Communiqué

A publication of the Orange County Intergroup of Overeaters Anonymous, Inc.

March-April 2021



OA Birthdays Congratulations to all those celebrating

Abstinence Birthdays:

Jill E.

4 years March

How many years of recovery do you have? We want to celebrate milestones with you. Email the OA office. <u>ocioffice@oaoci.org</u>

37th Annual Women's Sweet Surrender Retreat "The OA Promises" via Zoom Saturday, April 24th 9 am – 4 pm Flyer & registration: www.oaoci.org/events

Salty Dogs Day Camp 3-hour Zoom event for the MEN of OA Saturday, April 24th 9 am – 12 noon Flyer & registration: <u>www.oaoci.org/events</u> Questions? Call Frank P. 949-842-3454

OC OA Meetings

There are no face-to-face meetings in Orange County because of current state regulations. A list of phone and web OC OA Meetings By Day may be found on the next two pages and at www.oaoci.org/meetings-by-day

OA Virtual Events Beyond OCI The next Virtual Region Sunday e-workshops are:

- March 14th, "Courage to Change the Things I Can
- April 11th, "A Spiritual Toolkit" Check out the flyers <u>www.oaoci.org/events</u>

Humility vs. Humiliation by Michele K.

Coming into the rooms, I heard about humility. Once in a while a speaker would point out the difference between humility and humiliation.

Humility comes from a place where I acknowledge my natural human weaknesses. One of my own weaknesses is a powerlessness over food that makes my life unmanageable. While compulsive overeating is not a universal weakness, it certainly is not unique to me. Indeed, I share this weakness with every other member of Overeaters Anonymous.

The pandemic has taken a toll on our ability to connect face to face with our fellows, but it has created the opportunity unlike one we have ever experienced before. Across the world, compulsive overeaters are meeting on Zoom, not just over the phone, to conduct meetings. We now can not only hear from compulsive overeaters across the country and globe, but see them too. We can look into their eyes and see a mirror of our own.

There is no shame or humiliation in the rooms. We share our experience, strength, and hope without fear of ridicule or judgement. We do not fear to turn on our cameras simply because we may be overweight, or not wearing makeup. Because OA has created a safe space for us to accept our natural weakness where food is concerned. Accept it, understand it, and support each other as we work one day at a time to maintain the humility that paves the way for our higher powers to relieve us of our compulsive overeating.

Humiliation is what my disease brings me outside of these rooms. It is breaking chairs under my weight. It is having to ask for a seat belt extender on an airplane, or worse, knowing the stranger next to me on that airplane can feel my fat thighs sliding under the armrest and pressing against his own legs. Humiliation is not wanting people from my past to see me due to my size. It is hearing my child get teased by his school friends for having a fat parent. It is having to swallow back my purge in a public restroom while I wait for strangers to clear out, because I do not want anyone to know I am a bulimic.

There is plenty of humiliation outside of the rooms. That humiliation awaits me any time I wish to pick it back up with the food. But thanks to the love, acceptance, and support of my fellows, I can let go and let God one day at a time.

Download other amazing Fall 2020 Story Submissions to read at <u>oaoci.org/events</u>.

Meeting Directory • Mar-Apr 2021

Orange County Intergroup of Overeaters Anonymous, Inc. 1905 E. 17th St., Suite 322 • Santa Ana, CA 92705 • Parking at the rear of the building Office Hours: Mon-Thu—10:30 am to 1:30 pm & 1st & 3rd Sat—10:00 am to 2:00 pm Newcomers & Meeting Information: 714-953-0900 • website: <u>www.oaoci.org</u>

Meetings may change after this directory has been posted, so please call the listed person before attending a meeting for the first time. If a phone number is not in service, please call the OA Office @ 714-953-0900. Our program is based on the 12 Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous. Formats may vary, as shown below. For example, some meetings feature a speaker while others work on studying the 12 Steps. We suggest you try more than one type of meeting. Although some meetings have a particular emphasis, all meetings are open to anyone with a desire to stop eating compulsively.

