



The Willamette Valley Intergroup's

Eye Opener

April 2007

Willamette Valley Central Office

687 Cottage Street NE
Monday - Friday 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
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Where you can find AA Literature, coins, and recovery items



GSR School April 21st

Have you been interested in learning what a GSR (General Service Representative) actually does? District 4 is putting on the school with Area 58 Delegate Dave A. teaching the class. This will be the same information one would receive by attending an Area Service Assembly. The school will take place at St. Paul's Episcopal Church from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. There will be a pot luck, an AA Fairy Tale (*The Three Little Newcomers*), and fellowship galore! For information call Bill B. at 503.763.7555, Fred at 503.551.9795, or Paula at 503.581.3910.

~ The Fourth Month ~

Step Four

"Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves"

Tradition Four

"Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole."

Willamette Valley Intergroup BoardChair
Bill B. 1Co-Chair
Bill B. 2AI - Anon
Joyce L.Phone Line Coordinator
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VacantEye Opener Editor
Cori P.Intergroup Liaison
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Angela G.Recording Secretary
Gary H.Soberfest Coordinator
Michael B.Treasurer
Justin M.Trustee
VacantH & I Committee Chair
Trevor M.H & I Committee Co-Chair
Greg M.

Willamette Valley Intergroup (WVI) is made up of elected representatives from local A.A. groups. (Representatives are usually elected at your group's business meeting). WVI serves the greater Salem area with a 24-hour phone line, sales of A.A. literature, books and coins, production and distribution of meeting lists, the Eye Opener newsletter, coordination of local Twelve Step calls, and furnishing public information speakers for non-A.A. groups and for A.A. meetings in institutions.

Intergroup Meeting Minutes**February 18, 2007**

In Attendance: Bill B1., Chair (Pioneer Group), Laura F., Office Manager, Fred D., Living Sober Group, Cori P., Eye Opener Editor, Peggy E., Living Sober Group, Greg M., H & I Committee Co-Chair, Doug H., Soberfest, Greg P, Capital Discussion Group, Eileen L., Second Chance Group, Justin M., Treasurer, Gary H., Secretary, Andy K., Conscious Contact Group, Billy M., Second Chance Group, Joyce L., AL-ANON.

The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer, Preamble, Twelve Traditions and introductions.

Minutes were reviewed from the January, 2007 meeting. Minutes were updated to include reference to an AA Group which meets Tuesday evening at the Intergroup Office and contributes to the Intergroup voluntarily. The minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurers Report: (Justin): Inflows for the month of January totaled \$2867.85. Outflows, other than a transfer of \$1,500.00 to the Intergroup's prudent reserve were \$2,771.11. Based on these figures the overall total was \$96.74. Report was accepted.

Office Manager Report: (Laura) There were 325 contacts in January. Sixty-three Big Books were sold. Soberfest transfers went well. Laura distributed a spreadsheet printout containing data associated with efforts to meet Intergroup copying needs. Projections of off-site copy service costs, costs associated with copier lease, and maintenance options and costs associated with two small office printers under consideration were included. The office shelving problem has not yet been solved. A label maker valued at \$25 is missing from the office. There have been several requests for the publication of documents on the Intergroup website. Dave will recommend how to deal with these requests. Regarding the current IRS problem, Bill B2 presented our situation to Hooleys office for help. The IRS has imposed fines and penalties for forms filed late dating back to 2001. No taxes were actually owed. Hooleys office has

requested more information. Bill B2 and Laura met, and Bill wrote a letter to Hooleys office with additional details. The IRS continues the collection process and has announced that there will be intergroup bank account/property levies for the unpaid fines and penalties for the years 2001 and 2002. Report was accepted.

H & I: (Greg) Clarification: Big Books were purchased at the discounted price reported in the December minutes. Thanks to the Intergroup were offered. New contribution cans will be delivered to meeting sites. An increase in the H & I budget is planned. Efforts will be made to include an H & I presence in next year's Soberfest. Report was accepted.

Website and Computer report: (Dave) No report.

Soberfest Report: (Doug) While no final figures are available, financial outcomes appear promising. Attendee feedback has been very positive. Plans for the 2008 soberfest are underway. Meetings are held the first Friday of each month at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 1444 Liberty St SE. Additional participants are welcome. Report was accepted.

Intergroup Liaison Report: (Anita) None.

AI-Anon Report: (Joyce) Meeting Schedules will be delivered to the Intergroup office. Gratitude for Intergroup assistance was offered. 2006 Soberfest was complemented for its hospitality to AI-Anon. Report was accepted.

Eye Opener Report: (Cori) February edition is in distribution. Brief articles addressing Step 3 and/or Tradition 3 are requested. Report was accepted.

