Central California Fellowship of AA

By The Way

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TIME

And what is time to me now? It is a most precious asset. I have the luxury of being able to cherish the memory of yesterday, to live today with serenity, to wait for tomorrow.
I find great contentment in just knowing where I was and where I am.
And I am grateful; grateful the existence of Alcoholics Anonymous; grateful to my God for leading me to the doors of AA and to Himself, grateful for hope.

— AA Grapevine

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HAPPY 79th BIRTHDAY ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS!

The Start

A.A. had its beginnings in 1935 at Akron, Ohio, as the outcome of a meeting between Bill W., A New York stockbroker, and Dr. Bob S., An Akron surgeon. Both had been hopeless alcoholics.
Prior to that time, Bill and Dr. Bob had each been in contact with the Oxford Group, a mostly nonalcoholic fellowship that emphasized universal spiritual values in daily living. (…) Under this spiritual influence, and with the help of an old-time friend, Ebby T., Bill had gotten sober and had maintained his recovery working with other alcoholics, though none of these had actually recovered. Meanwhile, Dr. Bob's Oxford Group at Akron had not helped him enough to achieve sobriety.
When Dr. Bob and Bill finally met, the effect on the doctor was immediate. This time, he found himself face to face with a fellow sufferer who had made good. Bill emphasized that alcoholism was a malady of mind, emotions and body. This all important fact he had learned from Dr. William D. Silkworth of Towns Hospital in New York, where Bill had often been a patient. Though a physician, Dr. Bob had not known alcoholism to be a disease. Responding to Bill's convincing ideas, he soon got sober, never to drink again. The founding spark of A.A. had been stuck.

The Date: June 10, 1935

The Shape of Things to Come

(Bill Reflects on AA's 5th Birthday)

In the book Alcoholics Anonymous there is a chapter called "A Vision for You". Wandering through it recently, my eye was caught by this startling paragraph written a short five years ago. *"Someday we hope that every alcoholic who journeys will find a Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous at his destination. To some extent this is already true. Some of us are salesmen and go about. Little clusters of twos and threes and fives of us have sprung up in other communities through contact with our two large centers-----"* Rubbing my eyes I looked again. A lump came into my throat. "Only five years," I thought. "Then but two large centers--little clusters of twos and threes--travelers who hoped one day to find us at every destination."

Could it be that only yesterday this was just a hope--those little clusters of twos and threes, those little beacons so anxiously watched as they flickered, but never went out.

And today--hundreds of centers shedding their warm illumination upon the lives of thousands, lighting the dark shoals where the stranded and hopeless lie breaking up--those fingers of light already stretching to our beach heads in other lands.

—Bill W. June 1944

Deadline Dates for Submissions for the By The Way and Monthly flyers 2014

MONTH	FLYERS DEADLINE	*BY THE WAY* DEADLINE
July	Thursday 10th	Sunday, June 15th
August	Sunday 10th	Tuesday, July 15th
September	Wednesday 10th	Friday, Aug. 15th
October	Friday 10th	Monday, Sept. 15th
November	Monday 10th	Wednesday, Oct. 15th
December	Wednesday 10th	Saturday, Nov. 15th

All submissions need to be in by 5:00PM.
Email ALL submissions to: *centraloffice@aasacramento.org*

Thought to Ponder . . .

Anger is the wind that blows out the light of reason.

2014 Central Office Volunteer Days

Central Office would like to have volunteers arrive at 9:30AM on the dates below. Free coffee and donuts are available in exchange for a couple of hours of your time to assist in the monthly mailings.

MONTH	FLYERS	*BY THE WAY*
June	Wednesday 11th	Monday 30th
July	Friday 11th	Thursday 31st
August	Monday 11th	Friday 29th
September	Thursday 11th	Tuesday 30th
October	Monday 13th	Friday 31st
November	Tuesday 11th	Tuesday, Dec. 2nd
December	Thursday 11th	Monday, Jan. 5th

Please call (916) 454-1771 if you plan to attend.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES @ CCFAA!

We need volunteers to help with the assembly of the flyer mailing on ***Friday, June 12th*** at 9:30 a.m. and the By The Way mailing on ***Wednesday, June 30th*** at 9:30 a.m.
Donuts - Coffee - Fellowship - and Fun!

TELE-SERVICE DESK

Volunteers answer the hotline from 9AM to 1PM or 1PM to 5PM Monday through Friday at Central Office. We are looking for volunteers who can substitute in the absence of the regular volunteers. This is a great way to be of service and to help the alcoholic who still suffers.

*Volunteers need a minimum of six months of sobriety

H&I MONTHLY MEETING

3rd Thursday, at 6PM
Coco's Restaurant, 1830 Arden Way, Sacramento
We have an ongoing need for volunteers.
Contact the Area 42 Chairman, Mike H. for more information.

GROUP DELEGATES

Please let us know who you are so we can send your group a **FREE** copy of the By The Way and the flyer mailing each month.

We want to be sure we have up-to-date info about your meeting location, day, time, and format.
CCFAA is here to be of service to you and your group.
Please feel free to visit your Central Office located at: 9960 Business Park Dr., Suite 110 in Sacramento!

PI/CPC COMMITTEE

Meets on the 3rd Friday of the month at 6:00 PM
Faith Presbyterian Church
625 Florin Road, Sacramento 95831
(Florin Rd. in the Greenhaven Neighborhood)

OFFICE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, June 17th at 6:00PM at Central Office
9960 Business Park Dr. Suite 110, Sac., CA 95827

Teleservice Wants You!!!!!!

Have a busy schedule? Looking for a convenient way to be of service from your own home? Well, look no further, we have the solution…..

Come hear about it at the….

Teleservice Workshop

Date: July 27, 2014

Time: 2:00-3:30pm

Location: Traditional Group,
2625 Alta Arden Expressway

All current volunteers of teleservice are welcome and encouraged to attend along with anyone interested in learning more about what we do.

RSVP: hotlinehelpers@gmail.com **or for information; Contact: Evan C.**

A.A. Teleservice Needs YOU!!

Alcoholics Anonymous Teleservice, also known as the A.A. hot-line, services alcoholics who are in need of help. We help them to locate meetings in their area or provide them with someone to talk to in times of crisis.

This is a great way to be of service to your fellow alcoholics. All you need is the use of a phone and a current meeting schedule. From the comfort of your own home on a landline telephone or even while you're out and about with the use of a cell phone you can be of service.

We would love to have you join our team. If you have at least six (6) months of sobriety and would like to be of service please contact Central Office at 916-454-1771 or email: hotlinehelpers@gmail.com

"I can't explain why I didn't hang up. I just sat there on the floor, with the receiver to my ear. The next thing I heard was "Good afternoon. Alcoholics Anonymous. May we help you?"
"Came to Believe" PG 23

CCFAA Delegates' Meeting

Saturday, June 21, 2014

Meeting begins at 3:00pm
New Delegates arrive at 2:00pm

2625 Alta Arden Expressway, Sac., CA 95825

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2015 International Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous:

Convention registration and housing reservations will open in fall 2014. All necessary information will be included in the registration packet which will be available in September 2014. This packet will list numbers to call for answers to specific questions about housing, the program, etc. The information will be mailed to A.A. groups, offices and contacts around the world and posted on the web site.

We look forward to seeing you in Atlanta!

Central California Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous

Annual CCFAA Picnic!

August 17th, 2014- Elk Grove Park

We NEED YOU !

Like to Help?

Upcoming Committee Meetings:

CCFAA Central Office,
9960 Business park Dr., Suite 110,
Sacramento,95827

June 6, July 11, August 1,

August 15 at 6pm

Call Delores T.

NCCAA Fall 2014 Conference

Planning Committee

Come out and join the fun!

Get your name on the list of volunteers.

Contact Colleen M-V. for more info:

All meetings at The Traditional Group

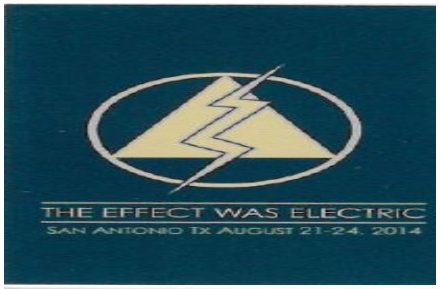
2625 Alta Arden Expressway, 95825

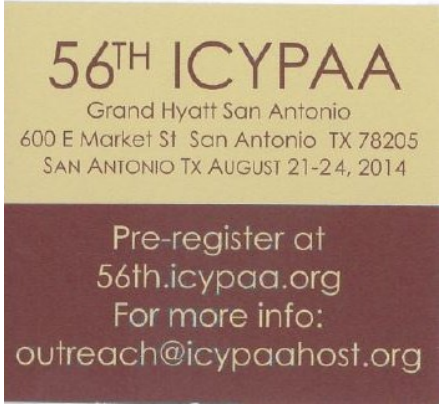
First Sunday of each month at 9am.

June 8, July 6, August 3, Sept 7.

Conference date: Oct 3,4 & 5, 2014

Red Lion Woodlake Inn





Teleservice Activity Report April 2014

Teleservice	April	YTD
12 Step	39	153
Meetings/Info	299	1295
Total Calls	338	1448

Teledesk Activity Report April 2014

Teledesk	April	YTD
12 Step	4	36
Meetings/Info	354	1,550
Total Calls	358	1,586

WEEKLY SPEAKER MEETINGS

CAMERON PARK GROUP ~ WHEN: Every Saturday, 8:00PM to 9:30PM. **WHERE:** Light of the Hills Church, 3100 Rodeo Dr., Cameron Park. 6/7 Maryanne, Winters. 6/14 Melody ,Stockton. 6/21 Rhonda B. Carmichael. 6/28 Ed A. El Dorado Hills. Last Saturday is Birthday Night. Come join us for great fellowship every Saturday night. We need your support!

FOLSOM WAY OF LIFE GROUP ~ WHEN: Every Thursday, 7:00PM. **WHERE:** Journey Church, 450 Blue Ravine Road, Folsom.

FOURTH DIMENSION GROUP ~ WHEN: Every Thursday, 8:00pm. Speaker. **WHERE:** Church of Christ, 1799 Cirby Way, Roseville. More details @ fourthdimensiongroup.org.

FOXHALL GROUP ~ WHEN: Tuesdays at 7:00pm. **WHERE:** Church of Christ, 1321 Peachtree Lane (Multipurpose Room), Yuba City 95991.

ROSEVILLE TUESDAY NIGHT GROUP ~ WHEN: Saturday Night Speaker Meeting, 8:00-9:30 pm. **WHERE:** 315 Lincoln St, 95678

SUNRISE SPEAKER MEETING ~ WHEN: Every Sunday from 11:00AM-12:00PM. **WHERE:** Sunset No-Al Alano Club, 5809 Gibbons Drive, Carmichael. We have local speakers who inspire and inform.

TRIPLE A SPEAKER/PARTICIPATION MEETING ~ WHEN: Friday night at 7:00pm. **WHERE:** 18014 Applegate Rd., Applegate.

MONTHLY SPEAKER MEETINGS

AUBURN FELLOWSHIP ~ WHEN: Every third Saturday at 7:30PM. **WHERE:** 244 Palm Ave., Auburn.

DAVIS HOPE GROUP ~ WHEN: First Saturday of each month at 7:00PM. **WHERE:** St. Martin's Church, 640 Hawthorne at Sycamore.