^Meetings are open to anyone, including non-compulsive overeaters

** HOW meetings - offering suggestions for recovery *** YPF - Young Person Friendly

You may join any Zoom meeting below by phone at any one of the following numbers: 253-215-8782, 312-626-6799, 301-715-8592. Enter the meeting ID followed by #, and the passcode if requested.

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10:30-11:30 an	n Costa Mesa	Call: 978-990-5000, Access code: 200672#	Patty G.	949-363-3996	Lit. Study/Discussion/Open^	
10:30-Noo	n Anaheim	Meeting ID: 239 125 7255 (this is not a phone number.) Passcode:276682	Carol U.	714-364-7573	AA Big Book, OA/AA 12&12	
Noon-1 pn	n SJCapistrano	Meeting ID: 952 734 4316	Mari S	949-306-5041	Relapse & 12th Step Within	
4:30-6 pn	n Anaheim	Call: 978-990-5000 Access code: 200672#	Joyce	714-328-2690	Speaker, pitch, chips	
5:30-6 pn	n Lake Forest	Meeting ID: 758 943 461 Passcode:714949	Cynthia E	949-246-7708	Newcomer	
6-7:30 pn	n Lake Forest	Meeting ID: 758 943 461 Passcode:714949	Cynthia E	949-246-7708	Speaker, pitch, 100	
6-7 pn	n Irvine	Phone meeting. Call in: 425-535-9207	Steven H	949-230-2023	pounders, chip Book Study/Pitch	
C2	Monday					
	n Yorba Linda	Meeting ID: 896 2297 7425 Passcode: 472271	Cathy F.	714-328-3339		
10-11:30 an	n Costa Mesa	Meeting ID: 721 884 847 Passcode: 092627	Chris P.	714-557-1380	Women's stag, Step Study	
10-11:30 an	n Orange	TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED				
6-7 pn	n Yorba Linda	TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED				
7-8 pn	n Capistrano Beach	Meeting ID: 860 5579 6774 Passcode: Love You (Phone Passcode : 82854732)	Katie D.	818-802-5253	Women's Book Study	
7:30-9 pn	n Hunt. Beach	TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED				
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	Mission Viejo	7 Meeting ID: 527 966 781 Passcode:123123	Darlene	949-842-6272	HOW**, step study	
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5:30-6:30 pm	Costa Mesa	Meeting ID: 854 1528 4448 Passcode: 12and12	Sharon P.	714-330-2014	OA & AA 12&12 Study	
7-8 pm l	₋aguna Niguel	Meeting ID: 756 303 613 Passcode: 650542	Laurie Y	818-414-8841	Speaker, YPF	
7-8:30 pm	Costa Mesa	TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED	Jay V	949-500-2775		
7-8:30 pm	Fullerton	Meeting ID: 239 125 7255 Passcode:276682	Carol U	714-364-7573	Women's / Varied / Writing	

