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Supercharge Your Program



Plunge into the seas of recovery...

... the water is just the right temperature for YOU!

If you can use some motivation or inspiration to rampup your Program, register to attend the upcoming OA Region 7 Convention in Ocean City.

Whether you are a newcomer to OA or an experienced Fellow, this year's Region 7 Convention will offer you the opportunity to connect (and reconnect) with other OA Fellows from across seven states!

Click on the links below to read about the kind of experience others have had at OA conventions. Come alone or bring a friend and experience it for yourself.

Inside Life (at the Convention)

Convention-al Wisdom

Spotlight on OA Tools: Action Plan

An action plan is the process of identifying and implementing attainable actions, both daily and long-term, that are necessary to support our individual abstinence and emotional, spiritual and physical recovery. This tool, like our plan of eating, may vary widely among members and may need to be adjusted as we progress in our recovery.

For example, a newcomer's action plan might focus on planning, shopping for and preparing food. Some members may need a regular fitness routine, while others may need a plan that includes time for meditation and relaxation. As we use this tool, we find that we develop a feeling of serenity while we make measurable progress one day at a time.

A <u>personal recovery story</u> in OA Lifeline online provides a creative example of how to use this valuable OA tool.

Remember the OA slogan: failing to plan is planning to fail!

Support your Recovery

Date	Topic	Sponsor	Access
Sep 16 –	2022 Region 7 Fall Assembly	OA Region	IN-PERSON
18	Bon Secours Retreat and Conference Center	<u>7</u>	Please contact the <u>Intergroup Chair</u> to become
Fri – Sun	bon becours netreat and contenence benter	_	an authorized representative; visitors welcome
Sep 23 –	PAIG Annual Retreat	Philadelphi	IN-PERSON
25	We're All Together Now: Reuniting in Fellowship	a Area	Registration closes September 9, 2022.
Fri – Sun		Intergroup	Scholarships are available.
Sep 25	OA Marathon – Rosh Hashanah	OA Virtual	PHONE
Sun	Tradition 8 Spiritual Principle – Fellowship:	Region	Every hour 8:00 AM – midnight ET
	New Beginning, New You, New Friends		712-432-5200; Conference ID 4285115#
Sep 25	e-Workshop	OA Virtual	ZOOM
Sun	Our United Growth Through Sponsorship	Region	3 – 4:30 PM ET
			ID: 891 6554 0024 Passcode: 120912
Oct 2	e-Workshop	OA Foot	ZOOM
Sun	Stepping in Gratitude	Steps	3 – 4:30 PM ET
			ID: 853 3288 0508 Passcode: 504548
Oct 4	OA Marathon – Yom Kippur	OA Virtual	PHONE
Tues	Step 9 Spiritual Principle – Love: Love Yourself	Region	Every hour 8:00 AM – midnight ET
	and Others by Clearing the Wreckage of Your Past		712-432-5200; Conference ID 4285115#
Oct 9	e-Workshop	OA NOVA /	ZOOM
Sun	Parenting & Grandparenting in Recovery	OA DC-	1 – 2:45 PM ET
		<u>Metro</u>	ID: 863 8620 0340 Passcode: 12x12x12
Oct 9	e-Workshop	OA Virtual	ZOOM
Sun	How to Twelve Step a Problem	Region	3 – 4:30 PM ET
0			ID: 891 6554 0024 Passcode: 120912
Oct 10	OA Marathon – Indigenous Peoples' Day &	OA Virtual	PHONE
Mon	Canadian Thanksgiving	Region	Every hour 8:00 AM – midnight ET
	Tradition 9 Spiritual Principle – Structure:		712-432-5200
Oct 24	How Do I Practice Structure in My OA Program? OA Marathon – Diwali	OA Virtual	Conference ID 4285115# PHONE
Mon	Step 10 Spiritual Principle – Perseverance:	Region	Every hour 8:00 AM – midnight ET
IVIOII	How Does Perseverance Light the Way to Self-	Region	712-432-5200
	Awareness?		Conference ID 4285115#
Oct 31	OA Marathon – Halloween, Samhain	OA Virtual	PHONE
Mon	(pronounced Sowin)	Region	Every hour 8:00 AM – midnight ET
	Tradition 10 Spiritual Principle – Neutrality:		712-432-5200
	Why is Abstinence the Best Treat of All?		Conference ID 4285115#
Nov 4 –	2022 Region 7 Convention	OA Region	IN-PERSON
6	Swimming the Seas of Recovery	<u>7</u>	Early Bird registration until 9/30/22; regular
Fri – Sun	Princess Royale Oceanfront Resort – Ocean City		registration until 10/31/22
Nov 8	OA Marathon – Election Day	OA Virtual	PHONE
Tues	The Serenity Prayer	<u>Region</u>	Every hour 8:00 AM – midnight ET
			712-432-5200
			Conference ID 4285115#
Nov 13	e-Workshop	OA Virtual	ZOOM
Sun	Step 11: Prayer & Meditation	Region	3 – 4:30 PM ET
			ID: 891 6554 0024 Passcode: 120912

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Take Action

Get Connected Face-to-Face

Here are the latest opportunities to meet your Fellows in-person!



Maryland

1st Saturday of September and October at 10:00 AM*

Memorial First India United Methodist Church 9226 Colesville Rd., Silver Spring Contact: Fred 301-270-2439 OR Barb 202-821-7683

Mondays at 12:00 PM

United Church of Christ 10010 Fernwood Rd., Bethesda Contact: Kimberly 301-633-4010 OR

Laurie 301-233-2941

District of Columbia

Sundays at 6:00 PM**

St. Margaret's Episcopal 1830 Connecticut Ave NW Contact: Lee J 202-344-6395

Tuesdays at 7:15 PM

Dupont Circle Club 1623 Connecticut Ave NW Contact: Carly L 228-342-8464

*This meeting is virtual on all other Saturdays, starting at 10:30 AM. **This is a hybrid meeting. Check the Where and When to locate the Zoom information for these and other local meetings

Go Portable

Great news! An audiobook version of OA's indispensable <u>Twelve Steps and</u> <u>Twelve Traditions of Overeaters Anonymous, Second Edition</u> has been released. Now OA members can make the most of their time by listening to an in-depth exploration of OA Steps and Traditions while commuting, gardening, exercising, or even waiting in line!

Also, the long-awaited second edition of OA's beloved daily reader <u>Voices of</u>
<u>Recovery</u> is finally available. This edition sources its daily meditations directly from the testimonials of OA members. It is available in online digital platforms as well as in print.

OA Responsibility Pledge

Always to extend the hand and heart of OA to all who share my compulsion; for this I am responsible.