

EVI Newsletter

Emerald Valley Intergroup, Eugene, OR
February 2026



Step 2. Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.

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- Web/Tech Vice Chair
- EVI Vice Chair
- 2 Members at Large
- Grapevine Vice Chair
- Meeting Guide Vice Chair
- CPC/PI Vice Chair
- Outreach Chair
- Outreach Vice Chair

Next EVI Business Meeting:

February 16 @ 6:30pm PST
(Business meetings occur every 3rd Monday of the month)

In-Person: 2160 W.11th, Eugene

Online: Zoom ID 892 0441 7839

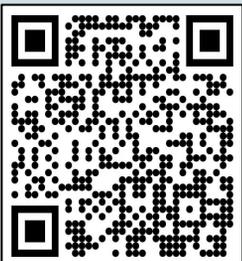
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EVI Intergroup www.eviaa.org

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Eugene, OR 97402

Call Us 24/7: 541-342-4113

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Meeting Guide: www.eviaa.org/meetings/

In-Person AA Meetings: [Click Here](#)

Online AA Meetings: [Click Here](#)

Email Meeting Guides Chair: [HERE](#).



Emerald Valley Intergroup Service positions

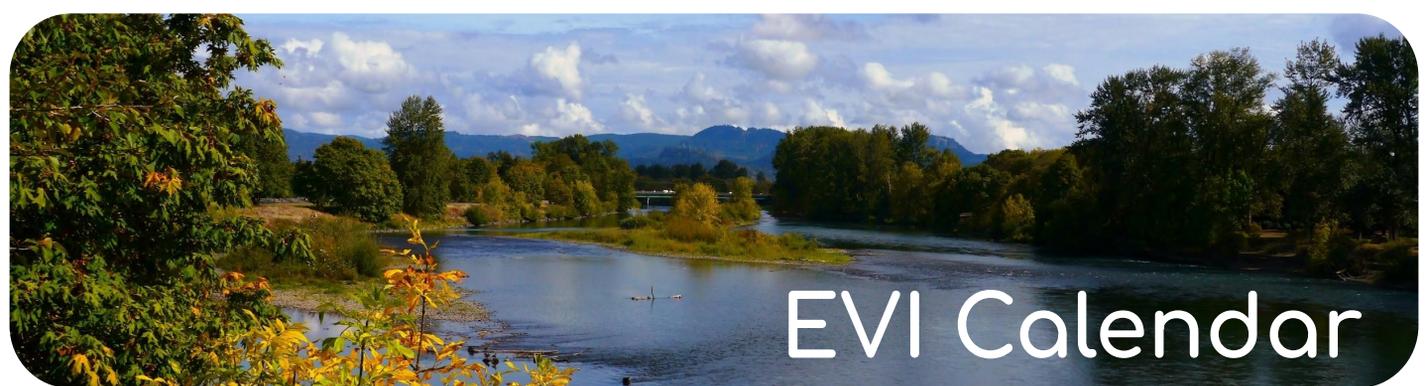
(available as of December 15th, 2025)

POSITION	SOBRIETY REQUIREMENT	TERM
EVI Vice Chair	6-months	1-year
Member at Large (2-positions)	2-years	2-years
Grapevine Co-chair	6-months	1-year
Meeting Guide Co-chair	6-months	1-year
Outreach Chair	1-year	1-year
Outreach Vice Chair	6-months	1-year
CPC-PI Vice Chair	6-months	2-years
Web Tech Co-Chair	1-year	1-years

+PLUS loads of opportunities to be of service as Committee Members, Office Volunteers, Special Project Staff, etc. To enhance your sobriety by helping others to find and maintain theirs call the office: 541-342-4113 or eMail us at: evi_office@eviaa

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION
ABOUT EVI SERVICE COMMITTEES





EVI Calendar

<https://eviaaweb.org/calendar/>

2/1/2025-Committee Meeting for EVI Speaker Meeting 12pm

2/1/2025-Activities Committee Meeting 4:30pm-5:30pm

2/2/2025-CPC/PI Committee Meeting 6:30pm-7:30pm

2/7/2025-1st Saturday Speaker Meeting-Potluck at 5pm, meeting at 6pm

2/9/2025-EVI Steering Committee Meeting 6:30pm

2/14/2025-EVI Speaker Meeting 7pm

2/16/2025-EVI Business Meeting 6:30pm-7:30pm

2/25/2025-H&I Committee Meeting 6pm-7pm

Hospitals and Institutions Notes and Opportunities for Service



Help Wanted with Hospitals and Institutions (H&I)

