

Primary Purpose

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Please join us Saturday,
May 14th
9am-1pm



MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETINGS

2nd Monday Steering Comm. Mtg 5:30 pm	5/9
Intergroup Meeting 3rd Monday	5/16
District 37 Meeting 4th Tuesday Standing Comm. 6:30 pm GSR Mtg. 7:00 pm	5/24
District 7 4th Thursday Standing Comm. 6:30 pm GSR Mtg. 7:00 pm	5/26

Help us welcome Marcy and Janna
Intergroup style

MEDITATION:

Picture yourself near a stream. Birds are softly chirping in the crisp cool mountain air. Nothing can bother you here. No one knows this secret place. You are in total seclusion from that place called "the world." The soothing sound of a gentle waterfall fills the air with a cascade of serenity. The water is clear. You can easily make out the face of a person whose head you're holding under the water. Look! It's the person who caused you all this stress in the first place. What a pleasant surprise. You let them up...just for a quick breath...then plop!... Back under they go... You allow yourself as many deep breaths as you want. There now... feeling better?

Check out the new website : vancaa@vanintgrp.com

APRIL DONATION	Group Contributions Y. T. Date	PROFIT & LOSS	APRIL 2016	YEAR TO DATE 2016
	<u>A New Beginning</u> 400.00	Ordinary Income/Expense		
	<u>A New Life</u> 29.00	Income:		
219.81	<u>A New Morning</u> 1,834.96	AA 1,407.50	1,407.50	5,765.30
	<u>Amboy Renegades</u> 53.00	Non AA	<u>2,027.66</u>	<u>8,775.73</u>
	<u>As Bill Sees It</u> 101.55	Total Income:	3,435.16	14,541.03
35.00	<u>As We Recovered</u> 70.00	Cost of Goods Sold:		
11.38	<u>Camas Group</u> 48.86	AA 1,015.07	1,015.07	4,286.44
	<u>Carson Spirit of the Gorge</u> 75.00	Non AA	<u>1,075.49</u>	<u>3,954.91</u>
129.74	<u>Chapter Nine</u> 250.16	Total COGS:	2,090.56	8,241.35
	<u>Cherry Grove Gr.</u> 280.00	Gross Profit:	1,344.60	6,299.68
	<u>Coffee Break</u> 17.29	Expense:		
4.00	<u>Dry Tribe</u> 17.00	Misc. Expenses:		
	<u>E. Co. Women's Gr.</u> 140.00	Card Merchant Svcs: 63.22	63.22	248.22
	<u>Easier Softer Way</u> 15.00	Office Supplies: 11.72	11.72	180.27
240.00	<u>ESBB</u> 730.00	Literature/Coins 1,129.51	1,129.51	7,654.61
50.00	<u>ES Women's Book Study</u> 50.00	Bad Debts: 73.20	73.20	73.20
57.86	<u>Fireside</u> 206.99	Bank Charges 28.19	28.19	28.19
89.90	<u>First Shot</u> 362.68	Licenses (State) 10.00	10.00	10.00
	<u>Forged from Adversity</u> 60.00	Insurance 500.00	500.00	500.00
172.87	<u>Fresh Start</u> 688.33	Miscellaneous 45.96	45.96	45.96
62.56	<u>Ladies by the Lavender</u> 62.56	Total Misc. Expense:	1,250.41	8,740.45
	<u>Lewis River AA</u> 73.20	Payroll Expenses:		
30.00	<u>Lighthouse</u> 90.00	L&I 53.90	53.90	53.90
100.00	<u>McGillivray Study Gr.</u> 260.00	Emp. Security 11.37	11.37	11.37
320.00	<u>Miracles at Noon</u> 1,283.00	IRS: 489.80	489.80	2,111.84
	<u>OB's Speaker's Mtg</u> 153.50	Net Wages:		
	<u>Ready & Willing</u> 39.05	Total net wages: <u>4,304.61</u>	4,304.61	<u>9,359.79</u>
100.00	<u>Round Table</u> 228.90	Total Payroll Exp:	4,794.41	11,536.90
	<u>Saturday Night BBSG</u> 200.00	Rents:		
	<u>She Who Remembers</u> 68.00	Building 675.00	675.00	2,700.00
100.00	<u>Step Sisters</u> 225.00	Copier 180.11	180.11	705.50
	<u>Sunday Night Alternatives</u> 100.00	Total Utilities: <u>558.44</u>	<u>558.44</u>	<u>1,762.07</u>
	<u>Sunday Solutions</u> 297.50	Total Expense:	7,458.37	25,444.92
	<u>There is a Solution</u> 10.00	Net Ordinary Income	(4,938.30)	(11,438.71)
	<u>Tightrope walkers</u> 63.95	Other Income/Expense:		
	<u>Wayfarer's</u> 155.00	Other Income:		
	<u>Wednesday Night Recovery</u> 130.00	Cont.—Group 1,747.58	1,747.58	9,075.92
24.46	<u>Welcome Home</u> 24.46	Cont.—Misc. <u>32.35</u>	<u>32.35</u>	<u>85.04</u>
	<u>W. Vancouver Group</u> 30.36	Total Contributions:	1,779.93	9,160.96
1747.58	<u>Women's Emotional S.</u> 151.62	Fundraising Activities		
32.35	Sub Total 9,075.92	Picnic: (100.00)	(100.00)	(100.00)
1779.93	Misc. Cont. 85.04	Total Fundraising Activities		(100.00)
	Total 9,160.96	Miscellaneous Income:		
		Total Misc. Income: 93.97	93.97	671.20
		Total Other Income	1,873.90	9,732.16
		Net Income	(3,064.40)	(1,706.55)

