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## Energy Crisis

A too-vivid imagination can project all sorts of *troubles - but AA philosophy should see us through* (March 1974 Grapevine)

**THE ENERGY** crisis is widespread, but my self-pity about it is individual. You would think it was my own private energy crisis, although many are far worse off than I. I resent the crisis deeply.

I resent it because it is a threat to my independence; I can't go when and where I want to go, as I used to. It just doesn't seem fair - now that I have time and money for traveling, it will be restricted.

But somehow, I feel that my AA philosophy, which has helped me through the last fourteen years, will see me through again.

Perhaps, as I heard a radio commentator say the other day, we are jittery about this crisis because we don't know just what is going to happen in the way of restrictions and rationing. This I can accept personally. I can adapt better to a known fact than to a situation where the outcome is obscure. My worst hurdle is uncertainty. I still like to plan, and I project too far into the future.

Maybe all alcoholics are blessed (or cursed) with too-vivid imaginations! I can visualize a cold house with frozen water pipes this winter. I can foresee an emergency when I have no gas in the car to get to a hospital. I can see myself miles from home, trying to start my car when somebody has siphoned the gas out of my tank.

But this is another time when our AA philosophy of 24-hour living is immeasurably helpful. Sometimes, I have to break it down to minute-by-minute living. I'm all right at the moment.

The national and worldwide crisis is far worse than my own personal one. Many people are going to be unemployed, and there will be shortages of many kinds. We have become a nation on wheels, and we need energy to turn those wheels. We have become dependent on wings to get there faster, and we need energy to make those wings fly. We'll just have to adjust to a less speedy life, and maybe this will be good for us. We can still have wheels of a kind - bicycles, buses, and trains will come back into favor. We also have our own two feet, and many of us would be healthier if we used them more. We may learn to enjoy life at a slower pace. Some of us oldsters can remember the days before flying became so easy, when we enjoyed a leisurely train trip or a slow, restful sail across the ocean on a ship. Younger people may have a real treat in store for them if we go back to these ways of travel.

AA has taught me to take a positive attitude toward events, and this is what I am trying to do now. If I take a negative attitude and sit around resenting our present situation, I am in danger of taking a drink, even after a number of years of sobriety in AA.

My own particular worry is about getting to AA meetings. I live in a beautiful part of the country (it's really the foothills of the Ozarks), but I am ten miles from a meeting. I don't know anybody within a radius of ten miles who is a member of AA, so I must drive alone. There is no public transportation where I live, and it's too far and too hilly to bicycle, and I don't own a horse. Anyway, I'm too old to start horseback riding again!

The obvious answer to this might be to move in closer to AA meetings, but what can you do if you have a husband who is not well and who would be miserable living in the city?

Another answer might be to try to find out whether there are any AAs

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## An Affair of the Heart

“**T**m making only one resolution,” said our young woman client as she pulled on her coat and started toward the office door. We suppressed the obvious question and waited *hopefully*. Mrs. R. left the office, then poked her head in again and said, “This year I’m going to try accepting alcoholism as a disease, with my *heart* as well as my head.” Watching from the window as her gay plaid coat turned the corner, we felt a new respect for the courage with which she was facing her particular problem—a gifted husband, who could not bring himself to ask for the help needed and was meanwhile steadily wrecking his health, his talents, his marriage and his place in the community. What Mrs. R. had said summed up in a single phrase one of the basic flaws in public attitudes toward alcoholism. In the past decade or two, there has been an enormous growth in the rational, lip-service acceptance of alcoholism as an illness. But in many instances, this serves only to mask effectively the old, moralistic, emotional aversion to the alcoholic and his behavior. Repeatedly one encounters the remark, “I realize that the alcoholic is a sick man who needs medical care, but - . . .” and the implied reservations about that sickness hang eloquently in the air.

Undeniably, alcoholism makes for heavier demands on public sympathy and understanding than any other disease. Whereas the victims of polio, cancer, arthritis, and scores of other illnesses, inevitably evoke compassion, virtually every symptom displayed by the alcoholic is calculated to arouse anger, resentment, even fear, on the part of those close to him. The selfish irresponsible

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## February Calendar:

### E.V.I. and District Committee Meetings:

1st	Mon	Steering Committee 7:00
	Tue	District 20 418 A St. Karla B. 744-0509
	Tue	District 33 6:30 EVI office. Pam G 895-5478
	Wed	District 19 6:30 Tracy R. 338-4320
	Thur	Speaker Mtg Committee 7:00 EVI Office
	Sat	Cooperation w/Prof. Community, 12N EVI Office
2nd	Mon	EVI Business Meeting 6:30
	Tues	Activities 7:00
	Wed	District 6 6:30 Larry W. 334-3609
	Sat	Answering 9AM
		EVI Speakers Meeting, 7:30 Country Club Rd Sun
3rd	Mon	Public Information 6:30
	Tue	Office Volunteer 5:30
	Tue	Communication Committee 7:30 2495 Columbia
	Thur	Cooperation Prof. Community
Last	Wed	H&I Committee 6:00
Last	day	Literature Committee 6:30

\* H&I Service Meetings are now listed in the back of the new meeting books!

