

PRIMARY PURPOSE

VANCOUVER AREA INTERGROUP

October 2016

2203 Fairmount Ave, Suite A, Vancouver, WA 98661

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Volume 10

2016

SW Washington Jamboree

October 21st–22nd

Clark College, Gaiser Hall
1933 Fort Vancouver Way
Vancouver, WA

Friday night ice cream and speakers

Saturday afternoon speakers & sponsorship workshop

Saturday night dinner and speaker

Clancey, I (Los Angeles, CA)

Register online

SWWashingtonjamboree.org

Scholarship opportunities available



Intergroup Office

Open: Mon-Fri: Noon to 6PM

Closed: Saturday & Sundays

(Saturday 10/15 is the last Saturday
the office will be open)

(Closed 2nd Monday of the month @ 5:30 for
Steering Committee Meeting)

Thank You

(Telephone: 360-694-3870)

MONTHLY BUSINESS

MEETINGS

Steering Comm. Mtg	10/10	5:30 pm
Intergroup Mtg	10/17	6:30 pm
District 37 GSR Mtg	10/25	7:00 pm
District 7 Standing Comm	10/27	6:30 pm
District 7 GSR Mtg	10/27	7:00 pm

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Gratitude Dinner Potluck

Saturday, November 19th, 2016

Social hour 4:30pm, 5:30pm Dinner

First Presbyterian Church

4300 Main Street

Vancouver, WA 98663

Presales Dinner tickets can be picked up at the
Intergroup office,

2203 Fairmount Ave # A, Vancouver, WA 98661

Raffle prize donations can also be accepted
at the Intergroup Office.

Questions contact Jennifer D. at 360.607.3387

Step 10

*“Continued to take personal inventory and
when we were wrong promptly admitted it.”*

As we work the first nine Steps, we prepare ourselves for the adventure of a new life. But when we approach Step Ten we commence to put our A.A. way of living to practical use, day by day, in fair weather or foul. Then comes the acid test: can we stay sober, keep in emotional balance, and live to good purpose under all conditions?

A continuous look at our assets and liabilities are necessities for us.

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Did You Know...



Significant events which occurred in October

- 1939 - 1st central committee formed in Cleveland; 1st example of A.A. rotation.
- 1940 - First meeting held in Indianapolis Indiana
- 1945 - AA Grapevine adopted as national publication of AA
- 1947 - The Melbourne group held its first meeting in Australia
- 1951 - Lasker award given to AA by American Public Health Association
- 1951 - Sister Ignatia wrote "Care of Alcoholics - St.Thomas Hospital & A.A. Started Movement Which Swept Country" article in "Hospital Progress" the journal of Catholic Hospital Association
- 1954 - The "Alcoholic Foundation" is renamed "The General Service Board of AA"
- 1957 - Book "A.A. Comes of Age" is published
- 1963 - Dr. Sam Shoemaker passes
- 1969 - 1st World Service meeting held in New York. Delegates from 14 countries were in attendance
- 1988 - Lois Burnham Wilson, Bills wife and a co-founder of Al-Anon, dies at age 97



"I believe that people are good if you give them half a chance, and that good is more powerful than evil.

The world seems to me excruciatingly, almost painfully beautiful at times, and the goodness and kindness often exceed that which even I expect."


**-Lois Burnham Wilson
3/4/1891 – 10/5/1988**



Vancouver Area

Intergroup

*★ Would like to celebrate with
you!*



David M.—1 year

Michelle C.—3 years

Heather B.—6 months

Jerry B.—6 months

Rae W.—6 years

Tim H.—2 years

Stacey W.—3 years

Seth G.—9 months

John H.—13 years

Kathy C.—22 years

Brad M.—19 years

Adam C.—6 years

Shelly P.—8 years

Mike S.—6 months

Mary K.—1 year

Bob B.—2 years

Matthew W.—26 years

Claire T.—9 months

Larry D.—19 years

Paula P.—1 year

Janet—20 years

James R.—1 year

Matt P.—3 years

Don A.—9 years

*If you would like to acknowledge someone celebrating a
monthly or annual birthday. Please come in to our office and
we will get them added to the newsletter. A suggested dona-
tion of \$1 per year of sobriety. Your donations help support
your Area Intergroup.*