(contact Hospitals_vice@eviaa.org)

1 year minimum sobriety required unless otherwise noted

- 62 Scheduled Meetings - Facilitated by 100-120 different AA volunteers
- Springfield Jail (Women) - These 4 meetings did not happen due to lack of female officer availability or insufficient inmate numbers. Reassess women's meetings in October.
- Committee Procedure Manual - General Overview document is online as are documents for about half of our facilities. Work is in progress and should be finished within the next month.
- Chair/Vice Chair rotation is set for September approval by EVI Business
- Most if not all Meeting Coordinator/Co-Coordinator scheduled for Sept. rotation are set. Most, if not all incoming Co-Chair candidates are ready to stand for election.

Getting Started with H&I begins with Meeting Rep and/or Facility Meeting participation. Committee Meetings the LAST Wednesday each month. 6:00PM @ EVI. Grow your recovery with H&I.

(contact hospitals_chair@eviaa.org)

Volunteer Opportunities

HELP WANTED

Cooperation With The Professional Community

What we do...

- Communicate and cooperate with Correctional Facilities, Treatment and Accessibilities, Public Information, and other C.P.C. committees to share experience.
- Hold workshops for members who want to learn about C.P.C. Twelfth Step service and how to share information about Alcoholics Anonymous with professionals they may come in contact with in their daily lives.
- Contact local professional schools that train future healthcare, legal/correctional or human resources/employment professionals and offer to do A.A. presentations.
- Contact professionals and offer to meet with them in their office to share information.
- Utilize the About A.A. newsletter in your C.P.C. contacts with professionals.
(Past issues can be found at www.aa.org.)
- Utilize the C.P.C. Videos for Professionals.
- Invite local professionals to a breakfast or luncheon with a presentation explaining how A.A. can be a resource and explaining what A.A. is and is not.
- Contact local court professionals and offer A.A. presentations.
- Contact a military base or VA facility in your area.
- Contact local physicians, hospitals and clinics and arrange for A.A. literature to be available in their waiting rooms, and develop a plan for how to keep the literature stocked.
- Let groups know the committee is available as a resource if questions or problems arise with the local courts.
- Invite professionals and professional students to attend an open meeting.
- Contact the C.P.C. desk at G.S.O. to request a PowerPoint presentation that can be adapted for local needs.
- Contact local professional organizations and offer A.A. presentations and/or investigate opportunities to have an A.A. table/exhibit at their meetings or conferences.
- Send sharing on local C.P.C. efforts to G.S.O.
- Share your enthusiasm! Find a co-chair and interested members in order to help.

Who we work with...

- alcoholism & substance abuse counselors
- armed forces: officers, commanders & chaplains
- athletic coaches
- corrections officers
- court officials
- educators
- employers & employee assistance professionals
- health care professionals
(doctors, nurses, psychiatrists, psychologists, etc.)
- clergypersons
- judges
- juvenile services professionals
- law enforcement officers
- lawyers (prosecutor, defense attorney)
- probation or parole professionals
- professional students
- public health officials
- senior services professionals
- social workers
- union officials

Volunteer Opportunities

HELP WANTED

Public Information

What we do...

- Be sure every public library has at least one Conference- approved book, e.g. the Big Book, Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions or Living Sober.
- Place Grapevines or other A.A. literature in Little Free Lending Libraries
- Let the Fellowship know how to reach out to the hearing impaired.
- Place a literature rack in every highschool, college, police station, library and hospital in the district and keep the rack stocked with appropriate literature and meeting schedules.
- Send a letter to high schools, offering A.A. literature and A.A. Videos for Young People and/or a presentation on A.A. — what we do and what we do not do.
- Send a letter to convalescent homes, rest homes and senior centers in the district offering A.A. literature and/or a presentation on A.A.
- List open A.A. meetings in the newspapers in the district.
- Place a small (paid if necessary) announcement in every district newspaper around the holidays.
- Work with the newspapers— anonymity, Traditions— generating interest in our Fellowship.
- Respond to speaking requests at non-A.A. meetings in the district.
- Place Public Service Announcements with radio and television stations.
- Put meeting schedules behind the front desks at every hotel, motel, and bed and breakfast.
- Participate in district and state A.A. seminars and conventions.
- Fight apathy within the Fellowship, find a co-chair and interested people in order to achieve all the above,
- Keep your sanity and stay away from the first drink.



