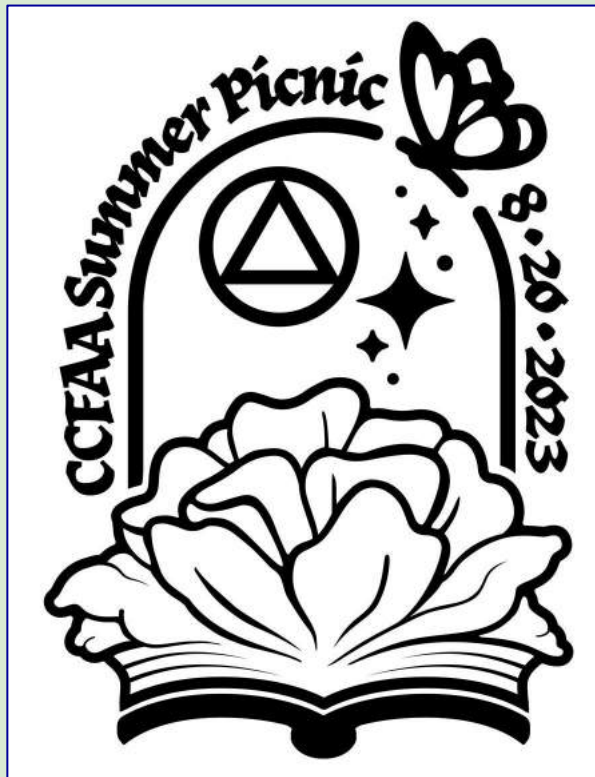




# By The Way

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## AUGUST 2023



**Come join us!**

**Sun, Aug 20, 2023**

**CCFAA PICNIC**  
**Elk Grove Park**

### Let's Keep It Simple – But How? July 1960

This Grapevine will be read as we celebrate AA's 25th Anniversary in July at Long Beach, California. We shall be stepping over a new threshold into our future. We shall rejoice as we think of the gifts and the wonders of yesterday. And, as we rededicate ourselves to fulfilling the immense promise of AA's tomorrow, we shall certainly survey how we stand today. Have we really "kept AA simple"? Or, unwittingly, have we blundered?

Thinking on this, I began to wonder about our fundamental structure: those principles, relationships, and attitudes which are the substance of our Three Legacies of Recovery, Unity, and Service. In our Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions we find twenty-four definitely stated principles. Our Third Legacy includes a charter for world service that provides thousands of general service representatives, hundreds of local committee members, eighty General Service Conference delegates, fifteen General Service Board trustees, together with our Headquarters legal, financial, public relations, editorial experts, and their staffs. Our group and area services add still more to this seeming complexity.

Twenty-two years ago last spring, we were just setting about the formation of a trusteeship for AA as a whole. Up to that moment, we had neither stated principles nor special services. Our Twelve Steps weren't even a gleam in the eye. As for the Twelve Traditions—well, we had only forty members and but three years' experience. So there wasn't anything to be "traditional" about. AA was two small groups: one at Akron and another in New York. We were a most intimate family. Dr. Bob and I were its "papas." And what we said in those days went. Home parlors were meeting places. Social life ranged around coffee pots on kitchen tables. Alcoholism was of course described as a deadly malady. Honesty, confession, restitution, working with others, and prayer was the sole formula for our survival and growth. These were the uncomplicated years of halcyon simplicity. There was no need for the maxim, "Let's keep it simple." We couldn't have been less complicated.

The contrast between then and now is rather breathtaking. To some of us it is frightening. Therefore we ask, "Has AA really kept faith with Dr. Bob's warning, 'Let's keep it simple'? How can we possibly square today's Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, General Service Conferences and International Conventions with our original coffee-and-cake AA?"

For myself I do not find this difficult to do. Genuine simplicity for today is to be found, I think, in whatever principles, practices, and services can permanently insure our widespread harmony and effectiveness. Therefore it has been better to state our principles than to leave these vague; better to clarify their applications than to leave them unclear; better to organize our services than to leave them to hit-or-miss methods, or to none at all.

Bill W. - *The Language of the Heart* p. 303-304

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## CCF DELEGATES' MEETING

Saturday, August 19, 2023

Meeting Begins at 3:00PM

New delegates arrive at 2:30pm

Online only, Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 929 9218 9084

Dial in: +1 669 900 6833 code 929 9218 9084#

Password: 912051

**Meets the third Saturday each month**



## 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.

**CCF 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

Including all members from Area 7 - Central California Interior Area

Wednesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Zoom Meeting ID: 920 7882 8921 Passcode: 013192

To volunteer email: [ccfpicpc@asacramento.org](mailto:ccfpicpc@asacramento.org)

**Meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month**

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Meeting Begins at 6:00PM

Online, Zoom Meeting ID: 924 5843 5425

Password: 791746

**Meets monthly the Tues. before the CCF Delegate's Meeting**

## H & I MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 6PM @ Denny's

7900 College Town Dr - Howe Ave & Hwy 50

We have an ongoing need for volunteers.

Contact the Area 42 Chairman, Leslie M. for more

information email: [area42handi@gmail.com](mailto:area42handi@gmail.com)

**Meets monthly on the 3rd Tuesday**



### Deadline Dates for Submissions

for the By The Way and Monthly flyers 2023

MONTH	FLYERS DEADLINE	BY THE WAY DEADLINE
August	Sat., August 5th	Sat., July 15th
September	Tue., September 5th	Tue., August 15th
October	Thu., October 5th	Fri., September 15th
November	Sun., November 5th	Sun., October 15th

All submissions need to be in by 5:00 PM.

Email ALL submissions to: [centraloffice@asacramento.org](mailto:centraloffice@asacramento.org)

## Teleservice / Teledesk Hotline Updates

Alcoholics Anonymous Teleservice, also known as the A.A. Hotline, serves 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.

**Teledesk** - AA Hotline calls at CCF Office (M-F 9a-5p)

**Teleservice** - AA Hotline calls w/Volunteers (All other days hours)

<https://asacramento.org/service-opportunities/teleservice/>

We would love to have you join our Hotline 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](mailto:hotlinehelpers@gmail.com)



### Teleservice Activity Report August 2023

See the monthly Teleservice Report in Delegates Minutes

Teleservice	June YTD	
12 Step	26	209
Meetings/Info	111	719
Total Calls	137	928

### TeleDesk Activity Report July 2023

TeleDesk	June YTD	
12 Step	20	68
Meetings/Info	167	1,557
Total Calls	187	1,625

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**Moving?**  
Contact us with with change of address.

# BY THE WAY NEWSLETTER SERVICE

We need volunteers to help with the assembly of the Flyer Mailing on Monday, **July 10<sup>th</sup>** at 9:30 a.m. & the By The Way mailing on **Monday, July 31<sup>st</sup>** at 9:30 a.m.



## Volunteer Dates for Upcoming 2023 Mailings

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.

	Flyer Mailing	By The Way Mailing
August	Thu., August 10th	Thu., August 31st
September	Mon., September 11th	Fri., September 29th
October	Tue., October 10th	Tue., October 31st
November	Mon., November 13th	Thu., November 30th

## SERVICE CORNER



**Central Office is always looking for volunteers!!!**

There are many ways to be of service at the main office or even from the comfort of your home.

Service opportunities such as; BTW Newsletter, answering phones, volunteering in the bookstore, and 12-step call work.

If you are interested in getting more information about these and other service positions, please give us a call at 916-454-1771.



Central California Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous

**Central Office Needs Teledesk Volunteers** for morning and afternoon shifts. There is also a Volunteer Coordinator position open, if you are interested give Central Office a call at 916-454-1771.

**All you need is 6 months of sobriety to help, call 916-454-1771.**

## Central California Fellowship

# Central Office Hours

**Mon. - Fri. 9a - 5p**  
**Saturday hours 10a-2p**

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**CLOSURE: MONDAY, AUGUST 21<sup>st</sup>**

Day after Picnic ~ CO working on event finances

# Volunteers

### TeleDesk Volunteers & Subs

- |              |            |
|--------------|------------|
| Alexander G. | Jeff M.    |
| Cheryl "Red" | John F.    |
| Cindy F.     | Peter G.   |
| Elaine A.    | Sharon S.  |
| Jay C.       | Suzanne B. |

### Sales Desk

- |             |         |
|-------------|---------|
| Ann A.      | Dale M. |
| Beth B.     | Ron H.  |
| Cindy Jo M. |         |

**Bulk Mailings** - Jason S.

**Webmaster** - Teague S.

### BTW & Flyer Mailing

- |             |          |
|-------------|----------|
| Bill E.     | Mike K.  |
| Cindy Jo M. | Pete G.  |
| Gary S.     | Steve O. |
| Jim B.      | Susan B. |

### BTW Committee

- |           |         |
|-----------|---------|
| Karina K. | Tom J.  |
| Mickey G. | Tony J. |



## 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.

## WEEKLY SPEAKER MEETINGS

**EL DORADO HILLS GROUP - WEEKLY SUNDAY NIGHT SPEAKER - WHEN:** Sundays @ 7-8p **WHERE:** 101 Olson Lane, El Dorado Hills, St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, Rm: Community Hall

**FOLSOM WAY OF LIFE GROUP ~ WHEN:** Every Thursday, 7:00p. Speaker/participation meeting. **WHERE:** 450 Blue Ravine Rd., Journey Church Fellowship Hall, Folsom.

**RIVER CITY SPEAKERS ~ WHEN: Every Fri. 7p-8:15p, (Open) WHERE:** 7595 Center Parkway, Sacramento. St Luke's Lutheran Church **SPEAKERS: (8/4)** Bob McC. - Rancho Murieta, **(8/11)** Curtis B. - Sacramento, **(8/18)** Deborah P. - Lakewood, **(8/25)** Henrietta P. - San Francisco

**ROSEVILLE TUESDAY NIGHT GROUP ~ WHEN:** Saturdays @7:00 - 8:30 p **WHERE:** 315 Lincoln St, Roseville. **SPEAKERS: (8/5)** Kathryn - Roseville, **(8/12)**

Greg E. - Lincoln, **(8/19)** Gino B. - Orangevale, **(8/26)** Michelle S. - Racetrack

**WOODLAND TRADITIONAL GROUP ~ WHEN:** Thursdays 7:30p **WHERE:** 418 Main Street, Woodland ~ Behind Timothy's Bakery, Entrance through the rear of the building.

## MONTHLY SPEAKER MEETINGS

**AUBURN FELLOWSHIP ~ WHEN:** Third Sat. @6:30p **WHERE:** 244 Palm Ave, Auburn.

**DAVIS HOPE GROUP ~ WHEN:** First Sat of the month at 7p **WHERE:** St. Martin's Church, 640 Hawthorn Ln, Davis.

**DRUNK SQUAD ~ WHEN:** Last Friday of the month @7p-8:15 p **WHERE:** 11549 Fair Oaks Blvd., Fair Oaks Park (behind the Library). Bring a chair to sit on.

