

Four Directions



Native American Indian General Service Office

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Greetings Family!!

Your family here at the Native American Indian General Service Office would like to announce that we are making the newsletter available in hard copy by subscription. We are asking for a \$2.00 subscription fee per year, to cover printing and postage. If this cost would prohibit anyone from receiving the newsletter, who does not have access to the Internet, we will waive the fee and send them the newsletter free of charge. Inside you will find the subscription form. If you would like to receive the newsletter by mail or know someone who would, please fill out and return the subscription to us. You can even have this newsletter sent to a friend as a gift!!

We hope this is the beginning of a new and beautiful journey in serving our Native American AA family.

Humility and Responsibility- AA in Two Words

All A.A. progress can be reckoned in terms of just two words: humility and responsibility. Our whole spiritual development can be accurately measured by our degree of adherence to these magnificent standards. Ever deepening humility, accompanied by an ever-greater willingness to accept and to act upon clear-cut obligations—these are truly our touchstones for all growth in the life of the spirit.

Bill W. 1965

In this spirit, our newsletter is a service to the Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous in the Native American community. Inside you will find stories about AA events and the minutes of the NAIGSO Board meetings. We will continue to bring you news of AA in Indian Country in the future. In order to achieve this goal we need your help. So send us your news, stories and announcements. We need your help to "Carry the Message" to the still suffering alcoholic.

In the world of alcoholic hopelessness there are many bright spots of love and harmony through unity, recovery, and service. Join that circle and make this newsletter a part of the voice of AA here on Turtle Island and around the world.





30th Annual Beaver Utah Campvention

The weather is always delightful; vast clear blue sky, big white clouds, as we drive into Beaver, Utah for the annual 4 day Great Outdoor Beaver AA Campvention. Deer are abundant and gently graze the open yards with wide-eyed leisure. Hawks soar and circle with their good tidings. Moose are farther up the mountain nearest the lake.

Beaver is located along Hwy 21 just off I-15 on the banks of the Beaver River at the edge of Fishlake National Forest. Beaver is home to 2,454 residents. To the east of Beaver lie the Tushar Mountains. The peaks in these mountains rise to over 12,000 feet with a wonderful mountain lake, ideal for the fishing derby.

There are 11 motels, and 4 campgrounds in this unique city, birthplace to Butch Cassidy. Nor is eating a problem with approximately 20 restaurants from McDonalds to 2 locally owned steak houses. A local pristine golf course where the annual AA Campvention golf tournament is held.

On the drive into the town of Beaver we are welcomed by signs posted throughout in abundance, "Welcome Friends of Bill W." And all along the route to the racetrack, on each corner are decorated signs indicating the "Steps1-12 on each corner. As we continue our drive to the racetrack, the excitement builds in anticipation of all the fun; "We are not a glum lot." The year-round teamwork between both California and Utah AA Campvention Committees culminated into this year's theme "The Road of Happy Destiny..."

The coffee shack is always ablaze with light and an inviting welcome, as the attendees arrive, many on motorcycles, some by car and many more by motor home. This is a time of happy reunion for those that are returning and a time to meet new friends from all over this here United States.

The registration booth manned by Californians as well as Beaverites has sign up sheets for the marathon campfire meetings, and all the activities that make you wonder, "Will there be enough time?" Like to shop, well you're in luck as this AA Campvention has memento's, lots of them; stuffed beavers, coffee mugs, book covers for those worn out Big Books, and shirts to commemorate each and every year, sweatshirts, jackets, stickers and pins. This year the leather patches were a big hit for the vest wearers.

Thursday night at 7pm starts with an open AA meeting lead by one of the "locals", jovial Maggie B. Followed by the Nite Owl Speaker meeting. At 9pm. One of their own local AA speakers, fondly called "Beaver Mary" with 16 years, spoke of her experience, strength and hope in a way we all could relate to, no matter 1 day or 50 years!

