Into Action!

Westside Central Office

June 2013

What's Happening at the WCO?

Westside Central Office (WCO) hosted its most recent business meeting on Monday, June 3rd, 7pm, at the Beaverton First United Methodist Church (12555 4th ST, Beaverton, OR 97005).

The Public Information (PI) Committee Chair, Derek T, reported that they gave an A.A. presentation to students at Beaverton Schools' *Insight Class* this past month. Students that violate Beaverton Schools' drug and alcohol policy are required to attend the Insight Class. Although this was the last presentation for the school year, Beaverton Schools indicated that they will contact PI next year for more presentations.

Derek T also met with an advertising representative at Clear Channel Communications this past month. The purpose of the meeting was to find out how much it would cost to air a Public Service Announcement (PSA) for A.A. on one of their radio stations. Derek was quoted $108 for twenty-seven 30-second ads on KEX 1190 AM. The PI Committee plans to pursue this 12th Step Opportunity.

The Outreach Committee shared samples of the forthcoming printed meeting schedule by Westside Central Office. Those in attendance provided valuable feedback that Outreach will incorporate into a final version. Outreach hopes to unveil the first volume of this meeting schedule in mid-July or early August.

We are pleased to announce that we have filled two vacant service positions. Congratulations to Ben P for getting elected to the *12th Step Call Chair* and Taylor W for getting elected to the *A.A. Hotline Chair*. If you would like to get involved with the 12th Step Call Committee, then contact Ben at 12stepchair@westsidecentraloffice.com. If you would like to get involved with the A.A. Hotline Committee, then contact Taylor at hotlinechair@westsidecentraloffice.com. You can also learn more about these committees by visiting our website, www.westsidecentraloffice.com, and click on either the A.A. Hotline link or the Twelfth Step Calls link under the Service tab.

If you want to drink, that's your business. If you want to stop, that's ours! Call 503-684-0415

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Get Involved!

The Westside Central Office has the following 12th Step opportunities:

12th Step Calls – Interested in going on a 12th Step Call? A.A. members are needed for the 12th Step Call Committee. We suggest that volunteers have at least 1 year of sobriety, a sponsor, a home group, and have worked all twelve steps at least once. Visit the 12th Step Call webpage at westsidecentraloffice.com/service/twelfth-step-calls or email the 12th Step Call Committee Chair at 12stepchair@westsidecentraloffice.com for more information.

A.A. Hotline - Do you like talking on the phone and helping people? Volunteers are needed to answer the Westside Central Office phone, day and night. Phone shifts last about 2 hours and calls can be forwarded to any cell phone or landline. To learn how you can help, visit the Hotline webpage at westsidecentraloffice.com/service/a-a-hotline/ or email the A.A. Hotline Chair at hotlinechair@westsidecentraloffice.com.

Public Information – Volunteers are needed to help inform the public on what A.A. is and what A.A. is not. Activities include putting on presentations at area schools, dropping off meeting schedules at hotels/motels, donating Big Books to public libraries, taking out ads with the A.A. hotline phone number in local newspapers, etc. The Public Information committee carries the message to the alcoholic who may not yet know about A.A. Email pi@westsidecentraloffice.com for more information.

Activities – Interested in putting on social or service oriented events? Then join the activities committee. Email activities@westsidecentraloffice.com for more information.

Literature – The Westside Central Office sells literature to A.A. groups and members at cost thanks to our committee of literature volunteers. If you're available to help purchase/deliver A.A. conference approved literature, then please email lit@westsidecentraloffice.com.

Treatment Facilities – Volunteers are needed to help contact treatment centers and offer assistance in coordinating A.A. meetings and presentations at their facility. The type of organizations this committee works with includes inpatient/outpatient treatment centers, detox centers, hospitals, institutions, nursing homes, etc. Email tf@westsidecentraloffice.com for more information or to get involved with the Treatment Facilities Committee.

Upcoming Events

June 15, 2013 – Breakfast with the Delegate! Saturday, June 15th, 9am-12noon, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 3405 SW Alice ST, Portland, OR 97219. Free Pancakes, A.A. Speakers (including Area 58 Delegate Chase B), fellowship, and fun provided by A.A. Districts 10, 31, and 36. More information is available at westsidecentraloffice.com/events/aa-announcements/.

June 21, 2013 – Pacific Northwest Conference 2013 – Friday, June 21st – Sunday, June 23rd – Hermiston Conference Center – 415 S HWY 395, Hermiston, OR 97838. Visit their website, pnc1948.org/, for more information.

July 1, 2013 – Westside Central Office Business Meeting – each first Monday of the month, 7pm-8pm, Beaverton First United Methodist Church (12555 4th ST, Beaveron, OR 97005).

To list A.A. related announcements in this section, email the announcement to: newsletter@westsidecentraloffice.com

Does your Home Group have a WCO Rep?

A Central Office Rep (CO Rep) serves as the liaison between the A.A. Group and the Westside Central Office (WCO). Co Reps attend the WCO business meeting and vote their group's conscience on Central Office matters. By electing a CO Rep, your group not only helps the Central Office help the alcoholic who still suffers, but your group also creates another service position for a home group member. Our business meeting is held on the first Monday of the month, 7pm-8pm, at the Beaverton First United Methodist Church, 12555 4th ST, Beaverton, OR 97005. We look forward to seeing your group's Co Rep there!

Is There an Alcoholic Looking for Your Meeting?

Each day, we are contacted by A.A. newcomers and visitors from out-of-town in search of a meeting. You can help us find a meeting for these individuals by listing your home group's meeting(s) in our meeting directory. To list your group, complete the online form at www.westsidecentraloffice.com/meetings

Making a Seventh Tradition Contribution

Besides contributing time and energy to the Westside Central Office (WCO), A.A. members and groups may also make a financial contribution. The WCO is funded exclusively by the voluntary contributions of A.A. groups and members. No contribution is too small. Please make checks payable to Westside Central Office, P.O. Box 19911, Portland, OR 97280-0911.

Are you looking for a meeting? Or would you like to read today's *Daily Reflection*, the *Big Book,* or *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions* book online? These are just a few of the A.A. resources available on our website. Visit today by pointing your browser to www.westsidecentraloffice.com.

Into Action! is published monthly by the Westside Central Office. The Westside Central Office is an Intergroup/Central Office serving the A.A. community in the Western Portland Oregon metropolitan area. Our primary purpose is to serve our A.A. groups and members by helping them carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers. More information is available at www.westsidecentraloffice.com. Direct all correspondence to: email: info@westsidecentraloffce.com phone: 503-684-0415 (extension 0) mail: Westside Central Office, P.O. Box 19911, Portland, OR 97280-0911.

News From GSO

A health care professional in Baltimore, Maryland contacted the A.A. General Service Office (GSO) and requested contact information for an A.A. member who speaks English and Lao in order to connect them with a client who has a desire to stop drinking and only speaks Lao.

If you know of an A.A. member who is willing to serve this way, please ask him or her to contact Steve S at GSO at tf@aa.org, or by phone at 212-870-3344.

News From The Grapevine

Grapevine announced a new book (and ebook) on sponsorship titled One on One. Grapevine also announced that fourteen of their books are now available as ebooks for Kindle, Nook, and Apple devices. These and other great items from Grapevine are available for online purchase at store.aagrapevine.org.

La Viña turns 17 years old this summer and a number of celebrations have been planned around the country in honor of the Spanish meeting in print. Visit www.aagrapevine.org/Calendario-de-Eventos for more information.

Do you have a funny comic or joke? Share it with us!
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