ELK GROVE FELLOWSHIP ~ WHEN: 3rd Saturday of every month. Potluck at 7:00 PM and Speaker at 8:00 PM **WHERE:** Native Sons Hall 9151 Grove St., Elk Grove (corner of Kent and Grove Streets).

EAST YOLO FELLOWSHIP ~ WHEN: Third Saturday of the month, at 7:00pm. **WHERE:** 1040 Soule Street, West Sacramento.

GALT FELLOWSHIP ~ WHEN: 1st Saturday of every month. Dinner at 6:00pm, speaker at 7:00pm. Group supplies main course, dinner served in the dining hall next to our room. Join us! Bring a side dish or just yourself and some friends. **WHERE**: 908 C St., Galt. Speaker: Jeannette L., Modesto. **6/7/14** Ham Dinner, Speaker: Steve T., Roseville. **7/5/14** Hamburger/Hot Dog BBQ. Speaker: TBA. **8/2/14** Asst. Cold Cuts & Salad, Speaker: Steve M., Elk Grove. **9/6/14** Mexican Feast, Speaker: Mike H., Gold River. **10/4/14** Ham, Beans & Cornbread, Speaker: Rick K., El Cerrito. **11/1/14 43rd Anniversary**, Roast Beef Dinner, Speaker: TBA. **12/6/14** Roast Turkey Dinner, Speaker TBA

GROUP ONE ~ WHEN: Third Sunday of the month, the noon meeting is a speaker meeting. **WHERE:** 2804 T St., Sacramento.

GROUP THREE ~ WHEN: Third Saturday of the month at 6:00pm. **WHERE**: 9940 Business Park Drive, Ste. 110, Sacramento. 95827 Speaker: Pierre of Sac.

HI-FLYERS ~ WHEN: Last Sunday of the month at 7:00pm. **WHERE:** 3077 Alhambra Drive, Suite E, Cameron Park

MIDTOWN SOLUTIONS ~ WHEN: Last Saturday of the month at 7:00pm to 8:15pm. June : Sharon C. Rio Linda. **WHERE:** 2903 30th Street (near Franklin and 4th).

NEW HOPE GROUP ~ WHEN: Last Saturday of every month 7PM. **WHERE:** St. Francis Episcopal Church 11430 Fair Oaks Blvd.

NORTH HALL GROUP ~ WHEN: Third Saturday of the month at 8:00 pm. 20 min Speaker: Glenn.40 min Speaker: Rose. **WHERE:** 3501 2nd Ave., Sac

NORTH SACRAMENTO GROUP ~ WHEN: First Saturday of the month, 7:00 pm. **WHERE:** 2330 Fairfield St., Sacramento.

SACRAMENTO MONTHLY SPEAKER MEETING ~ WHEN: Second Saturday of every month at **8:00 pm WHERE:** Centennial Methodist Church, 5401 Freeport Blvd., Sacramento. Please join us for dinner with the speaker & committee at Marie Callender's (at 6:00pm.) on Freeport. For dinner Reservations contact Brittany B. 6/14 Theresa N. of Navato

MONTHLY SPEAKER MEETINGS cont'd

SACYPAA ~ WHEN: Fourth Saturday of the month, 8:00 pm. **WHERE:** St Marks United Methodist Church 2391 St. Marks Way, Sacramento. Please go to sacypaa.org for more info.

TRADITIONAL GROUP SPEAKER MEETING ~ WHEN: Fourth Sunday of the month at 12:00 noon. 20 Min. Speaker: Cathy V. Main Speaker: Catherine O. **WHERE:** 2625 Alta Arden Way, Sac.

WOODLAND GROUP AA/AL-ANON SPEAKER & POTLUCK ~ WHEN: Second Saturday of the month, potluck at 6:00pm, speakers at 7:00pm: 20 Minute Al-Anon Speaker & 45 Minute AA Speaker. **WHERE:** 241 California St., 95695.

WOODLAND TRADITIONAL GROUP ~ WHEN: Last Friday of the month at 7:30pm. **WHERE:** 418-B Main St. in Woodland (Alley entrance).

GROUP NEWS UPDATES & CHANGES

EAST YOLO FWP~ Secretary Workshop~ Every Second Saturday at 12:00pm Location: 1040 Soule St.
W. Sacramento, 95691

FRIDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP~ Discontinued~ Friday 6:30pm at the LGBT Communuity Center, 1927 l. St. Sacramento.

OLD TOWN GROUP~ Has moved~ (a few buildings over) 95761 Laguna Springs Dr. Elk Grove. 95758

GALT FWP~ Discontinued the 7:30pm meetings M-F. and Discontinued the Sun 8:00pm also. **In addition** a 7:15pm meeting on Wednesday has been added.

GROUP THREE~ Discontinued ~Wednesday & Friday 8:00pm meeting. We also have a **New Time** ~ the 6:00pm study meetings on Wednesday & Friday have been changed to 7:30pm. & we are adding a **New ~ One hour, Open Meeting** on Wednesday & Friday at 6:00pm.

LIVING SOBER WOMEN ~ Has moved ~ New location & time~ Luther Church of the Cross, 4456 H. St. (at 45th & H) ~in Social Hall. Sac. 95819. **New Time** 6:00-7:00pm.

ROSEVILLE MONDAY NIGHT GROUP~ ***Removed from the meeting schedule*** ~ "Our Church facility is moving and no room for us"….

SERENITY IN THE BOOK~ When~ Thursdays 8:00pm. **Where:** 5809 Gibbons, Carmichael. This is a **Beginners Big Book Study**. Welcome All. Don't forget your Big Book!

SHARING & CARING ~ New Meeting~ When: Friday & Saturday at Midnight. This is an open, hour & a half meeting. Where: 2400 Mission Ave. Carmichael, 95608

TRADITIONS & CONCEPTS~ Room Change~ We a re now meeting in Room AMC **1,** in the Family Life Center. Fair Oaks Church. 11427 Fair Oaks Blvd., Fair Oaks . Tuesdays 7:00 PM.

WOMEN KEEPING IT REAL ~ Discontinued~ The Thursday 8:00pm will be discontinued.

NEW GROUPS & MEETINGS

ARBUCKLE ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS ~ New Meeting~ When: Monday & Wednesday . This is a one hour open meeting. **Where:** 408 Laurel St. Arbuckle ,CA 95912

A WAY OUT ~ New Meeting ~ When: Mondays, 7:00pm. This is a one hour, study, Men's meeting. **Where:** Atonement Lutheran Church, 9242 Keifer Blvd. Sacramento, 95835.

ENTIRELY READY GROUP ~ New Meeting ~ When: Tuesdays, 6:00pm. This is a one hour, open meeting. **Where:** 1111 Howe Ave. Suite 390, Sacramento Vet Center, Sacramento, 95825.

GROUP THREE~ New Meeting~ When: Sundays, 12:00 noon. 1st & 4th Sundays, Traditions & Concepts. This is an open mtg. **Where**: 9940 Business Park Dr. Ste# 110.

LIFE AFTER ALCOHOL ~ New Meeting~ When: Tuesdays, 7:00pm This is a one hour, open meeting. **Where:** 8938 Madison Avenue. Fair Oaks.

MORE WILL BE REVEALED ~New time & Added Meeting~ When: Saturdays at 7:30am & 9:00am. **Where**: 27074 Potwin Rd. Unitarian Church. Davis.

OAK TREE FELLOWSHIP~ New 11th Step Meeting~ When: Saturday at 7:00 am. **Where :**5700 S. Land Park Dr. Sacramento, 95822 (Parkside Church)

NEW GROUP & MEETINGS (Cont'd)

PRECISELY HOW WE HAVE RECOVERED ~ New Meeting ~ When: Tuesdays, 7:00pm. This is an hour & a half, closed meeting. **Where:** Winners Church, 3940 60th St. Sacramento, 95820

RANCHO MURIETA MEN'S GROUP ~New Men's Meeting~ When: Sunday at 7:30pm This is an open, one hour, Men's meeting. **Where:** 15160 Jackson Hywy. (CSD Bldg.) Rancho Murieta,95683

ROSEVILLE TUESDAY NIGHT GROUP ~ New Meeting ~ Tuesday at 1:00pm. This is a one hour, Women's, 12x12 book study.

ROSEVILLE 5TH St. FWP ~ New Meeting~ When: Friday at 10:00pm. This is an Open, one hour, Young Peoples meeting. **Where:** 111 5th St.

SERENITY SEEKERS ~ New Meeting~ WHEN: Sunday at 4:00 pm. This is a Closed meeting. Last Sunday of the month is our Birthday meeting, the Birthday meeting is a 1 1/2 hr. open meeting. **WHERE:** 2101 Zinfandel, Rancho Cordova.

SHE TALKED MY LANGUAGE~ New Meeting~ WHEN: Tuesday at 7:00pm. This is an open, one hour, women's, young peoples meeting. **WHERE:** The Table - Central United Methodist, 5265 H. Street, Room #204, Sac. 95819

TRADITIONAL~ New Meeting~ When: Friday 7:00 am. this is a Open , One Hour, Daily reflections meeting. Where: 2625 Alta Arden Expwy.

UNITY GROUP OF MARYSVILLE~ New Meeting~ When: M-F 7:30 am. **Where**: 518 `12th St.

GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS

CAMERON PARK GROUP~ *Needs Support!* We meet every Saturday at 8:00pm for an open, non-smoking speaker meeting with handicap access. We are located at 3100 Rodeo Rd. in Cameron Park. Come join us for good fellowship and great speakers!

FOLSOM MONDAY NIGHT BIG BOOK GROUP~ We meet every Monday at 8:00pm for a one hour book study. We meet at the Trinity Episcopal Church in the Trinity Hall, located at 410 Wool St., Folsom, CA. The meeting is a closed meeting where we read the first 164 pages of the Big Book and Dr. Bob's Nightmare every other time.

GROUP ONE~ Free Dance following Birthday night! Every third Friday at 7:00pm. We meet at 2804 T Street, Sacramento. also a new Women's Book study on Saturdays at 4:00pm. We are also adding an 11th Step, Meditation Meeting on Monday, Tuesday, &Thursday at 5:30- 6:30pm.

GROUP THREE~ New Time~ The Saturday Speaker meeting is now 6:00pm on the 3rd Sat. of the month.

ROUND TABLE GROUP~ *Support Us!* Meets Monday nights at 8:00pm for an open, one hour, meeting. They meet at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church at 7850 Watt Ave. in Antelope.

SIXTY MINUTE SOLUTION GROUP ~ Sundays at 7:00pm at the St. Francis Episcopal Church, 11430 Fair Oaks Blvd., Fair Oaks. The first meeting of the month is the tradition for that month, and the topic
for the last meeting of the month is the step for that month. Other topics from The Big Book,12 & 12, & AA Comes of Age

STEP SISTERS ~ Needs Support! We meet Thursdays at 5:00pm. This is an Open, One Hour, study meeting, for Women members of AA. We meet at St. Andrews Church, 7850 Watt Ave. Antelope, CA . Come join us in great fellowship.

SPECIAL EVENTS

SHARING & CARING, BBQ, YARD SALE & SPEAKER MEETING~ WHEN: June 7, 2014. **Time:** 9:00am until sold out. **Speaker meeting starts at 6:00pm. WHERE:** 2400 Mission Ave. Carmichael. **Donations needed:** good, quality, usable items. For delivery or pick-up. Contact Tomas or Art .