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with remarkable frankness and humility. I have known AA members who thought it sophisticated to laugh at an off-color joke told by a visiting speaker, but who became uneasy and embarrassed if another visiting speaker explored the relationship of sex and alcoholism. And I have seen far too many older members working overtime trying to prove that absolutely insupportable notion that alcoholics are generally “just normal folks who drank too much, too often, too long.”

Evasions and hypocrisy may serve certain individuals adequately, but in the long run we progress according to the amount of truth about ourselves we are able to digest. We achieved sobriety by admitting the truth about our drinking problem, and by applying AA’s recommended program of recovery. Do we believe that the truth — which rescued us so effectively in one instance — is somehow pernicious and undesirable if applied to other life problems?

What are these sex problems that defy discussion? Most likely they are a cross section of the same problems that confront society outside of AA. Many alcoholics feel sexually inadequate, and have always been troubled by fears of sexual incompetence and rejection. Oddly, this may have led to frenzied promiscuity. It may have caused an unsatisfactory sex relationship in marriage. It may also have led to sex conduct that society considers immoral or deviated. In fact, it may lead in any number of directions, but the results are always pain, misery, tension, and guilt.

These are only the beginnings of sorrows for sex-troubled alcoholics who join AA. Unless they are very fortunate, they won’t find much understanding and guidance in this critical problem area. He and she will secretly fear they are sexually “different” from the majority of alcoholics, for their only trouble seems to be that “they drank too much, too often, too long.” They will be urged to take the Fifth Step, but will have to search for many a moon to find an understanding ear for *all* the problems. They may achieve sobriety, but it will have the characteristics of an armed truce rather than a genuine peace development.

Really, there’s no excuse for it. Sex problems are powerful and deep-seated, but they need not threaten our eligibility for true sobriety and genuine happiness. There are now many older members who have remarkable understanding on this subject. They need only to tell the truth, so that newcomers will be encouraged to face the truth themselves. This won’t eliminate sex anxiety overnight, but it will be a good start.

We cannot guarantee that our AA program of recovery, even with its strong emphasis on personal inventory and spiritual help, will aid all alcoholics in solving the “other” problems that seem to be such a threat to continued sobriety. But it is not unreasonable to believe that a more candid approach may create a reservoir of understanding that we do not presently have.

I am not proposing that our AA meetings should become forums for morbid recitals of lecherous behavior. I am sure that “boudoir-to-boudoir” descriptions would eventually be as boring and pointless as many of the drink-by-drink accounts we now endure. Nor am I suggesting an open flaunting of intimate facts that might better be left to private discussions between individual members. My main plea is for a general climate of open-mindedness when this problem seems to be inviting discussion.

This would fulfill - not destroy - the spirit and principles of Alcoholics Anonymous.

M.B., Jackson, Mich.

Grapevine, May 1961



## EVI Office

1259 Willamette  
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Monday-Friday 9:00 am-5:00 pm  
Thursday 9:00am- 8:00pm  
Saturday 9:00 am - noon  
Drop by for a visit!

## EVI Web Site

www.efn.org/~eviaa

Meeting schedules, business meeting minutes, and much more.

The little squiggle in the address is found right next to the exclamation point on the keyboard. Save a book mark or favorite and check back often!

## E.V.I. News

Emerald Valley Intergroup's Newsletter for the A.A. Community in Lane County

EVI News is a monthly newsletter of the Emerald Valley Intergroup. It is about, by, and for the members of Alcoholics Anonymous fellowship. Opinions expressed herein are not to be attributed to Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole, nor does publication of any article or event or notice imply endorsement by either Alcoholics Anonymous or EVI. (Exceptions: Quotations from A.A. books or pamphlets which are reprinted with permission of A.A. World Services, Inc.) EVI News is produced to support communication within the fellowship; please respect the anonymity of any A.A. member mentioned herein. EVI News reserves the right to edit any submissions for clarity, length, language, and editorial policy. Contributions gratefully accepted for consideration for publication.