Friday is jammed packed with a variety of activities and meetings; from a golf tournament on the pristine golf course at 8:30AM, the mountain nature hike for those health nuts; but watch the altitude! At 4:00pm the Young People's Speaker meeting led by Michelle R., at 2 years sober; featured from Lakeside, Ca.; Lynsey R., who at 22 has 7 years sobriety with a program admired by the most seasoned "old-timers." Followed by the 6:00PM Eager Beaver Speaker meeting where C.C. from Lake Havasu, just coming in on his Harley, gave a rousing account of his recovery and the meaning of A.A. in his life. Sal R. led this meeting with all the dedicated devotion he has for AA. Both he and his wife Michelle are wonderful assets to the "Beaver" AA group, always giving back and being of service.

Then at 7:45pm, a softball game to make sure everyone has a chance to enjoy their favorite pastime. At 8pm there is a Couple's Participation meeting. Rosalie and Peter A. from Ridgecrest, Ca. lovingly led this years meeting. This is all followed by an "Under the Stars dance." You can dance your heart way. Marcy the D.J. has given her all to make sure young and old have the time of their life, dancing under the fabulous, Beaver Milky Way! There's absolutely no way anyone can say they're bored at this fun filled AA Campvention.

Saturday morning dawns bright & crisp and the activities begin at a bright and early 7 AM fishing derby. From what I understand, more people come just to enjoy the fishing at this wonderful lake. For those that are motorcycle enthusiasts, there is a "poker run" that winds along the wide-open roads, farm lands, and up into the mountains. Better grab a ride to enjoy the scenery that only a motorcycle tour can give.

Al-Anon is included with their own open meeting. Followed by the H & I Speaker meeting. If you've ever wondered what H and I is all about, this is the meeting to be at! This year Lee S., Lakeside, Ca. did a fantastic job with his 21 years in the program. His enthusiasm encourages each of us to be in service. At 1:00pm the "Motorcycle Event" begins. See the dashed hopes or jubilant victory as each contestant maneuvers their machines through grueling tasks only the fittest and hardiest rider will attempt. Bring your sense of humor & an open mind, because sometimes the antics involved will have you, oohing and ah-hing, laughing, or cringing.

It's 4:00pm, hungry? The potluck is superb with bar-b-ques blazing and each person brings their most favorite dish. Come starved, leave stuffed.

Lazily, we stroll over with stuffed tummies to the Great Outdoor Beaver meeting. The two chairpersons, Sue S., 23 years from Lakeside, Ca. and Lynette F. from Beaver, Utah lead this twilight gathering and we listen to the Speaker, Don L. from Simi Valley share his multitude of years of experience in the many facets of AA.

Don't move yet, all the dazzling beauty of the Miss Beaver Contest comes to the stage. All bedecked in an array of evening gowns, make-up just so, every hair beautifully coiffed (if they have any). These GUYS, give it their all, to win the crown that only this contest bestows. The big question; "why they should be the one crowned" will have your side spitting as the "ladies" dance and prance, preen and glide before their thoughtful answer???? Which "lady" will garner the crown is up to the audience as we all get a chance to vote for our favorite male "lady"! Be prepared, the roughest and toughest guys spend hours getting ready for the big debut.

This year at our 30Th AA Beaver Campvention we honored Don Huff, who after many dedicated years as one of the founding fathers, passed on this year. He will be dearly missed.

Need more entertainment? Next the "Boozeville Bombers" variety show sing, dance, joke and ad-lib to the audience's delight.

Still haven't had enough? Well grab your chair and meander over to the campfire marathon meeting, chat with new friends or reminisce with old ones.

AND IT'S NOT OVER YET!

Sunday morning starts at 8:30am with the Awards presentation for fishing, golf, motorcycle events and the 50/50 raffle. Over \$1200.00 was collected this year as the lucky winner screamed with delight. Can you or will you be next years winner? Next at 9:00am, the Spiritual Meeting led by Mary M. our own Beaver Mary, started it off with Betty A., Escondido, Ca., our speaker. Only 32 years sober, she can bring a tear, invoke a giggle but definitely we all could relate, as her story inspired us to continue on "no matter what" one more day, "one day at a time." With spirits jubilant, we all departed for a few hours of visiting, shopping, napping or sight-seeing until the 7:00pm Beaver-hosted Gratitude Meeting. This relaxed meeting, in the grandstands, gives each and everyone a chance to share. Tears are shed, hopes renewed, laughter rings out, smiles abound as this "closing meeting binds us all in gratitude and many life-long friendships are forged, that span the states, color, creed or religion that the "Spirit" of Alcoholics Anonymous embodies.