CLARKSBURG A.A. ANNUAL PICNIC ~ WHEN: 6/8 **WHERE:** Clarksburg Community Church, 4:00pm Potluck BBQ. We supply the chicken and soda, bring a dish to share. 6:00pm Speaker: Clem from Sacramento.

SPECIAL EVENTS (CONT'D)

NATOMAS GROUP ANNUAL PICNIC ANNUAL PICNIC ~ WHEN: 6/8 9:00am - 4:00pm. **WHERE:** Natomas Oaks Park, 2330 River Plaza Dr. Sacramento. Softball, Horseshoes, Potluck, We will have hot dogs, hamburgers and fixings.If you want to bring other things to grill you can. 2:00pm Speakers: Mark E. With group History & then Wally G. will speak.

FELLOWSHIP OF THE SPIRIT BIG BOOK STUDY 4TH ANNIVERSARY POTLUCK / SPEAKER MEETING ~ WHEN: 6/13 Potluck 6:00pm. Speaker Meeting 7:30pm Victor S. of El Dorado Hills. **WHERE:** Pollock Pines Community Church, 6361 pony Express Trail, Pollock Pines, 95726.

LOOMIS FELLOWSHIP OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS IS HAVING IT'S ICE CREAM SOCIAL & SPEAKER MEETING - WHEN: 6/14 Starts at 6:00pm Speaker: Matthew M. Seattle,WA. starts at 7:00pm. Ice cream at 8:30. **WHERE:** Loomis Veterans Memorial Hall, 5945 Horseshoe Bar Rd. Loomis.

25th ANNUAL LAKE COUNTY INTERGROUP CONVENTION "SOBERFEST"

WHEN: June-20-22. WHERE: Yogi Bear's Jellystone Park,14117 Bottle Rock Rd. Cobb, CA 95426. For more info. www.lakecountyaa.org

FELLOWSHIP OF THE SPIRIT BIG BOOK STUDY ~ JR will be sharing his experience about his recent trip to Russia ~ WHEN: 6/20 7:30-9:00pm. **WHERE:** Pollock Pines Community Church, (meeting room in the back) 6361 pony Express Trail, Pollock Pines, 95726.

EAST YOLO FELLOWSHIP QUARTERLY SPEAKER MEETING & FAVORITE PASTA DISH POTLUCK ~ WHEN 6/21, 6:00pm Potluck, 7:00pm Speaker Meeting, Sandy B. of Woodland. **WHERE:** 1040 Soule St. West Sacramento. (Bring a Dish to Share)

60 MINUTE SOLUTION'S ANNUAL POTLICK BARBEQUE ~ WHEN: 6/29, 3:30pm - 8:00pm. BBQ/Potluck starts at 4:00pm (We will provide Hotdogs, Hamburgers, soda & water. Please bring a dish to share. Open Speaker Meeting at 7:00pm. **WHERE:** St. Francis Episcopal Church, 11439 Fair Oaks Blvd, Fair Oaks, 95628

GROUP THREE'S 4TH OF JULY ALKATHON / POTLUCK ~ WHEN: Starts 7/3 at 6:00pm meetings every two hours, last meeting 7/4 at 8:00pm. Bring a dish to share. **WHERE:** 9940 Buisness Park Dr. Suite 110. Sac., 95827

TRADITIONAL GROUP, JULY 4TH ALKATHOHN / POTLUCK WHEN: Starts 7/3 at 6:00pm meetings every two hours, last meeting 7/4 at 8:00pm. Bring a dish to share. **WHERE:** 2625 Alta Arden Expwy. Sacramento. 95825

MIDTOWN SOLUTIONS ANNUAL PICNIC ~ WHEN: 7/19, Noon to 3:00pm BBQ starts at Noon (Meat provided) bring a dish to share. Speakers Meeting: 1:30pm David J. Las Vegas, Curtis L. Midtown. **WHERE:** William Land Park (Next to Fairytale Town) Bring chairs or blankets to sit on.

NCCAA FALL 2014 CONFERENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE - WHEN: First Sunday of the month at 9:00am. Starting: February 2nd. And going through September 7th. All types of service work available regardless of sobriety time. **WHERE:** Traditional Group, 2625 Alta Arden Expressway, Sacramento. Contact Colleen for more info. The NCCAA FALL 2014 Conference is, October 3,4 & 5, 2014 at the Red Lion Woodlake Inn.

NORTH AUBURN GROUP OF A.A./ 4TH OF JULY BBQ ~WHEN: July 4th. 1:30pm. Potluck, 3:00pm Speaker: Gina B. Sacramento.**WHERE:** Auburn Regional Park, 3770 Richardson Drive. Hwy 49 & Dry Creek Rd.

NATIONAL A.A. TECHNOLOGY WORKSHOP (FIRST EVER) - WHEN: August 8-10, 2014 starts at 10:00am **WHERE:** Doubletree Hotel- Westport (near STL) 1973 Craigshire Rd, **St. Louis, MO** 63146. Hosted by **Central Service Office of Saint Louis, MO**

ANNUAL CCFAA PICNIC AUGUST 17th AT ELK GROVE PARK

WE NEED ALL KINDS OF BOOKS FOR THE "BOOK SALE" AT THE PICNIC. CONTACT- Yvonne W. or Nick ,for book pick ups

FOLSOM BIG BOOK GROUP OF AA, 17 ANNUAL TRADITIONS SPEAKER / POTLUCK~ WHEN: 8/23 Potluck 6:00pm. Speaker: 7:30pm, Lee W. of Davis. WHERE: Trinity Episcopal Church, Trinity Hall, 410 Wool St. Folsom

2ND ANNUAL FELLOWSHIP OF THE SPIRIT NORCAL 12-STEP WORKSHOP ~ WHEN: 9/12 - 9/14 **WHERE;** Hampton Inn, 155 Placerville Rd. Folsom, 95630 for more information go to: **fotsbbs.org**

8TH ANNUAL HAND IN HAND WOMEN'S DAY OF UNITY - WHEN: September 13, 2014 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Speakers: Domenica O. of Sacramento & Samee J. of Hanford. **WHERE:** First Baptist church of Lodi, 267 North Mills Ave. Lodi.

AA UNITY

Leon 20 yrs
Kevin 15 yrs
Max 14 yrs
Anthony 5 yrs
Becky 3 yrs

ALL TRIBES

Niko 25 yrs
Cork 23 yrs

BABES IN RECOVERY

Joy H. 24 yrs

CITRUS HEIGHTS GROUP

Steve R. 11 yrs
Bobby C. 26 yrs

CORDOVA GOOD MORNING

Dewey S. 39 yrs
Red G. 17 yrs
Nikki E 7 yrs

CORDOVA KISS

Dewey S. 39 yrs
Cheryl G. 17 yrs
Dion 16 yrs
Dawn S. 1 yr

COURAGE TO CHANGE

Nel 41 yrs
Lynn 29 yrs
Teri 24 yrs
Gloria 18 yrs
Dianne C 14 yrs
Peggy 5 years
Bill B. 4 yrs
Heather N 3 yrs

DAILY ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT

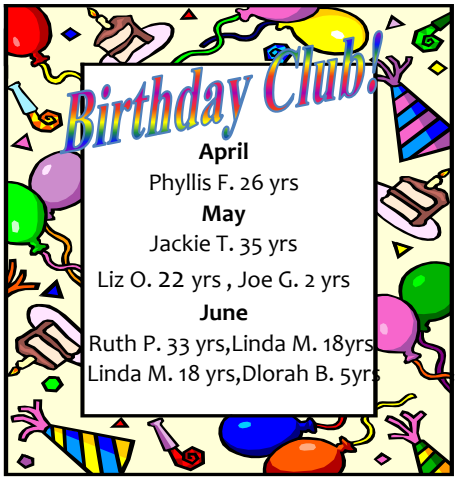
Ruth P 33 yrs
Chuck 17 yrs
William O. 15 yrs
Kelly L 7 yrs
Shantelle 2 yrs
Donna E 1 yr
Jeff R. 1 yr
Perry 1 yr

DAVIS HOPE GROUP

Lynn G. 36 yrs
Valerie J. 30 yrs
Kevin W. 28 yrs
Janet O. 28
David J. 25 yrs
John L. 20 yrs
Kann W. 15 yrs
Karin 15 yrs
Dan U. 14 yrs
Helen C. 13 yrs
Bourke N. 12 yrs
Rick A. 12 yrs
Caedmon F. 12 yrs
Jon P. 10 yrs
Rosie C. 10 yrs
Patty M. 9 yrs
Lara 7 yrs
Carrie B. 7 yrs
Katacha 6 yrs
Travis M. 6 yrs
Dan J 6 yrs
Lindsay H 3 yrs
David G 2 yrs
Todd N 1 yr

EAST YOLO

Paul V. 32 yrs
Jessie M. 29 yrs
Gloria S. 28 yrs
Judy B. 28 yrs



EAST YOLO (Contd)

Bob T. 26 yrs
Vickie S 26 yrs
David S. 25 yrs
Bob D. 22yrs
David R. 21 yrs
Daniel C. 20 yrs
Mickey L 19 yrs
Richard C. 19 yrs
John K. 17 yrs
Debbie M 16 yrs
Howard H. 13 yrs
Juan C. 12 yrs
John B. 11 yrs
Allen L. 11 yrs
John D. 11 yrs
Dale G. 10 yrs
Sigal A. 10 yrs
Mario V. 10 yrs
April R. 9 yrs
Robert 9 yrs
Debra 9 yrs
Jack V 7 yrs
Angela H. 6 yrs
Canclida D. 7 yrs
Joe Y. 4 yrs

ELK GROVE GROUP

Justin K. 1 yr
Victoria S. 3 yrs
Fred S. 15 yrs

ELK GROVE FELLOWSHIP

Dale N. 18 yrs
Jeannie S. 18 yrs
Karin M. 17 yrs
Betsy C. 15 yrs
Max F. 14 yrs
Eric C. 11
Bryn D. 9 yrs
Melissa Z. 9 yrs
Gloria M. 7 yrs
Larry A. 5 yrs
Lynette W. 5 yrs
Sharon V. 5 yrs
Karen H. 4 yrs
Karen B. 4 yrs
Tony B. 4 yrs
Victoria S. 3 yrs
Bill S. 2 yrs
Kyle H. 2 yrs
Ron D. 2 yrs
Avalon H 1 yr
Kenny G. 1 yr
Leo W 1 yr
Michelle F. 1 yr
Sara L. 1 yr

ELK GROVE SOBRIETY SISTERS

Rosalie S. 34 yrs
Jeannie 18 yrs

FOLSOM FRIDAY NIGHT

Sheila C. 14 yrs
Chris R. 10 yrs
Phillip Z. 4 yrs
Drew R. 2 yrs

GALT FELLOWSHIP

Joe S. 32 yrs
Kevin O. 7 yrs
Danny M. 4 yrs
John H. 7 yrs

GIBBONS NOON

Robert N. 26 yrs
Lee K. 11 yrs
Danice G. 6 yrs
Sheila C. 6 yrs
Taleah E. 5 yrs
Mike G. 4 yrs
Heather N. 4 yrs
Linette R. 3 yrs
Michael D. 1 yr

GREEHAVEN GROUP

Niko 25 yrs
Tom L. 23 yrs
Joyce G. 11 yrs
Glan D. 6 yrs
Ingrid 6 yrs
Tiffany B. 5 yrs
Carole L. 4 yrs
A.J. 2 yrs

