#### OA-MAI 42nd Annual Convention April 12-24, 2024 Evaluation Results

#### WHAT WE LIKED:

- \* Lots of registration options
- \* Body Image Pre-Convention Workshop \*Fashion Show
- \* \*OA Jeopardy \*Dance Party and Sing-a-Long \*Hula Dance
- \* Practicing Sober Eating Workshop \*Hearing HP's Voice Workshop
- \* Being The Message panel
- \* Good balance of speakers/workshops/free time
- \* Literature in the General Session
- \* Staggered lunch times \*MAI Salad dressings \*Great food!
- \* Tracks for FUN and NEWCOMERS \*Open House for guests
- \* Staying right on time throughout; great organization
- \* Gift Basket Raffle
- \* Easy location \*Great accommodations
- \* Hotel was well staffed \*Staff was pleasant/courteous and competent
- Replenishing our enthusiasm and confidence about continuing and succeeding, one day at a time

#### WHAT WE DIDN'T LIKE:

- \* Complex registration form
- \* Three Keynotes were from the same group of home meetings
- \* Lack of plant-based protein on lunch buffet
- \* There were no Arts and Crafts workshops
- \* The 50/50 Raffle was missed
- \* Need more younger folks in attendance
- \* Need a young Keynote speaker, from Better Together zoom meeting, perhaps
- \* The Sober Eating room was too small to meet demand
- \* Guided Meditation and OA Jeopardy were too close together at the same time
- \* Hospitality room was locked during Sat dinner because the members decided to eat outdoors; other members were locked out
- \* Big Book Studies: too much reading, not enough sharing

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- \* Consider making all meals a la carte; clarify that meal prices include gratuity; add Breakfast to help meet food minimum
- \* Consider a simpler, less expensive dinner menu
- \* Ask members to indicate workshop interest at registration for space planning
- Expand Hospitality to include a Self-Care center; keep it open 6 am to 10 pm
- Place a Keurig in the General Session during Pre-Convention and Convention
- Implement a new strategy for Marketplace, to include inexpensive, appropriate, creative items that can be purchased wholesale and sold at a modest profit
- Mobilize the 50/50 Raffle
- Consider Practicing Sober Eating for a future Pre-Convention workshop
- Establish a Literature Chair position to encourage meetings to submit orders each February for pickup at Convention
- Eventbrite may not be the best-fit registration platform for 2026



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# Scholarship Results

	Scholarships	Scholarship	
	Granted	Funds	
Pre Convention	5	87.50	
Mini Weekend	3	90.00	
Full Weekend	6	210.00	
Friday night	0	0	
Saturday morning	0	0	
Saturday afternoon	0	0	
Saturday All Day	2	50.00	
Sunday morning	0	0	
Lunch	0	0	
Dinner	0	0	
TOTAL	16	437.50	

Starting MAI Scholarship Funds	Approx \$600.00
New Convention Donations	260.00
Scholarships Granted	(437.50)
Ending MAI Scholarship Funds	Approx \$422.50

### Literature Results

	2024	2023	Increase
Total Literature Sold	\$1,196.25	\$323.50	270%
AA Literature Sold	289.10	0.00	
OA Literature Sold	757.15	323.50	134%
OA Literature Coupons Used	150.00	N/A	

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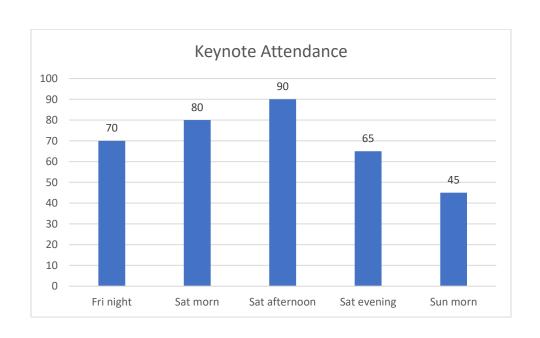


### Donations to MAI

2024	2023	Increase
561.07	434.92	29%

#### **Fundraisers**

	2024	2023
Basket Raffle	826	748
50/50 Raffle	0	203
Clothing Exchange	264	482
Marketplace	270	589
TOTAL	1,360	2,022



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