Bill W. and Dr. Bob must surely be smiling.

Lilfrog - Marla M.



The NAIGSO-AA Path



Before I got sober all I wanted to do was be a responsible caring upright member of my society. And the funny thing was I didn't see how breaking the law, cheating and lying, going back on my word and walking away from my heart's truth stopped me. I just knew I was unhappy and confused. My old home group used to say, "What's an alcoholic? A drunk with a conscience!"

So sobriety as AA practices it, one drunk helping another, restored to me a dignity and joy I felt I had lost forever. It gave me a place in the world when I was sure I was undesirable and useless. Over time, it has given me the connection to light more fires inside and outside the rooms, giving more of myself and immersing myself more into the world.

It allows me to live life on life's terms joyfully and with faith, sure of my singleness of purpose and thus filled with a reason to wake up, to take care, to be patient, etc.

All I ever wanted was to be good. Now I see good might be a little unattainable, maybe even a childish and naive goal too simple for an adult - but I can aim for responsible, sober, unselfish and altruistic. These with God's help and grace I can achieve on a daily basis contingent on my spiritual condition, which in turn is contingent upon my practice of the 12th step - all the time in all my affairs.

What makes this group so powerful for me, as a meeting, is the way it ties what I learned but did not understand as a child to what I understand but cannot remember learning as an adult in AA. The NAIGSO has found a path for an alcoholic like me, who having walked the hard and lonely road, is now ready to join those who have gone ahead and found an easier softer way.

Onen, Ani F.

We invite you to become a part of the NAIGSO AA Family Circles online group.



http://groups.yahoo.com/group/naigsoaafamilycircles/

The Twelfth Annual Native American AA Convention Cherokee, NC

Each year, this event is put on by a hand full of people working with a shoestring budget. The love of AA and native peoples can be felt as you walk around the convention center. Around every corner is a bustle of activity as the volunteers work to let this thing happen. It is a gathering of sobriety, love and fellowship.

To complete the circle this story will start at the end and return. Sunday morning dawns on a crowd of worn out visitors. It has been a long weekend of meetings, friendships made and friendships renewed. Volunteers work to load all the equipment to leave, but you can see many people do not want to go. It has been a special time in a special place. Outside a few people are holding a small closing ceremony, smudging and offering a prayer to the Creator. A Cherokee elder joins this group to tell them a story.

Here is that story:

"As a boy I went to school in this valley, my school was that hill to the east, that hill to the south, that hill to the west, and that hill to the north. I had a circle. Then I was loaded up and sent out west to "boarding school," they cut my hair and flea-powdered me like a mangy wolf. No wonder I became a drunk seven years later. One day while I was standing, drinking beer, I noticed an old man watching me. I asked him where he came from, he said, "Back there," pointing behind himself. I asked him where he was going, he said, "Over there," pointing in front of himself. I asked him what he was doing, he said, "Teaching you a lesson!"

The elder had a smile on his face the whole time he told this story.

On the drive in to Cherokee you climb into the mountain home of the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation, the Qualla Boundary. Each day the sun came over the ridge to warm the people as the Sunrise Ceremony was held. Each day is filled with food, people, meetings and the Creator. Friday night we eat frybread patted out by the new chief of the Bear Clan of the Cayuga Nation. Saturday Night was highlighted by Roger L. carrying the same "Eagle Staff" into the pow-wow he carried into the 60th International Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Here, I would like to thank the committee who works so hard every year to allow the Creator to work his magic at this convention. Looking forward to seeing everyone next year. And don't forget the "Indians in Sobriety" campout held in May.

Gary

Please join the circle and send us news of what is happening in your area. Share your experience, strength and hope with the NAIGSO-AA family.