Submissions due last Monday of each month. To submit articles or event information, mail them or drop them off at the EVI office c/o EVI Newsletter. Submissions can also be e-mailed to: eviaa@efn.org

Communication Committee (Newsletter & Web Site, Meeting Book) meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm at 2495 Columbia St. Eugene. OR 97401 (call and check 343-2566)



**Contributions:**  
 (Jan/year to date)  
 As Bill Sees It 0/0  
 Attitude Adjustment 29.84/29.84  
 Autumn Group 0/0  
 Backwoods Bunch 0/0  
 Brown Bag Group 100.00/100.00  
 Cottage Grove Gratitude 0/0  
 Cottage Grove Noon 0/25.00  
 Creswell Steps & Traditions 0/0  
 Downtown AM group 160.20/160.20  
 Drop The Rock 0/0  
 Fireside group 78.60/78.60  
 First Monroe Group 0/0  
 First Things First 0/0  
 Four Corners 0/0  
 Freedom Of Choice 0/0  
 Friday Big Book Study(M) 0/0  
 Friday Physical Awakening 0/0  
 Fri night young people 0/0  
 From the Heart 0/0  
 Gratitude Group 0/0  
 Harrisburg Group 0/0  
 Jasper Group 0/0  
 Last Chance Study Group 0/0  
 Language of the Heart 0/0  
 Life By The Book 0/0  
 Lowell Lakeside 0/0  
 McKenzie Bridge 2.00/2.00  
 McKenzie River Group 0/0  
 Monday Mens Stag 0/0  
 Monday Night Cont. Study 0/0  
 Monday Night New Group 0/0  
 New Freedom 100.00/100.00  
 New Freedom 20/0  
 Physical, Mental, Spiritual 0/0  
 Plug in the Jug 0/0  
 Recovery by Big Book 15.75/15.75  
 Saturday Night Beginners 0/0  
 Saturday Step 0/0  
 Sober Awakenings 0/0  
 Sobriety for life 0/0  
 Springfield Monday Night 0/0  
 Springfield Study Group 0/0  
 Stairway to Sobriety 25.00/25.00  
 Sunday Morning Big book 0/120.00  
 Sunday Night 12x12 0/0  
 Men's Sponsorship 0/0  
 Sunday Women's Step Stdy 0/0  
 There Is A Solution 0/0  
 Thursday Voyagers Group 0/0  
 Thurs PM Rush Hour 20.00/20.00  
 T.G.G. Speakers Mtg 120.00/120.00  
 Tuesday Night Book Study 0/0  
 We Need Each Other 0/0  
 Wednesday Mens Noon 0/0  
 Wednesday Men's Stag 0/0  
 Who am I Group 20.25/20.25  
 Womans Road to Recovery 0/0  
 Women's How It Works 0/0  
 Women's Bedrock 60.00/60.00  
 Ya Po Ah 40.00/40.00  
 Total Contributions (month/year to date)  
 Group ytd 891.64/891.64  
**Fundraising:**  
 EVI Speakers Meeting 0/0  
 Faithful Fivers, individual 235.00

## AAs Should Be Honest About Sex Problems

Many people who write on the subject of sex problems feel obliged to explain that sex is basically good — that it is God's method of guaranteeing the reproduction of mankind. This startling information is usually supplied defensively, almost as if to combat the grim possibility that sex might be legislated out of existence if somebody doesn't present a worthwhile case for it. The authors, of course, are really pleading for the right to discuss sex difficulties openly. Prudery on the printed page was vanquished a long time ago, but the near-pornography which replaced it is a poor counterfeit of honesty. Truth is still mighty hard to find, and it's even harder to present.

How the outside world wishes to deal with this subject is not really our affair, but it is important that we face the matter more honestly in AA. AA has a number of supplementary pamphlets for employers, wives, and young alcoholics, but none on what is often the most critical problem in our Fellowship. Our speakers thunder eloquently about the need for absolute honesty, but only a few hardy souls ever dare to hint that sex might have been a disturbing problem area. An outsider could easily get the impression — judging by what we print and what we say — that alcoholics don't have sex troubles at all.

It's a different matter when we turn to the literature published by outside observers. AA members may wish to evade the issue, but others are more objective about it. They point to sexual confusion as a significant factor in the alcoholic's personality disturbances. Sometimes their conclusions seem hastily and unfairly drawn; when, for example, a psychiatrist uses a few representative case histories to prove that almost all alcoholics are afflicted with certain types of sexual abnormality. In general, however, sex facts are included as a matter of course in any scientific inquiry into the subject of alcoholism. And a psychiatrist who treats an alcoholic will most certainly concern himself with the patient's sex history.

