



# Winter Newsletter 2021

## Ohio Valley Intergroup

### **The Best Recovery Teacher**

*(from the Outer Circle Jan/Feb newsletter)*

**By Charlie K.**

I came into recovery after decades of addiction, not understanding the depth and breadth of my problem. After a couple of months, I found the courage to ask someone to sponsor me and was quickly directed to do service. So, I helped set out and put away chairs and literature. During a business meeting I asked whom I should inform that we were getting low on certain pamphlets. Then I became the literature person.

When I expressed interest in attending the Conference, I became the group delegate. At the Conference's regional caucus, I learned our region needed an alternate for the Literature Committee. Then I was on the Literature Committee.

All of the service work I have done has taught me so much more about our fellowship, group conscience, and myself than I ever could have learned by reading our literature and attending meetings. I have seen the incredible effort expended by countless dedicated trusted servants to help bring our

message of recovery to suffering sex addicts. It has built an enormous sense of gratitude in my heart that I can never fully repay.

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Several months ago, life went virtual due to our global pandemic. We adapted our local meetings to an online format and added an extra on the night we had no local meeting. We registered this new meeting with the ISO, and voila! What an amazing experience it has been. We have members join from all parts of the US, Canada, Mexico, and even from the UK and India. My journey has been very interesting and enlightening.

I have made some really amazing friends in recovery. This fellowship and our program of recovery saved my life, and I'm pleased to have an opportunity to serve in some small way.

## Upcoming Events

### Phoenix SAA 2021 Winter Retreat

**When:** February 27, 2021 . Program will begin at 8:00am MST (10am EST) with the First Step. We will continue throughout Saturday and should finish Step 12 that evening.

**Where:** Virtual via Zoom

**What:** 12 Step Retreat. Sponsored by Jim A. Peter F., & Allan B.

**Who:** Any SAA member, male or female, who is willing to go to any length for a spiritual experience.

**Flyer:** [2021 Winter Retreat](#)

**Registration:** Please see the flyer for the URL

**Cost:** Suggested Donation is \$10

### DC Metro SAA Spring Retreat

**What:** The 3 R's: Renewal, Recovery, Reconnection

**When:** Sat March 20th, 2021 - 10:00 am – 4:00 pm (EST)

**Where:** Online via Zoom (information to be sent out prior to the event)

**Registration:** [More information and Registration](#)

**Questions:** [SAAdmvEvents@Gmail.com](mailto:SAAdmvEvents@Gmail.com)

### Columbus 2021 ISO Convention

**When:** Saturday, May 29 and Sunday, May 30 only (no Friday night)

**Where:** virtual on Zoom

**\*more information to come**

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