Office Volunteer Coordinator: (Vacant) Laura continues to volunteer her services in this area.

Outreach Coordinator: (Angela): No report.

Phone Coordinator: (Diana). No report.

Old Business: (Bill B1) Laura announced that bids for copier lease costs have been submitted. Some vendors require no commitment as to the duration of their leases. The copier committee is comparing these costs to that of using local copy vendors as needed. Eileen announced that Oregon has opened a temporary website linked to other vendors who sell used copiers. Caution should be exercised because one cannot determine either the quality or the validity of items offered through this website.

New Business: (Bill B1) Bill B1 announced that all formal motions will be followed by discussions, then voting. Fred announced that the next District meeting will be held in Dallas at the St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 1486 SW Levens St., on March 10 from 1-3 PM. This announcement is in the current Eye Opener, and it is possible that it will appear on the Intergroup website. The quarterly Area Assembly will be held on February 23-25. Fred will deliver the Intergroup report to be prepared by Bill B1. Fred will provide a template for that report. Justin announced that, in order to report H & I expenses, Intergroup approval is required. A motion to approve was passed. There are no formal guidelines for allowing AA group meetings at the Intergroup office. The traditional process of allowing such meetings and accepting voluntary contributions for these meetings is being followed. Fred suggested that these meetings be listed as are other meetings. A motion to this affect was passed. Doug announced that numerous Soberfest T-shirts are available. A motion to allow the Intergroup office to sell these T-shirts was passed.

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WVI February Treasurer's Report

2/1/2007- 2/28/2007		% of Total
INFLOWS		
Cash Overage	5.02	0.23%
GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS		
7 AM Downtown Group	434.50	19.91%
Conscious Contact	30.00	1.37%
Independence Monday Night Step Study	100.00	4.58%
Second Chance Group	22.00	1.01%
Sunday New Keizer Group	19.25	0.88%
Tuesday Night Step Study	49.00	2.25%
We Are Not Saints	10.00	0.46%
Woodland Chapel Tue Night	65.00	2.98%
TOTAL GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS	729.75	33.44%
INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS		
Anonymous	206.85	9.48%
TOTAL INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS	206.85	9.48%
Misc. Income	40.00	1.83%
OTHER INCOME		
Copier Use	16.00	0.73%
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	16.00	0.73%
SALES		
Book Cover	74.00	3.39%
CDs	14.00	0.64%
Greeting Card(s)	9.00	0.41%
Literature	823.35	37.73%
Medallions	172.20	7.89%
Misc.	48.25	2.21%
Special Orders	33.95	1.56%
Stickers-Decals	10.00	0.46%
TOTAL SALES	1,184.75	54.29%
TOTAL INFLOWS	\$2,182.37	100%
OUTFLOWS		
COPIER	140.94	5.34%
INVENTORY PURCHASE		
AI-Anon Literature	72.10	2.73%
Literature	749.45	28.40%
Medallions	122.80	4.65%
Special Orders	89.50	3.39%
Other INVENTORY PURCHASE	150.33	5.70%
TOTAL INVENTORY PURCHASE	1,094.68	41.48%
OFFICE SUPPLIES	60.40	2.29%
PAYROLL		
Falls, Laura	676.98	25.65%
TOTAL PAYROLL	676.98	25.65%
RENT	456.00	17.28%
TELEPHONE		
Other TELEPHONE	60.75	2.30%

TOTAL TELEPHONE	60.75	2.30%
TO PETTY CASH	60.00	2.27%
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	\$2,639.25	100%
OVERALL TOTAL	\$456.88	100%
Account Balances - As of 3/8/2007		
Bank Accounts		
Checking	2,334.05	
Money Market	5,008.56	
PETTY CASH	80.00	
TOTAL Bank Accounts	7,422.61	
OVERALL TOTAL	\$7,422.61	



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



John G.
April 1, 1994

Dan S.
April 1, 2002

Kelly M.
April 1, 2003

Mary W.
April 2, 2003

Darrell J.
April 3, 2003

Anitra K.
April 6, 2003

Harold N.
April 8, 1986

Donna B.
April 8, 2002

John B.
April 8, 2002

Margo W.
April 9, 2002

Dale P.
April 9, 2003

Bob H.
April 10, 2002

Shelly G.
April 12, 2003

Laura F.
April 13, 1988

Gina B.
April 14, 1995

Dorothy A.
April 15, 2001

Robert K.
April 15, 2002

Joe H.
April 19, 2002

Larry S.
April 19, 2002

Billy M.
April 23, 2002

Tom L.
April 25, 1983

Rick H.
April 25, 2002

Darrell W.
April 27, 2001

David McC.
April 27, 1996

Dan D.
April 28, 2004

Ken T.
April 28, 2004

Mike K.
April 30, 2003

Have your sobriety birthday printed here. Send name/ sobriety birthday date to Eye Opener Editor, c/o WVI Central Office, 687 Cottage Street NE, Salem OR 97301.