However, if we are completely honest about it, we don't even need outside observers to tell us the extent of our sex problems. We are very familiar with the oft-repeated remark, sometimes heard after an older member has resumed drinking, "Well, the poor fellow has 'other' problems." These "other" problems usually have something to do with sex. When you hear a remark like this you don't even have to ask for further details; the emphasis on "other" conveys a world of hidden meanings. Extramarital philandering exists in AA — though probably not on a large scale — and the pretty young woman who joins a group can expect "sponsorship" of a very thorough kind.

The truth is that alcoholics do have unusually troublesome sex problems. It would be almost unbelievable if people plagued by our kind of illness *did not* have various sex disturbances. We may not like to admit it, just as we did not like to admit our alcoholism. But when we say that "some poor fellow who had 'other' shortcomings resumed drinking," aren't we admitting indirectly that we understand the tremendous pressures of these "other" problems? Aren't we conceding that misdirected sex is a formidable threat to sobriety? Aren't we saying that AA can help a person recover if he isn't tyrannized too severely by sex? And aren't we also saying — by implication, of course — that since we are sober ourselves we aren't troubled by these problems?

After almost eleven years of continuous sobriety in the AA program, I've found myself growing tired of the evasion and hypocrisy surrounding this subject. I have seen the elder statesmen of AA frown their disapproval when a more honest member brought up his own sex problems and discussed them

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## TOP TEN SIGNS YOU MAY HAVE A DRINKING PROBLEM:

- 10.) Telephone numbers for criminal defense and DUI attorneys are number one and two on your speed dialer.
- 9.) You go on a two-week vacation out of town, and when you come back, your neighborhood liquor store has gone out of business.
- 8.) Your automobile looks like it hit the wall at the third turn at Daytona Speedway, and you do not make your living as a professional stock car driver.
- 7.) Thanks to bar charges on your credit cards, your frequent flier miles approximate the travel distance necessary to achieve lunar orbit.
- 6.) The county jail is starting to receive letters from Publishers Clearinghouse addressed to you.
- 5.) You wake up in a strange hotel room, and you're just thankful that the locals speak English.
- 4.) Your resume lists your career objective as "will work for food."
- 3.) You buy a burial plot at the cemetery and they charge you an environmental impact fee.
- 2.) An accidental fire destroys 90% of your possessions. The fire occurs at the local pawnshop. And the number one sign you may have a drinking problem:
- 1.) Every time you go through the security gate at the airport, your liver sets off the metal detector.

*Richard De P.*

## TOP TEN SIGNS YOU MAY BE IN RECOVERY:

- 10.) You drink more coffee per day than Starbucks sells in one week.
- 9.) Emails to your friends have "HALT" as the subject header.
- 8.) You and your buddies get thrown out of espresso bars and teahouses for being "too rowdy."
- 7.) For parties with your friends, you buy a couple cases of Mountain Dew and Pepsi-Cola.
- 6.) Dining out, you wonder how someone at the next table can drink half a glass of wine and leave the rest.
- 5.) There is at least one magnet on your refrigerator, plaque on your wall, or bumper-sticker on your car with an inspirational message printed on it.
- 4.) You don't know the last names of most of your best friends.
- 3.) If you need advice on money, you ask the guy in your meeting who used to be bankrupt.
- 2.) When you empty your purse or pockets you find at least one of the following: an anniversary chip, scrapes of paper with phone numbers of people you met in meetings, pocket-sized Big Book, wallet-sized Preamble. And the number one sign you may be in recovery:
- 1.) No matter how bad a day you had, if you go to bed sober, you consider yourself a winner.

*Anonymous*

*Thanks to the Messenger, newsletter of Nashville Intergroup. (Jan, 2001)*



## Gratitude:

### Currently Available Service Positions:

EVI Service Committees:  
 Vice-Chairs for the following committees:

**Newsletter** the thing in your hands! Some computer experience helpful.

**Hospitals**. Coordinates bringing meetings and info into local hospitals, Lane Psychiatric, and the Johnson unit. You don't have to be crazy to do this.

Other volunteer opportunities:

**H&I** has a constant, and varied need for people willing to do a little to a lot of service work. The opportunity for this type of service has really expanded, and H&I has been doing a great job, but they need the AA community to step up and volunteer. This is real service work.

