist. If a member persists in coming to meetings drunk he may be led outside; we may ask someone to take him away. But in most groups he can come back next day, if sober. Though he may be thrown out of a club, nobody thinks of throwing him out of AA. He is a member as long as he says he is. While this broad concept of AA membership is not yet unanimous, it does represent the main current of AA thought today. We do not wish to deny anyone his chance to recover from alcoholism. We wish to be just as inclusive as we can, never exclusive.

Perhaps this trend signifies something much deeper than a mere change of attitude on the question of membership. Perhaps it means that we are losing all fear of those violent emotional storms which sometimes cross our alcoholic world; perhaps it bespeaks our confidence that every storm will be followed by a calm; a calm which is more understanding, more compassionate, more tolerant than any we ever knew before.

PI & CPC Updates

Hi Friends,

It's a jam-packed month! Here is [June's PI & CPC Working Group meeting review](#). Our members shared some outreach they have done in education, unions, work with the elderly, and medical professionals - check it out. During the meeting, we discussed a public speaking demonstration. There's a flyer attached with information and a [zoom link](#), it will be on June 24, 2023, at 9 am Pacific and 12 pm Eastern.

We are hosting a workshop, Sobriety Through Service: to reach the still-suffering AA needs you, on June 28, 2023. The flyer is attached. Please share at your meetings, districts, areas, and intergroup so everyone can learn the importance of PI & CPC work.

Our next meeting is on July 8, 2023. Zoom specifics are below and June's flyer is attached to share with any folks in your area.

In service,

Jen W.
Humble Admin
cpcpi.raleighaa@gmail.com

PI & CPC Working Group: Meeting Review 06/10/2023

Overview of National CPC and PI Working Group:

Tim C. Lead. picpceastbay@gmail.com

If we don't want others defining our organization and the program of recovery in the public square, we must define ourselves. The conference cannot solve our problems locally: It is up to us to carry that message. The Internet is the primary tool used by the public. We have very little competition on the internet for organic search or non-paid search, we just need to get our websites up to speed. Our local websites for Groups, Districts, Areas, and especially Intergroup Central Offices are the foundation of our outreach efforts. We have created a document with training links, examples of landing pages and much more in our [shared drive](#).

Engaging Our Membership: Intergroup, districts, and areas giving pushback about reaching out to the public. This group has created an outreach tri-fold brochure that targets our members explaining PI & CPC and why it's important. We've also set up a companion webpage with the same information that includes links to the brochure. One brochure has contact information for the Working Group, the other has space for you to put your local information. If you need help personalizing, please reach out to Jen and she can help you.

<https://www.aabayarea.org/pi-cpc-members/>.

Sobriety Through Service Workshop June 28, 2023: Get your community AA and Al-Anon members to this workshop to understand what is PI & CPC. There are 8 speakers presenting including Nancy McCarthy (Past Class A Trustee), Larcine (Al-Anon), Joanne (Past Class B Trustee) and Kerri K (Area 46 Alt-Delegate & Past Webmaster). Flyer included in review email. *Call for service: We need Spanish Interpreters.*

PI & CPC WORKING GROUP WORKSHOP

SOBRIETY THROUGH SERVICE

To reach the still-suffering, AA Needs You!

June 28, 2023 - 1.5 hours
with Spanish Interpretation

The primary objective of our public outreach committees is to help the public and professionals better understand alcoholism and AA. Our friends must know who we are to recommend us. These grassroots efforts need AA members and homegroup support to help the still-suffering.

Two presentations times to accommodate everyone

7:00 pm Eastern	10:00 pm Eastern
6:00 pm Central	9:00 pm Central
4:00 pm Pacific	7:00 pm Pacific

Presentors

- Sobriety Through Service: The Primary Purpose - Paul C., Past Class B Trustee
- PI & CPC: The Primary Purpose - Tim C., PI & CPC Working Group
- Healthcare: Helping Those on the Front Line - Dr. Chris B.
- Courts & Parole - Nancy McCarthy, Past Class A Trustee
- AA & Al-Anon: Working Together to Reach Those Who Need Help - Larcine G, Al-Anon
- Digital Outreach: AA and the Internet - Kerri K., Area 46 Alt-Delegate & Past Technology Chair

