

District Meeting 12-03-2011 - Highlights

The following is intended to serve as a reminder for those who were at the meeting, inform those who were not there. It is not meant to tell you what to do – only suggestions from the meeting – grammar is poor – done quickly to get the information to all, ASAP.

I have asked Sue to edit as she needs to since I might not have gotten it all. Thanks, Marvalee.

Important Dates 2012

Oregon Area Delegate Betty R will visit our District– May 12. We will invite her to the District Meeting, followed by a Pot Luck and then she will give her report from the April World Service Conference. All district members are invited to attend.

The Rogue Round Up (AA yearly event, with Al-Anon participation in Grants Pass) will be May 4, 5, and 6.

State Speakers Meeting (yearly Al-Anon Area fund raiser) will be May 18-20, 2012 in Astoria.

Proposed 2012 District 7 Meeting dates – list was distributed.

Dates: Jan 7 at Smullin Center, Feb 4, Mar 3, April 7, May 12, June 9, July 14, August 4, September 8, October 6, November 3, December 1. Locations are tentative – Sue will firm these up by next meeting.

Mark your calendars and spread the word.

Discussion for next World Service Conference

Our Delegate Betty wants us to talk to our groups about the idea for the WSO to start E Books, audio books. There are a few questions that we have been asked to discuss at our groups. Sue will e-mail these questions soon so we can take them to our groups and give feedback to Betty. Anyone can e-mail Betty via the Oregon Area Website.

Look for Sue's email and take questions to your group.

Group Inventory – Guide Line G 8a reviewed and discussed. Consensus: each member of the District review this, answer the questions in relationship to you as the member of the group and the group is the District. (Yes, that is one bad run on sentence). **Write down your answers and bring to Jan District Meeting for discussion. Also please bring this question to your groups for discussion:**

Is our group active and supportive at the district and Area levels? Do we send representatives and financial contributions to the district, the Al-Anon Information Service (AIS) and Area as well as to the World Service Office (WSO)?

This question is from the WSO Guideline on Group Inventory – district wants to know how we are attracting people, (or if we aren't attracting them then "WHY") meeting the needs of the groups, etc. It is hoped that this question will spark some conversation and some ideas.

Budget was passed as presented.

Position descriptions – "drafts" were handed out. **Please review and send your thoughts about revision to Sue.** Sue requested we look at the SOLD position soon as we will be electing the next SOLD person/group in March 2012. Any revisions for this can go to Sue or Michelle.

HI-LOW CLUB FIRE – recent fire at the Hi Low club. Groups that previously met there are now meeting at 820 NE 7th St in GP. This is a vacant office. Also the literature for these 3 groups was destroyed. It was decided **to ask groups for contributions to help these groups restock their literature.**

**Update already for Literature. They have enough to get started; insurance may cover most of it; they will let us know if we can be of any help.

AA Potluck – this Friday Dec 9, Presbyterian Church in Ashland 5:30. There will be 2 AA speakers following the pot luck dinner.

Alateen – Good attendance at Central Point Alateen. Please announce this. Good time to send kids is **NOW since there are several kids attending.** There will be an Alateen Conference in Oregon sometime next year – still in planning stages. Public Outreach next mailing will include the flyer for Alateen that Leanne's group made and focus on Alateen. The Alateen speaker at the Dessert Social was amazing!

Answering Service – 21 reported calls in this last billing period (3 months). Michael had asked the answering service to ask callers how they heard about us.

From AA or 12 Step Groups=5, From past or current Al-anon Member=4, From family or friend=12, From the Internet=9, From phone book=7, From counselor=3, From flyer or meeting list=3, From clergy=1, From medical doctor=1.

None of the callers wished to talk to a member – only wanted information.

Meeting Lists – **Deadline for changes is Dec 10.** Get changes to Tama – see District Roster or contact Sue. New Meeting lists in January.

Public Outreach

Jan 14 Health fair in Medford and in Cave Junction. **Volunteers needed.**

Medford people call Roberta, Cave Junction people call Diane.

Speaking opportunities.

Starting Jan 11 we will be present at On Track Moms program.

Second WED evening each month – 7:30 pm

Interested call Marvalee.