H&I is looking for a few good women!

**Public information** - takes speakers into schools, and in general lets the public know that AA didn't die out in the '40's, and is, in fact, alive and well. We could particularly use someone with some enthusiasm for getting some public service spots on local TV and radio.

relaxing, enjoyable, rewarding service work? volunteer at the Office!

**EVI Office Volunteers** work a four hour shift, once a week, or every two weeks. Not very demanding, bring a good book; but you do get to answer the phone, talk to folks who stop by, etc. If you have a little time available, whether you are a year sober, or twenty, this can be pleasant service work, and worth doing.

**Twelve-Step list**. If you would like to be on the list that is called by the office or the diverter for twelve step calls, there are sign up sheets going around, or stop by the office. People available during the day, and folks willing to give rides are particularly helpful.

# AA Meetings:

Moved:

T.G.G. 5/10 Speakers Meeting has moved to 4110 River Road, Eugene, Friday's 8:00 - 9:30 pm (O)(WCH)

Women's How it Works Wed 12:00-1:00 has moved to 1166 Oak St., First Christian Church

New Meeting Books available at Office

Current meeting schedules are also posted on the EVI website.

Please let us know if your meeting information changes - particularly if your meeting stops meeting, or changes time or place, as it can be discouraging for a newcomer to hunt down a meeting and it not be there. We don't want them to repair to the bar instead!

You can fill out the form at the EVI office, or email EVI at: [eviaa@efn.org](mailto:eviaa@efn.org)

A current meeting list can be very important to a newcomer

# Because One Man Was Lonely

As I see it, the ever-growing, multiplying, and compounding miracle of AA is that because one man was lonely, afraid, and sick in a strange city, I need never be alone again in a strange city. Because he sought out a physician for his own incurable disease and arrested it by helping to heal the physician, there is great hope for me. Because one man - greatly gifted by his Higher Power - failed to live up to the expectations of the crowd, never scaled the heights of social, financial, or professional worlds, and never made headlines or created empires, but chose instead to share his private spiritual awakening with other sufferers, I have a life to live and share.

The miracle is that this one beautiful man - without funds or financial aid, without benefit of publicity and great advertising campaigns - quietly, *anonymously* spread a message from one man in one room in one city to reach millions of persons in thousands of rooms clear around the world. Today, more than a million of us who suffer from the disease of alcoholism have found not just the ability to live with or survive this insidious disease, but a joyful way of life as new as this morning and as old as mankind. We can gain sobriety, aspire to serenity, at no greater price than caring for our fellow sufferers and sharing with them what has been freely given to us. We can experience the true joy of love that we once tried to destroy by not giving it away, and we can learn the truth that the more we give away, the more we will have.

The miracle is that I won all this by admitting defeat. The miracle is that the whole world became mine when I had nowhere else to go. The miracle is God's greatest gift - people who care, love to share, and have honest, open head

Bricktown, New Jersey  
Grapevine 1977

## MINUTES OF BUSINESS MEETING

January 8

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. (*a good meeting starts on time*)

The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer.

New EVI Representatives: Christy; Monday Night Get Well Group, Bill; The Brown Bag Group

A quorum of 19 EVI Reps were present to conduct business. (15 required per amendment to by-laws)

Committee reports:

Treasurer: Mel M.

Profit & Loss statements are available in the office and distributed to all present. Book sales were "up" due to order from Serenity Lane. Inter-group is solvent, and financially secure at present.

Volunteer Coordinator: **Gus P.**

Volunteers are close to full staff right now. Shift hours for the office are 9-1 & 105 Mon - Fri, and 9-12 on Saturdays. The office used to be open on Thursday evenings but, due to lack of office volunteers, there hasn't been staffing available to continue this. Request was made for volunteers for the Thursday night shift. Silence prevailed. **Thanks Gus**

Literature Chair: **Rich**

Going well. The large order from Serenity Lane has been delivered, and an additional order of \$1,000 has been placed. **Thanks Rick**

Website: **Michael**

The website committee could use any/some/maybe/please volunteer help. Any updates need to be emailed to EVI. We are still getting about 300 hits/month, and **3,365** visits were recorded during the year 2000. **Thanks Michael**

Meeting Book committee: **Doc**

"Doc" (541-461-4800) has stepped forward, and is doing an excellent job as chair for this committee. A new form is in the works, and updated information is **requested** for the next meeting book update. (if you know something we might not know) **Thanks Doc**

Newsletter: **Robert**

The newsletter is available in the office each month. Multiple copies were available at the EVI meetings

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for reps to take back to their meetings. Robert (541-684-9439) is always looking for area member's articles and additions. Committee meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month @ 2495 Columbia, Eugene. **Thanks**

**Robert**

Answering Service (Diverter Coordinator): **Frank**

The new 12<sup>th</sup> Step list is available to those interested. There are also new instructions available.

