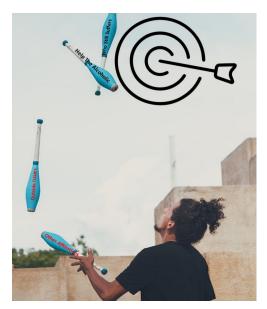
Cascade Connection

A Newsletter for COIGAA May 2023

"Each Alcoholics Anonymous group ought to be a spiritual entity having but one primary purpose-that of carrying its message to the alcoholic who still suffers."

Fifth Tradition, Long Form, 1946



"Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs." Step 5 of Alcoholics Anonymous

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Looking for Other Meetings?

Looking for a local Live or Virtual Meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous? Check out our website for meeting locations, dates, times, login info and passwords:

www.coigaa.org

Or download the Meeting Guide App



https://www.aa.org/meeting



HOTLINE (541) 548-0440



Central Oregon Intergroup Office

337 W. Antler Ave., Ste B Redmond, OR 97756 (541) 923-8199 coigoffice@coigaa.org Hours: Monday 9 am—2 pm Tuesday 9 am—1 pm Wednesday 9 am—1 pm and 2:15 –6 pm Thursday 9 am - 2 pm Friday 9 am—1 pm



12th Step Volunteers Needed

Do you live in Madras, La Pine, Sisters, Tumalo, Sunriver, Prineville or are you willing to travel there?

If you are willing to join our 12th Step Volunteer list, PLEASE contact our Hotline Chairperson, Lauren S., at hotline@coigaa.org

We also need a Hotline person for Wednesdays from 1 pm-5pm and relief volunteers to cover shifts!

The Intergroup Needs You! We are looking for an Entertainment Committee Chair and a Web Chair (2 yr. sobriety requirement)

Contact Frank or Joan at coigoffice@coigaa.org



COIGAA IGR Meeting

May 28, 2023

5:30 pm at TEC and via Zoom

This is a Closed Hybrid Business Meeting ZOOM Meeting ID - 961 1009 6966 Password - 061935 Need Chips? Need AA Literature?

You can get it at the office!

Office Hours

Monday & *Thursday* 9am – 2pm

Tuesday & Friday 9am – 1pm

Wednesday

9am – 1pm &

2:15pm – 6pm

Joan is also able to bring orders to Bend if you can't make it to the office. Contact Joan at coigoffice@coigaa.org



Principle of the Month

Primary Purpose

"A.A. is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety."

~Excerpt from *The A.A. Preamble*.

"Shoemaker, stick to thy last!'... better do one thing supremely well than many badly. That is the central theme of this Tradition. Around it our Society gathers in unity. The very life of our Fellowship requires the preservation of this principle."

"'My sponsor sold me one idea, and that was sobriety. At the time, I couldn't have bought anything else.""

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FIFTH STEP PRAYER

Higher Power, My inventory has shown me who I am, Yet I ask for Your help In admitting my wrongs to another person & to You. Assure me, & be with me, in this Step, For without this Step I cannot progress in my recovery. With Your help, I can do this, & I do it.

5th Step Promises

Once we have taken this step, withholding nothing, we are delighted. We can look the world in the eye. We can be alone at perfect peace and ease. Our fears fall from us. We begin to feel the nearness of our Creator. We may have had certain spiritual beliefs, but now we begin to have a spiritual experience. The feeling that the drink problem has disappeared will often come strongly. We feel we are on the Broad Highway, walking hand in hand with the Spirit of the Universe."

~Alcoholics Anonymous, pg. 75

Step Five : "Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs."

"What are we likely to receive from Step Five? For one thing, we shall get rid of that terrible sense of isolation we've always had. Almost without exception, alcoholics are tortured by loneliness. Even before our drinking got bad and people began to cut us off, nearly all of us suffered the feeling that we didn't quite belong... Until we had talked with complete candor of our conflicts, and had listened to someone else do the same thing, we still didn't belong. Step Five was the answer. It was the beginning of true kinship with man and God."

~Twelve Steps and 12 Traditions, p.57

"We must be entirely honest with somebody if we expect to live long or happily in this world."

~Alcoholics Anonymous, p. 73-74

BONFIRE MEETING

FUN — FOOD & FELLOWSHIP AROUND THE CAMPFIRE.

Event is at Tumalo State Park group camp A. Camping is available at no charge. Speakers are Forrest and Jessica. S'mores, potluck appetizers, and activities. Contact : Alan S. 541–647–9174 Or Donn C. 541–241–4820

> Saturday May 13th - 6:00 - 10:00pm

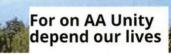


Steps To Sobriety Grp Presents:

What: Speaker/Discussion Mtg When: Fridays at 5:30pm Where: The Rebels Roost 703 N. Main St. Prineville Or.