Financial Statements

September

Donations

Year to Date

	12X12	120.00
	A New Beginning	400.00
	A New Life	109.00
230.61	A New Morning	3,601.34
	Amboy Renegades	53.00
	As Bill Sees It	101.55
100.00	As We Recovered	170.00
	Battleground AA	25.00
	Bozo's by the Berries	213.24
	Camas Group	76.30
40.00	Carson AA Spirit of the Gorge	115.00
	Chapter Nine	250.16
	Cherry Grove Group	280.00
	Coffee Break Washougal	17.29
	Dry Tribe	17.00
	E. County Women's Group	140.00
	Early Light	130.00
	Easier Softer Way	15.00
180.00	Eastside Brown baggers	1,750.00
	Eastside Closed Men's Morning Meeting	250.00
	Eastside Women's Book Study	50.00
71.50	Fireside	278.49
95.24	First Shot	856.46
	Forged From Adversity	120.00
233.52	Fresh Start	1,233.58
	Growing at the Grove	5.49
	Hockinson Group	174.06
	La Center Group	9.50
	Ladies by the Lavender	62.56
	Lewis River AA	225.20
30.00	Lighthouse	270.00
	Longview group	50.00
	McGuilivray Study Group	445.00
50.00	Men's Fireside	125.00
300.00	Miracles at Noon	2,868.00
	OB's Speaker's Meeting	153.50
180.22	Over 55	180.00
	Principles First	150.00
26.80	Ready and Willing	79.15
	Renegades	35.00
	Ridgefield AA	31.00
	Round Table Group	228.90
	Saturday Night BB Study	400.00
	She Who Remembers	172.00
	Step it Up - 12 & 12	187.96
	Step Sisters	225.00
	Stevenson AA	200.00
	Sunday Night Alternative	100.00
	Sunday Solutions	656.00
	There is a Solution	25.00
	Tightrope Walkers	63.95
	United Sober Group	150.00
	Wayfarer's	155.00
	Wednesday Night Recovery	193.00
38.17	Welcome Home	123.12
13.24	West Vancouver Group	43.60
	Women's Emotional Sobriety	206.62
	Women's Fireside	100.00
1,589.30	SUBTOTAL	18,466.02
103.12	Miscellaneous	233.07
1,692.42	TOTAL	18,699.09

Profit & Loss Statement

September		YTD
Revenue		
Sales	\$ 4,023.38	\$32,856.11
Contributions	\$ 1,692.42	\$19,177.98
Misc. Income	\$ 86.62	\$ 1,463.53
	\$ 5,802.42	\$53,497.62
Expenses		
Cost of goods sold	\$ 2,409.37	\$19,111.12
Merchant Services	\$ 63.32	\$ 591.12
Office supplies	\$ 155.58	\$ 792.16
Office equipment rent	\$ 226.98	\$ 1,684.15
Building rent	\$ 675.00	\$ 6,075.00
Utilities	\$ 376.79	\$ 3,473.83
Net Wages	\$ 1,435.68	\$18,379.23
Payroll taxes (August)	\$ 510.18	\$ 5,757.92
Sales Tax liab. (Quarterly)	\$ -	\$ 942.21
Fundraising Activity	\$ 60.00	\$ 160.00
Insurance	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Bank Fees	\$ -	\$ 131.39
Misc. Licenses,taxes,fees	\$ -	\$ 20.00
	\$ 5,912.90	\$57,618.13
Net Income	\$ (110.48)	\$ (4,120.51)

Cash Flow Statements

September			
Checking		Prudent Reserve	
Beg Balance	1,916.62	Beg Balance	12,131.67
Deposits	6,406.09	Deposits	396.48
Expenses	(4,912.56)	Interest	0.61
Balance	3,410.15	Balance	12,528.76
Employee Reserve & Taxes		Sales Tax Account	
Beg Balance	401.48	Beg Balance	120.34
Tx from ckg	410.38	Tx from ckg(2 mths)	675.86
Tx to ckg	(396.48)	End Balance	796.20
Interest	0.01		
Balance	415.39	Event Account	
		Balance	1,400.00

Payroll

Gross Wages	1,714.87	Tax Liability	213.39
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STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 12, 2016

The meeting opened at 5:33 pm.