Four Directions is the voice of the people.

Share your experience and your wisdom with the Circle. Please submit articles of interest to Native Americans in recovery from alcoholism by emailing them to: newsletter@naigso-aa.org. Your original artwork is also needed. Any graphics with a Native American or recovery theme can be submitted.

Please do not submit any copyrighted materials

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Lakeside, CA 92040



Native American Indian Alcoholics Anonymous Registration Form for Individuals



I am an individual who is willing to be a point of contact to carry the message of AA to the alcoholic who still suffers. I authorize my name and information as I have recorded it on this form to be included in the Native American Indian Alcoholics Anonymous Directory. In order to be included in the directory NAIGSO must receive your original signed copy of this form.

To help us be self-supporting it is suggested that each member on his or her sobriety birthday contribute one dollar per recovery year to NAIGSO.

Name:		
Address:		
City/State/ZIP Code:		
Telephone Number:	E-mail address:	
Tribal Affiliation:	_	
Signature:	Date:	

Please return the completed form to:

NAIGSO, P.O. Box 1253, Lakeside, CA 92040

Telephone (951) 927-2626 E-mail: generalmanager@naigso-aa.org

Native American Indian Alcoholics Anonymous Group Registration Form

Meeting local			Group name:			Date group was started:			
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MINUTES OF THE NAIGSO BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING JULY 31, 2005 (#58) AT MANY NATIONS IN RECOVERY, 3928 ILLINOIS ST. CHET HUNT ROOM, SAN DIEGO, CA 92104.

ATTENDANCE:

Board members present: Robert V, Don W. Sr., Judy V., Joshua W., Dan F. (via speaker phone), and Sylvia W.

Board members absent: Jim H. and Casey F.

Guests: Don W. Jr.

OPENING: Song (Robert V.) Prayer (Don W.) and Pot luck @1215

CALLED TO ORDER: @12:50 pm

ROLL CALL: Quorum is present for regular business.

MINUTES: Meeting minutes #57 (6-26-05) was approved.

7TH TRADITION: Collected \$6.00. The total amount of funds for this board meeting is now up to \$186.00. It was agreed that when these funds exceed \$200.00 that \$100.00 would be contributed to NAIGSO.

BIRTHDAY: Judy V. celebrated 16 years sobriety with Robert V. presenting the cake.

TREASURERS REPORT: Approved.

Report encompasses 1-1-2005 to 7-31-05: Inflow - \$655.67; Outflow - \$389.27; Balance - \$2,892.13. Note: This remains unchanged from last month.

REGISTRAR REPORT: 442 Loners and 82 Groups are registered.

OLD BUSINESS:

• Don W. Sr. made motion for the board to approve the development of an information package (presentation) to be distributed to AA members and AA delegates. 2nd by Joshua W. Passed unanimously.

Status:

5/29/05: The content of the information package (presentation) has been approved and preparation for mailing is in process.

6/26/05: A mailing has been made to the area offices as indicated on the Internet but we are not sure if this will reach the delegates or not. Julio (NY GSO staff) has been requested to provide NAIGSO GM with an advance copy of that portion of the AA Directories, which lists the delegate names and addresses. The new directories most likely will not be distributed until October but we would like to get this information package to the delegates in a timelier manner. In addition, the NAIGSO GM has emailed the information package to all the Central/Intergroup Offices that have an email address listed (89 of them).

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7/8/05: Julio indicates, "Delegate information is available in the directories as a resource to contact your local delegate and not as a mailing list.... our office has been asked not to provide mailing lists."

• Dan F. stated that on the last weekend of Sept '05 The Vision Comes Home Group in Bishop, California, plans to sponsor a 'Campout'. He suggests that NAIGSO conduct a meeting or hold a panel at that "Campout". Tabled for consideration during the next NAIGSO-AA Board Meeting

Status:

5/29/05: Dan F. called in to request this item be discussed at the June meeting.

6/26/05: Dan F. absent so item is tabled until next meeting on 7/31/05.