With Al-Anon Participation: All AA and Al-Anon members welcome

Hosted by: The PI & CPC Working Group and East Bay Intergroup, San Francisco East Bay, CA

Zoom Link
ID: 811 7898 9275
Passcode: 411

PI & CPC Updates

Suggestions For the New Committee to do outreach

- Start small with 2-3 projects for your group.
- Engage audience and you'll get questions asked.
- Drunk-a-logs aren't helpful. Lighten it up. Perhaps give funny personal references and poke fun at yourself
- Get your foot in the door: Many members have connections to schools/organizations. Ask members for help in the rooms.
- Tall Paul suggests focusing on What is AA and What it is NOT. In PI, they've done some of the DUI classes and presentations in high schools and colleges. He engages with the audience by asking questions and making a joke or two.

Unions

Laura: She has a list of labor unions in the country that she is sharing with us. Not all areas will have every union, but the list may be helpful. If you pick a union from the list and go to their International website, you can search your city to find a local contact in your area to reach out to. Some unions may have a conference/convention that AA can speak at or attend and bring literature. *(Please note that we are trying to locate Laura, but we have not contact information for her)*

The Elderly

Betty: Reaching out to the elderly through caregivers organization. Working on getting a speaker at their major event/conference next spring.

Tim: [Amedisys](#) provides in-home nursing in all 50 states. They are concerned that their senior citizens drinking too much. They want presentation given for nurses about AA, Alcoholism and how to help/talk about their patient's use. Organization would like to incorporate this into all facilities. You can reach out to your local branch.

Medical Professionals

Tom, Dallas: Gives presentation to UT Southwestern Medical School to medical students. They tell brief personal stories, add levity. There are always so many poignant questions. Great place to do outreach.

- Gwen, OIAA : Giving outreach program to medical community in Xi'An, China.
- Tim: Can't get doctors to read emails or mail for outreach. Perhaps focus can be in the medical school students. Or using the power of our membership – an individual AA member can share information about AA to their own clinician.

Here's the Cochrane study to share with professionals which concluded that AA is the key to longterm sobriety: <https://tinyurl.com/Cochrane12>). Cochrane Study French Translation: Francine R got permission from Dr. John Kelly and translated the 2020 Harvard/Stanford Cochrane Study into French. Here is the link for her intergroup website: www.aa87.org German and Spanish translations are in the works

Educational Institutions

Tom W., NC: Reached out to Dept of Public Instruction which is a statewide organization administers to all public schools in the state of NC. The senior social worker for the state is interested and he'll keep up updated.

Help Wanted

Stormy, OIAA: CPC Committee of OIAA looking for new members. Also looking for a professional videographer or people interested in a video project.

Silver: Looking for other professional speakers and help to figure out how get into outbreak sessions/fillers/mainstage of organizations' conferences/conventions.

Spiritual Leaders

Richard: Referenced a PhD paper from minister writing about problems of the church. The church can benefit by having AA meetings in their organization.

The next meeting will be July 8, 2023 at 9 AM PT, 12 PM ET

EVI Information

Next EVI Business Meeting

Monday, June 19 @ 6:30pm PST

In-Person:

2160 W.11th, Unit 1, Eugene, OR

Online: Zoom ID:

870 5057 1775

Password: 656291

Business meetings occur every
3rd Monday of the month

Steering Committee Minutes

May 12, 2023 @ 6:30-7:30PM

Open 6:32

present: Kathleen, Carol, Timi, Brenda, Angela, Wes, Bruce G, Erica [Newsletter Committee Chair]

Approved Agenda

Approved Treasurer Report. The Norton billing is still going to previous Treasure's credit card & he wants off. Kathleen volunteered use of her card. Concerns were raised about what it is Norton does, is it security or platform, and what web security do we have anyway? Kathleen will investigate and report to SC next month.

Office Volunteer Coordinator/ Bookkeeper

report: Carol will be away a few days next week. Kathy will coordinate volunteers, and Kathleen and Brenda are emergency numbers.