GROUP ONE

Tom L. 23 yrs
Jacques A. 17 yrs
Shaun D. 14 yrs
Brian E. 11 yrs
Brian D. 8 yrs
Paul M. 7 yrs.
Cynthia A. 6 yrs
Lucinda A. 5 yrs
Jamie L. 4 yrs
Toure C 3 yrs
Krystie L. 3 yrs
Steven S. 2 yrs
Daniel N. 2 yrs
Jimmy T. 2 yrs
Rhina S. 2 yrs
Cindy H. 2 yrs
Fred C. 2 yrs
Maurice O. 2 yrs
Stephanie T. 2 yrs
Chris C. 2 yrs
Ron R. 2 yrs
Cameron M. 1 yr
Chris Q. 1 yr
James H. 1 yr
John B. 1 yr
Brandy M. 1 yr

GROUP THREE

Cherie J. 49 yrs
Susan B. 40 yrs.
Mark W. 35 yrs
Yvonne S. 34 yrs
Frank C. 33 yrs
Donna G 33 yrs.
Michael G. 32 yrs
Judy B. 28 yrs
Margie G. 25 yrs
Laura L. 26 yrs
Heidi H 25 yrs
Jay H. 24 yrs
Liz O 22 yrs.
Jamie V. 22 yrs
Bill L. 20 yrs
Cate M. 21 yrs
Lisa V. 19 yrs
Kelly H 16 yrs.
Lori H. 15 yrs
Joe H. 13 yrs
June B. 11 yrs
Lisa B. 11 yrs
Brian D. 8 yrs
Daniel W. 7 yrs
Jane C. 6 yrs
Mary H. 6 yrs

GROUPTHREE (Contd)

Bryce S. 6 yrs
Tom I. 5 yrs
Jange R. 5 yrs
Diana R. 5 yrs
Patricia W 5 yrs
Tom A. 4 yrs
Chris B. 4 yrs
Sarah D. 4 yrs
Cheryl O. 4 yrs
Andy K. 3 yrs
Jeff M. 3 yrs
Heaven R. 3 yrs
Mark B. 2 yrs
Sean H. 2 yrs
Quinton H. 1 yr
Dlorah B. 5 yrs
Nancy P. 5 yrs
Nick P. 5 yrs
Al R. 5 yrs
Rudy U. 5 yrs
Andy Z. 5 yrs
Steve B. 4 yrs
Hartin B. 4 yrs
Michael H. 4 yrs
Barbara F 3 yrs
Carol L. 3 yrs
Henessey N. 3 yrs.
Tom S. 3 yrs
Debi B. 2 yrs
Diane C. 1 yr
Wendy S. 1 yr

H.O.W GROUP

Clari P. 5 yrs
Logan C. 1 yr

MIDTOWN SOLUTIONS

Cherie J. 49 yrs
Jacques M. 17 yrs
Shaun D. 14 yrs
Kim R. 11 yrs
Ray H. 7 yrs
Dlorah B. 5 yrs
Tina R. 4 yrs
Kio G. 3 yrs
Rudy G. 3 yrs
Jeremy F. 2 yrs
Susan K. 2 yrs
Tracy S. 2 yrs
Francine V. 2 yrs
Doreen G. 2 yrs
J.C. 2 yrs
Chris Q. 1 yr
Marvin F. 1 yr
Mary C. 1 yr
Dana O. 1 yr
Tom L. 23 yrs
Steve G. 16 yrs
Sydell O. 12 yrs
Teri O. 9 yrs
Paul C. 5 yrs
Don B. 4 yrs
Mario C. 4 yrs
Chasity O. 3 yrs
Paul G. 3 yrs
Rosalio P. 2 yrs
Xavier 2 yrs
Steven B. 2 yrs
Mary Helen G 2yrs
Tari E. 2 yrs
Ron F. 2 yrs
Jason S. 1 yr
Yong 1 yr
Steve Mc. 1 yr
Angel 1 yr

NATOMAS GROUP

Cheryl 12 yrs
Dlorah B. 5 yrs
Rusty B. 7 yrs

NO 1 OFFENDERS

Victor S. 29 yrs
Eric S. 8 yrs
Cathy D. 5 yrs
Deedra H. 1yr
Larry K 15 yrs
Sonya 8 yrs
Dave A 1 yr

NORTH HALL GROUP

Theo 37 yrs
Dara C. 33 yrs
Brandee Mc 25 yrs
Kelly C. 23 yrs
Allison L. 21 yrs
Joyce P. 20 yrs
Ray L. 13 yrs
Jonathan A. 6 yrs
Joe G. 5 yrs
Wyatt D. 4 yrs
Justin V. 3 yrs
Douglas J. 3 yrs
Virgil F. 3 yrs
Bill W. 2 yrs
Tom J. 1 yr
Pat D. 34 yrs
James G. 27 yrs
Kala P 25 yrs
Tom L. 23 yrs
Doug B. 20 yrs
Bob T. 15 yrs
Even C. 11 yrs
Linda N. 6 yrs
Sara P. 5 yrs
Emma B. 4 yrs
Eric O. 3 yrs
Tom D. 3 yrs
Richard H. 2 yrs
Phil L. 2 yrs

OAK TREE

Ramon O. 42 yrs
Joy C. 34 yrs
Brad B. 30 yrs
Liz O. 22 yrs
Dennis D. 2 yrs
Matt B. 2 yrs
Maatisak 2 yrs
Clare 1 yr
Byron 37 yrs
Bill C. 34 yrs
Tom L. 23 yrs
Joshen D. 3 yrs
Jen 2 yrs.
Leslie 2 yrs
Wayne 2 yrs
John O 1 yr

ORANGEVALE OPEN GROUP

John C. 25 yrs
Eden J. 11 yrs
Steve G. 5 yrs
Melissa V. 4 yrs
George D. 3 yrs
Sallie O. 23 yrs
Sonny H. 6 yrs
Jeff F. 5 yrs
Corinne 4 yrs
Kevin W. 2 yrs

RIO LINDA FELLOWSHIP

Sharon C. 37 yrs
Cliff O. 9 yrs
Linda P. 5 yrs
Kelli M. 1 yr
Wesley C. 1 yr
Lucy T. 19 yrs
Lisa T. 6 yrs
Jim S. 5 yrs
Nick S. 1 yr
Rick R. 1yr

ROCKLIN RACE TRACK

Wally C. 41 yrs
David G. 20 yrs
Kay C. 4 yrs
Ingrid P. 26 yrs
Ted M. 13 yrs
Valerie R. 2 yrs

ROSEVILLE TUESDAY NIGHT GROUP

Wally C. 39 yrs
Roland D. 30 yrs
Beckey B. 28 yrs
Roberto P. 24 yrs
Bill S. 33 yrs
Dave H. 30 yrs
Joyce G. 27 yrs
Teri S. 24 yrs

ROSEVILLE TUES NIGHT (Contd)

Susan N. 22 yrs
William O. 15 yrs
Dawn W. 12 yrs
Cliff K. 11 yrs
Kris M. 10 yrs
Denise B. 8 yrs
Trisha B. 8 yrs
Mike B. 7 yrs
Ted K. 6 yrs
Jeannie K. 5 yrs
Vicki P. 4 yrs
Angie 4 yrs
Nick J. 3 yrs
Trevor G. 1 yr
Dawna M. 1 yr
Kari S. 19 yrs
DeeDee P.14 yrs
Bill R. 12 yrs
Greg E. 10 yrs
Kris D. 9 yrs
Pamela S. 8 yrs
Eric D. 7 yrs
Brook 6 yrs
Matthew K. 5 yrs
Jose 4 yrs
Mitch B. 4 yrs
Liza L. 4 yrs
Julie S. 2 yrs
Robb R. 1 yr
Suzanne P. 1 yr

SERENITY BOOK AND STUDY GROUP

Marge D. 24 yrs
Frankie N. 18 yrs
Dlorah 5 yrs
Whitney L. 1 yr
Kathy K. 21 yrs
Becki B. 7 yrs
Pat B. 2 yrs

SERENITY SEEKERS

Lynne S. 29 yrs
Steve W. 27 yrs
Jason S. 1 yr
Ken B. 27 yrs
Mike D. 13 yrs
Paige S. 1 yr

SHARING AND CARING

Rick K. 32 yrs
Rick Y. 23 yrs
Nikki J. 5 yrs
Taleah E. 5 yrs
Lisa M. 2 yrs
Bobby C. 26 yrs
Cork P. 23 yrs
Arthur E. 5 yrs
Deanna Y. 2 yrs
Robert H. 1 yr

SIMPLE BUT NOT EASY GROUP

Niko 25 yrs
Mark B. 12 yrs
Ed M. 22 yrs
John S. 10 yrs

SOUTHPORT SERENITY

Jan H. 18 yrs
Jillian M. 1 yr
Unique C. 1 yr
Mary L. 1 yr

TAHOE PARK GROUP

Judy B. 28 yrs
Jacques M. 17 yrs
Dana N. 3 yrs
Randall W. 2 yrs
Steve D. 1 yr
Roderick B. 25 yrs
Ron W. 5 yrs
Erica M. 3 yrs
Chris Q. 1 yr
Steve R. 1 yr

TRADITIONAL GROUP

Bob M. 51 yrs	Vito S. 41 yrs
Wendy J. 40 yrs	Marge T. 37 yrs
Susan K. 32 yrs	Tom B. 29 yrs
Dave M. 28 yrs	Joanne B. 28 yrs
Laura L. 27 yrs	Christine C. 26 yrs
Dreigh P. 25 yrs	Stephaine M. 24 yrs
Jim B. 24 yrs	Cork P. 23 yrs
Cathy S. 22 yrs	David M. 22 yrs
Lori H. 15 yrs	Cathy V. 14 yrs
Amy L. 13 yrs	Aaron C. 8 yrs
Allison W. 6 yrs	Dlorah B. 5 yrs
Steve C. 5 yrs	Meredith W. 4 yrs
Marie J. 3 yrs	Justine G. 2 yrs
Brandy C. 2 yrs	Elaine J. 1 yr
Justin 1 yr	Clare 1 yr

UNITY GROUP

Charles S. 33 yrs	Mary B. 26 yrs
Al 22 yrs	Tina S. 7 yrs
John S. 1 yr	Jordan F. 1 yr
Frank R. 1 yr	Neil G. 1 yr

WE SURRENDER MEN'S GROUP

Bob W. 8 yrs	Reuben A. 1 yr

WHAT A WAY TO START A WEEKEND

Laura L. 27 yrs	Rebecca B. 26 yrs
Mitzi 25 yrs	Kathy K. 21 yrs
Julie O. 10 yrs	Sheila A. 7 yrs
Iris R. 2 yrs	

WHITE FLAG MEN'S GROUP

Kevin S. 15 yrs	Bryan W. 2 yrs

WOODLAND TRADITIONAL

Bob H. 37 yrs	Jan H. 18 yrs
Bernard T. 17 yrs	David E. 13 yrs
Robert P. 9 yrs	Judy C. 9 yrs
Suzette S. 8 yrs	Mark T. 7 yrs
Andrea P. 7 yrs	Sam S. 7 yrs
Julio S. 7 yrs	Linda T. 6 yrs
Tim S. 6 yrs	Marion H. 5 yrs
Wendy H. 5 yrs	John S. 5 yrs
Rosalie A. 4 yrs	Dave F. 4 yrs
Crystal 4 yrs	Meredith W. 4 yrs
Wyatt D. 4 yrs	Scott W. 3 yrs
Katie L. 3 yrs	Ceazer R. 3 yrs
Chery H. 3 yrs	Michael C. 2 yrs
Jeremiah S. 2 yrs	Benne G. 2 yrs
Alfonso H. 2 yrs	Sal N. 2 yrs