**ELK GROVE FELLOWSHIP POTLUCK/SPEAKER/BIRTHDAY MEETING ~ WHEN:** Last Sat. Potluck: 6p, Speaker: 7p, Birthdays: (with Cake) 8p **WHERE:** Native Sons Hall, 9151 Grove St, Elk Grove, (corner of Kent and Grove St).

**FOLSOM BIG BOOK GROUP ~ COOKIE POTLUCK/SPEAKER MEETING ~ WHEN:** Mon Aug 21 @7p Cookies & Fellowship, @8p **SPEAKER:** Penny P. from Livermore, CA **WHERE:** 410 Wool St., Folsom CA - Trinity Episcopal Church, Trinity Hall.

**FORESTHILL BENT NICKEL GROUP ~ BIRTHDAY NIGHT/SPEAKER MEETING ~ WHEN:** Thu. @7p Birthday Celebration, @7:30p-8:15p Speaker Meeting. **WHERE:** 20801 Todd Valley Rd, Forrest Hill, Calvary Bible Church. **SPEAKERS: (7/27)** Heidi W. - Rocklin FWP, **(8/31)** Lance H. - Woodland Group, **(9/28)** Morgan H. - Auburn Fellowship

**FREEDOM GROUP SPEAKER/BIRTHDAY ~ WHEN:** Last Mon of the month 7:30p **WHERE:** Faith United Methodist Church, 3600 J St, Sacramento.

**GALT FELLOWSHIP ~ WHEN:** First Sat of the month. Dinner: 6p Speaker: 7p **WHERE:** Galt Methodist Church, 571 C St, Galt.

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

**GROUP THREE ~ WHEN:** Third Sat of the month at 6p **WHERE:** [Zoom ID: 198-018-629](https://www.zoom.us/j/198-018-629) **PW: 1945**

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

**LGBT DIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP ~ WHEN:** Last Fri of the month at 7p **WHERE:** Woodland Group, 96 West Main St Suite B., Woodland.

**MIDTOWN SOLUTIONS ~ WHEN:** Last Sat of the month at 7p -8:15p. **WHERE:** 2903 30th St, Sacramento.

**MOTHERLODE FELLOWSHIP ~ WHEN:** First Sat of the month at 7:30p **WHERE:** 677 Pleasant Valley Rd, Diamond Springs.

**NEW HOPE GROUP ~ WHEN:** Last Sat of every month at 6:30p **WHERE:** United Methodist Church, 9849 Fair Oaks Blvd, Fair Oaks.

**NORTH HALL GROUP ~ WHEN:** Third Sat of the month at 8p **WHERE:** 3501 2nd Ave, Sacramento.

**NORTH SACRAMENTO GROUP ~ WHEN:** First Sat of the month at 7p-8:30p **WHERE:** 2330 Fairfield St, Sacramento.

## MONTHLY SPEAKER MEETINGS

**OAK PARK FELLOWSHIP ~ WHEN:** Third Fri of the month at 7p **WHERE:** 2940 42nd St, Sacramento.

**PLAYPAA MEETING ~ WHEN:** First Sat of the month; 6-7:30p. **WHERE:** 301 Tahoe Ave. Roseville. Followed by an event.

**RIO LINDA FELLOWSHIP ~ WHEN:** Second Fri of the month. Cookies/Coffee @6p, Speaker @7p **WHERE:** Rio Linda Fellowship, Calvary Lutheran Church, 515 L St, Rio Linda.

**SACRAMENTO MONTHLY SPEAKER MEETING ~ WHEN:** 2nd Sat Monthly Doors @7, Meeting @8p-9:30p **SPEAKER:** Michael S. Riverside, CA. **WHERE:** Centennial United Methodist Church, 5401 Freeport Blvd, Sacto. Please Join us & speaker before meeting at Selland's Market Café, 915 Broadway, Sacramento **SACYPAA ~ WHEN/WHERE:** 4th Sat of the month. Go to [www.sacypaa.org](http://www.sacypaa.org) for more info.

**TRADITIONAL GROUP ~ MONTHLY SPEAKER MEETING ~ WHEN:** Aug. 19th @ 8p **WHERE:** 1355 Fulton Ave. Sacramento **SPEAKERS: (20 Min.)** Ashley S. - Traditional Group ; (Main) Steff M. - Orangevale Alano

**WOODLAND GROUP ~ WHEN:** First Sat of every month. Potluck 6p. , Speaker 7p **WHERE:** 96 E. Main St., Behind All Seasons Paint Store

**WOODLAND TRADITIONAL GROUP OPEN SPEAKER MEETING ~ WHEN:** Thursday's @7:30p **WHERE:** 418 Main St., Woodland

## QUARTERLY SPEAKER MEETINGS

**ROCKLIN FELLOWSHIP - QUARTERLY SPEAKER MEETING ~ WHEN:** 9/2/2023 Dessert potluck & bad coffee from 6-7P, Speaker meeting from 7-8:30P. **SPEAKER:** Brenda W. from Los Angeles **WHERE:** Johnson Springview Park, 5480 Fifth St, Rocklin <https://aasacramento.org/event/rocklin-fellowship-quarterly-speaker-meeting-4/>

**EAST YOLO FELLOWSHIP - QUARTERLY SPEAKER MEETING ~ WHEN:** 9/16/2023 Quarterly - March, June, September, and November on the Third Saturday of the month at 7:00 pm. Potluck @6p ~ 9/16 **SPEAKERS:** Jessica F. (CR Fair Oaks) & Candy T. (East Yolo Fellowship) **WHERE:** 910 Sacramento Ave West Sacramento <https://aasacramento.org/event/east-yolo-fellowship-quarterly-aa-speaker-meeting-3/>

## NEW GROUPS & MEETINGS

**ACCEPTANCE IS THE ANSWER ~ WHEN:** Thurs @ 7:30p **WHERE:** 1100 Blue Ravine Rd, Folsom. Oak Hills Church. Open, 1 hour, Womens', 12 x 12 Study.

**BACK TO BASICS ORANGEVALE ~ WHEN:** Mon @6:3p first four Mondays **WHERE:** 8999 Greenback Ln, Orangevale, Pathway Fellowship Church

**DOBBINS WILD BUNCH GROUP ~ WHEN:** Wed 6p **WHERE:** 9185 Marysville Rd, Oregon House, Alcouffe Community Center

**GROUP THREE ~ TYPE:** In-Person **WHEN:** Thu @8p **WHERE:** 9940 Business Park Dr., STE#110, Sacramento

**GROUP THREE ~ TYPE:** Women, In-Person **WHEN:** Sun @3p **WHERE:** 9940 Business Park Dr., STE#110, Sacramento

**HIGH FLYERS ~ NEW MEETING ~ WHEN:** Fri@5:30 **WHERE:** 3077 Alhambra Dr., Ste. D **AND Meeting ID: 298-999-056**

**ROSEVILLE TUESDAY NIGHT GROUP ~ TYPE:** 12 & 12, Open **WHEN:** Thu. @4:30p **WHERE:** 315 Lincoln St, Roseville

**SAC TOWN COFFEE HOUSE ~ WHEN:** Thu 7p **WHERE:** 2100 J St., Sacramento, First United Methodist Church, Room #206

**SOBER SHOTS ~ NEW MEETING ~ WHEN:** Fri 8pm **WHERE:** 940 Eleanor Ave, Alano North, Open 1hr, Chair & Discussion Meeting.

**SPEAKEASY ~ Meditation Mtg ~ WHEN:** Sun @5p **WHERE:** 556 Second St., Yuba City

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT 12X12 BOOK STUDY ~ (OPEN, 1 hr) Re-opened and needs support ~ WHEN:** Wed @6:30p **WHERE:** 9346 Greenback Ln, Orangevale, American River Alano Club

## GROUP UPDATES & CHANGES

**AA UNITY GROUP ~ TIME CHANGE ~ WHEN:** Thursday @ 7:p now meets @ 7:30p ~ **WHERE:** [Zoom Meeting ID: 275-143-4405](#)

**AUBURN FELLOWSHIP BIRTHDAY NIGHT ~ ZOOM CANCELLATION ~ WHEN:** Last Saturday of the month @6:30 p **WHERE:** 244 Palm Ave., Auburn ~ now meets in-person only ~

**COLFAX FWP ~ DAY CHANGE ~ WHEN:** Sun.@6:3p now meets Wed.@6:3p **WHERE:** 59 West Church St. Methodist Church

**COUNTRY CLUB GROUP ~ TIME CHANGE ~ WHEN:** Thurs 7:30p now meets at 7p **WHERE:** 3235 Pope Ave, Sac., Northminster Presbyterian Church

**DAILY ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT ~ NEW LOCATION ~ WHEN:** Mon – Fri 630am, Sat & Sun 730am **WHERE:** HYBRID 8137 Sunset Ave #150, Fair Oaks. Northridge Plaza & [Zoom Meeting ID: 715-585-775 PW: serenity](#)

**DRY DOCK GROUP ~ TIME CHANGE ~ WHEN:** Friday @ 8p now meets @ 7p ~ **WHERE:** 450 W. El Camino Ave., Stanford House

**ELEPHANT SQUAD ~ ZOOM CANCELLATION ~ WHEN:** Friday 7:00 PM **WHERE:** Fair Oaks Faith Lutheran Church 4000 San Juan Avenue ~ now meets in-person only ~

**ELEPHANT SQUAD ~ MEETING CLOSURE ~ WHEN:** Fri 7pm

**GOTTAWANNA GROUP ~ DAY/TIME/LOCATION CHANGE ~** The Thur 7:3p 4333 Florin road meeting is moving to **WHEN:** Fri @6p **WHERE:** McKinley Park next to the tennis courts (by 33rd St & Park Way). Please bring a chair or blanket to sit on.

**HIGH FLYERS ~ MEETING CLOSURE ~ WHEN:** Wed.@6a **WHERE:** 3077 Alhambra Dr, #D, Cameron Park

**INTO ACTION ONLINE GP ~ MEETING CLOSURE/CANCELLED ~ WHEN:** Mon. @6a **WHERE:** Online - this meeting is no longer available.

