Into Action!

Westside Central Office

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What's Happening at the WCO?

We are pleased to announce the election of Veronica to our Activities Chair position at this month's business meeting. If you have suggestions for activities that you would like to see WCO host, or if you would like to get involved with the Activities Committee, email Veronica at activities@westsidecentraloffice.com.

District 36 invited us to their Founder's Day on June 14th to give a presentation on our 12th Step Call Committees. Joe S and Mark L attended. Mark gave a presentation on the traditional 12th Step Call Committee and Joe presented the A.A. Support Call Committee. The presentation to about 20 people was well received. Mark provided flyers for our A.A. Support Call Committee and another flyer for other WCO service positions .Mark also gave away some of our old service manuals as well.

This was the sixth time that District 36 hosted this event. Besides our presentation, they also hosted a delicious brunch and a speaker, Joe P, who presented a history of A.A.

We still have plenty of printed meeting schedules available. Remember that Group's get 10 free copies. You can pick up your copies by contacting us for a literature appointment. For purchases: https://westsidecentraloffice.com/literature or email your order to info@westsidecentraloffice.com.

We have 5 copies of the 2021-2023 edition of the service manual left. These are available for free to anyone who needs it. We also have the newer 2024 service manual available for purchase at $4/each.

WSCO Hotline News: Minutes in call are back up! Call numbers are up, and call times, vs. email asks. Shifts are done at volunteer availability so there are no specific shifts. The form on the WCO website below had a glitch so if you have not received a response, please resubmit your form. Always need volunteers at the link below: https://westsidecentraloffice.com/service/a-a-hotline

Individuals looking for a rewarding service position should consider one of our vacant positions. A list of open positions is available at https://westsidecentraloffice.com/westside-central-office-service-opportunities-3. You can attend our business meeting or email us at info@westsidecentraloffice.com to learn more about these service positions.

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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.

Need A.A. Literature?

The Westside Central Office sells A.A. Conference Approved Literature at cost! You can purchase A.A. Literature at our office located at 6950 SW Hampton ST #117, Tigard, OR 97223-8330. A map to our office is available at http://westsidecentraloffice.com/map/. We are open by appointment only. Email info@westsidecentraloffice.com to request an

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

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.

This Month in A.A. History

- **July 6, 1948** – Earl E, founder of the first A.A. meeting in Seaside Oregon has his last drink. Earl will attend meetings in Astoria before starting the meeting in his Seaside home in September of 1950.
- **July 1950** – The Twelve Traditions adopted by the fellowship at the First International Convention (Cleveland, Ohio).
- **July 1950** – At the request of some judges, a city jail committee is established by the Portland Oregon *Central Advisory Committee* (CAC). CAC changed its name to *Portland Intergroup* in 1962.
- **July 1955** – The 20th Anniversary International Convention is held in St. Louis.
- **July 1955** – The second edition of the Big Book is published.
- **July 3, 1955** – The St. Louis Convention culminates with Bill W officially handing leadership of A.A. over to the members.
- **July 1955** – Steve L. Loy, managing editor of La Grande Oregon's newspaper, "Evening Observer", attends a local A.A. meeting. A few days later, the newspaper runs a 600-word editorial on A.A. entitled "It Must Have Something". The editorial provides the residents of La Grande a clear picture of what A.A. is and what A.A. is not.
- **July 1, 2004** – The A.A. Grapevine Digital Archive is launched providing online access to sixty years of Grapevine content.
- **July 2012** – The participating groups of the Westside Central Office approve job descriptions and Guidelines for conducting elections and business.
- **July 13, 2017** - the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) classifies Westside Central Office as a public charity under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) 501(c)(3). Upon receiving this recognition from the IRS, the Westside Central Office completes the last major milestone of its formation.

Upcoming Events

July 12, 2025 – District 31 11:00 am-2:00 pm. Picnic. Potluck, 50/50 Speaker Matija B. Shadywood Park. 535 NE 24th Ave, Hillsboro.

July 19, 2025 – 10am to 12 Noon. Disruption Defense in Virtual Meetings. Zoom ID: 819-6741-5428 PWD: 959431

July 19, 2025 – 3pm - 6pm Sponsorship Workshop, Panel, Pizza Party and Potluck. Creator Lutheran Church. 13250 SE Sunnyside Clackamas

July 27 – August 3, 2024 – AA in the Woods Campout at Beacon Rock State Park. Group Campsite, Stevenson, WA. To register and more details: AAitw.org

July 28, 2025 – 5:30 pm – Soul Food Summer Potluck. West Portland United Methodist Church. 4729 SW Taylors Ferry Rd, Portland.

August 4, 2025 – Westside Central Office Business Meeting, 7:00pm-8:00pm, Held online. Email info@westsidecentraloffice.com for an invitation to join.

August 17, 2024 – PDX Intergroup Picnic 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm *at* Oaks Amusement Park. Potluck, raffle prizes.

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

New Meeting? Announcement? Email us here at newsletter@westsidecentraloffice.com

The newsletter generally comes out the weekend after the WSCO business meeting.

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, online through Zoom. Email info@westsidecentaloffice.com for an invitation. We look forward to seeing your group's Co Rep there!

July 2025 GRAPEVINE NEWS!

AA Celebrates 90 Wonderful Years!

This month's featured section is "AA Celebrates 90 Wonderful Years!" AA members share powerful stories from around the world, photos and memories from past International Conventions, and a warm welcome from the Chair of AA's General Service Board.

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.

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.

Professionals – Volunteers are needed to help carry the A.A. message to professionals, such as health care workers, counselors, law enforcement, etc. who come into contact with active alcoholics. Email cpc@westsidecentraloffice.com for more information or to get involved with the Cooperation with Professionals Committee.

Corrections – Volunteers are needed to help carry the A.A. message to those behind bars. Email corrections@westsidecentraloffice.com for more information.

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.

It's Friday & We're Sober woo hoo!
is hosting a...

Sponsorship Workshop Panel & Potluck Pizza Party!

UNITY SERVICE AA RECOVERY

Pizza will be provided!

July 19th 2025, 3 PM to 6 PM

Creator Lutheran Church
13250 SE Sunnyside Rd
Clackamas, OR 97015

Presenting our speakers:

Mike C.
Terry B.
Theron B.

Learn how to sponsor others!

Join us for a Q & A session with lead speakers and breakout groups

WE WANT YOU!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Are you looking for service work?

Female volunteers are desperately needed on Monday nights to deliver AA service to the Clackamas County Jail

INTERESTED?

Contact Peggy S.

503-724-0737