ATTENDANCE

Chairperson	Jeff H	Vice-Chair	Rebecca(Beci) S
Position #1	David C.	Position #2	Doug J.
Position #3	Greg H.		
Recording Secretary	Virginia E	Office Assistant	Marcy B
		Office Assistant	
Visitor	Laurie H		

The Steering Committee minutes for August 8, 2016 were read. Motion by Greg to approve; seconded by Beci. All approved.

The Intergroup Rep meeting minutes for August, 2016 were read.

HOTLINE REPORT:

Maureen reports that all positions on the hotline are now filled. Maureen and Marcy will meet to compare 12 step call lists of AA volunteers.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Marcy read Treasurer's Report. Five pay periods in August; therefore, payroll was higher than usual (every Wednesday being the pay day).

Beci made a Motion to return all but \$5.00 of the \$401.47 in the Employee Reserve back to the Prudent Reserve. Motion seconded by Virginia. All approved.

INTERGROUP REPORT:

Total telephone calls logged were 109; 60 of which were general/office inquiries, 39 requests for meetings, and 10 were 12 step calls.

WEBSITE REPORT:

Scott has worked with the Intergroup Office to help create a manual with step by step instructions for updating the website from the back end. Scott is currently out of town and will return the end of September. Calendar and events are updated. There is now a downloadable meeting schedule on the website. Scott will be working on downloadable flyers which a user may access from the "Event Calendar."

OLD BUSINESS:

New QuickBooks database has been set up and all information has been transferred over to the new database.

COMMITTEES:

Finance Committee:

Intergroup Budget: Doug will meet with Marcy to prepare an Intergroup Budget, using the last 8 months' history and 4 months of prior history (less PTO hours paid to former employee, Earlyn, and paying office staff for their training period).

Insurance: No updated information at this time.

Picnic Report:

Jennifer is investigating availability of our July 2017 Intergroup Picnic; possibly the last week in July. Hazel Dell Park not an option as they do not take reservations and parking is limited.

Gratitude Dinner: Jeff will attend Gratitude Dinner Committee meetings to keep the Steering Committee and Reps informed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Virginia mentioned that each Home Group must inform Western Washington Area of any new meetings or changes in meeting locations, and suggested at our Intergroup Rep meeting we announce such to the Reps to keep their Home Groups informed of Area's requirements. If Area does not have your correct meeting location, a newcomer or out of townner will not be able to find you when looking for a meeting. After discussion, it was suggested that Intergroup will provide Area with our meeting schedule in Ex-el format to upload to their website. District (via Doug J) will also alert the GSR's. Obtaining an update form from Area to hand out to Intergroup Reps and GSR's was suggested.

Meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Yours in Service,

Virginia E
Recording Secretary

INTERGROUP REP MINUTES FOR September 19, 2016

The meeting opened at 6:30 pm.

ATTENDANCE:

Chairperson	Jeff H	Vice-Chair	Rebecca(Beci) S
Position #1	David C.	Position #2	Doug J.
Position #3	Greg H.	Alternative	<i>Vacant</i>
Recording Secretary	Virginia E	Office Assistant	Marcy B (Hockinson)
REPRESENTATIVES:			
Camas	Robert L.	Men's Fireside	Tom S.
Central Group	Tracy	Over 55	Richard R
Coffee Break	Mary M	Reconciled	Marc O.
Cornerstone	Shane R.	Janna	Sideways Sunday
Cornerstone (Alternate)	Lee	Darcy S	Sober Uppers
Eastside Brown Baggers	Sandy Q	Laurie H	Steppin Up
Fireside	Shawn L.	West Vancouver	Beth
1st Shot	Greg H.		
Hockinson	Jeff H.	Gratitude/Picnic Chair	Jennifer D
How It Works	Virginia E.		
Ladies By The Lavender	Liz W	VISITORS:	Jeff C (Camas Grp)
Last Chance	Doug J.		Phil B (Central Grp)
Lighthouse	David C.		