**LUNACY COMMISSION ~ ZOOM ID & PW CHANGE ~ WHEN:** Mon@10a **WHERE:** Updated to [Zoom Meeting ID: 821-8390-1542 PW: Lunacy](#)

**MEDITATION WORKSHOP ~ NEW SCHEDULE/LOCATION ~ WHEN:** M,W, F @ 10:30 am **WHERE:** 9346 Greenback Ln., Ste#10, Orangevale, Alano Club

**NORTH AUBURN GROUP ~ MEETING CLOSURES ~ WHEN:** M-F @6:30a **WHERE:** 4076 Grass Valley Hwy - 6:30a MTGS are canceled

**ROSEVILLE TUESDAY NIGHT GROUP ~ WOMEN ONLINE MTG CANCELED ~ WHEN:** Saturday @9a **WHERE:** 315 Lincoln St, Roseville now meets in-person only

**ROUND TABLE GROUP ~ NEW LOCATION ~ WHEN:** Mon 7pm **WHERE:** HYBRID 8155 Watt Ave, Antelope. The Point Church & [Zoom Meeting ID: 845-7896-6589 PW: 321697](#)

**RULE 62 ROSEVILLE ~ LOCATION CHANGE ~ WHEN:** Thurs @7p **WHERE:** now at 5400 Barton Rd, Loomis, Shepherd of the Sierra Presbyterian Church

**SENSE OF BELONGING ~ MEETING CLOSURE/CANCELLED ~ WHEN:** Sat @ 7p **WHERE:** Online meeting has been cancelled

**SERENITY NOW SATURDAY WOMENS MTG ~ MEETING CLOSURE ~ WHEN:** Sat. @10a **WHERE:** Online meeting has closed down.

**SISTERS OF SOBRIETY ~ TIME CHANGE ~ WHEN:** Sat. @9a now meets @10a **WHERE:** 3109 Sacramento St., St. Patrick's Church

**SOBER BREATH GP ~ MEETING CLOSURE ~ WHEN:** Tue & Thu @Noon **WHERE:** 2376 Zinfandel Dr, St Clements Church

**TRADITIONAL GROUP ~ MEETING CLOSURE ~ WHEN:** Sat @ 9a **WHERE:** Online meeting is now closed/cancelled

**WE DO RECOVER ~ DAY & TIME CHANGE ~ WHEN:** The Wednesday 7:30p meeting now meets Thursday at 6:00p **WHERE:** [Zoom Meeting ID: 871-677-27132 PW: 598788](#)

**WOMEN OF EXTRAVAGANT PROMISES ~ MEETING CLOSURE ~ WHEN:** Tue. @ 7:30 pm **WHERE:** Online - this meeting is no longer available.

## GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS

**EAST YOLO FELLOWSHIP ~ BACK TO BASICS ~** Work all 12 steps in four weeks. Bring your 4th edition Big Book. ~ **WHEN:** First 4 Wednesdays @730p **WHERE:** 910 Sacramento Ave. West Sacramento.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT 12X12 BOOK STUDY ~ (OPEN, 1 hr)**  
**Re-opened and needs support ~ WHEN:** Wed @6:30p  
**WHERE:** 9346 Greenback Ln, Orangevale, American River Alano Club



## SPECIAL EVENTS

**FORESTHILL BENT NICKEL ~ 41st Anniversary Potluck Celebration! ~ WHEN:** Aug 5th Potluck@5:00p, Raffle@6:15p, Speaker@ 6:30p (Tamara B - Folsom Big Book Group) **WHERE:** 20801 Todd Valley Rd, Foresthill, Calvary Bible Church <https://aasacramento.org/event/foresthill-bent-nickel-41st-anniversary-potluck-celebration/>

**DRUNK SQUAD SUMMER SOBER FLOAT ~ WHEN:** Sat Aug 12th, 10a River FLOAT, 12pm FOOD, 1:30p SPEAKER **WHERE:** Launch: @10a from 11351 S. Bridge Street, Rancho Cordova, American River Parkway ~ **End:** 6700 Tarshes Dr, Carmichael - Ancil Hoffman @ PINK TENT

**AREA DELEGATE REPORT TO DISTRICT 17 ~ WHEN:** Aug 12th 1p-330p **WHERE:** 1114 College St, Woodland @ American Lutheran Church. Food, Drinks served

**CITRUS HEIGHTS GROUP 63rd Anniversary ~ WHEN:** Wed. August 16th ~ 6:30p Potluck ~ 7:30p Speakers **WHERE:** 7607 Garden Gate Dr. Citrus Heights, Ascension Lutheran Church (I-80 & Antelope)

**RIO LINDA FWP ~ H&I WORKSHOP ~ WHEN:** Aug 25th, 7-8:30p **WHERE:** 515 L St. Rio Linda, 95673, Calvary Lutheran Church **FOOD:** Pizza will be provided. Please bring sides & desserts to share ~ Thank you!

**WEST SLOPE UNITY GROUP ~ ANNUAL CAMP-OUT ~ WHEN:** August 25-27, 2023 **WHERE:** 5461 Bassi Rd. Lotus, Camp Lotus. See Flyer & Registration info: <https://aasacramento.org/event/west-slope-unity-group-camp-out-2/>

**OAK TREE FELLOWSHIP ANNUAL PICNIC (Raffle + Speaker Meeting)**  
**WHEN:** Sat Aug 26th, Fellowship starts @11a, Lunch @12:30p  
 Speakers @2p (Teri O./Oaktree FWP & Kiki G./Drunk Squad) **WHERE:** William Land Park picnic area #13&14 - Behind Fairytale Town (on 15th Ave.)

**HAND IN HAND WOMEN'S DAY OF UNITY ~ WHEN:** September 9th, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm **WHERE:** 1900 West Vine St Lodi, Vinewood Community Church. **REGISTRATION INFO:**  
<https://aasacramento.org/event/hand-in-hand-womens-day-of-unity-2/>

**EAST YOLO FWP PRESENTS - Theatre Play & Food ~ James Bond Agent AA7 in Live and Let Live ~ WHEN:** Fri, Sep 22 @7:3p **WHERE:** 910 Sacramento Ave, West Sacramento. ~ Subway sandwiches will be provided!

**16TH ANNUAL CENTRAL FOOTHILL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE ~ WHEN:** Sat., October 7th @8:30a to 4:00p ~ **WHERE:** 12134 Airport Rd. Sutter Creek, American Legion Hall. ~ MAIN SPEAKER ~ Lynne R., Stockton ~ **REGISTRATION:** Pre-reg. Ends 9/25  
<https://aasacramento.org/event/16th-annual-central-foothill-womens-conference/>

**NCCAA 74th ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE ~ WHEN:** October 13th-15th **WHERE:** Fresno DoubleTree Hotel 2233 Ventura St, Fresno, CA. Pre-Register by Oct 1st., Book your hotel by 9/28 to receive Convention Rate. <https://norcalaa.org/>

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<b>AA UNITY</b>		<b>EAST YOLO FELLOWSHIP (cont.)</b>		 <p><b>AUGUST BIRTHDAY CLUB</b></p> <p><b>JOIN THE CCFAA BIRTHDAY CLUB</b></p> <p>SEND \$ AMOUNT (+/-) YEARS OF SOBRIETY TO CENTRAL OFFICE!</p>	<b>GROUP 3 (cont.)</b>		<b>RIO LINDA FELLOWSHIP (cont.)</b>		
Paul S.	29	Les L.	7		Esteban S.	4	John W.	7	
Jeanie	20	Arthur J.	6		Christine R.	4	Ben R.	6	
Ellen	10	Steven L.	5		Ken S.	4	Dayton B.	6	
<b>COURAGE TO CHANGE</b>		Michelle P.	5		Adrian	4	Jessie P.	6	
Cindy C.	39	Jimmy S.	5		John B.	4	Eric R.	4	
Michael D.	21	Marie P.	5		Nick A.	4	Gavin F.	4	
Kim C.	14	Tenely B.	4		Joseph D.	4	Sonny M.	2	
Michele W.	6	Alise B.	1		Doug M.	4	Pedro	1	
<b>DAILY ATTITUDE ADJUST</b>		<b>ELK GROVE FELLOWSHIP</b>			Eddy F.	4	Ray M.	1	
Karen S.	39	Katherine S.	19	Travis G.	4	Andrew G.	1		
Trysia	17	Norm B.	17	Andrea C.	3	Emily S.	1		
Arielle E.	16	Jon C.	16	Inez C.	3	Connie K.	1		
Shaun L.	16	Beth M.	14	Teresa T.	3	Marie H.	1		
Erin G.	13	Josie S.	7	Lester H.	34	Sarah N.	3	Yini P.	1
Tammy B.	11	Jackie S.	1	Steve G.	34	Kiran S.	2	<b>ROCKLIN RACETRACK</b>	
Rachel	11	Phil M.	1	Maxine N.	28	Kaveh M.	2	Dean R.	40
Danielle D.	11	Kyle M.	1	Anthony P.	25	Dain W.	1	Charlie L.	31
Shannon N.	10	<b>FAIR OAKS BEGINNERS</b>		Ethan E.	24	Kelley A.	1	Dan H.	26
Renee S.	2	Al E.	40	Mary Jo M.	23	Ashley M.	1	Matthew L.	23
Julie L.	2	Marty G.	8	Jerry M.	21	Dave J.	1	Jennifer B.	21
<b>DAILY DIRECTION</b>		Susan O.	6	Reginald D.	21	Malena B.	1	Ivan Y.	15
Bob K.	15	Renee S.	2	Jeanie G.	20	Tanya M.	1	Jean L.	15
Greg S.	2	Mary G.	1	Brent H.	18	<b>HAPPY DESTINY</b>		Mike M.	13
Don F.	1	<b>FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH</b>		Jenifer A.	16	Herb P.	38	Sean G.	11
<b>EAST YOLO FELLOWSHIP</b>		Kathy Jo.	18	Melissa M.	13	Jennifer B.	30	John T.	7
Lucy H.	52	Joseph G.	2	Nancy A.	12	Kathy Jo.	18	Stacy T.	7
Peggy L.	39	<b>GREENHAVEN GROUP</b>		Ryan C.	11	<b>PRIMORDIAL OOZE</b>		Jay M.	6
Sally L.	38	Michael	24	Jeremy W.	9	Robbie B.	30	Ryan B.	2
Jesse R.	37	Bob B.	20	Matthew B.	9	Max C.	7	... Continued on page 7 ...	
John A.	35	Caty	16	Janet B.	8	Scott M.	3		
Kimberly H.	30	Sam L.	11	Dale H.	8	Zach L.	1	 <p><b>AUGUST Birthdays</b></p> <p><b>3,205</b></p> <p><b>TOTAL YEARS OF SOBRIETY!</b></p>	
Robert C.	29	Logan M.	7	Tim N.	6	<b>RIO LINDA FELLOWSHIP</b>			
Fernando M.	29	Howard S.	6	Danielle M.	6	Cyndy B.	30		
Derek C.	25	Jamice K.	4	Jeff T.	5	Jackie R.	15		
Patrick B.	18	Jenn T.	4	Donna V.	5	Ray P.	14		
Floyd T.	18	Curtis	4	Peter E.	5	Laura M.	13		
Janeen Marie	17	Sara D.	3	Tina S.	5	Megan C.	13		
Michael M.	12	Jillena	2	Matthew N.	5	John S.	12		
Joey Z.	12	<b>GROUP 3</b>		Mogaine L.	5	Courtland S.	10		
Laura T.	7	Jerry D.	44	Jeremy S.	5	Daniel Mc.	9		
Paige K.	7	Douglas G.	34	Covri H.	5	Mark A.	9		