7-8:30 pm Hunt. Beach TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

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9:30-11 am	Fullerton	Meeting ID: 239 125 7255, Password: 276682	Laura C.	(657) 253-2061	AA Big Book/ Step Study
10-11:30 am	Hunt. Beach	Meeting ID: 695 411 1550 Passcode: recovery. For phone: Meeting ID: 695 411 1550, Password: 63521964	Maureen	714-894-0232	Various Books/Writing
5-6 pm	Orange	TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED			
6-7 pm	Laguna Hills	Meeting ID: 839 8847 1979 Passcode:949714	Traci	978-587-5936	Women's Stag/Lit Study
7-8:30 pm	Whittier	Meeting ID: 239 125 7255 Passcode:276682	Carol U.	714-364-7573	Speaker, Pitch, open^
6:30-7 pm	Costa Mesa	TEMP. SUSPENDED Newcomers please call Mike or another contact	Mike G.	(714) 856-8408	
7-8:30 pm	Costa Mesa	person to be welcomed into our fellowship. Meeting ID: 830 0871 6331 Passcode: bayst	Mike G	714-856-8408	Speaker, newcomers, chips, Open
6 -7 am	Thursday Yorba Linda	TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED			
2:15-3:15 pm	Costa Mesa	TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED			
2-3 pm	Fullerton	Meeting ID: 239 125 7255 Passcode:276682	Linda M.	(805) 878-2758	Women's Stag/Step Study
4-5 pm	Laguna Woods	Call in: (425) 535-9207	Marsha M.	301-312-3543	
6-7 pm	San Clemente	Mtg ID: 453 644 149 Passcode:123456	Christine	949-929-6974	Literature Study/Positive Pitch
6-7 pm	Santa Ana	TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED			
6:30- 7:45 pm	Santa Ana	Meeting ID: 239 125 7255 Passcode:276682	Nancy	714- 721-2132	Varied, open^
6:30-7:30 pm	Virtual Mtg	Meeting ID: 130 051 247	Amanda M	714- 955-1592	Women's mtg, daily reader
7- 8:30 pm	Tustin	Meeting ID: 861 8671 0202 Passcode:714949	Frank P.	949-842-3454	Big Book study
7:30-8:30 pm	Intergroup Mtg	MEETING ID: 148 694 212 Passcode: 123123			2 nd Thursdays
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10-11:30 am	Costa Mesa	Meeting ID: 721 884 847 Passcode:092627	Chris P.	714-557-1380	Women's stag, Pitch
10-11:30 am	Mission Viejo	Meeting ID: 600 472 981 Passcode:321321	Laurie Y.	818- 414-8841	
Noon-1:30 pm	Tustin	Meeting ID: 924 5753 9217 Passcode:123123	Janet B.	714-329-8133	Literature study
6:30-7:30 pm	Laguna Hills	Meeting ID: 618 701 417 Passcode: 123123	George Y.	818-414-8118	Podcast
7-8:30 pm	Orange	Meeting ID: 239 125 7255 Passcode:276682	Steven M.	562- 397-2596	Newcomers, varied, chips, ***YPF, open^
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8-9 am	Hunt. Beach	TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED (JOINING HP 9:30 MEETING)			
8- 9:30 am	Seal Beach	Phone/Web Meeting	Nettie	714-890-1071	
8 am	Laguna Niguel	Mtg. ID: 520 034 6624 For passcode email: <u>oasaturday12@gmail.com</u>	Linda	949-510-5142	Women's Steps/Traditions Using OA 12&12
9-10:15 am	Brea	Meeting ID: 858 0021 9190 Passcode:001549	Cheri S	714-803-7839	Abstinence
9 -10:30 am	Laguna Hills	Meeting ID: 854 5506 1145 Passcode:2468	Kathy M.	949- 340-9089 or 949- 583-9703	Women's/Varied/ Maintenance
9:30-11 am	Hunt. Beach	695 411 1550, Password: 63521964	Linda	714-969-7992	Book Study, Pitch
10-11 am	Dana Point	Meeting ID: 527 608 205 Passcode: 308511	Michelle P.	<u>happyspiritspar</u> k@ɑmail.com	Book Study

10-11 amDana PointMeeting ID: 527 608 205 Passcode: 3085115-6 pmLaguna BeachMeeting ID: 407 488 6616 Passcode:123456

k@gmail.com Dave G. 847-239-2772 Discussion, varied To be added to any of the following lists, please contact the OCI office at 714-953-0900 or <u>ocioffice@oaoci.org</u>

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The following individuals \underline{may} be available as sponsors. Please give one of them a call and take advantage of their experience, strength and hope.

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OC Intergroup Zoom Meeting Give service and join the ZOOM meeting, no driving required! Let's get every meeting represented!

https://zoom.us/j/148694212

MEETING ID: 148 694 212 PASSWORD: 123123 Next two 1 hour meetings will be: March 11 & April 8 at 7:30 pm

Got experience, strength and hope in 450-500 words? Please submit to publications@oaoci.org

Want to e-mail regarding a business matter? Email: ocioffice@oaoci.org

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HAVE SOME SPARE TIME?

Any time you have to help carry the message is appreciated!

We've got lists and check them out on the left column of this page.

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OA Tools of Recovery

There are 9 tools used by members of OA on a daily basis to obtain recovery from compulsive overeating. They are: A Plan of Eating, Sponsorship, Service, Telephone, Writing, Literature, Anonymity, Meetings and an Action Plan