Employee Reserve Account	
April. Beg Bal:	3,519.63
Tx into Ckg	(2,446.95)
Dividend	.05
Month end	1,072.73

Sales Tax Acct: 4/30/16:	
Beg. bal:	641.81
Tx from Ckg:	316.67
Total	958.48

Checking: April 2016	
Beginning balance:	2,345.97
Deposits:	7,801.19
Expenses:	(7,458.37)
Sub Total:	2,688.79
5% Trans to P.R.:	(87.37)
Trans. Sales Tax:	(316.67)
Ending Balance:	2,284.75

Prudent Reserve Account	
April. Beg Bal:	11,854.23
5% Grp. Cont.	87.37
Dividend	.57
Month end	11,942.17

Event Account:	
Balance:	1,400.00



When fear persisted, we knew what it was, and we became able to handle it. We began to see each adversity as a God-given opportunity to develop the kind of courage which is born of humility, rather than bravado.

STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR APRIL 11, 2016

The meeting opened at 5:45pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer

ATTENDANCE:

Chairperson	Richard R.	Vice-Chairperson	Jeff H.
Position #1	David C.	Position #2	Laurie H.
Position #3	Darcy S. <i>excused</i>	Alternate	Doug J. <i>excused</i>
Recording Secretary	Beci S.	Office Mgr/Treasurer	Earlyn T.
Office Trainee	Marcy B. <i>excused</i>	Office Trainee	Janna V. <i>excused</i>

The Steering Committee minutes for March 14th, 2016 were read and approved.
 The Intergroup meeting minutes for March 21st, 2016 were read.

HOTLINE REPORT: All is going well.

TREASURER'S REPORT: March 2016

Event Account:	Prudent Reserve:	Checking Account:	Employee Res.:
Balance: 1,400.00	Beg bal: 11,761.88	Beg bal: 1,471.54	Mar. Bal 3,519.54
	Tx from Ckg: 91.75	Deposits: 6,261.02	Interest <u>.09</u>
	Interest: <u>.60</u>	Expenses: (5,272.14)	Ending Bal 3,519.63
	EOM Bal: 11,854.23	Tx to P. R.: (91.75)	
		Tx to Sales (22.70)	Tax Acct:
		Ending bal: 2,345.97	Mar. bal: 619.11
			Tx frm Ckg: <u>22.70</u>
			Ending bal: 641.81

INTERGROUP REPORT: FYI

Necessary documents signed to turn over bank accounts from Earlyn to Marcy.
 Sales tax will now be included with the quarterly packet from BLH Accounting.

WEBSITE REPORT:

Scott reported progress on our new website. Almost complete!

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussed Saturday hours 9am-1pm
 Saturday May 18th open house to introduce Janna and Marcy to the community. The office will be open for business during the open house.

