



Prime Times

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Send us your PT pride-related images from celebrations and summer events to feature in our SEP-OCT issue!

Chapter Insurance Presentation

Kendra Wilson from ASAE shared options for non-profit risk management to PTWW Local chapters on May 27. The 18 participants participated in this virtual meeting from Austin, Boston, Charlotte, Dallas/Fort Worth, Grand Rapids, Kansas City, San Antonio, Oklahoma City, Omaha, San Antonio, Sarasota, Toronto, and Tucson.

Questions and answers helped shape how each chapter - regardless of membership - could be impacted by possible damages resulting from various events. Defining how General Liability, Directors & Officers, Data Breach, and Fiduciary Coverages helped attendees to better understand how to manage “What can happen *IF* it does happens.”

PTWW does not endorse nor recommend any specific insurance agency. ASAE happens to be one of several insurance groups that are used by Local chapters, along with Rich & Cartmill.

Contact info@ptww.org for more details.



Please stand by! To answer your questions about our next Biennial Convention, PTWW will open hotel rooms and attendee registration on

December 2.

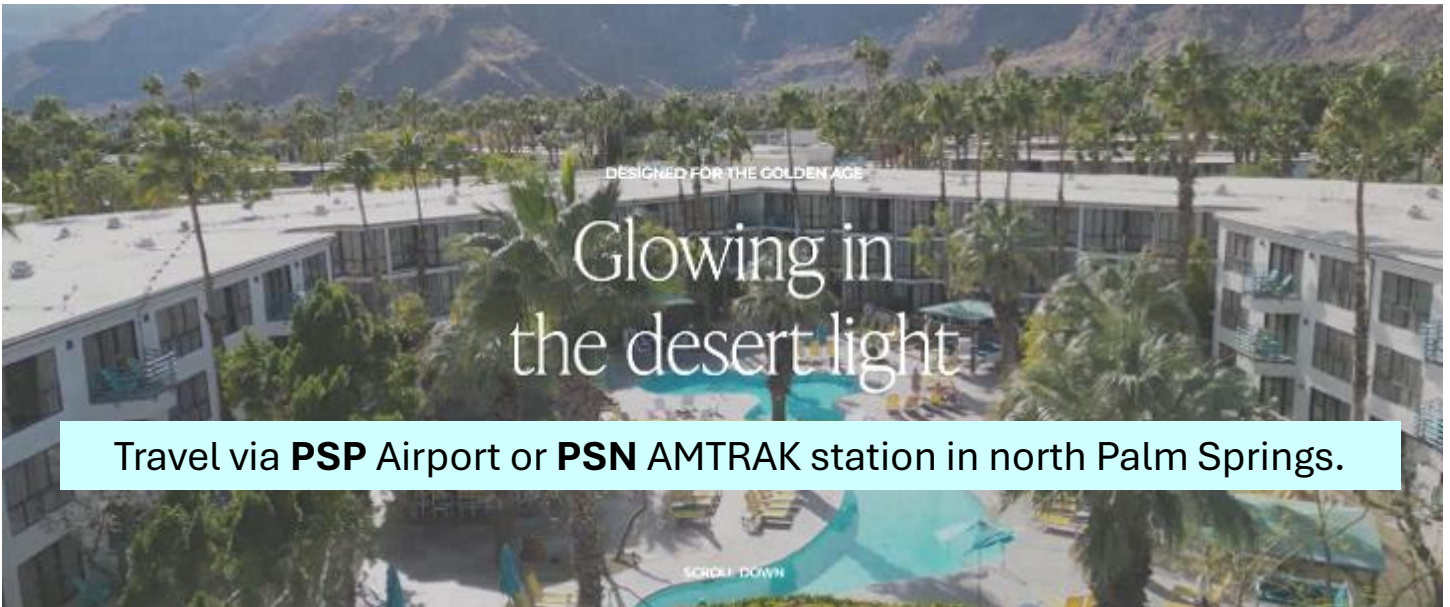
Currently the host hotel is undergoing an upgrade and refresh to bring back the iconic “Mid-Century Modern” look and experience of the 1960s in Palm Springs.