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS CONTINUED FROM Pg. 6

YEARS		YEARS		YEARS	
<b>ROSEVILLE EAST SIDE</b>		<b>TRADITIONAL (cont.)</b>		<b>FAIR OAKS BEGINNERS LATE JULY</b>	
Amber S.	28	Gene H.	34	Patty R.	43
Theresa W.	20	Kirk L.	31	Margie	16
Sam P.	13	Carolyn M.	27	Shauna P.	14
<b>ROSEVILLE TUESDAY NIGHT</b>		Chris R.	19	Tammy	13
Bruce A.	42	Kerri P.	18	Jules	12
Ann S.	37	Pauly C.	16	Chuck D.	5
Monika K.	31	William B.	16	Mary P.	2
Rodney S.	31	Sherree R.	14	Mike M.	2
Amber S.	28	Ashley S.	9	Amanda S.	1
Lauren C.	26	Ken L.	9	Nicole P.	1
Rick W.	24	Stacey B.	7	<b>ROCKLIN RACETRACK LATE JULY</b>	
Angela C.	22	Ralph F.	6	Tony O.	42
Dan K.	18	Donald C.	5	Teresa M.	36
Ron K.	18	Inez C.	3	Brigitte P.	29
Wayne M.	14	Teresa T.	3	Will H.	26
Sam P.	13	Roberta S.	3	Tony D.	26
Martha	13	Tristan F.	1	Robyn H.	19
Noel F.	13	<b>WHAT A WAY TO START A WEEKEND</b>		Dave W.	19
Jesse K.	9	Dorothy B.	39	Katie L.	17
Debbie L.	7	Patti B.	37	Laura Z.	16
Max C.	7	Jo Ann A.	22	Kathleen W.	16
Perry A.	6	<b>WOODLAND GROUP</b>		Jillian T.	10
Amy R.	5	Ruben M.	32	Marcelle W.	9
Keri B.	5	Steve T.	30	Tracey R.	8
Amber M.	3	Robert S.	26	Ken L.	7
Jason M.	2	Jim H.	25	Kerrilee K.	5
<b>ROUND TABLE AA</b>		Justin D.	17	<b>LATE JUNE</b>	
Joe D.	38	Kim J.	8	<b>WHAT WAY START A WEEKEND WKND</b>	
Cyndy B.	30	Christen F.	4	Mitzi	34
<b>SERENITY BOOK STEP STUDY</b>		Betty F.	2		
Connie N.	11	Jennifer D.	1		
Karessa J.	10	Nicholas K.	1		
Paige K.	7	Alisa C.	1		
<b>SHARING &amp; CARING</b>					
Aaron G.	1				
Stephen B.	1				
<b>TRADITIONAL</b>					
Frank B.	52				
Warren H.	40				
Mary C.	40				
Stephen O.	35				



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Theory  
belief/idea/concept/  
premise  
“The spiritual life is  
not a theory. We  
have to live it.”  
Big Book p. 83

*In Memoriam Birthdays*

**Pete B.,**  
our Webmaster, BTW Committee chair, and  
beloved Friend

Submit for publication in memory of a loved one:  
[centraloffice@aasacramento.org](mailto:centraloffice@aasacramento.org)

Publish your Home Group's  
**Birthdays**  
here in the BTW

To make a submission, have a group Birthday  
person or representative contact Central Office  
for the appropriate form and instructions  
[centraloffice@aasacramento.org](mailto:centraloffice@aasacramento.org)

**SEPTEMBER** submissions due by  
**AUGUST 15, 2023**

*We want your work!*

Submit recovery artwork, writings, jokes...

By The Way always welcomes content contributions!  
The theme for each month is the step, tradition, and  
concept for the number of each month.  
Submit to [centraloffice@aasacramento.org](mailto:centraloffice@aasacramento.org) by the  
15<sup>th</sup> of each month.

**Writer's block?**

Can't think of a worthy topic to  
write about? Consider these  
suggestions as a starting point  
to your journaling or submit to  
By The Way!

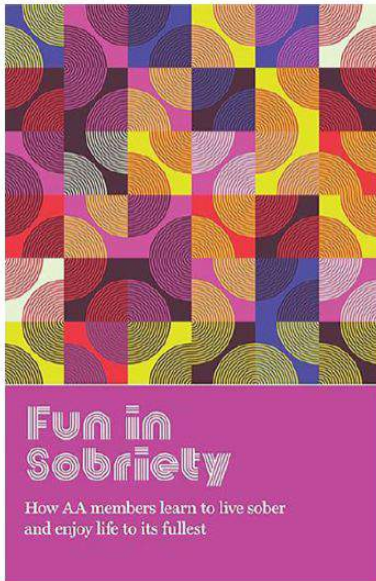
**Writing Prompt:**

Steps 8 & 9 are about cleaning up our past with  
others, and to build a new foundation with the  
relationships in our lives. We agreed to go to any  
length to stay sober and so set out to clean up our  
side of the street. Share how this process allowed  
you to have a clean slate with the world. To be  
able to lift your head up with a new purpose,  
maybe for the first time, and to bring hope to  
others who still my bock or let fear prevent them  
from taking these vital steps.



## CENTRAL OFFICE SPECIAL OF THE MONTH

### Fun in Sobriety



**Sale \$14.25 + tax**

Features 50-plus inspiring stories by members of *Alcoholics Anonymous* about the many ways they've learned to have a good time after putting down the drink. Chapters include travel, outdoor activities, arts & hobbies, social entertainment, fun-filled AA activities and sober events. The stories were previously published in *Grapevine*, the International Journal of Alcoholics Anonymous. Full of passion and humor, this book shows how, by working the program and developing a sober network, life can begin to take on new, exciting adventures.

## The Eighth Step

***"Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all."***

We made it when we took inventory. We subjected ourselves to a drastic self-appraisal. Now we go out to our fellows and repair the damage done in the past.

-Alcoholics Anonymous, pg. 76

## The Eighth Tradition

***"Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers."***

"It is significant, now that almost no A.A. in our Fellowship breaks anonymity at the public level, that nearly all these fears have subsided. We see that we have no right or need to discourage A.A.'s who wish to work as individuals in these wider fields. It would be actually antisocial were we to forbid them. We cannot declare A.A. such a closed corporation that we keep our knowledge and experience top secret. If an A.A. member acting as a citizen can become a better researcher, educator, personnel officer, then why not? Everybody gains, and we have lost nothing. True, some of the projects to which A.A.'s have attached themselves have been ill-conceived, but that makes not the slightest difference with the principle involved.."

-- Alcoholics Anonymous, *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions*, pg. 171

## The Eighth Concept

The Trustees of the General Service Board act in two primary capacities:

- (a) With respect to the larger matters of overall policy and finance, they are the principal planners and administrators. They and their primary committees directly manage these affairs.
- (b) But with respect to our separately incorporated and constantly active services, the relation of the Trustees is mainly that of full stock ownership and of custodial oversight which they exercise through their ability to elect all directors of these entities.

<https://www.aa.org/twelve-concepts-world-service-illustrated>



# Program Puzzler: Step, Tradition, and Concept Seven

## WORD SEARCH

K Z M D N F C Y P I W O E S U E P K N K  
 A J W U M E O B S T A C L E H H A P B D  
 P U R U M R W R E C K A G E C G T B N E  
 O K R Y T G S G G V G P V T E O I T E F  
 L S E Y R P R X N I I A N A N P E J O E  
 O S W B E H S E F H V P G U W R N O N N  
 G D A U P K D V S S L E I Q D B C J K S  
 I W R A U G I R F T G V N C M H E B Z I  
 E H D Z T B E M X A I D H E F V H O H V  
 S Y S K A N Y F P Y P T J R S G A G T E  
 L L H G T A L G Y E Q U U F N S X C L J  
 I N J R I F H V O J P Q B T O N T T P S  
 O I A X O E A B A N N R I P I C D A R Z  
 G P S C N T G U R N E V F E S O Y F O M  
 P A K O X G I J R H G S R J P J N I C X

- REWARDS
- RESTITUTION
- WOES
- OBSTACLE
- REPUTATION
- BYGONES
- APOLOGIES
- DEFENSIVE
- PARTNERSHIP
- PATIENCE
- FORGIVENESS
- WRECKAGE

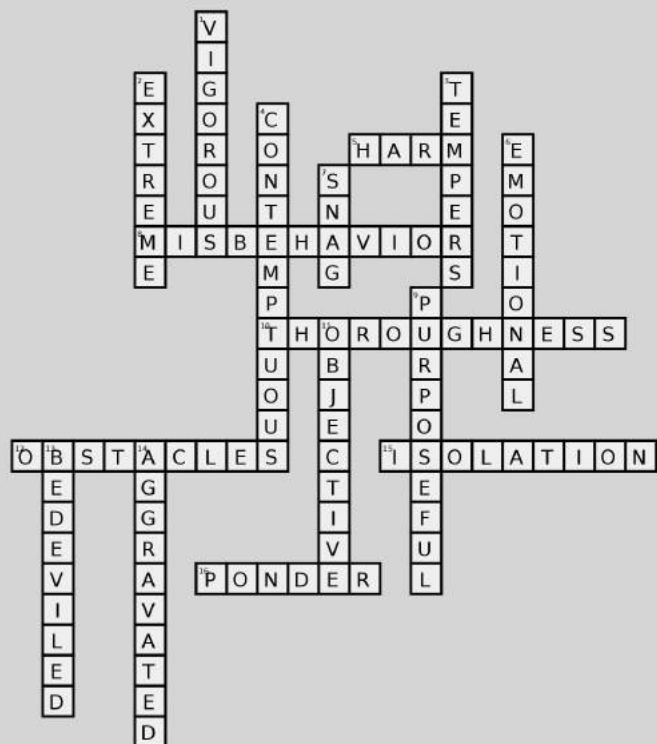
**Down:**

1. Next we make a \_\_\_ attempt to repair the damage we have done.
2. We should avoid \_\_\_ judgements.
3. If our \_\_\_ are consistently bad, we arouse anger in others.
4. We really issue them an invitation to become \_\_\_ and vengeful.
6. This reopening of \_\_\_ wounds.
7. Some of us, though, tripped over a very different \_\_\_.
9. This attitude, of course, is the end result of \_\_\_ forgetting.
11. A quiet, \_\_\_ view will be our steadfast aim.
13. Alcoholics are not the only ones \_\_\_ by sick emotions.
14. Our behavior when drinking has \_\_\_ the defects of others.

**Across:**

5. What real \_\_\_, therefore, had we done?
8. Such gross \_\_\_ is not by any means a full catalogue of the harms we do.
10. \_\_\_, we have found, will pay — and pay handsomely.
12. These \_\_\_, however, are very real.
15. It is the beginning of the end of \_\_\_ from our fellows and from God.
16. We should, of course, \_\_\_ and weigh each instance carefully.