Upcoming Speakers:

May 5th - John H. from the 24 & Alive Grp May 12th - Katrina T. from Sunday Sober Sisters May 19th - Paulette L. from LaPine Sober Chicks May 26th - Home Group's Birthday Celebration Night! June 2nd - Joan C. from Eastside Early risers June 9th - Mark T. from the Men in the Park Grp June 16th - Al S. from the Men in the Park Grp June 23rd - David G. from the New Horizons Grp June 30th - Home Group's Birthday Celebration Night!



The Central Oregon Intergroup of Alcoholics Anonymous

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May 2023 Intergroup Potluck Saturday May 27th 5pm - 8pm

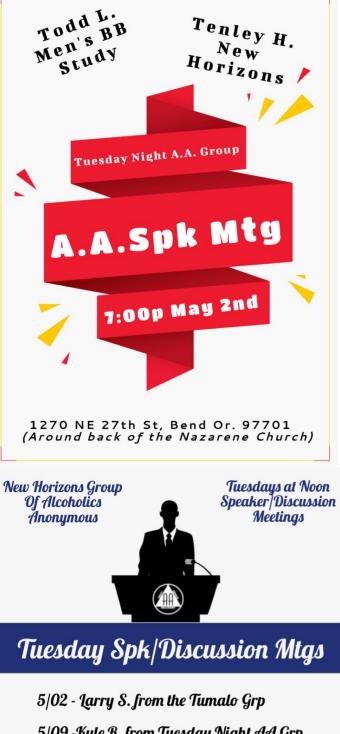
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WFS Group Celebrating 63rd anniversary as an .4.4 group in Bend

Trinity Episcopal Church (TEC), Brooks Hall 469 NW Wall Street Bend, Oregon (enter on corner of Wull Street, upstairs)

Speakers @ 7pm Billye F. (45 years) * Amy H. All are Welcome!!

Handicap Accessible Questions or comments: COIGAA office (541) 923-8199



5/02 - Larry S. from the Tumalo Grp 5/09 -Kyle R. from Tuesday Night AA Grp 5/16 - Halie T. from Weathering The Storm 5/23 - Beth M. from the New Horizons Grp 5/30 - Brian R. from Primary Purpose

New Horizons Group Meets Mon-Tues-Wed-Thurs at Noon At The Trinity Episcopal Church 469 NW Wall St, Bend, OR 97703 Visit NewHorizonsGroupAA.com Mondays: Beginners Mtg. Last Monday: Birthday Mtg. Tuesdays: Spk/Discussion Mtg Wednesdays: Big Book Study Thursdays: 11th Step Mtg. 1st Thursday: Tradition Study **OREGON AREA 58 ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**

POST-CONFERENCE DELEGATE REPORT

OUR DELEGATE WILL BE REPORTING ON WHAT HAPPENED AT THIS YEAR'S GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE!

SATURDAY MAY 20TH | 1:15-3:15PM

JOIN US

IN-PERSON DESCHUTES COUNTY FAIRGROUND

REDMOND, OR

ONLINE

ZOOM MEETING ID: 857 1621 2794 PC: 061035



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Did you know you can listen to AA speakers on YouTube?!?!

Here is the link to listen to Jim talk about the 5th Tradition: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RmlRSgqRjL4</u>

April 2023 District 5 Report to COIGAA

Hello Central Oregon Intergroup!

District 5 will be hosting the next Oregon Area Service Assembly. At the Redmond fairgrounds. We will need lots of volunteers and groups willing to help in hosting this event here locally. Again, Volunteers are needed! The more the better! This is a post Conference Assembly and I highly encourage everyone to come hear our Delegates report back from the General Service Conference! There will be lots of Big News! If you have never been to a service Assembly, or are considering becoming a GSR this will be a great opportunity for you to come learn more about how the Service Structure works! <u>Register Here</u>

District 5 Public Information Committee has come out with some Local Public information Flyers for the fellowship to distribute. These Fliers have the COIG Hotline Phone number on them. This is how we get the word out to the public that if someone is looking for help with their drinking problem, we have a hotline and a local meeting directory. I have attached the PI Fliers to keep stocked and on hand at the local Central Office so that our members may post and distribute to the community. Good places to post the PI fliers would be Bulletin Boards, Laundromats, Hotels, Grocery Stores, Libraries, State Offices, and anywhere else you can think of where an alcoholic may be. We also just got another Shipment of PI Cards in as well. Please give the members of your group an opportunity to help get these public service announcements out to the public. For more information or what more your group can do to help contact Public Information Chair Brian at 541-640-3035