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PTWW 2027 CONVENTION

PREVIEW



Tentative Seminars for You

Being LGBTQIA+ Inclusive
Chapter Finance & Insurance
Conducting Effective Board Meetings
Creating & Managing a Movie Watching Group
Creating & Using Chapter Ambassadors
Creating & Conducting a Book Club
Creating & Staging a Pickleball Group
Creating Engaging Newsletters
Creating Event Producers/Managing Volunteers
Creating Fun Single Mixers
Facebook as a Marketing Tool
Getting Media Coverage for Your Chapter
Getting the Most for Your Veterans
Growing Your Chapter
Health & STI Testing for Your Members
Managing Lunches & Dinners
Managing Pool Parties

Member Care, Support, & Sponsorship
Mental Health & Your Members
Offering Support to Widowers
Organizing Successful Bus Trips
Organizing & Promoting Successful Cruises
Producing a Gay Major Motion Picture
Publishing Gay Literature
Staging & Conducting a Successful Game Day
Staging Effective Community Outreach
Starting a Breakfast Club
Starting & Staging a Karaoke Event
The Importance of Archiving
Utilizing Communications & Effective Websites
Working with the Local Leather Community
Working with Your Local Government

To suggest a topic for the 2027 Convention [Contact us via Email](#)

optional Pre-Glow on your own



optional After Glow groups or on your own



The Other Side of the PTWW 2025 Convention



Bill Sara is the Connecticut PrimeTimers® Webmaster and also an active Prime Timer with our three Chapters in New England. His travels include attending A Celebration of Friends and professional medical associations.

Bill's online article shares his observations, experiences, and highlights at the October 2025 Convention in Omaha. He wants to let you know what wonderful side trips, making new acquaintances, and general good feelings he enjoyed that week.

Layout and design by Paul Brady, Connecticut PrimeTimers President and Newsletter Editor.

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Chapter Anniversaries 3Q 2026

Chicago IL	Jul. 1
Orlando FL	Jul. 1
Pittsburgh PA	Jul. 1
Providence RI	Jul. 16
Nanaimo BC	Aug. 1
Portland OR	Aug. 1
San Francisco CA	Aug. 4
Tucson AZ	Aug. 8
Boston MA	Aug. 15

Minn.-St. Paul MN	Aug. 20
Tulsa OK	Aug. 21
Cincinnati OH	Sep. 1
New Orleans LA	Sep. 1
Norfolk VA	Sep. 1
Canton OH	Sep. 12
Des Moines IA	Sep. 12
Seattle WA	Sep. 13
Chattanooga TN	Sep. 20

Is a PrimeTimers® cruise to Alaska on your 'to do' list?

By popular request, PTWW is planning a **2028 adventure to the Inside Passage of Alaska.**

The cruise line, port stops, and activities are open to input on what interests YOU. This cruise helps fulfill our mission to

provide social, cultural, and educational opportunities, as well as the proceeds going to the Angels Fund for future conventions.



[Click here for cruise survey](#)



2028 Cruise to Alaska

Visits and socializing
with PrimeTimers® of
Seattle Chapter and
Victoria Chapter

2030 Cruise - ???



Happy Celebration!

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Chicago Prime-Timers® enjoys its chapter anniversary during the July 4 Weekend with a festive and well-attended outdoor picnic and potluck.

CPT President David Zak (below left) receives an anniversary certificate from PTWW At-Large Board Member Neal Rogness (below right) during the event.



Chapter Presidents can use our PTWW Virtual Meeting rooms. **FREE!**

[Contact us](#) for availability for your chapter.



Chapter Activities



PrimeTimers® Chattanooga
A great place to make friends

JOINT SOCIAL PRIMETIMERS® ATLANTA-CHATTANOOGA ROAD TRIP MEETUP

On a beautiful late June afternoon, twenty-plus members from the Atlanta and Chattanooga PrimeTimers chapters met up for a social hour in Euharlee, Georgia followed by lunch at Cartersville. Our activities were thoughtfully arranged by the Atlanta group and much appreciated by the Chattanooga attendees. Apart from getting to know each other, it was an sharing time for discussions on chapter activities, administration, and opportunities.