NEW BUSINESS:

A special Steering Committee meeting will be held on Monday 4/25 to discuss job responsibilities for Janna and Marcy
 Marcy will be the one addition to the checking account besides the two people from the Steering Committee, Richard and Rebecca, whom are currently on the account.
 Marcy will be responsible for authorizing the treasurer's report.

The Meeting adjourned at 7:20 with the Serenity Prayer
 In Service, Beci S., Recording Secretary.

VANCOUVER INTERGROUP MINUTES FOR APRIL 18th, 2016

The meeting opened at 6:34pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

The Intergroup meeting minutes for March 21st, 2016 were read and approved with corrections
 The Steering Committee minutes for April 11th, 2016 were read.

ATTENDANCE:

Chairperson	Richard R.	Vice-Chairperson	Jeff H.
Position #1	David C.	Position #2	Laurie H. <i>excused</i>
Position #3	Darcy S.	Alternate	Doug J.
Recording Secretary	Beci S.	Off Mgr/Treasurer	Earlyn T. (last meeting!)
New office help	Marcy B.	Janna V.	
Representatives:		Visitor:	Sampson
B & P	Bill T.	Dry Tribe	Jim P.
A New Morning	Chuck L.	Hockinson	Jeff H.
Reconciled	Mark O.	W Vancouver Gr.	Jenn S.
Lighthouse	David C.	Central Group	Tracy
Ladies by the Lavender	Kim K.	Fresh Start	Chris R.
Miracles	Chris R.	First Shot	Phil M.

There were 13 Representatives present

A representative asked why Janna was not here; it was explained that she was told it wasn't necessary.

HOTLINE REPORT: All is up and running

TREASURER'S REPORT: March 2016

Event Account:	Prudent Reserve:	Checking:	Employee Reserve Acct:	
Balance: 1,400.00	Beg bal: 11,761.88	Beg bal: 1,471.54	Mar. Bal	3,519.54
	Tx from Ckg: 91.75	Deposits: 6,261.02	Tx to Ckg:	(261.36)
	Interest: <u>.60</u>	Expenses: (5,272.14)	Interest:	<u>.60</u>
	EOM Bal: 11,854.23	Tx to P. R.: (91.75)	EOM	3,258.27
		Tx to Sales (22.70)		
		Ending bal: 2,345.97	Sales Tax Acct:	
			Mar. bal:	619.11
			Tx frm Ckg:	<u>22.70</u>
			Ending bal:	641.81

INTERGROUP REPORT: FYI:

The phone would not accept incoming calls today. Marcy called Century Link and resolved the problem. We are waiting for the bank official to get the account transfer cards done so Beci, Mary and Richard can sign onto the accounts. It was asked why Janna isn't signing onto the bank accounts; after talking with her and the Steering Committee, the thought was too many people available to the accounts is unnecessary, and she was very satisfied not being on the accounts.

Sales tax schedule has been set up with our accountant and will be part of the quarterlies. All information necessary has been sent over to them.

WEBSITE REPORT: The new website is up and running! Check it out!

OLD BUSINESS:

The work schedule for Janna and Marcy hasn't been worked out; there will be a special Steering Committee meeting to do so after the Intergroup meeting.

The group representatives were asked to vote on the upgrades to the Office Help Job Description/Information section of the Guidelines. It was voted to accept the total package as suggested by the Steering Committee. The vote was 9 for, 3 abstained and there was one no-vote.

There will be an Open House to introduce Janna and Marcy to our community May 14th, 9am to 1pm. The office will be open for business at that time.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05pm with the Responsibility Statement
In Service, Earlyn T.

MAY 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6 HAPPY HOUR SPEAKER'S MTG 7:30 PM CAMAS	7 OB's SPEAKER'S MEETING ARCHIVES QRTLTY
8	9 STEERING COMM MTG 5:30 PM	10	11	12	13	14 WAYFARER'S SPKR'S MTG 7:30 PM Open house 9-1
15	16 INTEGROUP COMM MTG 6:30 PM	17	18	19	20	21 RULE 62 SPEAKER'S MTG 7 PM
22	23	24 DISTRICT 37 GSR MTG 7 PM	25	26 DISTRICT 7 STANDG COMM 6:30 PM GSR MTG 7 PM	27	28
29 CARSON AA SPKR MTG 6:30PM	30	31				