Old business:

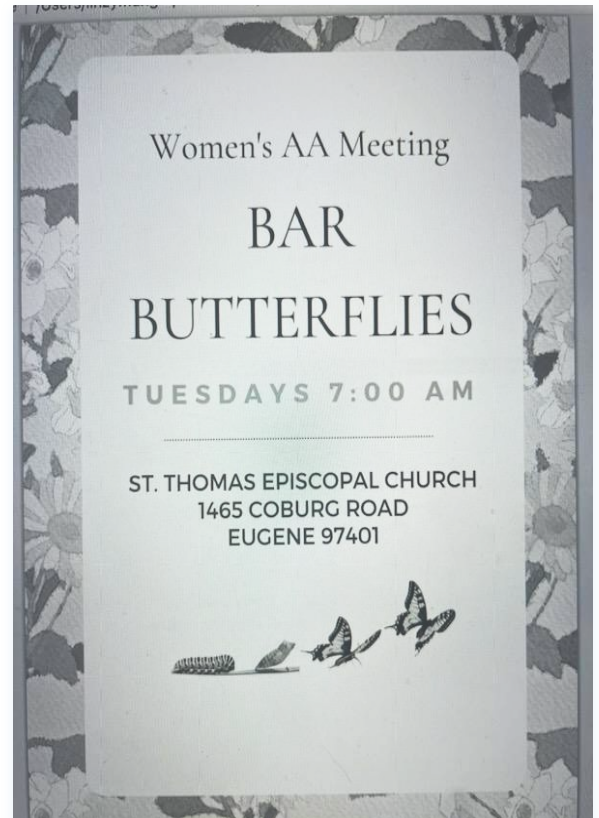
Newsletter update: Erica, Monique, and Sanford will be meeting soon and discussing the newsletter. Erica recommends that we proceed with a survey aimed at finding out who reads it and what they want to see. She recommends that due to small demand and extra works and complexities involved in pursuing a print edition, that we not go forward with that at this time. Issues are mode of preparation, cost of printing, who would get it, the substantial extra work time involved, use of paper.

New business:

Grapevine update: After a slow start as Chair, Rachel has had substantial difficulties in getting connected to EVI email system. She and Timi have made some progress; she still needs to connect with National Grapevine [Brenda has account number]. If she can't get connected successfully this time, she may give up the position.

Close with responsibility statement 7:02

-Build Intergroup Business Meeting Agenda:
Serenity Prayer



**Freethinkers
Secular AA**

Every Saturday

Times: 9-10pm

Where?
Spiritual Learning Center
390 Vernal St.
Eugene, OR 97401

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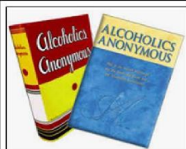
If you are in need of help overcoming drinking without using religion we are here to help.

EVI May 2023 Financial Update

EVI May 2023 Financial Update					
1. Overview - Group contributions Were \$2,280 Individual Contributions were \$199					
2. Expenses - Were normal					
3. Group Contributions - YTD: \$14,376 Individual Contribution - YTD \$1,945					
4. Committee Expenses - HI \$4					
5. Prudent Reserve - Our current surplus is \$4,731 , an increase of \$104.					
	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>	<u>+/- YTD</u>	
Contributions:	\$ 2,493	\$ 16,386	\$ 12,426	\$ 3,959	32%
Expenses:	\$ 2,426	\$ 18,366	\$ 16,155	\$ 2,211	-14%
Difference:	\$ 67	\$ (1,981)			

PRUDENT RESERVE CALCULATION			2023 Avg
5 Mo of 2023 Average Exp	3,269	16,343	
Equipment Fund			
Updated: 1/1/2023			16,343
Cash Position			21,074
Surplus over PR			4,731

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.



Literature Sales	May	YTD Sales	YTD% of Budget
AA Book Sales	693	5,214	124%
Pamphlet Sales	21	166	69%
Meeting Book Sales		-	0%
Grapevine Sales	107	189	86%
Total Literature Sales	821	5,568	107%

Note: Low literature sales for the year will mean less purchases as well. There should be no financial impact as a result.