19 Intergroup Representatives in attendance. Each AA member in attendance introduced themselves.

The Intergroup Rep meeting minutes for August 15, 2016 were read. It was moved and seconded to approve. All approved.

The Steering Committee minutes for September 12, 2016 were read.

HOTLINE REPORT:

Maureen reports that all hotline positions are currently filled. Maureen and Marcy met to combine their 12 step lists. Maureen will finalize the 12 Step Call List.

AA member reported that he telephoned the AA Hotline and he was promised a return telephone call; however, he received no such return call to date. In addition, the Hotline person was unaware whether it was a 12 step call or general inquiry. Discrepancy information provided by AA Hotline member will be passed along to Hotline Chair to keep Hotline members properly informed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Marcy read the Treasurer's Report. It was moved and seconded to approve the report.

Approved (13 Reps)

INTERGROUP REPORT:

Marcy reported there were 109 telephone calls to Intergroup during August, 60 of which were general/office inquiries, 39 meeting requests and ten 12 step calls.

A visiting AA member reported he showed up at Intergroup to purchase supplies on the previous Saturday at 11:13 am and found the Intergroup Office closed and locked up. In

addition, he was not able to make a purchase at 6:12 pm today. Jeff (Chair) and other AA members apologized. Regular office hours are Noon to 6 PM, Monday through Friday; therefore no sales are made after 6:00 pm before the Rep meeting, as our staff is preparing handouts for the 6:30 Rep meeting at that time. Intergroup Office is currently opened Saturdays 9 am to 1 pm for the next couple months.

WEBSITE REPORT:

Scott (webmaster) has included a downloadable schedule on the website. Calendar and events will continue to be updated.

Greg H. suggested working on a downloadable list of items for sale at Intergroup.

COMMITTEES:

Finance Committee:

An Intergroup operating budget should be available by the next Intergroup Rep meeting.

2017 Picnic Report:

Jennifer, Picnic Chair, provided information on locations and dates (Vancouver Lake and The Marshall Center). Discussions and questions. Given the central location of The Marshall Center at Fort Vancouver and McLaughlin (for bus riders) and plenty of room for barbequing and games with water and power available, it was moved and seconded to secure The Marshall Center for our July 2017 picnic. All Reps approved. It was moved and seconded to select July 29, 2017 (Saturday) as our picnic date (approximately 4 to 8 or 9 pm). 14 Reps approved. *(Note: Cannot reserve The Marshall Center until Feb 1, 2017, which Jennifer will timely do.)*

Gratitude Dinner:

Jennifer, Chair of Gratitude Dinner, announced first committee meeting will take place soon to organize the event; space has been reserved for Saturday, November 19, 2016 @ 1st Presbyterian Church on Main Street, Vancouver. Flyers and tickets are ready for publication. Virginia announced anyone may donate raffle prizes and are appreciated for the Gratitude Dinner.

OLD BUSINESS:

New database for QuickBooks has been set up and all information has been transferred over into the new system.

NEW BUSINESS:

Alternate Steering Committee Position: Sandy Q was nominated to serve as Alternate on Steering Committee. After motion and seconded, all Reps (15) approved.

Intergroup Table at SW Washington Jamboree: Greg reported on the Jamboree, and inquired of an Intergroup Banner. Darcy stated our wood sign in the window is typically used.

Intergroup Operations & Staff: Virginia (Steering Committee Recording Secretary) was handed a typed written list of concerns of AA members, which she read and handed to Reps as requested. Establishing a Human Resources Committee, "trusted" AA servants, and preparation of an Intergroup Employees Office Manual were discussed. It was moved and seconded to appoint a Human Resource Committee. Then it was moved and seconded to table the matter. (13 Reps approved; 1 opposed, 1 abstained)

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm. Yours in Service, Virginia E, Recording Secretary



October Happenings

Wayfarer's Speaker

Meeting

October 8th, 2016

at 7:00 pm

Memorial Lutheran Church,

2700 E. 28th Street

Vancouver, WA. 98661

Will be featuring:

AA speaker: Dan L.

From Corbett, OR.