7/31/05: Having a problem obtaining a campsite. Will know in a week or so if we will be able to have the campout.

• Don W. Sr. made motion to approve the request of member Gary C. to send an information package (presentation) to the Grapevine. 2nd by Robert V. Passed unanimously.

Status: Information package (presentation) has been mailed to the grapevine.

Action complete.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The Summer Edition of the Newsletter is approved for distribution. The board wishes to thank Vicki G. for her past work on the newsletter and to thank Gary C. for working on the current issue.
- Don W. Sr. is authorized to print and send Lyle P. 50 copies of the newsletter to place on the information table at the Red Road to Freedom Conference in Oklahoma City (Sept. 30 Oct. 2, 2005).

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Chet Hunt Rm. @12:00 noon, August 28, 2005.

ADJOURNED: @3:00 pm



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MINUTES OF THE NAIGSO BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AUGUST 28, 2005 (#59) AT MANY NATIONS IN RECOVERY, 3928 ILLINOIS ST. CHET HUNT ROOM, SAN DIEGO, CA 92104.

ATTENDANCE:

Board members present: Robert V, Don W. Sr., Judy V., Joshua W., Dan and Casey F. (via speaker phone), and Sylvia W.

Board members absent: Jim H.

Guests: Don W. Jr.

OPENING: Prayer (Josh W.) and Potluck @12:20 pm

CALLED TO ORDER: @12:55 pm

ROLL CALL: Quorum is present for regular business.

MINUTES: Approved meeting minutes #58 (7-31-05).

 7^{TH} TRADITION: Collected \$3.55. The total amount of funds for this board meeting is now up to \$189.55.

TREASURERS REPORT: Approved. Current balance is \$3037.87.

Note: Treasurer reports a computer failure occurred and that the accounting program is being reinstalled in the new system.

REGISTRAR REPORT: 443 Loners and 82 Groups are registered.

OLD BUSINESS:

• Don W. Sr. made a motion for the board to approve the development of an information package (presentation) to be distributed to AA members and AA delegates. 2nd by Joshua W. Passed unanimously.

Status:

8/28/05: The content of the information package (presentation) has been approved and distributed to members. Further mailing to the delegates is postponed until we receive the AA Directories, which contain the current mailing addresses of the delegates. Estimated date to receive the AA Directories is October 2005.

• Dan F. stated that on the last weekend of Sept '05 The Vision Comes Home Group in Bishop, California, plans to sponsor a 'Campout'. He suggests that NAIGSO conduct a meeting or hold a panel at that "Campout".

Status:

8-28-05: Dan F. and Casey F. report the Campout is scheduled for October 28, 29, and 30 2005. It will be held at the Mill Pond Campground located between Bishop and Mammoth, California. To be discussed further at the next NAIGSO-AA Board Meeting.

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- Don W. Sr. is authorized to print and send Lyle P. 50 copies of the newsletter to place on the information table at the Red Road to Freedom Conference in Oklahoma City (Sept. 30 Oct. 2, 2005).
 - **Status:** The newsletters have been printed and mailed. Action complete.
- The Summer Edition of the Newsletter is approved for distribution. The board wishes to thank Vicki G. for her past work on the newsletter and to thank Gary C. for working on the current issue.

Status: Newsletter has been distributed to members, Central/Intergroup Offices, and posted on the NAIGSO website. Action complete.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The 2nd General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous for North American Indian Nations is scheduled for Sunday 1/29/06. The location of the conference will be at the Many Nations in Recovery facility, 3928 Illinois Street, San Diego, California. The time is set for 12 o'clock noon. It is approved to notify the membership and to post the event on the NAIGSO website. The GM should request members that are not able to attend the conference to email us any issues that should be discussed/addressed at the conference.
- "Stickies" with the NAIGSO logo and website address on them are desired to be made up for handout. Judy V. will contact Chuck R. for details of cost involved and how to proceed.
- If needed Judy V., board treasurer, is authorized to purchase new accounting software for NAIGSO use.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Chet Hunt Rm. @12:00 noon, September 25, 2005.