**Solution to puzzle on p. 10**



**CCFAA Picnic - Sunday, Aug 20**  
 Elk Grove Regional Park

Picnic Committee meetings 2nd  
 Thursday monthly @6pm

Zoom Meeting ID: 826 3034 4294  
 Passcode: PICNIC2023

**Plenty of service needed!**

Please attend if interested in being of service.

# JUST ARRIVED!

## At CCF Central Office Bookstore

A.A.W.S is delighted to announce that a new “soft touch velvet” cover treatment is now being used on our softcover Big Books!



This cover treatment makes use of the one of the most commonly used cover finishes available—that will eliminate the need for the special order of high-cost materials, which also have come to be accompanied by long lead times resulting in backorders.

Often used on classic editions, the “soft touch velvet” finish is well known among readers everywhere for its high-quality look and feel—and its durability.

**A.A.W.S. encourages ordering of literature and other items via your local groups, Intergroups and Central Offices.**

## National AA Technology Workshop

*“Solving, Sharing, and Scaling Solutions”*



<https://naatw.org/>

**Inviting all AA members in Service (and Geeks in Recovery)**

September 8th - 10th, 2023

We would love for you to join us in person if you can make it or we'll see you on Zoom!

Shenandoah University  
 Winchester, VA

*Hotel rooms available—Event & Hotel Registration coming soon!*



# CCFAA Sun, Aug 20th ~ 9a to 4p PICNIC Elk Grove Regional Park



Plenty of Food & Games for family and friends! Cake Walk, Plant Sale, White Elephant Sale, Raffles, DJ & Music, Crafts, Fellowship, AA Programs information and especially **FUN!!**

**Exceptional speakers!**

**10am** Todd B. of Rocklin & **2pm** Jack G. of Huntington Beach

## PLANTS AND THINGS BOOTH

This year we will have a variety of beautiful green plants, "Bill W." clippings, succulents, and birdhouses.

**Venmo accepted!!!**



**Support Central Office**

## WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

Cool items needed to be sold at Picnic

Donated Items can include: Clothing, furniture, knickknacks, lamps, utensils, party favors, tools, and any other item you don't need but might be useful to other people.

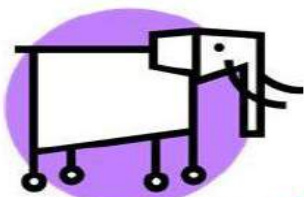
Contact Lynette **by Text Only**, for more information: 916-826-7033

**No Pick Ups / Drop offs ONLY**

starting July 31<sup>st</sup> at: 9120 Elk Grove Blvd. Sacramento 95624

**No Items that can't be carried in 2 hands by 1 person!**

**Don't let this \$\$\$ maker slip away !!!!**



**Support Central Office**

## **RAFFLE, CASH & PRIZES!!!**



**Group Meeting CCFAA Delegates:** Please pick up \$100 of raffle tickets for the Picnic Raffle. We have made arrangements for the Central Office to have ticket packets available for each delegate to pick up. If you are unable to pick them up at the office, we can send them to you by mail.

We have a donated TV as the grand prize and are asking Delegate Groups to donate a gift basket to this year's Picnic Raffle to help fund the CCFAA operations. We need your help to make this a fun and exciting day! Please be sure that group's baskets are "Raffle Ready"!



**Tickets: \$1 each or \$5 for 7**



Prizes: 4 @ \$25, 1 @ \$50, 1 @ \$100, 1 @ \$200  
Big Screen TV, Appliances, Tools, & much more.

Order your tickets today by texting name and address  
Contact Elora J. 916-549-0543 or Cyndi G. 916.968.3212

You can also contact them with your groups Gift Baskets donations

**Tickets at: Central Office, Area Meetings or at Picnic**

❖ Drawing Time: Conclusion of 2pm Speaker

❖ Need not be present to win!

Winning tickets held & posted at [www.aasacramento.org](http://www.aasacramento.org)

Books can be donated by contacting Paul G., (916) 997-4870 (leave a message) or bring books on Picnic day or drop-off at Central Office

**USED-BOOKS DONATIONS**

**NEEDED FOR THE**

**BOOK SALE!**



# QUARTER 2 REPORT

	<u>Jun 30, 23</u>	<u>Jun 30, 22</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Current Assets				
Checking/Savings				
BUSINESS ADVANTAGE SAVINGS	101,035.82	61,002.05	40,033.77	65.63%
001062 · Operations Account	47,751.28	39,740.30	8,010.98	20.16%
1065 · Cash Drawer	250.00	250.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Checking/Savings	<u>149,037.10</u>	<u>100,992.35</u>	<u>48,044.75</u>	<u>47.57%</u>
Accounts Receivable				
1200 · Accounts Receivable	1,776.06	1,357.05	419.01	30.88%
Total Accounts Receivable	<u>1,776.06</u>	<u>1,357.05</u>	<u>419.01</u>	<u>30.88%</u>
Other Current Assets				
1072 · Security Deposits	4,012.61	4,012.61	0.00	0.0%
1500 · Inventory Asset	19,092.12	16,973.81	2,118.31	12.48%
Total Other Current Assets	<u>23,104.73</u>	<u>20,986.42</u>	<u>2,118.31</u>	<u>10.09%</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>173,917.89</u>	<u>123,335.82</u>	<u>50,582.07</u>	<u>41.01%</u>
Fixed Assets				
1820 · Furniture & Equipment	20,360.75	20,360.75	0.00	0.0%
1821 · Computer Equipment	718.76	500.00	0.00	43.75%
1825 · Acc. Depreciation-Furniture and	-20,360.75	-20,360.75	0.00	0.0%
1840 · Computer Software	2,752.02	2,752.02	0.00	0.0%
1845 · Acc. Depreciation-software	-2,752.02	-2,752.02	0.00	0.0%
Total Fixed Assets	<u>718.76</u>	<u>500.00</u>	<u>218.76</u>	<u>43.75%</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>174,636.65</u>	<u>123,835.82</u>	<u>50,800.83</u>	<u>41.02%</u>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>				
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable				
2100 · Accounts Payable	1,189.40	2,191.45	-1,002.05	-45.73%
Total Accounts Payable	<u>1,189.40</u>	<u>2,191.45</u>	<u>-1,002.05</u>	<u>-45.73%</u>
Other Current Liabilities				
2200 · Payroll Liabilities	2,235.09	1,912.98	322.11	16.84%
2220 · Accrued Paid Time Off	2,727.94	2,727.94	0.00	0.0%
2310 · Sales Tax Payable	2,668.78	2,053.49	615.29	29.96%
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>7,631.81</u>	<u>6,694.41</u>	<u>937.40</u>	<u>14.0%</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>8,821.21</u>	<u>8,885.86</u>	<u>-64.65</u>	<u>-0.73%</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>8,821.21</u>	<u>8,885.86</u>	<u>-64.65</u>	<u>-0.73%</u>
Equity				
3000 · Opening Bal Equity	105.90	105.90	0.00	0.0%
3300 · Unrestricted Fund Balance	60,240.79	60,240.79	0.00	0.0%
3600 · Retained Earnings	85,878.15	37,120.51	48,757.64	131.35%
3600 · Prior Period Adjustments	-4,504.48	-2,834.23	-1,670.25	-58.93%
Net Income	24,095.08	20,316.99	3,778.09	18.6%
Total Equity	<u>165,815.44</u>	<u>114,949.96</u>	<u>50,865.48</u>	<u>44.25%</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<u>174,636.65</u>	<u>123,835.82</u>	<u>50,800.83</u>	<u>41.02%</u>

I. Opening – July 15, 2023

- A. Call to order at 3:00 pm
- D.AA Preamble read by - Diane A. CCFAA Preamble read by – Jason S
- G. A total of 67 years for July Birthdays!

- B. Open with Serenity Prayer
- E. 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition - Laura B.

- C. 12 Traditions read by - Maddy R.
- F. Delegate Check-in/Group Announcements

II. Preliminary Business:

A. Delegate Check-in: Total Delegates = 41

B. Quorum met – Yes

GROUP NAME	FIRST	LAST	LAST ATTENDED
1111 Knuckleheads	Nigel	S.	7/16/2022
11th Step Meditation Meeting	Mary	F.	6/17/2023
12th Tradition Big Book Grp	Toni	S.	4/15/2023
6:30AM Daily Reflections	Dale	M.	4/15/2023
A Way Out Men's Group	Paul	G.	5/20/2023
AA Unity Group	Shelby	G.	7/15/2023
Acceptance is the Answer	Deenise	K.	7/15/2023
Alano American River Big Book	Christie	O.	7/15/2023
AIR. Artists in Recovery	Rod	F.	7/15/2023
Attitude Adjustment Group Davis	Barry	M.	7/15/2023
Auburn Fellowship	Loki	P.	7/15/2023
Babes in Recovery	Rosa		11/19/2022
Back to Basics Orangevale	Alison	F.	5/20/2023
Best is Yet to Come	Maria	C.	7/15/2023
By The Grace	Sasha		1/21/2023
Capital City Men's Grp	David	B.	5/20/2023
Cathedral Group	Scott	C.	7/15/2023
Citrus Heights Group	Michael	P.	3/18/2023
Colfax Fellowship	Brian	R.	1/21/2023
Cordova Lunch Bunch	Kevin	W.	7/15/2023
Cordova Serenity Seekers	Bob	H.	11/19/2022
Courage to Change Women's Meeting	Nancy	W.	7/16/2022
Daily Attitude Adjustment	Linda	J.	7/15/2023
Daily Direction AA Group	Shannon	R.	7/15/2023
Davis Hope	Terri	T.	1/21/2023
Davis Young People's	Lindsay	G.	7/15/2023
Destiny Group	Shari	P.	9/17/2022
Dixon No Name Group	Scot	B.	5/20/2023
Downtown Young Peoples	Dan	F.	5/20/2023
East Yolo Fellowship	Anthony	A.	7/15/2023
El Dorado Hills Group	Jim	C.	7/15/2023
Elk Grove Fellowship	Alyse	R.	2/18/2023
Esparto Fellowship	Rae	D.	10/15/2022
Fair Oaks Beginners	Russ	H.	7/15/2023
Fair Oaks Village	Mike	K.	6/17/2023
Fireside Book Study	Mark	B.	3/18/2023
Folsom Big Book	Whitnee	Mc	6/17/2023
Folsom Friday Night	Eric	S.	2/18/2023