WOODLAND TRADITIONAL (Contd)

Danielle P. 2 yrs	Rich J. 2 yrs
Tiffani O. 1 yr	Kerry F. 1 yr
Melissa M. 1 yr	Maria M. 1 yr
Sean S. 1 yr	Jason B. 1 yr
Richard A. 1 yr	David L. 1 yr

Late Submissions from May & June

FOLSOM FRIDAY NIGHT

Dorothy J. 3 yrs	Lizzy M. 3 yrs
Dustin T. 2 yrs	

ROSEVILLE EASTSIDE

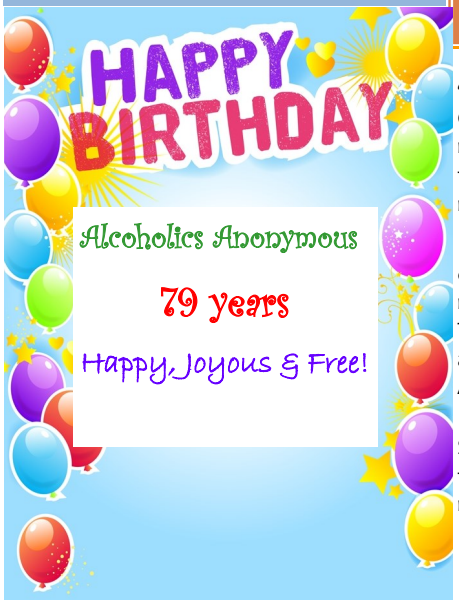
Denise B. 8 yrs	Kim V. 8 yrs
Jeannie 5 yrs	

In Memoriam Birthday Club

IF YOU HAVE A SPECIAL AA MEMBER WHO HAS PASSED & YOU WANT TO REMEMBER THEM ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR SOBRIETY DATE, YOU CAN SIGN UP FOR THE "IN MEMORIAM BIRTHDAY CLUB"

IT WORKS THE SAME AS THE "BIRTHDAY CLUB" JUST MAKE A NOTE ON THE BIRTHDAY CLUB FORM THAT YOU WANT THIS TO APPEAR IN THE "IN MEMORIAM BIRTHDAY CLUB" AREA OF THE "BY THE WAY" AND WE WILL DO THE REST.

Email: centraloffice@aasacramento.org



The Sixth Step

"Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character"

—is A.A.'s way of stating the best possible attitude3 one can take in order to make a beginning on this lifetime job. This does not mean that we expect all our character defects to be lifted out of us as the drive to drink was. A few of them may be, but with most of them we shall have to be content with patient improvement. The key words "entirely ready" underline the fact that we want to aim at the very best we know or can learn. (…) Even then the best of us will discover to our dismay that there is always a sticking point, a point at which we say, "No, I can't give this up yet." And we shall often tread on even more dangerous ground when we cry, "This I will ***never*** give up!" Such is the power of our instincts to overreach themselves. No matter how far we have progressed, desires will always be found which oppose the grace of God. *--Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions,*

The Sixth Tradition

"An AA group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the AA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose."

A.A. members employed by outside agencies "wear two hats"--but Tradition Six cautions any such members against wearing both at once! On the Job, they may be alcoholism counselors; they are not "A.A. counselors." At meetings they're just A. A's, not alcoholism experts.-

-The Twelve Traditions Illustrated

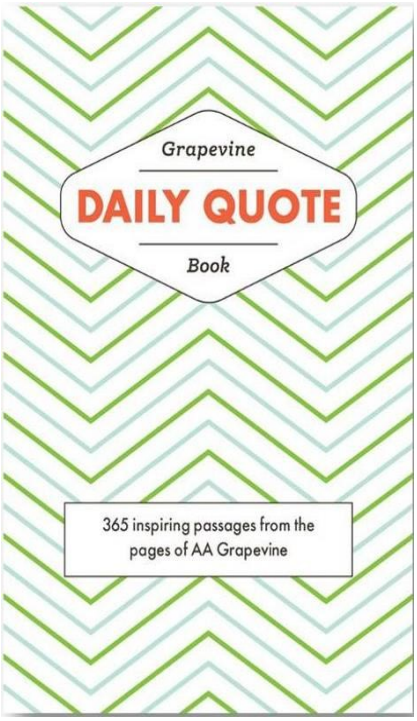
The Sixth Concept

"On behalf of AA as a whole our General Service Conference has the principle responsibility for the maintenance of our World Services, and it traditionally has the final decision respecting large matters of general policy and finance.."

"But the Conference recognizes that the chief initiative and active responsibility in most matters should be exercised primarily by the Trustee members of the conference when they act among themselves as the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous."

Simple put: "...like any other board of directors, our trustees must be given large powers if they are to manage the...affairs of Alcoholics Anonymous."--

Twelve Concepts for World Service—by Bill W.



BOOK OF THE MONTH

Grapevine Daily Quote Book captures the first 365 days of the Grapevine Daily Quote, which initially appeared in June 2012.
The quotes—contributed by AA members, with many written by AA's co-founders—were selected by the Grapevine staff.

All of these passages initially appeared in the pages of Grapevine as part of members' stories and other submissions, and many of them can now be found in Grapevine's themed book anthologies.
Each daily quote is accompanied by the title of the story it came from, the original issue date and the geographical location of its writer. And listed at the bottom of each page is the Grapevine book in which the quote can also be found.

For yourself, or someone you know, each page in this pocket-sized book, offers an inspiring passage of experience, strength and hope to bring into your daily life.

Now available at Central Office Bookstore

6th Step

"Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character."
I HAVE attacked Step Six many times. It has attacked me in return. We have had open warfare, and we have had moratoriums. For periods of time, I have purposely ignored this Step. Often, I have stated that it did not make sense to me.

The battle began some years back, when I regularly attended Step-discussion meetings. I had done my best on the first five Steps, I thought. I had even made a written list of all my defects. They counted up to twenty-seven.

Following the example of an old-timer friend of mine, whose quality of sobriety I admired, I printed, in ink, each one of my separate defects on a white poker chip. Then all twenty-seven chips went into a small, fat, yellow pitcher. Every morning on awaking, I plunged my hand into it (like picking a number from a goldfish bowl) and came up with the "chip for today." The defect might be anger, fear, pride, resentment, gossip, snobbery, self-pity, and so on, but whichever one it was had to be concentrated upon for the next 24 hours, and either reduced to a minimum or cast away.

It was a kind of game. I enjoyed wrestling with one "defect" a day. I felt I was making progress, really working the AA program. It hadn't yet occurred to me that I had gone overboard on this "defect" business. Twenty-seven indeed! How is that for the "pride" defect? Of course, most of them were not serious flaws of character, such as the inability to be honest with oneself. Most were bad habits possessed, in some degree, by most humans.

Nevertheless, I kept up this game for two or three years, telling many AA friends about it and urging them to go and do likewise. I explained that, although the Step suggested that God would remove these defects when and if I became ready to let go of them, I was of the school that believed in the saying "Pray for potatoes, but reach for the hoe." I did ask my Higher Power to lend a hand on the day's defect I happened to confront, but I felt that He expected me to use energy on rooting it out of my character.

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Step /Tradition & Concept 6

BEHALF
ENTIRELY
LEST
OUTSIDE
PURPOSE
CHARACTER
FINANCE
MONEY
PRIMARY
READY
DEFECTS
GROUP
NEVER
PROPERTY
REMOVE

Thought to Ponder . . .

"While I have years of sobriety, I really only have this day." AA Grapevine

NEWS FROM VOLUNTEER CENTRAL

WHERE GRATITUDE IS AN ACTION WORD!

We at Central Office are very grateful for those who show up on a regular basis and those who just drop by and ask if there is any way that they can be of service. We could not provide the services to the groups in such an efficient manner without the help of our reliable and willing volunteers.

In service during the month of **May**

***TeleDesk Volunteers & Subs*:** Cindy Jo M. - Donna B. - Joyce H.- Dennis O. - Dlorah B. - Lynn S. - Karen Y. - Jerry H. - Daniel Z. - Kathy K. - Jerry B. - Kim M. - Cathy N. -

***Sales Desk*:** Ron H. - Karen Y. - Cindy F. - Cathy N. - Mellissa Z. Daniel Z.

***BTW & Flyer Mailing*:** - Bill E.- Carol & Craig L.- Pete G. - Mike K. - Daniel Z. - Graham B. - Annmarie S. - Cindy. - Sherri KW.

***Bulk Mailing*:** Marvin S.

BTW : Layout & Design - Suzy L. & Karina K.

***Celebrating June Birthdays*: Kathy K. 21 yrs, Mike K. 12 yrs, Dlorah B. 5 yrs., Carol L. 3 yrs.**

WORDSMITHY

-Character defects-

related: ***character flaws-personality flaws-character-flaws-*** *attitudes, actions, reactions, wrong thinking and wrong doing, that stands in the way of our usefulness to God and our fellows-*

(Big book-pg 76) 12 N 12 Dictionary

Faithful Fivers

95 *Members as of April!*

Welcome: Thank You!

Register with Central Office as a Faithful Fiver member so you'll receive a charitable contribution receipt at the end of the year.

You can donate in any of the following ways:

a) Mail a check every month to: CCFAA Faithful Fivers, 9960 Business Park Dr., Suite 110, Sacramento, CA 95827, OR

b) Bring a check or cash into the office every month, OR

c) Try the Preferred Method! Use your online banking bill pay to set up a recurring payment:
Payee: CCFAA Faithful Fivers
Central Office address, as above
Account number: Your Name

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Phone: _____

❑ May we acknowledge you as a new member of the Faithful Fivers in our next issue of By The Way? Mark the box for yes - we use first names and last initials only.