CHATTANOOGA PRIME TIMER ED RECOGNIZES THAT HIS HEART LEADS HIM TO IT



PrimeTimers Chattanooga member Ed Harding was recognized this May by the *Pay It Forward* segment on ABC NewChannel 9 in Chattanooga. Ed relentlessly collects donations, goods, and provides volunteer services for the Forgotten Child Fund, Launch Pad, and Welcome Home among other organizations.

Much of his passion is focused on Welcome Home, a program that helps care for people facing the end of life when insurance and other resources fall short. He helps families through some of their hardest moments. Glen Beavers, Ed's partner and fellow PrimeTimers member, said "He doesn't do it for the pictures...he does it because his heart leads him to do it."

Arizona Chapters Sharing Activities

Over the past two years, a small but growing number of **Phoenix** and **Tucson** chapter members have been attending some of each other's events. In 2026, PTOp members attended TPT's annual party, TPT's Spring Picnic, and TPT's biweekly bowling. TPT members attended PTOp's Spring Picnic and "Dolly" boat ride. The chapters also co-hosted two 2026 "joint events." The chapters are encouraging these "cross-overs" by inviting each other's members to all of their events. *Mel Holm, TPT Director at Large*



TPT Annual Party – 1/4/2026



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Joint Event 2/21/2026
Pima Air & Space Museum



PTOp Spring Picnic – 3/26/2026



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TPT Bowling – 3/2026



TPT Bowling – 3/2026



PTOp Dolly Boat Ride – 4/2026



TPT's Randy & Tim
PTOp Dolly Boat Ride – 4/2026



Joint Event 4/25/2026
Casa Grande Ruins

BYLAWS REVISION UPDATE



In January 2026, The PTWW Board of Directors authorized the special Bylaws Committee to review and propose updates to the PTWW Bylaws. That group started inviting each local chapter to have ONE representative to provide input, with Director Emeritus Richard Tobiason (Independent Chapter and past Metro Detroit) to serve as Sponsor to provide historical perspective, and ensure proposed changes would be output with clearly defined information for seeing the “Current-Proposed-Reason” associated with any bylaw change.

Twenty chapter members were nominated by chapters to serve on the Committee, and at least eight were present for each meeting. The committee has held 12 Zoom meetings this year. The Committee reached consensus on the vast majority of its decisions.

During its activities, the committee selected Sam El Dalati (Kansas City) as Chair and approved Jim Wright (Kansas City) as Committee Secretary. The drafting focused on improving organization, consistency, readability, and clarity while preserving the intent and purpose of the governing document. Particular attention had been given to reflect PTWW's role including the interests and participation of our Canadian, Independent Chapter, and future international Chapters.

At the June meeting, the committee members completed their review of the current Bylaws, Article by Article. The general spirit of the proposed updates has been to simplify the document and make it easier to read.

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thanks Sam, Jim, Richard, and all the committee members listed in the [January-February 2026 Prime Times](#) for their efforts in ideas and wordsmithing.

The current bylaws document has approximately **5,200** words whereas the proposed bylaws has approximately **7,025** words.

This represents roughly a 35% increase in content for the Board to review then responsibly shape a formal proposal and for vote by Chapter Presidents.

After the proposed bylaws with a “Current-Proposed-Reason” format has been received, the PTWW Board, along with all Past PTWW Presidents and Directors Emeriti will review each proposed Article and carefully consider formal and final wording.

NOTE: The board may determine one or more provisions are better identified and adopted as a PTWW Process or Procedure, instead of a corporate-wide bylaw.

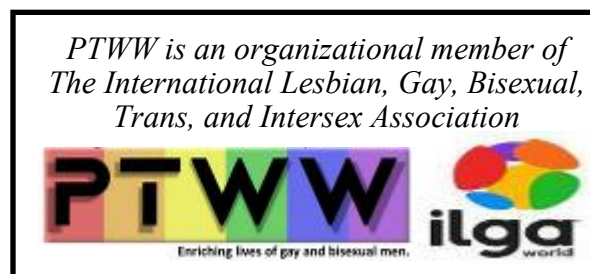
After the board approves final wording and a voting notice, the PTWW Secretary will distribute that proposed bylaws document , with the “Current-Proposed-Reason” comparisons and post it online.