National AA Technology Workshop



Hybrid format

2023



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Winchester, VA

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<https://naatw.org>

Call for Presenters

Registration Now Open for NAATW 2023

The National AA Technology Workshop (NAATW) will be held in-person at Shenandoah University in Winchester, VA, and online via Zoom

September 8th (5 PM) - September 10th (Mid-day).

Call for Presentation Topics

The NAATW Program Committee is seeking presentations and topics for this year's Workshop. Sessions are suggested and presented by workshop attendees. Typical workshop sessions focus on the following:

- How-Tos and Demos
- Examples of Technology in Action
- Topics that relate to the theme:
Our theme this year is Solving, Sharing, and Scaling Solutions

If you are able to present a session, participate on a panel or suggest a topic or a speaker please respond using our form below. Don't rest on your laurels - call for topics closes May 6th.

EVI May 2023 Financial Report

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	<u>May</u>	<u>YTD</u>		<u>May</u>	<u>YTD</u>
11th Step Meditation		50.00	Sunrise Sobriety Group		-
645 AM Men's Group		450.00	Sunlight of the Spirit		-
Abnormal Drinkers		-	Terminally Unique		-
Aqivadore Fireside Group		-	The Way Home		-
Attitude Adjustment Group		1,426.25	There is a Solution		100.00
ABC Group		-	Thurston Bell Ringers		-
Back to Basics Junction City		170.00	Thursday Night Rush Hour C.G.		250.00
Caduceus		-	Thursday Night Reflections		-
Carpe Diem	100.00	180.00	Thurs Night Group		-
Coburg Fire Stoppers		-	TNT		-
Cottage Grove Group		-	Tuesday Night Young Peoples		-
Creswell 12 x 12		-	Try God Group	180.00	650.00
Dog Pound		78.00	Upon Awakening		-
Downtown AM group		757.62	unknown		103.35
Drop The Rock		-	Veneta Gratitude	500.00	500.00
Everyone's Welcome		32.80	Way Home Group	120.00	485.00
Easy Does It		-	Wed Beginners Group		-
Early Firehouse Grp		100.00	Wednesday Women's Big Book Study		-
4th Dimension		200.00	Wednesday Noon Men's Group	150.00	300.00
Fresh Start at Noon		40.00	Wednesday Nights Men's Stag		-
Freedom Bound	100.00	200.00	Women of the Grove		60.00
Friday Night Gratitude (Caf Grove)		-	Women's Study 5 pm		20.00
Friday Night Stag		-	Women in the Solution		310.32
Friday Night Big Book Study		-	Women's Road to Recovery		210.00
Get WII Group		-	Women's Popcorn Meeting	55.27	55.27
Good Grief Saturday		-	Women's Spiritual Defense	80.00	80.00
Gratitude Group		300.00	Young Ducks		-
Growing Pains		400.00	Total - Contributions/Group	2,280.27	14,376.33
Harrisburg Group		-			
How It Works		100.00	<u>EVI Contributions--Other</u>		
Jasper By The Tracks Group		-		<u>May</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Knuckleheads		150.00	District Contributions		
Lambda Group	50.00	50.00	Dist 20		-
Last Chance Study Group		150.00	District 6		-
Lets Talk about you Dog		137.50	Total District Contributions		-
Language of the heart		700.00	Contributions/Individual		
Men's Undisciplined		-	Faithful Fivers	85.00	500.00
Monday Stag		300.00	Individual - Other	114.00	1,330.61
New Found Freedom		480.00	Total Contributions/Individual	199.00	1,830.61
New Freedom 2		60.00	Contributions--Other		
New Hope Group - Creswell		450.00	EASYPAA		-
No Rules Group	500.00	500.00	ORCYPAA		-
Oakridge Group		250.00	Fund Raiser		-
One Day at A Time		20.00	Assembly Host Corn		-
River Road Friday Night Book St		-	Summerfest		-
River Road Recovery		-	Contributions--Other		-
Saturday Morning Steps		-	FundRaising		
Saturday Night Book Study		-	Activities		-
Seniors for Sobriety		-	CPC-PI		-
Serenity on Sunday		250.00	Speaker Meeting		-
Serenity Seekers West		250.00	FundRaising		-
Sickman's Group		150.00			
Sisters of Sobriety	445.00	445.00			
Sober Awakenings		2,000.00			
SCS Group		-			
Sobriety for Life		-			
Sober Chicks		-			
Stop Smell The Roses		325.22			
Stairway to Sobriety		-			
Starlight Medation Group		-			
Sunday AM B.B. Study Group		-			
Sunday Women's Step Study		-			
Sunday Book Study Group		100.00			
Sunrise at Sunset		-			
Sunrise Serenity		-			