37 female and 45 new male volunteers have been added to the listing. This is almost sufficient, but new individuals are always encouraged to participate. We need your help to insure that **someone is always there to help those who call**. We thank Linda (541-345-5827) for stepping forward as the committee vice-chair (see new business). Please call Frank, if you have difficulty working within the Diverter system. **Thanks Frank**

Public Information: NO REPORT

CPC: **Kathy**

Fliers are available at the EVI office for those interested. Mailing lists have been completed, and placed with appropriate facilities not in conflict with other committees. **Thanks Kathy**

Activities: NO REPORT

Speaker Meeting: **AI**

The meeting is getting great turnout. Thank you all for the support, attendance and raffle prizes.

The correct E-Mail address for Gaylene is: [gglide@svdplanecounty.org](mailto:gglide@svdplanecounty.org)

This committee meets at the EVI office on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

This committee continues to contribute financially, on a regular basis, to EVI with proceeds from meetings over costs. **Thanks AI, and all who are involved.**

Outreach: NO REPORT

Archivist: **Linda**

Continuing collection of "old-timer" tapes and interviews. Request was made by committee to **PLEASE** not remove articles of information from the "box" in EVI office. Copies can be made of any materials one would wish to share with others. **Thanks Linda**

H&I: **Harold**

Always active, and these reports are enjoyable and way complete.

The Code of Conduct has been completed and implemented. Anyone doing volunteer work with this committee will be asked to read and sign this document. A three (3)-page handout was presented to the inter-group, and copies are available at the EVI office.

Young people are still requested for the Looking Glass Panel Meeting. **Thanks Harold**

Steering Committee Minutes:

**None available**, (sorry, I'm new at this). General discussion involving prudent reserve, budget issues, and Business Advisory position in need of filling

**Old Business:**

The following are a list of those who were nominated and the positions they were nominated for.

Positions available were: Vice Chair Treasurer, Vice Chair Diverter Committee, Chair Outreach Chair, H&I Committee, CTF Vice Chair, Newsletter Vice Chair.

**Vice Treasurer:** Vince: Vice-Treasurer Vince was voted in as Vice Treasurer. His phone number is **541-334-6810**. **Thanks Vince**

**Vice Chair Diverter Committee:** Nominated Linda L. Linda was voted in as Vice Chair Diverter. Her phone number is **541-345-5827**. **Thanks Linda**

**Chair Outreach Committee:** David was voted in as Chair Outreach. His phone number is **541-341-1297**. **Thanks David** Cell Phone # **954-9398**

**Chair H&I Committee:** Nominated Bruce. Bruce was voted in as Chair H&I. His phone number is **541-338-9892**. **Thanks Bruce**

**CTF Vice Chair:** Nominated **NONE**

**Newsletter Vice Chair:** Nominated **NONE**

New Business:

1) A new account has been set up with "**CityCopy**" for Xerox reproduction/copying any committee or EVI related required. **Check with Gus P, or EVI staff for details required to have copies made.**

2) Budget requests were presented in various forms for approval.

The following were approved by the quorum of EVI Representatives:

Central Office operating Budget:	\$18,600.00
Communications Super Committee (Well prepared)	\$ 1,500.00
Diverter Committee	\$100.00
Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC)	\$100.00
Cooperation with Treatment Facilities	\$ Budget merged with H&I Committee
Outreach	\$250.00
Archivist	\$25.00
Hospitals and Institutions	\$1,000.00

Motion to adjourn at 8:25 PM (*a good meeting ends on time*)



## Fellowship Events

Oregon Area Quarterly Assembly  
Feb 23-25 in Portland - call the office, or ask your GSR or DCM for details

### Thanks!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

To all the Groups and Individuals who donated time, energy, and money to keep EVI providing service in 2000.

You know who you are!

Each small effort adds up, contributing to work that truly saves lives. Thanks again.

### Have a Friend that needs a little AA Service Work?

Drag them into the EVI Business Meeting or the Office, and we'll find something to keep them out of trouble.

### More comfortable writing than speaking in public?

- If you have a story about getting sober, or AA service work, or how a particular step made a difference in your life - contribute to the EVI News!