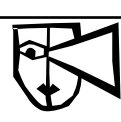
Acronyms and Glossary

Following is a list of A.A. terms that you may have heard but were uncertain of their meaning.

AA	Alcoholics Anonymous
AAWS	Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc.
CCF	Cooperation with Correctional Facilities
CPC	Cooperation with the Professional Community
CTF	Cooperation with Treatment Facilities
DCM	District Committee Member
District 4	The district containing Salem and nearby communities
GSB	General Service Board
GSO	General Service Office in New York
GSR	General Service Representative
Gv	Grapevine (A. A.' s Meeting in Print)
GvR	Grapevine Representative
H & I	Hospitals and Institutions committee
ICYPAA	International Conference of Young People in A.A.
IGR	Intergroup Representative
LIM	Loners International Meeting
ORCYPAA	Oregon Conference of Young People in A. A.
PI	Public Information
PNC	Pacific Northwest Conference
PRAASA	Pacific Region A. A. Service Assembly
WACYPAA	Western Area Conference of Young People in A. A.
WVI	Willamette Valley Intergroup
Area	A geographical unit that elects a delegate to the General Service Conference.
Area Assembly	A quarterly weekend long gathering of the Area Committee and GSRs for business and sharing sessions.
Area Committee Business Meeting	Area officers, service committee chairpersons, and DCMs Portion of an Area Assembly or other service gathering where formal business is conducted and motions are presented and voted upon.
Central Office	An office for literature sales and telephone hotline, usually operated by an Intergroup.
Committee System	Meeting at quarterly assemblies to discuss General Service.
Delegate	Area representative to the annual General Service Conference.

General Service Conference	Annual meeting of delegates from all U.S. and Canada areas, trustees, and GSO staff - the group conscience of the U.S. and Canada.
District	A geographical unit usually containing 5 to 50 groups that elects a DCM.
Intergroup	A service body made up of group representatives (IGRs), usually in large urban areas, but separate from the general service structure.
Motion	A proposal made at a business meeting to be discussed and voted upon.
Service Committee	A subcommittee of an area or district responsible for doing one specific form of service work.
Standing Committee	Same as Service Committee
Substantial Unanimity	Normally a two-thirds majority.

New and Changed Meetings	
New:	
CAUSES AND CONDITIONS	
Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. At Faith Lutheran Church 4505 River Rd. N, Keizer	
Happy Hour	
Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m. At Timbers Coffee House 325 Court St. NE	
SAYPAA	
(Salem Area Young Peoples in Alcoholics Anonymous) Thursdays, 8:00 p.m. (starting April 12th) At Woodland Chapel 583 High St. SE	
Changed:	
Tuesday Night Step Study	
Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. (changed from 8:00 p.m.) At Saint Paul's Episcopal Church 1444 Liberty St. SE	
Upcoming Service Assembly Information	
Pacific Regional Forum	June 23-25, Seattle, WA
Pacific NorthWest Conference	June 29th to July 1st 2007
PRASSA 2008 -	Anchorage, Alaska
Visit www.aa-oregon.org for information	



April Calendar

SATURDAY 7

Grapevine Speaker's Meeting
First Congregational Church
700 Marion Street NE.
Fellowship & refreshments: 7:00
p.m.
Speaker: 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY 9

H & I Committee Meeting
Central Office
687 Cottage St. NE, 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY 12

District 4 Meeting
Saint Paul's Episcopal Church
1444 Liberty St. SE, 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY 14

TTCO (Take the Cotton Out)
Speaker's Meeting
Faith Lutheran Church
4505 River Road N, Keizer, 7:30
p.m.

MONDAY 16

WVI Committee Meeting
Central Office
687 Cottage St. NE, 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 25

TTCO Committee Meeting
Central Office
687 Cottage St. NE, 7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY 27

Soberfest Committee Meeting
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Saint Paul's Episcopal Church
1444 Liberty St. SE, 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY 28

KIS-S (Keep it Simple Speaker's
Meeting)
Morningside Methodist Church
3674 12th Street SE, 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY 28

Corvallis Speaker's Meeting
Good Samaritan Hospital, Corvallis
8:00 p.m.



Deaf and Hard of Hearing Meetings posted at:
<http://www.dhh12s.commeetingschedule/htm>

For links to other Intergroup websites visit
www.aa-oregon.org/aameetings.htm

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