EVI Business Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2023

The hybrid EVI business meeting Kathleen opened the meeting at 6:30 pm with the Serenity Prayer

Introductions: On Zoom

Quorum was Met

Approval of Minutes of last meeting – Motion made, seconded, and carried to approve the minutes as amended.

Approve Agenda –Motion made, seconded, and carried to approve the agenda.

Treasurer’s Report – Brenda M reported that April income was better. Group and Individuals donations were strong. Motion made and seconded to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Motion passed; Report is approved.

Open Positions:

Members At Large: One position still Open
Diverter Vice Chair
Grapevine Vice Chair
H&I Vice Chair
Meeting Guides Vice Chair
Newsletter Vice Chair: Sanford stood for election, was nominated and seconded, and elected without dissent

Old Business: Newsletter will be formatted for a smaller printed copy. Now that Sanford is Vice Chair that extra help will be appreciated in this effort.

New Business:

COMMITTEE REPORTS: (see next page for full reports)

Committee chairpersons and vice chairpersons, please submit your reports to the secretary before the meeting.

Announcements: WebTech stressed that more volunteers are needed.

The meeting closed at 7:27 with the Responsibility Statement

▪ **Descriptions of EVI Service Committee Positions:**

▪ www.eviaa.org/evi-info/evi-committees

▪ Attend the Monthly EVI Business Meeting to stand for an open position!

▪ Next EVI Business Meeting:

▪ June 19, 2023. 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Courage to Change

Women’s Open Meeting



When: Monday at 6:30pm
Where: City First Church – 8:30
Madison Street, Eugene, OR

*Childcare provided

EVI Business Meeting Committee Reports

May 15, 2023

Steering Committee: Set Agenda for 5/15/23 Business Mtg. Discussed the printing of hard copies of EVI Newsletter.

Activities: Ted P. Prudent reserve is down a little. A BBQ is being planned for the Fourth of July at the Campbell Center. BINGO went well, everyone helped to set up and clean up. Also planning a Scavenger Hunt June 3 at 11 AM at Skinners Butte Park.

Diverter: Involvement has been somewhat sporadic, but is improving. The average calls per night is between zero and one.

EVI Speakers Meeting: Bruce G: Doing well. Setup and breakdown do need some extra help. There is a meeting of the Speaker Meeting committee on the Sunday before the Speaker Meeting, and anyone interested can attend. Next committee meeting is June 4 at noon at the EVI Office.

H&I: Positions are rotating and all is well

Literature: Kim Literature notes: We have plenty of books in stock. During the month of April, big books, and 12 x 12 for flying off the shelf due to the upcoming price increase.

Newsletter: Erica Might be a good idea to have Group Reps ask their meeting members what is needed / wanted in an online and/or printed version

Website Bruce W / Timi: Bruce and Timi are trying to make progress on the remainder of the transition to the new workspace. We are both having difficulty finding time, but we did have 2 people contact us this month offering to help. We will continue to ask that you send any IT capable people our way as there is still lots to be done. We will continue to do our best to make progress. In loving service, Bruce and Timi, EVI Web Committee.

Office Vol. Coord/Bkkpr: Carol Another De-escalation Training by Eugene PD will be scheduled in near future. The front door now has a lock that can be locked from the inside without a key, and the key did not have to be changed. More volunteers are needed to staff the office front desk and phone.

A super big shout out to Carol, office manager, and Wes, forgetting the Price list spreadsheet changed into labeling format. It was a lot of hard work. And thank you to Kathy H. for getting all those new price labels on the shelves at the EVI Office. Great job!!