For more information, or to request a workshop for your home group, presentation, or a group inventory call me directly or visit **District5AA.org**

Yours in Fellowship & Service, District 5 DCM <u>dcm05@aa-oregon.org</u>

Carrie B. 541-788-7276

<u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/17NVZFZgrEJTPBNCtsJJCheOCSU0ZexVWAyy0E4</u> <u>kJ3_M/edit?usp=sharing</u>

PI Fliers For Central Office COIG Male PI Flier

female PI Flier

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Announcing: Ebook adjusted list pricing

April 3, 2023

Dear A.A. Friends,

In our continued efforts to best serve the Fellowship, offering our items of literature to all purchasers with an emphasis on fairness, parity and implementing normalized pricing across our various formats of each item, we have updated our suggested list prices for ebooks effective April 3, 2023 to align as closely as possible with our print pricing.

To view the new suggested list prices, *click here.*

A note on selling prices

Just as the cost to purchasers of our print formats are subject to quantity discounts and other special offers, our ebooks are subject to routine discounting and special offers across vendors. This means that the cost to purchasers in most cases is less than our suggested listed price for each ebook item downloaded.

To view our selection of A.A.W.S. ebooks, or to place orders, click here.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions at publishingnews@aa.org.

With all best A.A. wishes,

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Deborah K. Chair, A.A.W.S. Board

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Share Your Group Experiences with GSO

Let the General Service Office know of any experiences or challenges your group faces or has solved. This sharing is combined and shared when requested, so we all can learn from each other.

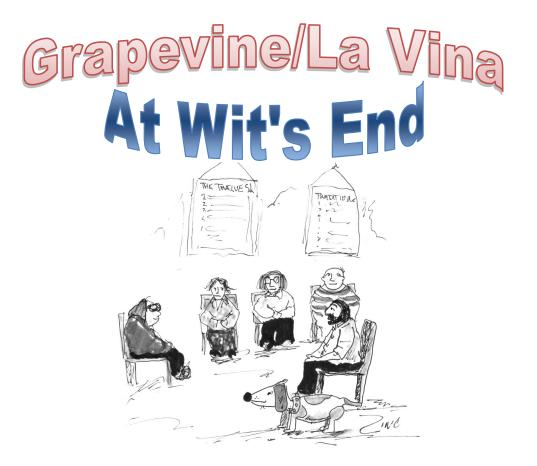
https://www.aa.org/contact-gso

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This is the official YouTube channel for Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc. (A.A.W.S.) and is maintained by the General Service Office (G.S.O.) of the U.S. and Canada. Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. A.A. is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy; neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety. For more information about Alcoholics Anonymous, please visit our website at www.aa.org

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General Service Office Information

"My dog Twelfth Stepped me."

By: Zinc reprinted from May 2023 Grapevine

What's Happening Elsewhere?



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Celilo AA Spring Gathering

34th Annual

When:

May 11th 12th, 13th, 14th, 2023

Where: Celilo Campground

Exit 97 off I-84

10 Miles East of The Dalles, OR

Bring your Experience Strength & Hope

For Camping: Tent, Sleeping Bag, Camping gear, Food to Eat, Food to Share, Water, Wood

Activities: Men, Women & Children's Sweat Lodge; AA meetings; Teen Meetings; Women's Talking Circle; Moon Lodge, & Sunday Spiritual Breakfast and Giveaway.

AA Meetings 7:30 am every morning

Speaker Meeting Thursday @ 8pm

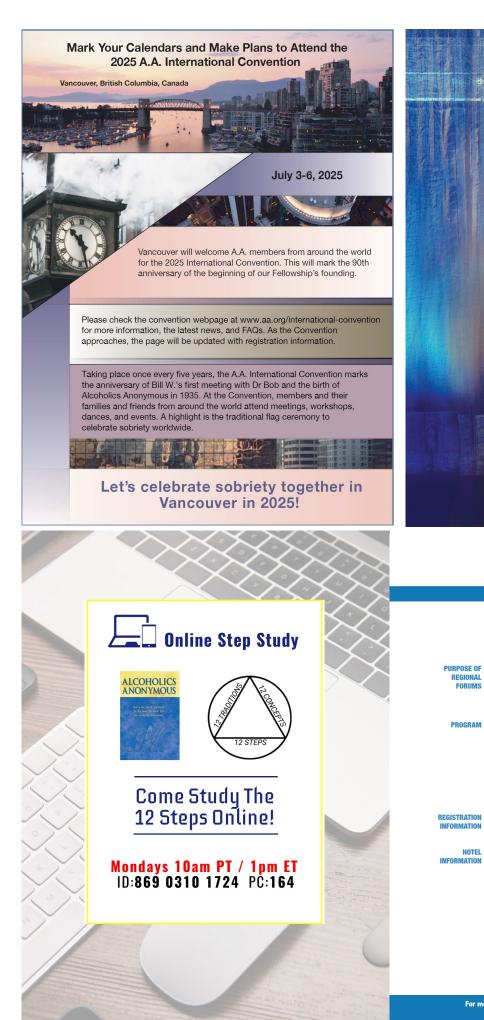
All weekend @ 8pm AA Meetings

Women's Meeting Saturday @ 3pm

Need Info?