GROUP NAME	FIRST	LAST	LAST ATTENDED
Folsom Saturday Morning Group	Jan	P.	3/18/2023
Folsom Way of Life	Dartmore	H.	7/15/2023
Folsom Wednesday Night	Amy	T.	7/16/2022
Foresthill Primary Purpose Group	Paul	H.	2/19/2022
Found in the Big Book	Regina	N.	2/18/2023
Freedom Group	Paul	E.	5/20/2023
Friday Night Unity Group	Gerrie	G.	4/15/2023
Gibbons Noon Group	Lauren	R.	6/17/2023
Gold Country Irregulars	Kit	W.	2/18/2023
Greenhaven Group	Chris	G.	6/17/2023
Group None	Peter	R.	7/15/2023
Group One	Ryan	M.	7/15/2023
Group Three	David	G.	7/15/2023
Grow Or Die	Lisette	S.	7/16/2022
Happy Hour Rancho	Elaine	A.	7/15/2023
Jaywalkers	Oscar	G.	11/19/2022
KISS, As Bill Sees it - Womens Group	Garnet	H.	2/18/2023
Into Action	Al	Y.	7/15/2023
Lavender Heights Y.P.	Madison	C.	4/15/2023
Midtown Solutions	Kate	D.	4/15/2023
Monday Night Big Book Study	Angela	M.	7/15/2023
Newcastle Big Book Group	Morgan	H.	12/17/2022
New Hope	Tim	H.	6/17/2023
North Hall Group	Lauri	S.	7/15/2023
Number One Offenders	Sandy	W.	6/17/2023
Oak Park Fellowship	Andy	S.	7/15/2023
Oak Tree Fellowship	Casey	T.	7/15/2023
Orangevale Thursday Night Mens 12x12	Horst	K.	2/18/2023
Precisely, How we have Recovered	Jimmie	S.	10/15/2022
Primary Purpose 2020	Rachel	T.	4/15/2023
Primordial Ooze Men's Book Study	Nick	G.	7/15/2023
Reflections in Pajamas	Heidi	N.	7/15/2023
Rescue Women's Meeting	Cinda	W.	2/18/2023
Rio Linda Fellowship	Michelle	K.	6/17/2023
River City Speakers	Austin	F.	7/15/2023
Rocklin Fellowship	Bill	T.	7/15/2023
Rocklin Racetrack	John	D.	4/15/2023
Roseville 5th Street Fellowship	Laura	B.	4/15/2023
Roseville Tuesday Nights Group	Claire	D.	8/20/2022

GROUP NAME	FIRST	LAST	LAST ATTENDED
Rule 62 Roseville	Tony	H.	8/20/2022
SACYPAA	Tanner	E.	4/15/2023
Sac Town Coffee House	Noa	E.	5/20/2023
Saturday Morning Women's Reflections	Susan	I	7/15/2023
Saved & Sober AA	Denise	W	12/17/2022
Serenity Book & Step Study Group	Diane	A.	7/15/2023
Serenity in the Book	Salvador	R	2/18/2023
Serenity Now Saturday Women's Meeting	Julie	S	8/20/2022
Sharing And Caring Group	Michelle	W.	7/15/2023
Sisters in Sobriety Orangevale	Kathy	J.	7/15/2023
Sisters in Solution	Sara	B.	6/17/2023
Sixty Minute Solution	Melissa	F	4/15/2023
Sober Breathe Group	Karlos	A.	1/21/2023
Sober Shots	Alex	C.	6/18/2022
Sobriety Rocks	Bobby	H.	5/20/2023
Spiritual Sunday	Steve	K	3/18/2023
Step 2 Men's Group	Mark	Q.	2/18/2023
Sunlight of the Spirit - 11th Step Meditation	Julie	Z.	8/20/2022
Tahoe Park Group	Ted	M.	1/21/2023
The Best is Yet to Come	Maria	C.	7/15/2023
The How and the Why of it Men's Group	Greg	B.	7/15/2023
Thursday Night Men's Group	David	B.	6/17/2023
Traditional Group	Rod	F.	7/15/2023
Thursday Cordova KISS Group	Sheila	S.	2/18/2023
Tuesday Night Beginners	Anthony	G.	7/15/2023
We Care	Tami	N.	7/15/2023
We Do Recover	Yvonne	U.	6/17/2023
We Surrender Men's Group	Luke	M.	7/15/2023
Welcome Group	Kevin	H.	3/18/2023
West Roseville AA Group	John	I.	1/21/2023
What A Way to Start a Weekend Women's Grp	Sharon	H.	7/15/2023
What A Way Wednesday	Sharon	H.	7/15/2023
White Flag Men's Group	Brian	B.	7/15/2023
Willing Women	Karina	K	3/18/2023
Wisdom to Know	Cyndi	W.	3/18/2023
Women for Women	Nancy	F.	7/15/2023
Woodland Group	Donald	M.	3/18/2023
Woodland Online Group	Leslie	Mc.	6/17/2023
Yuba City 329	Michelle	M.	6/17/2023

C. Attending Elected Positions:

Position	Name	Attendance
Delegate Chair	Laura B.	Present
Assistant Chair/Area Liaison	Diane U.	Present
Treasurer	Al E.	Present
Recording Secretary	Stefanie A.	Present
Board Chair	Jason S.	Present
Director At Large	Brian R.	Absent
Director At Large	Dartmore H.	Present
Director At Large	Betty K.	Present
Teleservice Chair	Dawn D.	Absent

Position	Name	Attendance
BLOPS Chair	Greg B.	Present
Birthday/Faithful Fiver Chair	Kate D.	Absent
PICPC Chair	Annie R.	Absent
Picnic Chair	Paul G.	Present
Special Events Chair	Nicole F.	Absent
NCCAA Delegate Liaison	Robert F.	Present
H & I Liaison	Leslie M.	Absent
Office Manager	Robin T.	Present
WebMaster	Teague S.	Present

D. New Delegates:

Welcome new delegates!!

We Care Group	Tami N.
Acceptance is the Answer	Deenise K.
Davis Young People's Group	Lindsay G.
Daily Direction Group - Orangevale	Maddy R.
Cordova Lunch Bunch	Kevin W.
Tuesday Night Beginners	Anthony G.
Alano American River Big Book - Orangevale	Christie O.
Into Action	Al Y.

E. Visitors: Kim M. - District 24

**III. Approval of Minutes**

June 17, 2023 minutes reviewed by Laura B. (Delegate Chair), Motion introduced by Paul G., seconded by Teague W. ~ Motion passed unanimously.

**IV. Trusted Servant Reports** **Delegate Chair's Report – Laura B.**

I attended the Board of Directors meeting on July 12, 2023. Several topics of importance were discussed, including matters of proposed amendments to operating procedures which will be presented to the delegate body next month and the matter of the Employee Retention Credit, which will be discussed new business, later in this meeting. These considerations are vitally important. An informed group conscience will be arrived at concerning these matters in the next couple of months.

Thank you to our Board Chairperson, Jason S., for your extensive research into the matter of eligibility for the Employee Retention Credit and your succinct presentation of the facts to the Delegate Body, forthcoming in new business. Thank you to Greg B., and all the members of the BLOPS committee, for the amazing and intensive work you all did to bring well-informed and congruent revisions before the Delegate body. Thank you to our Central Office Manager, Robin T., for all your hard work and devoted attention to making improvements in the office procedures for efficient viability.

I would like to take this opportunity to review the essential next steps each Delegate will need to take over the course of the following two months. Please refer to the Delegates Handbook for an explanation of the Delegate responsibilities. Feel free to ask for clarification.

“The delegate’s job is to carry the informed group conscience from his/her group to the Delegates Meeting where a collective group conscience is taken. The delegate gives a thorough and accurate report of the issues raised at the CCFAA Delegates Meeting at his/her group’s business meeting. The issues are discussed, votes taken, and the group conscience carried back to the next Delegates Meeting. It is also within the spirit of the Twelve Concepts that delegates should be able to make decisions based on additional information that was not available when the group conscience was taken or if an emergency situation arises.” (CCFAA, 2017, p.7).

Delegates, please plan to attend your group’s next business meeting, and present these matters to your group. If you cannot attend, please have the Alternate Delegate for your group attend. If neither of you can attend the next business meeting, please consult with your group’s General Secretary to find another alternative. Please take a vote of your group’s conscience and plan to bring that information to the Delegates Meeting in September.

Thank you, Delegates, for your service. You are deeply appreciated! In love and service, Laura B.

 **Assistant Chair/CNIA Liaison's Report - Diane U.**

Acceptance is the Answer – 1100 Blue Ravine Rd, Folsom @ Oak Hills Church – Thursdays 7:30pm – Open, Women’s Meeting, 12 & 12 study

NCIA AREA 07 REPORT FOR JULY 15, 2023:

The meeting began at 10am with the Serenity Prayer. Claudio, the NCIA chair, called for a group consensus to end the meeting after group reports because of the Heat Advisory that is in effect. That was approved.

Reports were given on Tradition 7 regarding the importance of collecting and distributing monies from the groups to General Service. Then, another report was given on Concept 7 which was written by Bill W. These concepts cover the world services global aspects of Alcohol Anonymous.

The Assembly Reports followed by members reporting on the H & I Committee, Archive Committee, Young People in AA Committee, Bridging the Gap Committee, The Group Translation Committee. Three groups submitted their last contribution to the treasurer as a group and dissolved. Each group that no longer could afford to stay will attend other groups. Each month in the accents section of the CCFAA website contains the full report of the NCIA Area 7 meeting which is available to everyone.

Thank you for letting me be of service, Diane Uebelhart

 **Board Chair's Report – Jason S.**

I’ve just returned from attending the 35th Annual Auburn Fellowship Unity Day. CCFAA has an information table there today. I would like to thank our PI/CPC Chair Annie and our Teleservice Chair Dawn and the many other volunteers that were of service by helping staff our table. It was a really great event. I would like to encourage everyone to attend the many picnics, anniversaries, conferences, and other special events that occur in our region. You can find out information about these events through the flyers mailings that your groups receive, in the By the Way, and on the Events Calendar on the CCFAA website at <https://aasacramento.org/events/month/>

Attached with your reports today are copies of the flyers for the CCFAA Picnic August 20th. Please help to spread the word. I know this year’s picnic is shaping up to be another wonderful event. I hope to see you all there!

I attended the Board meeting this past Tuesday July 11th. All members were present. We reviewed reports given by our Office manager, Treasurer, and BLOPS Chair. Over the next several months there will be a lot of information for you to share with your groups to bring back your group’s conscience votes on numerous items. We appreciate your service to your groups and to CCFAA. You truly are the link connecting CCFAA and your homegroup.

My thanks to Robin, her staff, and volunteers for all they do to support our Central office, Registered Groups and our Greater Sacramento Area AA Fellowship.

Submitted in Love and Service, Jason S. - Board Chair

**Treasurer's Report – Al E.**

Please reference the [Profit and Loss YTD Comparison for June 2023](#) included in the attachments. **Highlighted** items reflect information in this report.

Our office is in great shape. **Thanks to our Volunteers, office manager Robin, and Staff.** Drop in and say thank you.