CCFAA Delegate's Meeting Minutes---May 17, 2014 (page 1)

I. Opening

A. Call to order at 3:03 PM
B. Open with Serenity Prayer
C. 12 Traditions read by Cindy C
D. CCFAA Preamble read by Tausha B
E. 7th Tradition -
F. Delegate Check-in/Group Announcements
G. Birthdays – 87

II. Preliminary Business:

A. Delegate Check-in:

Total Delegates 59 Quorum met: Yes

Group Name	Delegate	Last Attended	Group Name	Delegate	Last Attended
2nd Chance Group	Nate B	5/17/2014	Midtown Solutions	Absent	4/19/2014
5th Tradition Big Book Study Group	Howard H	5/17/2014	MnnYPAA	Absent	4/19/2014
12 and 12 Book Study Group	Phil L	5/17/2014	Monday Night Big Book Study	Betty K	5/17/2014
AA Unity Group	Leon N	5/17/2014	Monday PM Women	Absent	4/19/2014
All Tribes	Tony D	5/17/2014	Natomas Group	Dolores T Alt	5/17/2014
As Bill Sees It Men's Group	Absent	1/18/2014	New Hope Group	Adam J	5/17/2014
Auburn Fellowship	Kim J	5/17/2014	North Hall Group	Angel R Alt	5/17/2014
Been There Done That	Absent	10/19/2013	North Highlands Fireside Group	Toni M	5/17/2014
By The Grace	Absent	4/19/2014	North Sacramento Group	Absent	4/19/2014
Capital City Men's Group	Rick S	5/17/2014	Number One Offenders	Dolores T	5/17/2014
Citrus Heights Group	Absent	3/15/2014	Oak Park Fellowship	Absent	7/20/2013
Cordova Friday Night Group	Ken D	5/17/2014	Oak Tree Fellowship	Liz O	5/17/2014
Cordova Good Morning Group	Mary B	5/17/2014	Orangevale Open Group	Absent	7/20/2013
Cordova Lunch Bunch	David M	5/17/2014	Precisely How We Have Recovered	Cindy C	5/17/2014
Cordova Serenity Seekers	Absent	4/19/2014	Program of Action	Absent	7/20/2013
Daily Attitude Adjustment-Fair Oaks	Susie W	5/17/2014	Rancho Murrieta Fellowship	Absent	6/15/2013
Davis Attitude Adjustment	Juan C sub	5/17/2014	Rio Linda Fellowship	Ken D	5/17/2014
Davis Hope Group	Juan C	5/17/2014	Rocklin Fellowship	Eddie L	5/17/2014
Davis Young Peoples	Absent	7/20/2013	Rocklin Racetrack Group	Cynthia L	5/17/2014
Destiny Group	Matt C	5/17/2014	Roseville Eastside Group	Absent	6/15/2013
Downtown Young People's	Franchesca A	5/17/2014	Roseville Fifth Street Fellowship	Absent	12/21/2013
Dry Dock Group	Absent	9/21/2013	Roseville Tuesday Night Group	Absent	8/17/2013
East Yolo Fellowship	Judy F	5/17/2014	Sacramento Spring Fling	Phil L	5/17/2014
Elk Grove Fellowship	Tausha B Alt	5/17/2014	SACYPAA	Mathew K	5/17/2014
Elk Grove Friday Nite Group	Dale M	5/17/2014	Serenity Book And Study Group	Dlorah B	5/17/2014
Entirely Ready Group	Roger M	5/17/2014	Serenity Sisters EG	Absent	4/20/2013
Fair Oaks Village Group	Absent	4/19/2014	Sharing And Caring Group	Brian V	5/17/2014
Fellowship of the Spirit BB Study	Eric P	5/17/2014	Sixty Minute Solution	Bryan W	5/17/2014
Folsom Big Book	Jenn W	5/17/2014	Southport Serenity	Shirley A	5/17/2014
Folsom Friday Night	Dustin T	5/17/2014	Sunday Morning Serenity	Absent	1/18/2014
Folsom Thursday Nite 12 & 12	Absent	8/17/2013	Sunset Saturday Group	Sherie B	5/17/2014
Folsom Saturday Morning Group	Tiffany R	5/17/2014	Sunrise Sunset Gibbons	Chuck M	5/17/2014
Folsom Way of Life	Mary F	5/17/2014	Tahoe Park Group	Al Y	5/17/2014
Freedom Group	Absent	4/19/2014	Thank You, Thank You, Thank You	Absent	1/18/2014
Friday Fellowship of Double A	Absent	2/16/2013	Thursday Night Men's Group	Tom W	5/17/2014
Galt Fellowship	Roger M	5/17/2014	Too Young Group	Beatriz J	5/17/2014
Gibbons Noon	Chuck M	5/17/2014	Traditional Group	Linda T	5/17/2014
Good For Nothing	Absent	11/16/2013	Traditions & Concepts Study Group	Terry H	5/17/2014
Greenhaven Group	Pam L	5/17/2014	Tuesday Cordova KISS Group	Absent	3/15/2014
Group One	Starbuck C	5/17/2014	Tuesday Night Beginners	Absent	2/15/2014
Group Three	Carla S	5/17/2014	We Care Group	Bill B	5/17/2014
Happy Hour AA	Joe S	5/17/2014	We Surrender Men's Group	Sam H	5/17/2014
Hope & Serenity Monthly Speaker Mtg.	Absent	9/21/2013	Welcome Group	Absent	4/19/2014
Into Action-Citrus Heights	Absent	4/19/2014	What a Way to Start a Weekend	Sharon W	5/17/2014
Lincoln Sisters in Sobriety	Absent	4/20/2013	White Flag Men's Group	William L	5/17/2014
M.L.K. A.A. Group	Johnny S	5/17/2014	Willing Women	Sharon Z	5/17/2014
			Woodland Group	Absent	7/20/2013

B. Attending Elected Positions

CCFAA Chair	Tamera K	Present	Special Needs Chair	Rick S	Present
Assistant Chair	Susie W	Present	NCCAA Liaison	Roger M	Present
Treasurer	Anna H	Present	Birthdays/Faithful Fivers Chair	Amy T	Absent
Recording Secretary	Karen Y	Present	OOC Chair	Al Y	Present
TeleService Chair	Evan C	Present	OOC Member	Chuck M	Present
By Laws & Procedures Chair	Judy F	Present	OOC Member	Dlorah B	Present
PI/CPC Chair	Pamela L	Present	OOC Member	Sam H	Present
H&I Liaison	Roger M	Present	Picnic Chair	Delores T	Present

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D. Office Manager's Report – Rae W

Manager's Report
May 13, 2014

1. A grateful thank you to the 60th Anniversary Committee and volunteers for a wonderful gathering for unity and recovery. Thanks to the groups and members of the Fellowship for their service and support.
2. To date we have sold 410 of the 75th Anniversary Big Books and we have 210 in stock and available for sale. Thanks to all those who purchased their books at the Office.
3. All 1st Quarter payroll and sales tax returns and payments were completed by the April 30th deadline.
4. Our credit card terminal (6 years old) died last Wednesday and we were able to lease a replacement.
5. Sales and contributions have been going along at a very good pace. Again I must thank all of the Office volunteers for getting out to meetings and groups and sharing about the work and services that are provided by the Central Office.
6. Preparations are underway for the August 17th CCFAA Picnic.
7. The AA Grapevine has a new book of ***Daily Quotes*** and that book is now available at the Central Office Bookstore.
8. We have a new volunteer, Eric R., who is taking a look at our website platform.

And All is Well….Rae W.

E. Treasurer's Report – Anna H

1. We are doing awesome, contributions are up and expenses remain consistent.
2. We currently have about $6,000 in gross profit which means we may be able to replenish the prudent reserve.
3. Keep up the good work.

F. Special Needs Chairperson's Report – Rick S

1. No calls this past month.
2. We are looking for an American Sign Language interpreter.

G. TeleService Chairperson's Report – Evan C

April, 2014

2014 Calls		
Service	**Mar-2014**	**Mar 2014 - YTD**
12 Step	39	153
Meeting/Info	299	1295
TOTAL	***338***	**1448**

ALL SHIFTS ARE CURRENTLY FILLED

SHIFT COORDINATORS

All shift coordinator positions are filled

Both women and men 12-step volunteers needed in **Any Area**

Looking for AA members with prior teleservice experience to be added on the substitute list

April has been a quiet month for teleservice, numbers seem low otherwise everything has been running smoothly. We now have a date for the workshop, Sunday July 27, to be held here at Traditional from 2-3:30pm. There are flyers on the table, please take a few back to your home groups and invite people to attend. It would be nice to have a good turn out! Still doing recruiting for the shifts becoming available in the next 4 to 7 weeks, I have a few people who have been waiting for a shift to open up but it's not enough to fill all the one's that will need to be filled.

Thanks for allowing me to be of service, Evan

Contacts: Chair: Evan C. hotlinehelpers@gmail.com

Co-Chair: John I. teleservicehotline@gmail.com

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By Laws & Procedures Chairperson's Report – Judy F

Report of the By Laws and Procedures Committee to the CCF Delegates Meeting May 17, 2014

Old Business:

The CCF By Laws committee completed its review of **the CCF Manager's job description** which is a portion of the CCF Personnel Policies. The committee found the **CCF Manager's Job description** with the exception of a few typos to be in compliance with the CCF Articles, By Laws, and Office Operating Procedures.

At the last month's OOC meeting, the By Laws committee was asked to review the CCF manager's employment agreement. This year's (2014) agreement is 3 pages and last year's was 1 page. Upon a cursory review of the agreement, the committee found no significant differences.

New Business

A couple of possible amendments were discussed at our last meeting, these are pending possible forthcoming proposals and/or motions.

Ongoing

The committee will begin reviewing the Personnel Policies next month.
Thank you for allowing me to be of service,

Judy F.—Bylaws Chair

I. PI/CPC – Pam L

1. Tom L and Aaron C staffed a table at a Health Fair at Granite Bay High School themed Dangers of Teenage Drinking. We missed the Guns and Hoses event due to misinformation.

J. Birthday Club/Faithful Fivers – Amy T - Absent

V. Reports – Special Committees, Delegates, Liaisons & Invited Guests

A. Picnic Committee – Dolores T

1. Thank you for all your interest, we almost have speaker taken care of.
2. Open positions include crafts, bingo, face painting, plants, and set-up and tear-down.
3. Raffle tickets are available, please take some and get the sales started. The new T-shirts are also available.

B. NCCAA Liaison – Roger M

1. NCCAA Newsletter "Good News" needs you support. Subscribe for only $4.00year.
2. 67th Annual Summer Conference will be held in Lodi, June 27, 28 and 29, 2014, at the Lodi Grape Festival Grounds, 413 E Lockeford St, Lodi. Luther W of Palm Desert speaks Friday, Katie H of Orangevale speaks Saturday afternoon, Hector E of Los Angeles speaks Saturday night, and Don R of San Francisco speaks Sunday morning. Preregister is $10, $15 at the door.

C. Hospitals & Institutions – Roger M

1. Remember to pass the Pink Can separate and after the 7th Tradition basket has been passed. Support your home group first.
2. If you want to be of service to H&I, attend the monthly meeting held the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6PM at Coco's Resturant, 1830 Arden Way, Sacramento.

D. Spring Fling Committee – Phil L – no report

E. 60th Anniversary Committee – Howard H

1. We collected $4470.00 with the ticket sales, raffle, silent auction and donations to date.
2. Our expenses were just over $2700.00 which includes the costs of: printing tickets, flyers, programs and signs; food and food stuff such as: plates, table covers, coffee, meatballs, spaghetti, sauce, pots &, cutlery and other serving items and just plain stuff that needed to be bought like 75th Anniversary printing of 6 Big Books. The rent costs for the facility was of $900.

The theme of our event was "Fun in Sobriety" and the lessons that were learned were "Self-sacrifice and Anonymity in Service". Thank you to the committee members for their example of commitment, the ticket buyers for their generosity and those that volunteered their service and time to make this celebration a great success without great costs to CCF.

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4. Thank you for the privilege of allowing me to be of service and having had a very real 'Spiritual Experience' of demonstrating to others that we do live the 12th Tradition (Service) and its Principals.
5. And finally, a check to CCF for the remaining amount of money $1780.00 that shows all of the generosity in time, dollars and commitment of our A.A. Members is just a start of things to come.

In Service,

Howard Hugh

F. Special Program Event Committee – Rick S

1. We will be presenting a Traditions Play in September.
2. We are in need of a Co-Chair, so if anyone is interested, please step up.