Archives: no report
CPC/PI : no report
Grapevine no report
Meeting Guides no report
Outreach no report

Rotations will happen in the Fall, and more tech-savvy volunteers are needed for that.

EVI Service Position Roster

Position	Name	Start Date	Rotation Date	Email
				Call EVI Office for Trusted Servant Phone Numbers and emails not listed: 541-342-4113
Activities Chair	Ted P	1/23/2023	9/19/2023	activities_chair@eviaa.org
Activities Vice Chair	Chris B	1/23/2023	9/19/2023	activities_vice@eviaa.org
Archivist Chair	Elijah C	3/21/2022	None	archives_chair@eviaa.org
Vice-Chair	Marnie McE	2/20/2023	None	archives_vice@eviaa.org
CPC/PI Chair	Angelo	2/20/2023	2/20/2024	cpcpi_chair@eviaa.org
Vice-Chair	Eric	2/20/2023	2/20/2024	cpcpi_vice@eviaa.org
Diverter Chair	Corey P	3/20/2023	3/21/2024	diverter_chair@eviaa.org
Vice-Chair	Open	3/20/2023	3/1/2024	diverter_vice@eviaa.org
EVI Cmte Chair	Kathleen P	12/19/2022	12/19/2024	evi_chair@eviaa.org
Vice-Chair	JT	12/19/2022	12/19/2024	evi_vice@eviaa.org
EVI Secretary	Eduardo B	3/20/2023	12/19/2024	secretary_chair@eviaa.org
EVI Spkr Mtg Chair	Chris B	3/20/2023	3/20/2024	speaker_mtg_chair@eviaa.org
Vice-Chair	Susan H	11/15/2021	11/15/2023	speaker_mtg_vice@eviaa.org
EVI Treasurer	Brenda M	12/20/2021	12/20/2023	treasurer_chair@eviaa.org
Vice-Chair	Angela M	7/18/2022	12/20/2023	treasurer_vice@eviaa.org
Grapevine Chair	Rachel S	12/19/2022	9/19/2023	grapevine_chair@eviaa.org
Vice-Chair	OPEN		9/19/2023	grapevine_vice@eviaa.org
H&I Chair	Kailup J	3/20/2023	3/20/2025	hospitals_chair@eviaa.org
Vice-Chair	Open	12/19/2022	9/19/2023	hospitals_vice@eviaa.org
Literature Chair	Kim K	9/19/2022	9/19/2023	literature_chair@eviaa.org
Vice-Chair	Brenda V	2/20/2023	9/19/2023	literature_vice@eviaa.org
Mtg Guide Chair	Mason M	9/19/2022	9/19/2023	meeting_guides_chair@eviaa.org
Vice-Chair	Open		9/19/2023	meeting_guides_vice@eviaa.org
Newsletter Chair	Erica T	9/19/2022	9/19/2023	news_chair@eviaa.org
Vice-Chair	OPEN		9/19/2023	News_vice@eviaa.org
Office Vol. Coord. / Bookkeeper	Carol B	3/8/2021	By 3/9/26	evi_office@eviaa.org
Outreach Chair	Merthi K	2/20/2023	2/20/2024	outreach_chair@eviaa.org
Vice-Chair	Open		2/20/2024	outreach_vice@eviaa.org
Website Chair	Bruce W	9/19/2022	9/19/2023	web_chair@eviaa.org
Vice-Chair	Timi S	12/19/2022	9/19/2023	web_vice@eviaa.org
Member @ Large	Bruce G	3/20/2023	2/20/2024	
Member @ Large	Ronnie	4/17/2023		
Member @ Large	Wes H	12/20/2021	12/18/2023	
Member @ Large				

Dr. Bob's Prescription

- Member Contribution: Ron S.

R. H. SMITH, M. D.
2ND NATIONAL BLDG. AKRON, OHIO
TELEPHONE: HE-8523 REG. NO. _____

R_x FOR alcoholics
ADDRESS _____ DATE Feb 1937

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In-Person Meetings

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Online Meetings

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