June's deposits, expenses, payables, and bank reconciliation have been audited. Everything checks out and signed copies are on file at the CCFAA office. We are halfway through the year folks.

1. Literature sales were wonderful for the month at \$7,584.94 on a budget of \$6,000. [line 4020] AA books and literature are now at the new pricing set by AAWS.
2. Medallion sales were ok at \$2,842 with a \$2917 budget [line 4035].
3. Group Contributions were down quite a bit at 8,107 as we budgeted \$10,750 [line 4100]. Second month in a row with low contribution. Hope this is not a trend. Thanks to all the groups for the contributions to keep the office going for our fellowship.
4. Birthday contributions are on target \$169 on a budget of \$167 [line 4120]. **Thank you AA for my sobriety!!!! Get the word out and celebrate what one has so gratefully received.**
5. Faithful Fivers income was off \$962 as we budgeted \$1,250 [line4130]. **(Great way for us, as individuals, to directly monthly support CCFAA.)**
6. Total Income was off for June with \$22,096 on a budget of \$24,268. Down (-\$2,172). [Total Income line]
7. Cost of Goods Sold were UP as we sold MORE, \$9,229 with our budget of \$7,481. [Total COGS].
8. Expenses Down (down is good here) slightly \$16,112 as our budget is \$16,787. Thanks to our office manager [Total Expenses]. (Picnic committee [5990] has started to ramp up \$528)
9. June's net income was (-\$3,244).

We had a few annual expenses hit this month, Costco, Zoom, Alliance. We also had a deposit error from the bank that was corrected in July's business.

Prudent Reserve – Is currently \$101,035 which is 6 months of operating expenses for that rainy day. We are reviewing this regularly.

**We, as members of Alcoholics Anonymous, are helping to make great investments into the future of our Central Office. Thanks to each and every one and your groups for that.**

Thank you ALL for your support and involvement with CCFAA. Bring a friend.

\*Please take the following back to your groups -

- a) **Supporting CCFAA helps bring service to our AA groups and meetings with Literature, Hot Line, Special Events, By The Way Newsletter, Sobriety Chips, and so much more.**
- b) The store is open (**Open Mon-Fri 9-5 and Saturdays 10-2**)
- c) Contributions can also be made by Venmo, Paypal, Check, or Cash

Any question can be directed to my contact information below.

Regards, Al Edwards [cfo@aaasacramento.org](mailto:cfo@aaasacramento.org) 916-622-4660

**Corrections to accounting system entries:**

1. 2019 Never Cashed Check (\$60.98) - Retained earnings decrease. A check was written for \$60.98 but was never cashed. The check was voided, previous journal entry reversed. This was a result of the audit in May of this year. A CPA was consulted, and a correction has been made.
2. 2019 Correction to Mis-Posted Inventory Adjustment (-1,312.00) - An adjustment posted to Accounts Payable should have been posted to AA Literature Expense.
3. 2021 Three Entries to Advanced Payments (\$-325.23) – 3 payments to AT&T were entered into 1075 Advanced Payments and never moved to Telephone expense are now posted to Telephone expense.
4. 2022 Check Theft Accounting Correction (\$3,607.00) - In 2021 a check mailed to AAWS was stolen from the mail and fraudulently cashed. In 2022 the bank made good on the stolen check and the funds were returned. At the end of 2021 a journal entry was made to accommodate for the loss. This created an accounting error with regard to Cost of Goods. This has been corrected in both the stolen check, return of funds and the Cost of Goods.
5. 2022 Twice Paid Invoice (\$94.00) - A payment to AAWS was not posted to the invoice but was credited to contributions. CCFAA continued to receive statements of payment due. After numerous inquiries to AAWS, CCF paid the invoice again. AAWS later corrected the situation and applied a credit of \$94. A correction to our accounting system was made moving it from Accounts Payable to AA Literature Sold. These corrections were made to their accounting periods in which the events occurred. With a net effect of \$1,936.75 to the good. These are merely accounting corrections and do not affect the funds in our bank accounts.

Special Thanks to Gregg B, and our office manager Robin for making these corrections. Additionally, thank you to the audit committee for noticing and pointing out the error.

**Business Office Manager's Report – Robin T.**

- August Special of the Month – Fun in Sobriety on Sale \$14.25+tax** – Features 50-plus inspiring stories by members of Alcoholics Anonymous about the many ways they've learned to have a good time after putting down the drink. Chapters include travel, outdoor activities, arts & hobbies, social entertainment, fun-filled AA activities, and sober events. The stories were previously published in Grapevine, the International Journal of Alcoholics Anonymous. Full of passion and humor, this book shows how, by working the program and developing a sober network, life can begin to take on new, exciting adventures.

- About the By The Way....** The By The Way Committee needs YOU! If you would like to help, please join us! Feel free to call me or email [thebtw@aaasacramento.org](mailto:thebtw@aaasacramento.org). Also, we welcome contributions to By The Way. The theme for each month is the step, tradition, and concept for the number of each month. Articles related to that are preferred, but feel free to submit anything you think By The Way readers would enjoy. Please send all submissions to [centraloffice@aaasacramento.org](mailto:centraloffice@aaasacramento.org) by the 15th of each month.

- Registration is Now Open for NAATW 2023-** (National AA Technology Workshop) This year's workshop will be held in person at Shenandoah University, Winchester, VA, and online via Zoom September 8-10, 2023. **Visit <https://naatw.org/> for all the details!**



- Business Office Manager's Report – Robin T. (continued from page 15)**
- Budget-** In August we will be starting the 2024 budget process. Any member of CCFAA that has concerns about the 2024 budget please email me at [officemanager@aaasacramento.org](mailto:officemanager@aaasacramento.org) by August 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Second Quarter Payroll and Sales tax deposits and payments will be completed by the July 29 deadline.  
*Always working together, Robin T.*

- Teleservice Chair's Report – Dawn D.**  
Website: <http://aaasacramento.org/service-opportunities/teleservice/>

Shift Call Numbers: June (as of 7/11/23)  
12 Step = 26/ YTD 209  
Info = 111/ YTD 719  
Total = 137/YTD 928

**New Business:**

- We will have our next workshop in Sept. 2023 hosted in Davis
- Discuss hosting Workshops via Zoom for 2024

**Old Business:**

- **35th Annual auburn Fellowship Unity Day on Saturday, July 15 2023**  
o I will be at this event with a table
- **Next CCFAA Holiday Office Closures - Teleservice will cover these day (s):**  
o Tuesday July 4th - 2 shifts covered  
Thank you for letting me be of service! Dawn D. 408.250.2887



- Webmaster's Report – Teague S.**
- Will be migrating to a new server and will move all data soon
- Karina reached out to helped with user interface design

- By Laws & Procedures Chair's Report – Greg B.**

1. The Committee members are Rod F. from the Traditional Group, Shelby G. from the AA Unity Group, Sara P. from the Sisters in Solution Group, and Greg B. from The How and The Why of It Men's Group.
  2. The Committee met three times since the last Delegate Meeting, June 11th, June 25th, and July 2nd. Minutes from those meetings accompany this report.
  3. The Committee has drafted and approved recommendations for revisions to the Operating Procedures. A motion to adopt the substantive changes in the recommended format for presentation to the Board and the Delegates accompany this report..
  4. The next order of business for the Committee will be to finish recommendations for revisions to the Delegate Handbook, which will begin at our next meeting.
  5. Our next Committee meeting will be Monday Sunday July 9, 2023 at 4 p.m.
  6. Visit <https://aaasacramento.org/about-ccfaa/motions/> for Proposed motions & Draft Bylaws
- Input from the Board, Officers, and Delegates is appreciated.

- PI/CPC Chair's – Annie R.** Committee on Public Information and Cooperation with the Professional Community  
Meetings within the CCFAA area are requesting approximately 1000 PI/CPC Community Outreach Cards per month, being delivered by members to their area's free clinics, police stations, EMT's, and nearby businesses.

If your group would like PI/CPC to mail your group cards, please email us at [ccfpicpc@aaasacramento.org](mailto:ccfpicpc@aaasacramento.org) the name and address of your group and to whose attention we should mail them.

We have been having difficulty getting A.A. information to doctors so we have created packets containing G.S.O. pamphlets specifically published for the medical community, the "Are You an Alcoholic" questionnaire for patients, and our contact information. These packets are intended to be delivered by A.A. members to their personal physicians during scheduled appointments. Email us if they would be useful to members of your group.

We are seeking A.A. members who are regularly in contact with the still suffering alcoholic who would find A.A. Business cards are useful. The card contains our hotline number, meeting information and website.

Everyone is welcome to attend our 1-hour monthly Zoom meetings on the 1st Wednesday of the month beginning at 6:30. We encourage those new to PI/CPC to join us at 6pm to acquaint you with PI/CPC. Zoom Meeting: 920 8828 8921/Passcode: 013192

- Birthday Club/Faithful Fivers Chair's Report – Kate D.**

*No report/Not in attendance*

- Special Events Chair's Report – Nicole F.**

*No report/Not in attendance*

- Picnic Chair's Report – Paul G.**

The CCFAA Picnic is scheduled for - Aug 20 at Elk Grove Regional Park from 9 am to 4 pm. Our monthly organizational meeting of the picnic committee is the 2nd Thursday of every month on Zoom. The Zoom address is Meeting ID: 826 3034 4294 - Passcode: PICNIC2023.

We have lined up two speakers for this year's picnic. The speakers are Todd B. of Roseville as our local speaker and Jack G. of the band T.S.O.L. for our afternoon speaker. The baseball fee is \$200.00 dollars per team until Aug 4th. Signups from Aug 5th to Aug 11th will be \$225.00. Signups end August 11th, We are also coming up with ways to provide drink and food sales at the ballpark to help keep the games moving right along. In past years' the ball games have gone on well into the evening after the picnic had ended. By having three fields, more referees and food service we are hoping to have the games end closer to 4:00 pm when the picnic ends. This year's raffle will include a 65" TV, cash prizes totaling \$450.00, baskets from local AA groups that are donated to raise money to defray the costs of our Central Office. Keep in mind you don't have to attend to win. Winning raffle ticket numbers will be posted on the CCFAA website on Tuesday after the picnic. Prizes can be retrieved at the Central Office any time after they are posted. For more information contact Elora @ 916-549-0543.

The CCFAA Picnic will feature typical BBQ fare including Hot Dogs, Sausage, Hamburgers, Chili, Potato Salad, Cakes, Cookies, Sodas and Coffee. Additionally, it will also have Popcorn and Snow Cones. If that were not enough this event is the perfect place to renew old acquaintances and meet new people on this road of happy destiny. We have groups and program information from all around the area including information about AA programs and activities. This year we are featuring the Bill W. plant arrangement in our plant sale booth, also we will have the always popular bird houses for sale. The picnic will feature a White Elephant sale, Cake Walk, Used Book Sales, Literature Sales, Kids Games, Adult Games (like the Cake Walk), big fun will be the order of the day, and a whole lot more.

