

The Willamette Valley Intergroup's
The Eye Opener

December 2006

Willamette Valley Central Office

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2007 PRAASA

**(Pacific Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly)
March 2nd, 3rd, and 4th in Portland!**

PRAASA is an annual assembly held in one of the fifteen Delegate areas that comprise the Pacific Region. PRAASA is held during the first weekend of March – this provides an opportunity to discuss issues prior to the General Service Conference in April. As a PRAASA participant, you have a priceless opportunity to form lasting friendships with AA's from the nine western states (Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington) and the Area 79 - B.C./Yukon!

In 2007, the Assembly will be held at the Red Lion Hotel on the River—Jantzen Beach from 1:00 p.m. on Friday, the 2nd, until Noon on Sunday, the 4th. Registration forms and further information are available at Central Office and online at www.praasa.org.

**~ The Twelfth Month ~
Step Twelve**

"Having had a spiritual experience as a result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principals in all our affairs."

Tradition Twelve

"Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities."

Willamette Valley Intergroup Board*Chair**Don E.**Co-Chair**Bill B.**Al - Anon**Joyce L.**Phone Line Coordinator**Diana W.**Bridging the Gap Chair**Vacant**Eye Opener Editor**Cori P.**Intergroup Liaison**Anita**Out Reach Coordinator**Angela G.**Recording Secretary**Bill B.**Soberfest Coordinator**Doug H.**Treasurer**Justin M.**Trustee**Vacant**H & I Committee Chair**Trevor 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.

**Willamette Valley Intergroup
October Minutes**

In Attendance: Bill B., Co-Chair, Laura F., Office Manager, Bill B., Pioneer Group, Andy K., Conscious Contact group, Fred D, Living Sober Group, Dave S., Website and Computers, Cori P., Living Sober, Lisa A., Good to be here Group, Gary H., Way Home Group, Patty P., Capitol Discussion Group, Doug H., Soberfest, Joyce L., Al-Anon, Greg M., Mill Creek, Paula F., Way Home Group.

The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer and the 12 Traditions.

Minutes were reviewed from the last meeting. Approved.

Intergroup Liaison: (Fred) Next Saturday is the District 4 workshop. The Intergroup panel will answer questions from 10:40am-11:30am. on what Central Office does. The panel will consist of Patty, Gary, Laura, Cory, Dave, Angela and Diana. There will be 4 minutes available for each to answer questions and an ask-it basket at the end. They will be needing Greeters and Volunteers to set up tables, etc. Cory, Bill and Gary will also volunteer. They will start setting up at 8:00am, and clean-up will be at 3:00pm. The event starts at 10:00am with registration starting at 9:30am. This event has been advertised in Newberg, Dallas, through DCMs as well as the Website.

Treasurers Report: Vacant. (Laura) Central Office had a total of \$3,602.38 in donations, and \$2,268.88 in outflows for the month of September leaving Central Office in the black \$1,333.50. Laura has put together a spreadsheet for the last 5 years spending. Patty did an audit of the books for Central Office and everything looks fine. Central Office has been without a Treasurer for the last 10 months. It was suggested that we go to group meetings and try to recruit a treasurer. Accepted.

Office Manager Report: (Laura) Central office had 304 contacts for the month of September and has had 2750 contacts

YTD. Messages being left at Central Office have been down due having the Phone Coordinator in place. There is an annual conference for Central Office Managers and we have not attended due to not having enough money. Laura would like to attend this year. Central Office is still looking for volunteers. Anyone interested can contact Laura at Central Office. Accepted.

H&I Committee, (Andy K.) Andy has brought a copy of H&I financials for groups to copy.

Website and Computer report: (Dave) There were 3300 hits on the website for September.

Schedules and events are up to date as of 10-01-06. Dave revamped glitches on individual pages on website to make the site more user friendly. There is a lot of spam on open.org. Dave has talked with them and they have little spam control. They said there isn't enough server space to set it up. One alternative is to change E-mail addresses to one that has spam control, or keep the current and have it go through Laura's home E-mail for spam screening. Accepted.