Call Kathy K 503.890.6270

Nancy C 360.600.4003



God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference.

WEST CENTRAL REGIONAL FORUM

August 25-27, 2023 Hilton Garden Inn, Missoula, MT

You are invited to the West Central Regional Forum!

Regional Forums are hosted by the A.A. General Service Board and "open" to all REGIONAL A.A. members or to anyone interested in A.A. FORUMS Regional Forums are designed to enhance communication and participation between A.A. members, the General Service Board, and staff and directors from the General Service Office and AA Grapevine. PROGRAM Your West Central Regional Trustee will moderate the event. You will also hear • from General Service Office Staff Members, the General Manager, General Service Board Trustees, AA Grapevine Inc. Publisher and Staff, A.A. World Services, Inc. Director, your region's Delegates, and past trustees. There will be presentations, workshops, panels, and more. There will also be sharing sessions that will allow you to comment and ask questions of the board and staff. A sample program is posted on aa.org under the Regional Forums tab. The event will take place on Friday from 6 p.m. – 10 p.m. Saturday from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m., and Sunday from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m Registration is FREE and will open online at www.aa.org on May 26, 2023. All registration information is confidential and will not be used for anything except communicating about the event and sending the digital Final Report. HOTEL Hilton Garden Inn 3720 N. Reserve St., Missoula, MT, 59808 Phone: (888) 728-3027 Hotel reservations: https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctvhoc n=MSOGIGI&groupCode=WCR&arrivaldate=2023-08-24&departuredate=2023-08-27&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,EN,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT Last day to book August 4th Rate: Double Occupancy, \$139 per night US or Canadian To receive the group rate, reference the event

We look forward to seeing you in Missoula!





The 2023 International Convention will be held on June 29—July 3, 2023 At the Albuquerque Convention Center in Albuquerque, NM Registration will open November 1, 2022 <u>https://al-anon.org/wso-events/2023-al-anon-international-</u>



Save The Dates

August 4th, 5th, 6th, 2023



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To Be Held At: Molalla Retreat Center 36208 S Molalla Forest Rd Molalla, OR 97038

Contact: OregonAlateenConference@gmail.com



SPONSORED BY: THURSDAY NIGHT YOUNG PEOPLE SPEAKER MEETING AFG

YOUNG PEOPLE/NEWCOMER MARATHON MEETING EVENT

A meeting on the hour every hour

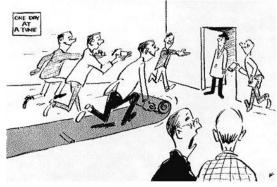
This is a Young People Newcomer Focus Marathon Meeting Event. A Meeting on the hour every hour with 15 min breaks in between. Topics is Young People and Newcomers based on the reading from Chapter 1 Many Faces of Al-Anon from How Al-Anon Works.

Zoom Meeting ID & Password 873 8115 5121 PW: 950245 Contact email: pdx.thursdaynightyp@gmail.com SATURDAY MAY 20TH 2023

6:00PM PST – MIDNIGHT MEETING SCHEDULE TBA

AL-ANON, ALATEEN, AA AND NEWCOMERS TO AL-ANON ARE WELCOME. THIS IS A FREE VEVENT. 7H TRADITION WILL BE COLLECTED AT THE EVENT BENEFITING THE THURSDAY NIGHT YOUNG PEOPLE SPEAKER MEETING PRUDENT RESERVE. THOSE WHO IDENTIFY AS AL-ANON/ALATEEN MEMBERS MAY ONLY CONTRIBUTE. NEWCOMERS TO AL-ANON ARE NOT EXPECTED TO CONTRIBUTE.

AA Humor



"You give him unrealistic expectations. I'll start working on tearing his ego apart."

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Intergroup Meetings take place the fourth Sunday of each month at 5:30 PM, except in Nov. and Dec. when they meet on the third Sunday. Held both live at TEC (Trinity Episcopal Church) and as a Hybrid Zoom Meeting as well.

469 NW Wall Street, Bend.

Observers are welcome to attend too!

Contact secretary@coigaa.org for log on information