CPC-PI WEB PAGE AT EVI



EMAIL CPC-PI Committee

EVI Business Meeting Minutes & Committee Reports

January 19, 2025

present online and face to face: EVI Chair, Office Coordinator/Bookkeeper, EVI Vice Treasurer, Activities chr,

Merthi for Archives, CPC/PI Chr, Diverter Chr, EVI Speaker Meeting rep, Literature chr, Meeting Guides chr,

Web/Tech chr. Dist.19 rep, Web/Tech Ch, 16 group reps. (quorum of 15 met) Thank you Tim for taking notes.

Minutes Approved. Agenda: Approved

Treasurer's Report [Dennis]: \$2700 deficit between income and expenses at the end of 2025. More contributions are needed from groups. Fixed expenses are approximately \$3000 per month. We are currently below our prudent reserve. Treasurer's report approved.

ELECTIONS: Amanda was elected Meeting Guides Vice Chair, and Carolyn was elected Outreach Chair.

Denis, the current Vice Treasures, stepped up to serve as Treasurer. THANK YOU ALL.

Open positions: EVI Vice Chair, 2 Members at Large, CPC/PI Vice Chair, Grapevine Vice-Chair, Outreach Vice Chair, Web/Tech Vice Chair. WE NEED PEOPLE.

Kay, a veteran EVI office volunteer and AA member with years of service has been hired as the new Bookkeeper/Office Coordinator, to begin in March

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Steering Committee: JT emphasized the need to get the word out to the groups that EVI needs help, both with service and financial contributions. EVI committees carry the message to professionals and the public, bring meetings into to hospitals, jails, and treatment centers, update and maintain the meeting guides, provide a 24 hour phone service answered by recovering alcoholics, maintain a website, publish a newsletter, organize activities, and sell books, pamphlets, and the AA Grapevine at cost.

Bookkeeper/OVC: There are various random AA materials that have accumulated in the office that are available for a limited time to any interested party. Data from 2021 onwards shows that EVI contacts—phone calls while office is open and walk ins—have risen from the 3000s to 4800 in 2025.

Activities: Details on the EVI website of the upcoming EVI Valentine's Day party.

Archives: Merthi reported on the committee's ongoing progress in organizing EVI records, and pointed out the display case in the EVI office.

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CPC/PI: Plans for upcoming year are to continue ongoing activities, including distribution of Grapevines to neighborhood library boxes, and serving as a resource to professional communities, tabling at community and AA events, and placing pamphlets in appropriate locations around town, and maintaining a contact database for

distribution of info to specific people, including school counselors & health teachers Committee meets 1st Mondays. The committee needs a vice-chair. Wes' term as chair ends in March.

Diverter: Running smoothly, different groups engaging to take phone calls each night.

EVI Speaker Meeting: Healthy turnout at last meeting, running smoothly, always a need for volunteers, especially younger people.

Grapevine: No report

H&I: No report.

Literature: Book orders in process, including ordering more before the upcoming price increase..

Meetings Guide: Doing well.

Newsletter: No report

Outreach: no report.

Web/Tech Chair: Proceeding well. Produced a large screen good audio Zoom display for this meeting.

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OLD BUSINESS: JT, Wes, and Chaz will compose the ad hoc Committee for the EVI Group Inventory.

NEW BUSINESS: Approval of EVI 2026

Budget:

Current fixed costs for running EVI office is \$3000 per month. The 2026 budget assumes a 5% increase in contributions. Chaz observed that the budget is always a work in progress, with room for changes, and that he supported the budget as it stands. With these things in mind, the 2026 budget was approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: none. **BIRTHDAYS:** none. Closed with the responsibility statement 7:30 p.m.

EVI CONTACT GUIDE

EVI OFFICE	EVI CHAIRPERSON
<p>Newcomers, Meetings, Events, Information, Volunteers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email the Office: evi_office@eviaa.org • Call 541-342-4113 (24 Hour AA Hotline) 	<p>Chairs Steering Committee Meetings and Business Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email EVI Chair: evi_chair@eviaa.org
EVI WEBSITE	CPC/PI
<p>Coordinates Web Updates, Event Calendar, Event Postings, etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email the Website: web_chair@eviaa.org 	<p>Cooperation with Professional Community, Public Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email CPC/PI: cpcpi_chair@eviaa.org • CPC/PI Web Page
MEETING GUIDE UPDATES	H&I – HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS
<p>To submit a new meeting or to change a current meeting's information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email EVI Meeting Guides: meeting_guides_chair@eviaa.org 	<p>Delivers AA programs to hospitals, addiction treatment facilities, jails, mental health institutions & recovery homes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email H&I: hospitals_chair@eviaa.org • H & I Web Page
EVI NEWSLETTER	NOTE
<p>If you have stories or ideas to contribute, contact the Newsletter chairperson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email: news_chair@eviaa.org. • View Current Newsletter: Newsletter Page 	<p>The EVI Webpage, Newsletter, and Meeting Guide each have their own team. For specific website, newsletter, or guide needs, please email the team responsible for that need. If your need addresses the website, meeting guide, and newsletter, please email all teams in order to address your need in each location.</p>