Soberfest Report: (Doug) Soberfest does not have a finalized program yet. The Al-Anon speaker is set, but are looking for an Alateen speaker. They are going to spend \$3164.00 on airfare for speakers. Joe H. is the new registration chair for Soberfest. The carwash fundraiser raised \$200.30. The Saturday Evening Post raffle is doing well (\$75.00 last month). Tickets are 3 for \$5.00 or 7 for \$10.00. Tom will M.C. the raffle. There will be a potluck and comedy show on Friday, but all plans are not finalized.

Al-Anon Report: (Joyce) Joyce is the new Al-Anon liaison. Al-Anon wanted to thank AA for the chili feed. Volunteers are asking for more Al-Anon books at Central Office. They also asked about the possibility of having Alateen books at Central Office.

Eye Opener Report (Cori) "Gratitudes" need to be turned in by October 25th for

the November Eye Opener. 200 word limit on articles.

District 4: No Report.

Office Volunteer Coordinator: Vacant.

Outreach Coordinator: No Report.

Phone Coordinator: No Report.

Old Business: Patty called New York regarding donation maximums for Central Office. They said the limit set up is for GSO only. Groups can set their own limits. Concerns were raised as to the impact of high contributions from individuals. Possible tax implications? Do we want to set up our own limit? The individual donating the high contributions doesn't want to be an influence in AA. Regarding the website, it was decided in talking with individual groups, that it would be acceptable to list most AA related events and that there would be no conflict with the 3rd tradition, however, possibly limiting it to local events due to the fact that there is already outside links that advertise individual events. Approved.

New Business: Alateen books have been approved to be carried at Central Office. Approved.

Meeting adjourned.

**District 4 Seeks
Secretary, Treasurer**

Both positions are open for nominations. If you are interested in either position, please join District 4 for their monthly meeting at Saint Paul's Episcopal Church on Thursday, December 14th at 7:00 p.m.

**Volunteers Needed
for Central Office**

Do you have four hours a week that you can spend in service? Contact Laura at 503.399.0959 to get started. Shifts are four hours long. Duties include answering the phone, retail sales, and general office tasks.

WVI October Treasurer's Report

CASH FLOW		
	10/1/2006 through 10/31/2006	
Category Description	10/1/06- 10/31/06	% of Total
INFLOWS		
GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS		
7 AM Downtown Group	372.20	17.71%
Conscious Contact	30.00	1.43%
Independence Monday Night Step Study	50.00	2.38%
New Pair Of Glasses	144.00	6.85%
North Santiam Group Of AA	25.00	1.19%
Recovery At Noon	60.90	2.90%
Second Chance Group	50.00	2.38%
We Are Not Saints	20.00	0.95%
TOTAL GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS	752.10	35.78%
INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS		
Anonymous	210.65	10.02%
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OTHER INCOME		
Copier Use	47.50	2.26%
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	47.50	2.26%
SALES		
Al-anon	9.00	0.43%
Book Cover	12.00	0.57%
CDs	12.00	0.57%
Greeting Card(s)	18.00	0.86%
Literature	615.55	29.28%
Medallions	336.20	15.99%
Misc.	30.95	1.47%
Soberfest	9.00	0.43%
Special Orders	9.00	0.43%
Stickers-Decals	29.00	1.38%
Tape	4.00	0.19%
Tape&CD Sale T-Mar Consignment	7.00	0.33%
TOTAL SALES	1,091.70	51.94%
TOTAL INFLOWS	2,101.95	100%
OUTFLOWS		
INVENTORY PURCHASE		
Literature	439.83	23.13%
Medallions	314.00	16.51%
TOTAL INVENTORY PURCHASE	753.83	39.65%
OFFICE SUPPLIES	31.44	1.65%
PAYROLL		

Payroll Taxes quarterly	483.33	25.42%
Other PAYROLL	555.45	29.21%
TOTAL PAYROLL	1,038.78	54.63%
POSTAGE & DELIVERY	15.73	0.83%
TELEPHONE		
Other TELEPHONE	61.60	3.24%
TOTAL TELEPHONE	61.60	3.24%
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	1,901.38	100%
OVERALL TOTAL	200.57	100%
ACCOUNT BALANCES - As of 10/31/2006		
Bank Accounts		
Checking		6,747.93
Money Market		1,907.90
TOTAL Bank Accounts		8,655.83



