

# CONNECTICUT INTERGROUP

Serving the Connecticut Counties of Hartford, Litchfield, Middlesex, New London, Tolland & Windham

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## OA NEWSLETTER

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### REACHING OUT TO ALL MEMBERS

With this second issue, Connecticut Intergroup #9054 continues its efforts to improve communication between the intergroup and member meetings, sharing information for and about the meetings. We will appreciate your feedback and welcome any OA- related news you may want to see included. Feel free to print this for distribution at meetings.

If you would like to submit an article for inclusion in a future newsletter, please e-mail your article to Sue at: [suhg@att.net](mailto:suhg@att.net).

Any other anonymous group is welcome to reprint this newsletter without permission.

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### CONNECTICUT INTERGROUP MARATHON

“Together We Can!”

March 14, 2009

8:30 AM to 3 PM

South United Methodist Church, 1226 Main Street, Manchester

The day is fast approaching! This year there will be a “Clothing Boutique” featuring especially nice, gently-used clothing brought in by YOU that day as a donation to be sold for \$1, with other items free, as usual. (please make sure all donations are clean and in very good condition). The proceeds will go to support the work of your Intergroup. There will also be a raffle of donated items. You may bring your own lunch or eat at a local restaurant. \*In the interests of “Going Green,” please bring your own mug for your refreshments.

There will also be the ever-popular raffle again this year. For information on how to drop off donations of clothing or raffle items the night before the marathon, please call one of the Marathon Co-Chairs: Esther at (860) 305-0952, Wendy at 646-7844 or Trish at 644-9626.

### SEE YOU AT THE MARATHON!

#### Intergroup Officers for 2009

Chairperson	Wendy B.
Vice Chair	Anne B.
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For a list of Connecticut meetings outside this intergroup area go to: [www.swcto.org](http://www.swcto.org)

**A NEW WAY TO CARRY THE  
OA MESSAGE**

You can help to spread OA's message of recovery through your local cable TV station. Yes, YOU! The intergroup has purchased a few copies of OA's award-winning DVD of a PSA (Public Service Announcement) that can be given to local cable TV stations to air regularly for no cost. Script and instructions are included. Each town in Connecticut has its own cable TV station and is more than willing to air material that serves the public good. The only requirement is that each station must receive the request from a resident of that town. If you are willing to make a phone call and then a short trip to the station in your town, the intergroup will be happy to give you a copy of that DVD. Call Michael for full details, including station locations: (860) 731-0779.

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**OA MEETING LIST**

**A meeting list is always available for downloading at the Intergroup website:**

**[www.connecticutoa.org](http://www.connecticutoa.org).**

**If you have any changes including the names and phone numbers of contact persons, please use the website to report them to us.**



**HAPPY 50<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY TO OA!**

In 2010 OA World Service will be celebrating our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and is asking for stories and photos from the "oldtimers." They will be featured in the World Service newsletter during 2010. Check out the First quarter, 2009 World Service newsletter for more details at [www.oa.org](http://www.oa.org). Your stories, can be sent by email to [kbougere@OA.org](mailto:kbougere@OA.org)

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**OPPORTUNITIES FOR STEP 12 SERVICE**

1. The Chair of the P.I. committee, Michael, has a program in place for spreading the OA message to and through physicians throughout Connecticut. There is a small packet of information that educates a physician about OA and how a patient can be referred, as well as literature that can be placed in a physician's office. All of this is available to any OA member interested in helping to spread the word. Michael holds his committee meeting every third Monday one-hour prior to the Intergroup Meeting, at the same location. If you are interested, just show up at that meeting or call him at: (860) 731-0779.

2. Volunteer to be a member of a traveling meeting that will hold meetings at the homes of shut-ins in the Intergroup area.

3. Check out "A New Way to Carry the OA Message," at the top of this page.

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If you know someone who like to receive this newsletter via e mail, please email a request to Sue at [suhg@att.net](mailto:suhg@att.net). The newsletter can also be downloaded at: [www.connecticutoa.org](http://www.connecticutoa.org)

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**MEETING CHANGES:**

**\*\*South Glastonbury, Sunday nights** at the Congregational Church: during church renovations, meetings will be held at the church school, next door.

**\*\*East Hartford, Thursday nights:** is moving from Faith Lutheran Church to East Hartford Health & Rehab on Applegate Lane (off Silver Lane, across from Aldi's -- go to the second nursing home there, use the back door).

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

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April 17-19, 2009 "A Sea of Hope" 90 Day Summit  
Hampton Inn & Suites, 1009 E. Bay Drive, Largo, Florida  
For more info: [aseaofhope@gmail.com](mailto:aseaofhope@gmail.com)

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April 18 OA Region 6 Assembly  
Best Western Sovereign Hotel, Albany, NY  
For more info: [oaregion6.org](http://oaregion6.org)

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May 4 thru 9 World Service Business Conference  
Albuquerque, New Mexico  
For more info: [Oa.org](http://Oa.org)

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May 29 to 31, 2009 Western Mass. Intergroup  
33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Retreat

Theme: "A Guided Journey thru the 12 Steps of OA  
Genesis Spiritual Life Center, Westfield, MA

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**MEETINGS THAT NEED SUPPORT**

Tuesdays, Terryville  
Thursdays, East Hartford