WANT TO ADD A FLYER TO THE NEWSLETTER?



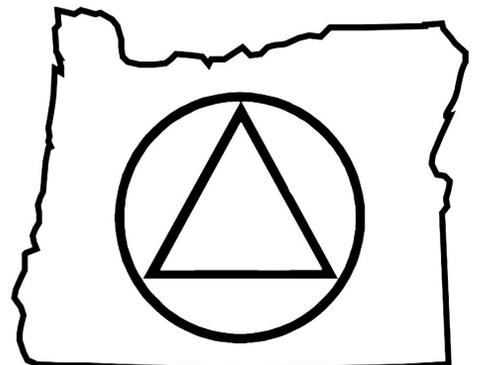
CHECK OUT THE ADD-A-FLYER TIPS AND TRICKS BELOW

ADD-A-FLYER to the EVI Newsletter Tips and Tricks:

- 1) Decide as a meeting that you would like to add a flyer to the newsletter
- 2) Nominate someone from your meeting to create the flyer
- 3) Email your created flyer to the newsletter as a jpeg or png file. The newsletter email is: news_chair@eviaa.org

helpful hint-Canva is a great website to get creative or choose from a wide variety of templates to get your ideas flowing

Important Note: The EVI newsletter team of volunteers only curates information provided by the local EVI body at large. Because we are a volunteer team, *we do not create flyers or write articles for the newsletter. We also do not manipulate files that come in.* Instead, we rely on the body at large to submit the information they would like to see in the newsletter. The flyers, events, and articles found in the newsletter have been created by individual groups and submitted to the newsletter.



Extras from the Newsletter Team

Quotes from AAs

“Normal is just a setting on the washing machine.”-AA

“Figuring it out is not a step.”-AA

“The only way you can coast is if your going downhill.”-AA

12 & 12 Tidbits

Step 1, page 22

“The tyrant alcohol wielded a double-edged sword over us: first we were smitten by an insane urge that condemned us to go on drinking, and then by an allergy of the body that insured we would ultimately destroy ourselves in the process.”

We hear great tools, tips, and tricks to stay sober and to thrive in our recovery, did you hear something life-changing at a meeting that you want to share with the rest of us?

Send your ANONYMOUS quotes to news_chair@eviaa.org to help share the wealth and love!

Extras from the EVI Office

Note: The EVI bylaws are available on the EVI website at eviaa.org. You will find them by clicking on “EVI info” at the very top of the first page on the right. A list will appear including the item “EVI Bylaws.” Click on that. The description of the EVI Financial Advisory Board and the budget process is on page 9. A brief description of the functions of the various EVI committees is also available on the website. You will find it by clicking on “EVI info” at the very top of the first page on the right. A list will appear whose first item is “EVI Committees.” Click on that. For most committees, the sobriety requirement for Chair is 1 year and Vice Chair is 6 months. H&I Chair, and Treasurer positions require 2 years; the H&I Vice-Chairs and the Vice Treasurer 1 year.

~Stay in the know by checking out AA events and activities in the near future~

CHILDCARE NOW OFFERED!



FREE

Women's Step Study Meeting
Every Sunday, 5-6pm
Unity of the Valley
3912 Dillard Rd, Eugene

Can Healthcare Professionals Still Hear A.A.'s Message?



Since COVID, and with greater HIPAA regulations, your Hospital and CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community) committees have struggled to re-establish working relationships with local hospitals and healthcare providers.

ARE YOU A MEMBER OF A.A. & WORK IN THE HEALTHCARE INDUSTRY? WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Your Hospitals and CPC committees would like to form an advisory task force to help us get A.A. back into this critical area of our community. If you are willing to help, please contact the EVI office (541-342-4113) and ask to be added to the 'Medical Task Force' list. Please leave your name, phone number and/or e-mail. We will contact you to arrange a first meeting.

