

Cooperation with the Professional Community and Public Information (CPC-PI)

Report to Emerald Valley Intergroup

May 9, 2011

The committee responded to several speaking invitations since the last EVI business meeting. On April 18th and 19th, we provided an AA panel for two U of O classes in the Substance Abuse Prevention program. On Monday, April 25th, AA volunteers addressed seven health classes at Springfield High School. Students heard a young man and a young woman tell their stories. The four pairs of speakers each addressed one or two classes.

At our last meeting, we welcomed two new members, who arrived at their first CPC-PI meeting at the most appropriate time: We were assembling two hundred physician packets. The packets are now available to be distributed to meetings. AA members are asked to take one to their next appointment with a health care provider, and to encourage that person to be alert to drinking problems among their patients.

Two or three times during the school year, our committee receives invitations to speak at local high schools. Although the featured speakers should themselves be young, these requests must be managed and staffed by a committee member. We have developed a workable pattern to follow as well as a data base of young AA members who are willing to speak. If you or someone you know might be interested in this service opportunity, please contact me.

The next meeting of the CPC-PI Committee will be held on May 24th at 5:30 PM at EVI.

Yours in service,

Karen S.

Chair of CPC-PI Committee

"Public Information takes many forms—the simple sign outside a meeting place that says 'A.A. meeting tonight;' listing in local phone directories; distribution of A.A. literature; and radio and television shows using sophisticated media techniques. Whatever the form, it comes down to 'one drunk carrying the message to another drunk,' whether through personal contact or through the use of third parties and the media." –Bill W., quoted in the Public Information Workbook from the General Service Office.