VI. Old Business

A. Assistant Chair Vacancy

1. Susie W of Daily Attitude Adjustment has volunteered for the vacant Assistant Chair position. Susie W was confirmed as the new Assistant Chair of CCF.

VII. New Business –

1. Pam L of the PI/CPC Committee has a proposal to allow the committee contact outside entities regarding Alcoholics Anonymous.

VIII. Closing – Meeting closed at 4:48 pm

Step 6. (Continued from page 11)

Still, these dozens of defects I had laid claim to kept cropping up again and again, over and over. It seemed that the harder I fought them, the harder they fought back. I became quite discouraged. I decided I had been willing, I had tried, and I would now let Number Six, and myself, have a vacation. I put the little yellow pitcher on a shelf behind some books and only now and then dipped into it. I kept busy and active in AA; I felt comfortable being sober; I was trying to practice the AA principles in all my affairs. Then, out of nowhere, came a deep resentment toward an AA friend. I agonized over it, prayed over it, but discussed it with no one. I had insomnia, indigestion, and fatigue. (Any good doctor can tell you that negative emotions make people physically ill.)

Fortunately, just about that time our group was slated for discussion of Step Six. I opened my copy of *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions* and read the Step all the way through. Although I had read it many times before, it seemed as if I saw its meaning for the first time. I gathered that, instead of fighting mightily against a defect, I had to let go of it. Just simply open up my hands, my heart, and my mind and say to my Higher Power. "Here it is, this defect. I give it to you. Please remove it from me." In this case, it was the bitter and destructive resentment that I wished to be rid of. And so it happened. It faded away and never returned.

Since then, I have followed the same procedure on other serious emotional problems, with the same result. I just have to keep in mind that if I am not 100 percent sincere in my willingness to be rid of the problem, the procedure won't work. I have come to realize that Step Six means exactly what it says. No more, no less. When, and if, I become ready to have painful, inhibiting, or long-standing flaws removed, they will be. Not always permanently, not all of them. But if and when they return, they will be weaker and much easier to let go of. As for all those bad habits I once listed as detects, I am trying to arrest them a day at a time, as I do my alcoholism.

A little progress has been made on pride. I can now admit that most of my troubles stem from one large and glaring defect: self-centeredness. For how can I wallow in self-pity, weep over resentments, be sick with righteous anger, ache with envy, tense up with fears and anxieties unless all my thoughts are exclusively on poor me?

A long time ago, a very wise man, Marcus Aurelius, wrote: "A man's life is what his thoughts make it." Through Step Six, I have learned how true this is. I may never comprehend it fully, yet I know its value to me. It calls forth the most precious asset any recovering alcoholic can have: the willingness to get out of the driver's seat, to stop trying to run the show. I need to keep the Sixth Step message of letting go and letting God in my own thoughts at all times. ---F. C. Manhattan NY

	Apr-14	YTD	Prorate Budget	Budget
Income				
4020 - AAWS Literature Sales	11,917	31,169	26,667	80,000
4025 · In-House Publication Sales	1,503	5,656	5,867	17,600
4035 - Medallion Sales	3,122	11,749	10,000	30,000
4100 - Group Contributions	13,071	37,194	28,333	85,000
4110 - Anonymous Contributions	4	81	333	1,000
4120 - Birthday Contributions	140	800	833	2,500
4125 - Office Services Revenue	225	1,173	1,833	5,500
4130 - Faithful Fivers	868	3,837	2,667	8,000
4440 - Interest Income	1	4	33	100
4460 - Picnic Revenue	83	352	4,167	12,500
4480 - Special Event Revenue	5	142	667	2,000
Total Income	30,938	92,157	81,400	244,200
Cost of Goods Sold				
5000 - Literature Costs		0		
5010 · Cost of AAWS Literature Sold	7,878	20,521	17,333	52,000
Literature Costs/Adjustment		-67	100	300
Total 5010 - AAWS Literature	7,878	20,454	17,433	52,300
Net Income AAWS Literature	4,039	10,715	9,233	27,700
5015 - Other Literature	217	476	0	0
5025 · In-House Publication				
5030 · Paper Stock & Staples	213	1,111	1,167	3,500
5035 · Printing Equipment	999	2,997	4,000	12,000
5040 - Copy costs	145	521	733	2,200
Total 5025 · In-House Publication	1,357	4,629	5,900	17,700
Net Income In-House Publication	146	1,027	-33	-100
Cost of Medallions	1,100	4,244	3,667	11,000
Net Income Medallion Sales	2,022	7,505	6,333	19,000
Total Cost Of Goods Sold	10,553	29,803	27,000	81,000
Gross Income (after cost of goods)	20,385	62,354	54,400	163,200
Expense				
Equipment Expense				
5670 - Equipment Rental	381	1,019	500	1,500
5765 - Equipment Repairs & Maint.	118	231	500	1,500
5675 - Equipment Purchase		363	200	600
Total Equipment Expense	499	1,613	1,200	3,600
Insurance				
5680 - Worker's Compensation	0	235	333	1,000
5684 - D & O Insurance	137	573	457	1,370
5685 - General Liability	56	218	333	1,000
Total Insurance	193	1,026	1,123	3,370
Training				
Total Meetings/Conference Expense	0	0	850	2,550
Office Expense				
5640 · Postage & Delivery	77	576	667	2,000
5650 - Licenses & Permits	0	220	300	900
5700 · Office Supplies	230	665	833	2,500
5720 · Occupancy Improvement	118	472	500	1,500
5740 · Miscellaneous Expense	31	83	333	1,000
5760 · Rent	1,715	5,196	7,133	21,400
5770 - Office/Network Software	0	50	167	500
Total Office Expense	2,171	7,262	9,933	29,800
Utilities - 5770				
5790 · Gas & Electric	273	1,143	933	2,800
5795 - Telephone	354	1,433	1,000	3,000
5796 - Security System	147	294	200	600
Total 5770 Utilities	774	2,870	2,300	6,900
Special Events-5900				
5950- 60th Anniversary Committee	0	181	167	500
5990- Picnic Committee	111	148	2,067	6,200
Total -Special Events	111	329	2,233	6,700
Other Committees - 6200				
6210 - PI/CPC Expense	62	62	183	550
6220 - Special Needs Committee	0	0	50	150
6230 - Teleservice Committee	0	49	50	150
Total Other Committees	62	111	283	850
Professional Fees				
5610 · Accounting	36	234	367	1,100
5625 - Website Admin		0	167	500
5630 - Network Admin		0	300	900
5645 - Office Admin		0	500	1,500
Total Professional Fees	36	234	1,333	4,000
Payroll Expenses				
Salaries and wages	6,972	27,960	27,977	83,932
Taxes and Benefits	1,435	6,271	6,167	18,500
Total 5400 · Payroll Expenses	8,407	34,231	34,144	102,432
Bank Charges -				
Bad Debt Expense - 5686	0	0	33	100
Credit Card Fees - 5895	114	396	567	1,700
Bank Charges - 5690	0	0	17	50
Total Expense	12,367	48,071	54,017	162,052
Net Income	8,018	14,283	383	1,148

2015 International Convention
"80 Years – Happy, Joyous and Free"

Frequently Asked Questions
Registration, Housing, Transportation, and Volunteering

The 2015 International Convention will celebrate A.A.'s 80th Anniversary, July 2-5, in Atlanta, Georgia. Members of the Fellowship are now gearing up for this wonderful event and the General Service Office is beginning to receive inquiries. So here are some answers to the most frequently asked questions regarding the Convention.

More information will be available in *Box 4-5-9* and on G.S.O.'s Web site, www.aa.org. The Web site will be updated as more information becomes available. All necessary information will be included in the registration packet, which will be mailed in August 2014.

Registration

Q ***When will registration forms be available?***
A Registration forms will be mailed in August of 2014 to all G.S.R.s, Central Offices, Intergroups and international G.S.O.s. Online registration will be available September 3, 2014.

Q ***Will I be able to register online?***
A Yes. There will be links to registration on G.S.O.'s A.A. Web site, www.aa.org.

Q ***What about on-site registration?***
A On-site registration will be set up in the Georgia World Congress Center and will open on Wednesday morning, July 1, 2015.

Q ***Must everyone register? I thought I didn't have to pay to go to an A.A. event.***
A Yes. Everyone must register. Attendance at this special celebration is voluntary and, as responsible A.A. members, "we pay our own way." The International Convention is paid for by those A.A.s who participate in it.

Q ***How much will registration cost?***
A Registration fees will be established in 2014. Our objective is to keep registration as accessible as possible. For recent International Conventions, the registration was around $100 for this special self-supporting event.

Q ***Can travel agents register groups or individuals?***
A No. Payments from travel agencies to register groups or individuals will not be accepted.

Housing

Q ***When can I reserve my hotel room?***
A Once you have registered for the Convention, you will be able to sign up for housing.

Q ***Where are the main hotels?***
A In Atlanta, our Convention hotel block of over 10,000 rooms will be in three main areas: Downtown Atlanta, Midtown Atlanta and at the Atlanta Hartsfield Airport area. Of those 10,000 rooms, the majority are in downtown Atlanta, within walking distance of the Georgia World Congress Center (GWCC) and the Georgia Dome. MARTA is Atlanta's public transit system and all of the hotels are within 1-2 blocks of MARTA, which has two stops at the GWCC and the Dome.

Q ***Can members contact hotels directly?***
A No. To make the process as fair as possible, all housing requests will be processed through the official Housing Bureau.

Q ***Can travel agents make room reservations?***
A Room reservations can only be made in individual people's names. Rooms available through the Housing Bureau, at specially negotiated Convention rates, are not commissionable to travel agents.

Q ***Can we request a room in the same hotel with friends?***
A Yes, you can reserve more than one room through the housing process so long as your friends have registered for the Convention. You will need to provide their name(s) and be prepared to pay additional deposits.

Q ***If 50 of us are coming together from the same area, can we be in the same hotel?***
A We do make an effort to accommodate group housing requests. There is a separate procedure for this to ensure fairness, while still trying to meet your needs. Contact the International Convention Coordinator at G.S.O. when we are closer to registration.

Transportation

Q ***Will local transportation be available?***
A Many members will be within walking distance or a short ride on public transportation from their accommodations. All housing blocked for this event will be less than a 30-minute MARTA ride from the Georgia World Congress Center and the Georgia Dome.

Q ***What about special airline rates?***
A As at other International Conventions, there will be special fares available. That information will be available with the August 2014 registration information mailing.

Q ***Where can I find information about crossing the border into the U.S. for this event?***
A For accurate, specific and up-to-date information about visas and travel into the U.S., visit the United States Department of State Web site: www.travel.state.gov/visa/visa_1750.html.

If you are coming from abroad you may need a visa. Most Canadian citizens, and many citizens of countries in the United States Visa Waiver Program (VWP), do not need a visa. However, you will need a machine-readable passport valid for at least 90 days past your date of departure. The VWP countries are: Andorra, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brunei, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaca, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, San Marino, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan and United Kingdom.

If you do not come from a VWP country you must obtain a nonimmigrant visa. Plan ahead; *it may take 6 months to receive a nonimmigrant visa*, depending on the demand in your country.