THANK YOU! - Demian D. and Wes H.

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For over eight decades AA Grapevine and La Viña, AA's magazines written by us, for us, have shared experience, strength, and hope from members across the world. Grapevine has grown beyond the magazines and today carries the AA message in new forms such as podcasts and apps.

We need men and women to become Grapevine representatives for their groups. As a Grapevine representative you will be the link between AA Grapevine and your home group, which means educating your fellow AAs about the magazine and encouraging support. You might announce the latest issue at your meeting, tell a joke, or talk about the magazine's content - the stories make great discussion topics!

How do I Get Started?

- Offer to be of service - let your home group know that you are interested.
- Ask your Home Group to purchase a Grapevine subscription (\$68 for 1-year print subscription).
- Register online with Grapevine here: <https://www.aagrapevine.org/get-involved/become-grapevine-rep>
- Let EVI know by contacting Melanie W, EVI Grapevine Chair, grapevine_chair@eviaa.org.

Already a Grapevine representative? Let us know: grapevine_chair@eviaa.org

- <https://www.aalavina.org/US-suscripciones>

Have Questions?

- Contact Melanie W, EVI Grapevine Chair, grapevine_chair@eviaa.org

Grapevine and La Viña magazines and books make great gifts! Check them out at the EVI office or at [aagrapevine.org](https://www.aagrapevine.org).



Listen to Grapevine's New Weekly **PODCAST!**

AA Grapevine's half-hour variety podcast features...

- powerful interviews with AA members on getting sober, meetings, service, Steps, sponsorship and more!
- current information about AA and AA Grapevine
- jokes, fun AA banter and surprise guests!

Each week, longtime AA members Don and Sam will interview sober alcoholics, writers of current Grapevine stories, general service reps and more about their experience, strength and hope in a casual "meeting after the meeting" manner. **A new episode will be available in English each Monday at 9:00 a.m. EST.**

To listen to new or past episodes, visit:
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- [Grapevine stories by Deaf alcoholics in ASL](#)
- A.A. literature in [American Sign Language](#)
 - [Plain language Big Book TOOL](#) (English)
- [LSQ](#) Langue des signes du Québec / Quebec Sign Language interpreted meetings.
- A.A. literature available in [LSQ](#)
 - A.A. literature in [French](#)
- [LSM Resources](#) Lengua de Señas Mexicana / Mexican Sign Language.
- Grapevine stories in Spanish [La Vina Magazine](#) & [YouTube](#)
- A.A. literature in [Spanish](#)

[Save the Date January 17, 2026](#)

Special Forum for Deaf A.A. Members

Digital Flyer QR Code





Join us for coffee
and fellowship at:

Serenity Seekers West

A.A. Meeting
Tuesdays and Thursdays
at Noon

Eugene Friends Church
3495 West 18th Avenue
Eugene, Oregon 97402

This is an open meeting
of Alcoholics Anonymous
and all are welcome.

Cooperation with Professional Community and Public Information

First Monday of Each Month
at 6:30 P.M. in person or online*

Join us for the next CPC-PI Committee Meeting

February 2nd, 6:30 P.M.

*EVI CPC-PI Online... join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

<https://meet.goto.com/787958949>

You can also dial in using your phone. United States: +1 (872) 240-3212,

Access Code: 787-958-949

One-touch: tel:+18722403212,,787958949#

Get the app @ :<https://meet.goto.com/install>



EVI CPC-PI Meeting
Quick Entry QR-code

Code updated 10/20/2025



Somebody, somewhere told YOU about A.A.; YOU can return the favor!

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Office Hours: M-F 9 to 5, Sat. & Sun 9 to 4



"the
sweetest
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*Starlight
Meditation
Group*

St. Mary's Episcopal Church
(Upstairs)

1300 Pearl St. Eugene OR

Tuesdays 5:30pm - 6:30pm



FRIDAY FEB. 13, 2026

E.V.I.

Activities Committee
presents

Valentine's Party

Potluck 6:30-7:30pm
Dance and Karaoke 7:30 to 9:30pm?
295 Azalea Dr. Eugene, OR. 97404
Santa. Clara Grange
\$5 donation suggested

THE WAY HOME

17th Annual Spaghetti Feed

Saturday February 21st @ 5:30pm

speaker meeting afterwards presenting Ray T

~If you're bringing food, we ask you arrive at 5:15pm~



~Food, community,
and full bellies~

North Park Community Church 3484 Harlow Rd
Questions? Call Deb 541-520-7503