ADJORN: @3:00 pm



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MINUTES OF THE NAIGSO BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2005 (#60) AT MANY NATIONS IN RECOVERY, 3928 ILLINOIS ST. CHET HUNT ROOM, SAN DIEGO, CA 92104.

ATTENDANCE:

Board members present: Robert V, Don W. Sr., Sylvia W., Judy V., Joshua W. (via speaker phone), Dan F. and Casey F.

(via speaker phone).

Board members absent: Jim H.

Guests: Don W. Jr., Kenny B. and Tom R.

OPENING: Prayer (Judy V.) and Potluck @12:20 pm

CALLED TO ORDER: @12:45 pm

ROLL CALL: Quorum is present for regular business.

MINUTES: Approved meeting minutes #59 (8-28-05).

7th TRADITION: Collected \$10.45. The 7th tradition total is \$200.00.

TREASURERS REPORT: Approved. Current balance is \$3221.50.

Note: The accounting program is reinstalled in the new computer and the transfer of data is in progress.

REGISTRAR REPORT: 443 Loners and 82 Groups are registered.

OLD BUSINESS:

• Don W. Sr. made a motion for the board to approve the development of an information package (presentation) to be distributed to AA members and AA delegates. 2nd by Joshua W. Passed unanimously.

Status

8/28/05: The content of the information package (presentation) has been approved and distributed to members. Further mailing to the delegates is postponed until we receive the AA Directories, which contain the current mailing addresses of the delegates. Estimated date to receive the AA Directories is October 2005.

9-25-05: AA Directories have become available. Gary C. has volunteered to go ahead with the mailing. An NAIGSO check in the amount of \$200.00 was given to Don W. to mail to Gary C. to cover the cost.

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- Dan F. stated that on the last weekend of Sept '05 The Vision Comes Home Group in Bishop, California, plans to sponsor a 'Campout'. He suggests that NAIGSO conduct a meeting or hold a panel at that "Campout".
 Status:
 - 8-28-05: Dan F. and Casey F. report the Campout is scheduled for October 28, 29, and 30 2005. It will be held at the Mill Pond Campground located between Bishop and Mammoth, California.
 - 9-25-05: Final plans made. The NAIGSO Board members agree to attend and share with the people in an informal meeting/panel during the campout.
- The 2nd General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous for North American Indian Nations is scheduled for Sunday 1/29/06. It is approved to notify the membership and to post the event on the NAIGSO website. The GM should request members that are not able to attend the conference to email us any issues that should be discussed/addressed at the conference.
 - 9-25-05: The membership has been notified, the event posted, and the GM has taken the action as suggested.
- "Stickies" with the NAIGSO logo and website address on them are desired to be made up to handout. Judy V. will contact Chuck R. for details of cost involved and how to proceed.
 - 9-25-05: Chuck informs Judy that he will provide her the name/address of who to contact for details of cost involved and how to proceed.
- If needed Judy V., board treasurer, is authorized to purchase new accounting software for NAIGSO use. 9-25-05: New software not needed was able to use the old software. No further action required.

NEW BUSINESS:

- What should we bring to share at the campout was discussed. It was decided that Robert and Judy would bring ten of the NAIGSO T-shirts that are in storage at his house. Individual members will bring whatever "auction" items they may have available to donate. Don W. will make copies of the NAIGSO Newsletter and other information items to place on the information table. Robert V. will look into making copies of the Daily Meditations off the website to put on the table.
- It is suggested that the Calendar of Events section of the website be updated to delete the listing of events that have already taken place. Also, portions of the Organizational News and Comments section should be archived and moved to the History section of the website. The GM will follow up on this task.
- The treasurer is authorized to make a onetime correction of adding \$150.00 to the NAIGSO account transaction
 record bringing the balance up to \$3221.50. This will make the transaction record jive with the bank statements and
 deposit receipts. The discrepancy was introduced when the data was reinserted back into the accounting program after
 the computer failure.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: The Board will gather at the campout in Bishop, California, on the last weekend in October 2005 to share with the people an informal meeting/panel.

ADJORN: @3:00 pm