Yours in service Paul G.





**I. Old Business**

Questions of proposed changes to the CCFAA Bylaws

- a. The proposed motions are located here: <https://aasacramento.org/about-ccfaa/motions/>
- b. These motions will be voted on at August Delegate's Meeting

**II. New Business****a. Delegate at Large Position**

Russ H. volunteered - voted in by 33 delegates, 3 abstain - CONGRATULATIONS RUSS!

**b. Employee Retention Credit (ERC)**

- Must apply for all 6 quarters of taxes or none
- The Board is confident it has taken the appropriate steps to avoid a repeat of exceeding the \$500 spending limit in the future
- All 6 quarters of taxes have been prepared by the CPA and provided to Central Office
- In January it was reported to the Delegate Body that CCFAA was eligible for a Federal Tax refund of \$33,000. When initially approved by the Board it was understood that this credit was solely a tax credit based on Payroll Taxes paid by CCFAA. Subsequently we learned that a large portion of the refund was a federal subsidy. The Board voted to hold off on filing to learn more and be able to present it to the Delegate Body for consideration and approval.
- What is the Employee Retention Credit (ERC)?
- The ERC is a program enacted by Congress as part of the CARES Act and continued as part of the American Rescue Plan. The ERC is a refundable payroll tax credit of 50% of up to \$10,000 in wages paid by an employer whose business has been financially impacted by COVID-19. It is a credit received for wages and payroll taxes which have already been paid by the employer. More information can be found at <https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/employee-retention-credit>
- Approximately 85-90% of credit is a federal subsidy based on the percentage of wages paid by the employer. Remaining amount is a refund of payroll taxes paid by the employer.

**Background:**

- Our Office Manager Robin learned of the program through her weekly Managers' Meeting with other Central/Intergroup Office Managers from across the nation. Many shared that their Central Offices had applied and received the ERC credit.
- Robin contacted the CPA that filed for the other Central/Intergroup offices to see if CCFAA qualified.
- Due to some miscommunications, the CPA generated all the paperwork to be filed, but has not yet filed it with the IRS.
- CCFAA then learned we are qualified for a total Credit of \$39,488 spread over 6 quarters of paid employment taxes and wages. (Q2 2020 through Q3 2021).
  - o Approx breakdown \$5,000= refund of taxes paid/\$34,488=Subsidy
  - o As part of the filing process requires CCFAA to file an amended quarterly tax return for the quarters affected.
- CPA charged \$2765 due immediately and \$2765 due upon receipt of first credit.
- The CPA, has completed the work except for filing, has invoiced and been paid \$2765.00.
  - o CCFAA Operating Procedures section 9.5 states. "...Both the Board and the CCFAA delegates must approve all commitments exceeding \$500.00 for any unusual expense."
- What has the Board done since?
  - o Spoke with the CPA
  - o Inquired about other Central/Intergroup Offices.
- Majority felt this had nothing to do with the 7th Tradition. ERC is not a contribution or gift. It's a tax refund and they were eligible businesses, not AA.
  - o Reached out GSO for Guidance
- Did not receive any response.
  - o Looked for past examples, such as:
- The "Advisory Actions of the General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous 1951-2022" states about Conventions/Regional Forums. <https://www.aa.org/m-39-advisory-actions>
- 1999 - The General Service Conference supports the General Service Board policy which states: "Whenever a discount or subsidy is that which would be offered to any other organization of similar size requiring a purchased service or product of similar character and magnitude, i.e., convention rates at hotels, it may be accepted. Whenever a discount or subsidy is partly or in total offered because we are Alcoholics Anonymous, it must be declined." ~ page75
- 2004 - The General Service Conference support the General Service Board Policy as amended on November 2, 2003, which reads: "Whenever a discount or subsidy is that which would be offered to any other organization of similar size requiring a purchased service or product of similar character and magnitude, for example, convention rates at hotels, it may be accepted. Whenever a discount or subsidy is partly or in total offered because we are Alcoholics Anonymous, it must be declined."
- Note: The original board policy text contained the letters "i.e." which were replaced with the words "for example ." The General Service Board amended the policy because "for example" more accurately reflected the intention of the 1989 trustees' Committee on International Conventions/Regional Forums. The 1999 General Service Conference supported the Board's 1989 policy through an Advisory Action.
- The committee noted the Additional Consideration of the 1999 Conference Committee on Finance which reads: "The committee unanimously recognizes that the acceptance of discounts or subsidies in the form of cash causes discomfort to some members of our Fellowship. The committee suggests that any future negotiations regarding International Convention discounts or subsidies be carried out with this in mind." ~ page 75

**Points to Consider:**

1. Are we receiving this credit NOT because we are AA but because we are a qualifying business that pays federal employee taxes?
2. CCFAA received a free month's rent for renewing its current lease, as would any other business, not because we are AA.
3. The GSO Guidelines on Finance and the pamphlet, F-3 Where Money & Spirituality Mix both speak to Contributions. ERC is not a contribution or gift; it is a tax refund. If accepted, it will show as "Other Income" on the Profit & Loss Statement.
4. How is ERC Different from the PPP? ERC is tax credit in the form of a refund issued by the IRS, to all eligible businesses that apply. Businesses that qualified for the PPP loan received funds from a lending institution. The loans would later be forgiven if qualifications were met.
5. This is a unique circumstance. Do any Traditions or Concepts apply?
6. Let's remember that not accepting outside contributions is to protect us from outside influences. Is the ERC a business-related tax refund issued by the IRS? Do we consider the ERC to be income? Or a contribution?
7. Are we (CCFAA) willing to participate in a subsidy for which we, along with other qualified businesses, became entitled to because we kept staff on payroll while the country was impacted by COVID.
8. If Delegates do not approve accepting the ERC, we will try to negotiate not having to make final payment to CPA.
9. The ERC must be filed before December.

**I. Closing**

Invitation to close the meeting - motion to close introduced by Dartmore H., Seconded by Teague. W. ~ Passed unanimous

The next meeting will be on Saturday August 19, 2023 and will start at 3:00pm on Zoom, Meeting ID: 929 9218 9084 – Passcode: 912051. The meeting closed at 5:00pm with the "Responsibility Pledge".

\*\*Respectfully submitted by Stefanie A., CCFAA Recording Secretary

# Profit & Loss

	<u>Jun 23</u>	<u>Jan - Jun 23</u>	<u>Prorate Budget</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>					
<b>Income</b>					
4020 · Literature Sales	7,584.94	40,370.92	36000.00	4,370.92	72000.00
4025 · In-House Publication Sales	730.25	4,169.63	4249.98	-80.35	8500.00
4035 · Medallion Sales	2,842.21	19,101.93	17500.02	1,601.91	35000.00
4100 · Group Contributions	8,107.75	76,511.00	64500.00	12,011.00	129000.00
4110 · Anonymous Contribution	21.00	1,579.76	1750.02	-170.26	3500.00
4120 · Birthday Contributions	169.00	947.00	1000.02	-53.02	2000.00
4125 · Office services revenue	1,278.58	13,884.47	6000.00	7,884.47	12000.00
4130 · Faithful Fivers	962.00	5,627.00	7500.00	-1,873.00	15000.00
4440 · Interest Income	3.32	19.77	12.54	7.23	25.00
4450 · Miscellaneous	369.92	451.04	100.02	351.02	200.00
4460 · Picnic Revenue	28.00	43.00	6000.00	-5,957.00	12000.00
4480 · Special Events Revenue					
4480 · Special Events Revenue	0.00	0.00			
4482 · Anniversary Event	0.00	0.00			
<b>Total 4480 · Special Events Revenue</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1000.02</b>	<b>-1,000.02</b>	<b>2000.00</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>22,096.97</b>	<b>162,705.52</b>	<b>145612.62</b>	<b>17,092.90</b>	<b>291225.00</b>
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>					
5000 · Literature Costs					
5010 · Cost of AAWS literature sold	5,848.64	29,886.50	27887.46	1,999.04	55775.00
5015 · Other Literature	347.32	1,933.40	1000.02	933.38	2000.00
5025 · In-House Publication					
5030 · Paper Stock and Staples	0.00	1,301.47	1249.98	51.49	2500.00
5035 · Printing Equipment	717.64	4,268.39	5250.00	-981.61	10500.00
5040 · Copy Costs	1,087.85	2,168.77	1750.02	418.75	3500.00
Total 5025 · In-House Publication	1,805.49	7,738.63	8250.00	-511.37	16500.00
5000 · Literature Costs - Other	322.32	291.83			
<b>Total 5000 · Literature Costs</b>	<b>8,323.77</b>	<b>39,850.36</b>	<b>37,137.48</b>	<b>2,712.88</b>	<b>74275.00</b>
5050 · Medallion Costs	905.51	7,034.18	7750.02	-715.84	15500.00
<b>Total COGS</b>	<b>9,229.28</b>	<b>46,884.54</b>	<b>44887.50</b>	<b>1,997.04</b>	<b>89775.00</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>12,867.69</b>	<b>115,820.98</b>	<b>100725.12</b>	<b>15,095.86</b>	<b>201450.00</b>
<b>Expense</b>					
Equipment Expense	0.00	554.00	1650.00	-1,096.00	3300.00
Insurance	628.30	2,895.89	2449.98	445.91	4900.00
Meetings/Conference Expense	0.00	1,119.91	1350.06	-230.15	2700.00
Office Expense	3,207.96	15,719.05	18799.92	-3,080.87	37600.00
Professional Fees	199.55	3,712.09	2350.02	1,362.07	4700.00
Utilities	1,119.38	8,021.54	5524.98	2,496.56	11050.00
5400 · Payroll Expenses	10,128.12	55,352.17	61047.54	-5,695.37	122095.00
5686 · Bad Debt	0.00	15.43			
5688 · Theft Loss	0.00	0.00			
5690 · Bank Charges	301.31	2,244.40	2100.00	144.40	4200.00
5900 · Special Events	0.00	0.00	1000.02	-1,000.02	2000.00
6200 · Other Committees					
5990 · Picnic Committee	528.00	1,909.67	3000.00	-1,090.33	6000.00
6210 · PI/CPC	0.00	37.75	499.98	-462.23	1000.00
6230 · Teleservice Committee	0.00	144.00	250.02	-106.02	500.00
Total 6200 · Other Committee	528.00	2,091.42	3750.00	-1,658.58	7500.00
6300 · Contingency Funds	0.00	0.00	702.54	-702.54	1405.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>16,112.62</b>	<b>91,725.90</b>	<b>100725.06</b>	<b>-8,999.16</b>	<b>201450.00</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>-3,244.93</b>	<b>24,095.08</b>	<b>0.06</b>	<b>24,095.02</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-3,244.93</b>	<b>24,095.08</b>	<b>0.06</b>	<b>24,095.02</b>	<b>0.00</b>



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