In accordance with current bylaws and PTWW history, any amending or complete wording change must be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) of each local chapter President of all Chapters in “good standing” at the time of the vote. The vote will be either:
a) Support or b) Not Support.

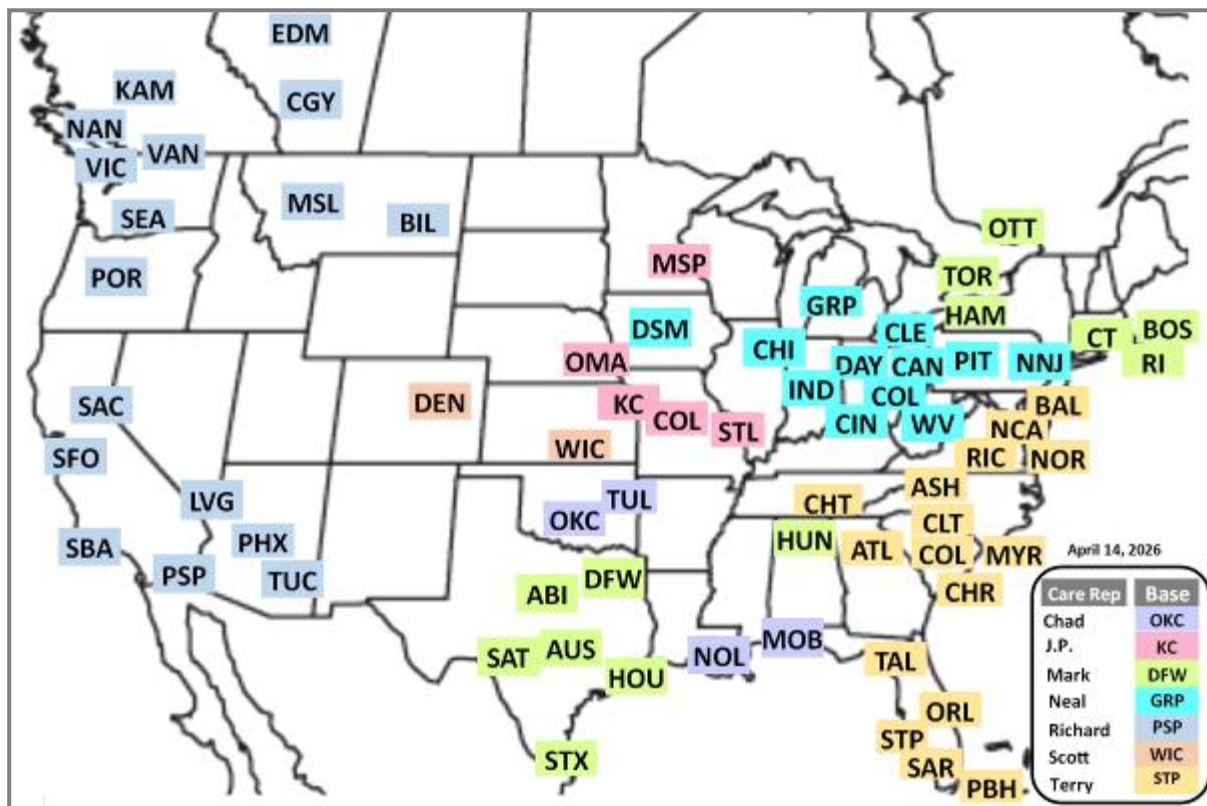
Updates will be shared as available.

Chapter Support and Contacts For You

PTWW designates a dedicated board member to maintain communications for questions and sharing on administration and membership.



Check this map for your rep!



Contact us: <https://theprimetimersww.com/contact-us-via-email/>

2025-2027 Board

Chad Casey	Treasurer (OK)
James Paskiewicz	Chair I-Guys (KS)
Mark Hatten	President (TX)
Neal Rogness	At-Large (MI)
Richard Babik	Vice-President (CA)
Scott Tolle	Secretary (KS)
Terry Lauer	At-Large (FL)

Operations

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Facebook Lead - Errol Waits
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Richard Tobiason