Al-Anon Speaker: TBA

Lighthouse Kostume , Karaoke & Dance

October 29th 7:00-11:00 pm

6415 E Mill Plain Blvd

Vancouver, WA

Friday Night Happy Hour

Speaker Meeting

Camas Friends Church

NE 4th and Ione St. Camas,
WA. 98607

November 4th, 2016

7:30pm

Speakers: TBA

RULE 62

Speaker's Meeting

Central Bible Church 7pm

8815 NE Glisan Street, Portland

Saturday October 15th, 2016

AA Speaker:

All-Anon Speaker:

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

At the

Portland Seafood Company

SW Washington Jamboree

Clark College, Gaiser Hall

1933 Fort Vancouver Way

October 21st–22nd , 2016

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Saturday Night AA Speaker: Clancey I

From: Los Angeles, CA

Please register on-line at

SWWashingtonjamboree.org

Dry Tribe presents

An Afternoon of AA History

Saturday, November 12, 2016

11:30 am–3:30 pm

Dry Tribe

East United Methodist Church

5701 Macarthur Blvd

Vancouver, WA

Archivist & full archival display

Bring your favorite cookies or
sweets to share
Questions?

Jeannie A (360) 695-6354

"From an entirely different angle"

Big Book Workshop

November 4th & 5th, 2016

Mountainview Christian Church

1604 W Yakima Ave

Yakima, WA 98902

Speakers:

Katie & Charlie Parker

From: Austin, TX

Contact information

kateconnfair@gmail.com

trinafair@gmail.com

Western Washington Area 72

2016 Assembly

October 7, 8 & 9, 2016

Vancouver Convention Center
@ the Hilton

If you have questions or want to
volunteer please contact

Deanna R

Assembly16volunteerl@area72aa

Chance 4 Change Workshop

October 15, 2016

1 am–3 pm

Central Lutheran Church

1604 W Yakima Ave

Yakima, WA 98902

Speakers:

Harlan D.—Relationships

Zan D.—Traditions

Serenity at the Shores 2016

Nov. 11, 12, & 13th

Convention Center in Ocean Shores, WA

AA, Al-Anon & Adult Children of Alcohol-
ics workshops and Meetings.

www.OceanShoresJamboree.com

September Phone Calls

Office/general: 59

Meetings: 50

12 Step: 4

Total Calls: 113

AA needs 12 step volunteers to take occasional phone calls. Intergroup or hotline volunteers will call you with a phone number of someone that would like more information about AA. If you are interested please call the office or come in to give us your name, number and area of residence. Your help is needed.

OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Area 72 assembly Comm. Mtg 1:30pm OB's 7:30 pm
2	3	4	5	6	7 WWA 72 Assembly 10/7-10/9 Happy Hour Speaker's Meeting Camas 7:30 PM	8 WWA 72 Assembly 10/7-10/9 WAYFARER'S Speaker Meeting 7pm
9 WWA 72 Assembly 10/7-10/9	10 Steering Committee Meeting 5:30 PM	11	12	13	14 KS Speaker Meeting 7:30pm	15 Rule 62 7 PM
16	17 Intergroup Meeting 6:30 PM	18	19	20	21 SW Washington Jamboree 10/21-10/22	22 SW Washington Jamboree 10/21-10/22
23 Carson AA Speaker Meeting 6:30PM	24	25 District 37 GSR Meeting 7:00 pm	26	27 DISTRICT 7 Standing Comm. 6:30 PM GSR MTG 7 PM	28 Central Group's Birthday Meeting 8:00pm	29 Lighthouse Costume, Karaoke & Dance 7-11pm

NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1	2	3	4 Happy Hour Speaker's Meeting Camas 7:30 PM	5 OB's Speaker's Meeting 7:30 PM
6	7	8	9	10	11 KS Speaker Meeting 7:30pm	12 WAYFARER'S Speaker Meeting 7:00PM An Afternoon of AA History 11:30-3:30
13	14 Steering Committee Meeting 5:30 PM	15	16	17	18	19 Gratitude Dinner RULE 62 7 PM
20	21 Intergroup Meeting 6:30 PM	22 District 37 GSR Meeting 7:00 pm	23	24 DISTRICT 7 Standing Comm. 6:30 PM GSR MTG 7 PM	25 Central Group's Birthday Meeting 8:00pm	26
27	28	29	30			