JUNE 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 HAPPY HOUR SPEAKER'S MTG 7:30 PM CAMAS	4 OB's SPEAKER'S MEETING ARCHIVES QRTLTY
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 WAYFARER'S SPKR'S MTG 7:30 PM
12	13 STEERING COMM MTG 5:30 PM	14	15	16	17	18 RULE 62 SPEAKER'S MTG 7 PM
19	20 INTEGROUP COMM MTG 6:30 PM	21	22	23	24	25
26 CARSON AA SPKR MTG 6:30PM	27	28 DISTRICT 37 GSR MTG 7 PM	29	30 DISTRICT 7 STANDG COMM 6:30 PM GSR MTG 7 PM		

LOCAL EVENTS

WAYFARER'S SPEAKER'S MEETING

May 14th, 2016
at 7:30 pm
Memorial Lutheran Church,
2700 E. 28th Street, Vancouver

Will be featuring:

AA speaker: Julie

Al-Anon Speaker: Ron P

CARSON AA SPIRIT OF THE GORGE

Carson Hot Springs,

Sunday, April 24th, 2016
Potluck 6:30 pm
Speaker 7:00 pm

Speaker: TBA

Questions?
(509) 427-4970 or
(503) 701-6574

RULE 62

Speaker's Meeting

Central Bible Church
8815 ne Glisan Street, Portland OR

7pm Saturday, May 21, 2016

AA Speaker:

All-Anon Speaker:

Join us for a no host dinner at 5pm
prior to the meeting

At the

Portland Seafood Company,
9722 SE Washington St., Portland OR

“Cat in a tree”

“We don't need to hear about your cats,”
said the chairperson, asking members to
keep their sharing to alcoholism. So they
all talked about their dogs.

**Archives Presents:
“An Afternoon of AA History”**

Hosted by the Dry Tribe

Saturday, May 14th, 2016
11:30 am—3:30 pm

East United Methodist Church
5701 MacArthur Blvd.,
Vancouver WA

Why have an archives?
How are the archives used?

The Archives committee and Archivist
will be present to answer those questions
and more.

More Information contact:
Jeannie A. (360)695-6354

Coffee, Various teas and water will be
provided.

Bring your favorite cookies to share!

A Better Life

I told my sponsor that 6 months ago I
was sitting in a hot tub with beautiful
women and all the beer I wanted.

He looked at me and said, “Don't
worry, son. You never have to do that
again!”

Rich H.

WHILE STANDING IN THE GRIEV-
ING LINE as my Uncle Bill's wake, I
overheard the woman in front of me of-
fering her condolences to my ant.
“Mary, I'm so sorry,” she said. “But
doesn't Billy look good?”
“He should,” replied my aunt. “He has-
n't had a drink in four days.”

Don M.

**THROUGH THE EYES OF A BEGIN-
NER:**

A newcomer at a meeting I attended
recently was reading the Traditions
aloud. Finally, he got to Tradition
Twelve and said, “Animosity is the
spiritual foundation of all our traditions.”

Ron W., PN

DISTRICT AND AREA EVENTS

**Treatment Quarterly, April 16th, 2016,
Saturday.** Highlands Community Church,
3031 NE 10th Street, Renton, WA Fellowship
9am, business meeting 10 am. Please
bring a breakfast item to share. 10 am—
2pm business meeting. Lunch will be pro-
vided.

**Access Quarterly, Saturday, April 16th
2016,** Shoreline Unitarian Universalist
Church, 14724 1st Ave NE, Seattle WA
Soup potluck will be served for lunch.
Please bring a side dish or beverage to
share.

Contacts: accessibility@area72aa.org
interpreters@area72aa.org

**Area72 Web Committee Quarterly, Sat-
urday, April 30th, 2016,** Tacoma Central
Office, 3640 S. Cedar St., Tacoma WA
Fellowship 9am, business from 10am to
2pm. Snacks will be provided (253)474-
8897 websrvant@aadistrict43.org

**Archives Quarterly, Saturday, May 7th,
2016,** McMicken Heights Baptist Church,
3754 S. 172nd Street, SeaTac, WA 9am
Fellowship, 10am business. Potluck lunch!
A delicious main dish will be provided.
Information: George R. (818)378-4186
georgekr53@aol.com



Jeeze, man, I dunno...
I gotta be home by christmas!