Volunteering

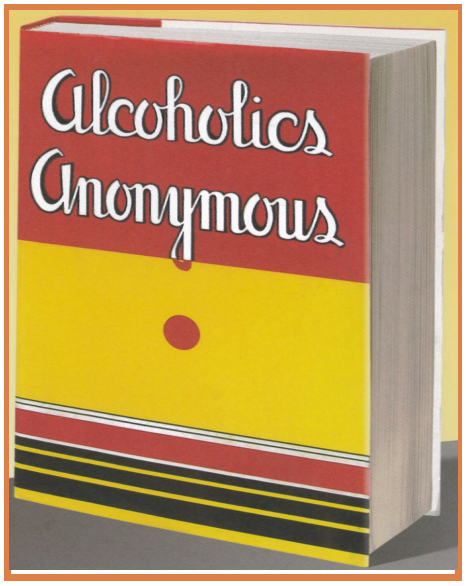
Q How can I volunteer to help at the Convention?
A It has been said that International Convention volunteers are like greeters at an A.A. meeting room door, except they are greeting 50,000 people. This wonderful event will need a host committee of 3,000 to 4,000 volunteers to welcome members from around the globe.

That being said, at this time there is very little activity for volunteers. The structure of the local host committee is being put in place. In the first months of 2015, we will hold a volunteer kickoff event in Atlanta to begin gathering names of A.A. members interested in volunteering. Please keep tuned to www.aa.org for future bulletins.

We look forward to greeting you in Atlanta to celebrate "80 years – Happy, Joyous and Free"!

GROUP NAME	MAY 14	YTD
12 AND 12 BOOK STUDY (ROCKLIN)	0.00	354.00
12 AND 12 TOUCHSTONE GROUP	0.00	32.50
5TH TRADITION BIG BOOK STUDY	0.00	15.00
605 CHRISTIAN VALLEY GROUP	0.00	140.00
AA UNITY GROUP	0.00	420.00
ALL TRIBES GROUP	0.00	135.00
ARDEN MORSE GROUP	0.00	200.00
AS BILL SEES IT MEN'S GROUP	25.00	25.00
ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT GRP OF DAVIS	0.00	220.00
AUBURN FELLOWSHIP	50.00	250.00
BABES IN RECOVERY	0.00	67.78
BANGOR GROUP	39.60	39.60
BROWNSVILLE SERENITY GROUP	0.00	74.15
BUILDING D GROUP	0.00	175.00
BY THE GRACE	50.00	100.00
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	0.00	270.00
CAMERON PARK GROUP	0.00	60.00
CAMERON PARK WOMEN'S GROUP	0.00	50.00
CAPITOL CITY MEN'S GROUP	0.00	160.00
CAPITOL RAP MEETING	0.00	3.88
CARRYING THE MESSAGE GROUP	0.00	300.00
CATHEDRAL GROUP	1,097.00	1,097.00
CENACLE GROUP	0.00	57.13
CITRUS HEIGHTS AA @ NOON	360.00	360.00
CITRUS HEIGHTS GROUP	88.12	230.59
COME AS YOU ARE GROUP	0.00	96.00
CORDOVA FRIDAY NIGHT GROUP	0.00	53.51
CORDOVA GOOD MORNING GROUP	100.00	200.00
CORDOVA LUNCH BUNCH	0.00	172.00
CORDOVA ROAD TO FREEDOM	0.00	129.00
CORDOVA SERENITY SEEKERS GRP	0.00	73.06
COURAGE TO CHANGE GROUP	0.00	208.00
DAILY ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT GRP	162.00	1,740.00
DAILY DIRECTION AA	0.00	328.42
DAVIS HOPE GROUP	0.00	131.39
DESTINY GROUP	0.00	120.00
DIXON DRY DOCK GROUP	0.00	100.00
DRY DIGGINS GROUP	0.00	80.00
EAST YOLO FELLOWSHIP	96.12	574.56
EDEN VALLEY AT APPLEGATE GROUP	0.00	164.93
EL DORADO HILLS GROUP	0.00	105.60
ELK GROVE FELLOWSHIP	288.32	1,522.87
ELK GROVE GROUP	0.00	150.00
ELK GROVE SOBRIETY SISTERS	0.00	156.20
ESPARTO FELLOWSHIP	0.00	15.00
FAIR OAKS BEGINNERS GROUP	0.00	204.50
FELLOWSHIP OF THE SPIRIT BB STUDY	0.00	82.00
FIRST THINGS FIRST GROUP	0.00	99.00
FOLSOM BIG BOOK GROUP	0.00	710.66
FOLSOM NOON NEW LIFE GROUP	0.00	300.00
FOLSOM SATURDAY MORNING	0.00	250.00
FOLSOM TUESDAY NIGHT MEN'S AA	0.00	100.00
FOLSOM WAY OF LIFE GROUP	0.00	1,787.61
FOLSOM WEDNESDAY NIGHT AA GRP	0.00	250.00
FORESTHILL BENT NICKEL GROUP	0.00	75.00
FOXHALL GROUP	0.00	92.00
FREEDOM GROUP	0.00	507.48
FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP OF DOUBLE A	0.00	160.87
FRIDAY NITE AA GROUP - CARMICHAEL	0.00	20.00
GALT FELLOWSHIP	100.00	275.00
GIBBONS NOON	0.00	240.00
GNO GIRLS NIGHT OUT	55.00	55.00
GOTTAWANNA GROUP	0.00	54.38
GREENHAVEN GROUP	67.50	198.00
GROUP ONE	30.00	30.00
GROUP THREE	0.00	540.00
HANGTOWN AA GROUP	0.00	20.00
HAPPY HOUR RANCHO GROUP	40.60	332.79
HELPING HANDS GROUP	0.00	226.80
HIGH FLYERS GROUP	22.50	129.38
HOLY SMOKELESS GROUP	0.00	215.50
INTO ACTION GROUP	121.00	529.80
JUST AA	0.00	50.00
KEEP IT SIMPLE	0.00	54.20
LINCOLN SISTERS IN SOBRIETY	0.00	50.00
LINCOLN THURSDAY NIGHT GROUP	32.25	134.82
LIVING SOBER WOMEN'S FRIDAY GRP	0.00	259.25
LOOMIS WEDNESDAY BIG BOOK	0.00	120.00
MARYSVILLE UNITY GROUP	300.00	300.00
MATHER THURSDAY NIGHT GROUP	0.00	103.00
MEN AT WORK	0.00	80.00
MEN IN THE STEPS (ALTA)	0.00	239.50
MIDTOWN SOLUTIONS	0.00	119.00
MYSTIC CHIX GROUP	0.00	364.74
NATOMAS GROUP	0.00	574.84
NORTH AUBURN GROUP OF AA	0.00	92.00
NORTH HALL GROUP	371.74	1,042.48
NUMBER ONE OFFENDERS	0.00	80.00
OAK TREE GROUP	0.00	482.66
OLD TOWN GROUP	0.00	169.08
ONE DAY AT A TIME GROUP	0.00	50.00
ORANGEVALE 11TH STEP MEDITATION GRP	0.00	85.00
ORANGEVALE SIXTY MINUTE	0.00	26.00
OVER 50 GROUP	0.00	150.00
PATHFINDERS MEETING	0.00	300.00
PATHWAY TO SPIRITUALITY GROUP	0.00	157.93
PHOENIX FELLOWSHIP	0.00	400.00
PLACERVILLE SUNRISE ATTITUDE ADJUST	0.00	260.00

GROUP NAME	May 14	YTD
PRECISLEY HOW WE HAVE RECOVERED	3.00	3.00
PROMISES GROUP - DIXON	0.00	40.00
RANCHO MURIETA GROUP	0.00	495.57
RED EYE GROUP	0.00	50.00
RINGSIDE RECOVERY	0.00	238.00
RIO LINDA FELLOWSHIP	0.00	50.00
RIVER CITY ROUNDUP	0.00	1,163.50
ROCKET TO THE 4TH DIMENSION	0.00	40.00
ROCKLIN FELLOWSHIP	50.00	2,650.00
ROCKLIN RACETRACK GROUP	0.00	150.00
ROSEVILLE ALANO CLUB	0.00	0.00
ROSEVILLE EASTSIDE GROUP	0.00	60.00
ROSEVILLE FIFTH STREET FELLOWSHIP	239.30	1,118.84
ROSEVILLE TUESDAY NIGHT GP	0.00	1,500.00
SACYPAA	0.00	450.00
SATURDAY MORNING REFLECTIONS GP	0.00	301.68
SERENDIPITY AS BILL SEES IT GROUP	0.00	120.00
SERENITY BOOK & STEP STUDY GP	150.75	542.12
SIERRA STEP SISTERS GROUP	0.00	27.43
SIERRA WEDNESDAY AM GROUP	60.00	130.00
SISTERS IN SOBRIETY	86.40	368.50
SISTERS OF SOBRIETY (PLACERVILLE)	0.00	13.20
SIXTY MINUTE SOLUTION GROUP	17.26	272.46
SOUTHPORT SERENITY	0.00	195.00
SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING GROUP	0.00	163.00
SPRING FLING GROUP	5,750.00	5,750.00
STATE OF MIND SOBRIETY	0.00	60.00
STEP SISTERS	0.00	10.00
SUNDAY NIGHT MEN'S MEETING	0.00	227.00
SUNDAY REFLECTIONS	0.00	157.66
SUNRISE SPEAKER MEETING	0.00	63.23
SUTTER BUTTES ROUNDUP GROUP	150.00	150.00
TAHOE PARK GROUP	0.00	48.80
THANK GOD IT'S SIMPLE	0.00	75.00
THE OTHER MEETING	0.00	40.00
THURS MORNING BOOK/STEP STUDY GRP	0.00	10.00
THURSDAY NIGHT MEN'S GROUP	0.00	250.00
TIME TO START LIVING GROUP	80.00	80.00
TOO YOUNG GROUP	0.00	98.14
TRADITIONAL GROUP	230.61	2,036.57
TRADITIONS AND CONCEPTS STUDY GRP	25.00	120.27
TRIANGLE GROUP	0.00	513.70
TUESDAY CORDOVA KISS GROUP	0.00	216.00
TUESDAY MIDTOWN GROUP	0.00	180.00
TURNING POINT GROUP	0.00	50.00
TWELVE STEPS TO SOBRIETY	0.00	120.00
WE CARE GROUP	0.00	178.81
WE SURRENDER MEN'S GROUP	24.17	146.17
WELCOME GROUP	0.00	531.60
WEST SLOPE FELLOWSHIP	0.00	89.58
WHAT A WY WKEND WOMENS GRP	0.00	457.55
WILD BUNCH	0.00	101.90
WILD WOMEN	69.66	194.74
WILLING WOMEN GROUP, THE	0.00	553.50
WINTERS KITCHEN TABLE GROUP	0.00	88.66
WOMEN OF WORTH	0.00	90.00
WOMEN UNDER CONSTRUCTION	0.00	238.00
WOODLAND GROUP	10.00	40.00
WOODLAND TRADITIONAL GROUP	0.00	340.00
TOTAL	10,442.90	48,347.28



Walk softly
And
Carry a Big
Book !

A man was walking through a rather seedy section of town, when a bum walked up to him and asked the man for two dollars.

The man asked, "will you buy booze?" The bum replied, "No."

Then the man asked, "Will you gamble it away?" The bum said, "No"

Then the man asked the bum, "Will you come home with me so my wife can see what happens to a man who doesn't drink or gamble?"

- A dyslexic guy walks into a bra.
- A magician walks down an alley and turns into a bar.
- An Irishman walks out of a bar. Hey it could happen!

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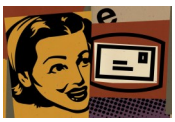

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