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Deder D.
December 1, 1998

Cheryl M.
December 11, 1981

Frank S.
December 19, 2001

Connie W.
December 7, 1973

Buster S.
December 11, 1999

Rick L.
December 21, 2000

Ray W.
December 7, 1973

Bill H.
December 12, 2001

Rick C.
December 23, 2001

Frank R.
December 7, 1979

Jeff M.
December 14, 2003

Karen R.
December 24, 2002

Mark A.
December 7, 2002

Randy H.
December 15, 2001

Leslie C.
December 28, 2001

Jim H.
December 8, 2001

Diane E.
December 18, 1997

Josie
December 9, 2002

Traci F.
December 18, 2001

Greg
December 10, 1995

Jim N.
December 18, 2003

Connie
December 10, 2001

Mark B.
December 19, 1996

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.

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

	YTD	Thru October
11th Step Group	0	0
12 Steppers	0	0
7 AM Downtown Group	4,574	372
AA Meeting	0	0
Anon Group	21	0
As Bill Sees It	0	0
Capitol Discussion	501	85
City of Jefferson	0	0
Conscious Contact	220	30
Daily Reprieve Group	0	0
Dallas Speaker's Meeting	0	0
District #4	50	5
Fireside Hour	278	0
For Women Only	225	0
Good To Be Here Women's Group	75	0
Group "1"	0	0
Heart Beat of AA	8	8
Heard It From The Grapevine	220	0
Home To Stay	100	0
Independence Monday Night Step Study	50	50
It's Live Saturday Night	140	0
KIS-S Group	428	44
Living Free Step Study Group	0	0
Living Sober Group	190	0
Men's Stag	0	0
Monday Night Solutions Keizer	141	0
Monday Night Step Study	40	0
Mt Angel Group	0	0
Newcomer's Meeting Dallas	0	0
New Beginnings Women's Group III	0	0
New Freedom	400	0
New Pair of Glasses	144	144

Check Out the Web Site!

Www.openorg/aasalem is your source for all things related to Willamette Valley A.A. News, events, meeting lists and more can be found at our site. Don't forget to send in your own news to aasalem@yahoo.com.

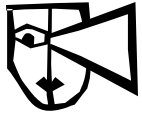
Email Eye Opener Submissions!

Share information, experience, hope , and strength! Email articles, etc. to the Eye Opener: wvi_eyepener@yahoo.com.

North Santiam Group Of AA	145	25
Old Guthrie School	0	0
Pioneer Group	875	0
Promises	0	0
Recovery At Noon	791	61
Recovery First	0	0
Salem Big Book Group	0	0
Salem Thursday Night BB SS	0	0
Santiam Highway Group	60	0
Saturday Night Live	60	20
Saturday Solution	100	0
Scotts Mills Daily Reprieve	249	0
Second Chance Group	243	50
Silverton Group	280	0
Snack Pack	0	0
Soberfest	2,360	0
Sole Purpose Group	0	0
Step Study Monday Night	0	0
Study: Steps, Traditions, Meditations	0	0
Sunday Morn BB & Disc Keizer	0	0
Sunday Night Step Study	0	0
TTCO	50	0
Tuesday Night AA	0	0
Tuesday Night Open Book Group	0	0
Tuesday Night Step Study	0	0
Unity Group	25	25
Up For Air	0	0
Way Home Group	750	250
We Are Not Saints	100	20
Winners And Newcomers	825	0
Woodland Action Group	64	0
TOTAL GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS	\$14,783	\$1,189

Grapevine Speakers Meetings

On the first Saturday of every month, you may now attend the new GrapeVine Speaker's Meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to create interest in A.A.'s publication, *GrapeVine*, while also encouraging folks to consider being a GrapeVine representative for a local group. The meetings are held at the First Congregational Church, 700 Marion Street NE. Fellowship, refreshments, and coffee start at 7:00 p.m. The speaker will start at 7:30.



December Calendar

SATURDAY 2

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

MONDAY 4

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

SATURDAY 9

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

MONDAY 11

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

THURSDAY 14

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

MONDAY 18

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

SATURDAY 23

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

WEDNESDAY 27

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

FRIDAY 29

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

SATURDAY 30

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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