

Halloween is on Wednesday this year, Happy Halloween!



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### **FOCUS: The Family Afterwards**

I wish I could ask my parents what they noticed about my behavior after I quit drinking, but they're no longer around to ask...so I'll have to tell you what my own perspective is for visiting my parents.

- I stopped making late-night phone calls to complain about something (him.) I no longer slurred my words.
- Whenever we had to spend time together, I didn't leave the room to get high on something other than what was available in the house.
- I wasn't always trying to get away, making excuses for why I couldn't be with them.

- I didn't stay so long I had to get in an argument in order to leave.
- I asked beforehand if they could babysit the kids, rather than surprise them with company.
- I volunteered to help them, to see if they needed anything, even if I thought they were all right.
- I checked in regularly, to see if I could stop by to say hello just to stay in touch. I'd swing by their house after a meeting in Los Gatos on my way home so I could stay in contact.
- I'd ask questions about their families, whom they'd heard from or who was doing what.

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# **Monthly Topics**

Here's Lookin' at You!! This month's Featured Meeting is the Tuesday Noon Happy Destiny (women's) meeting, which meets at the Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Los Gatos. Read about it on Pages 2-3. You may be surprised to hear of its origins.

In the month ahead we are holding the sixth "Take Your Sponsor to Brunch" meal and meeting at the Lincoln Glen Church on Booksin Avenue in San Jose at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, October 13th.

This month our focus is The Family Afterwards, and our stories start on this page and continue on pages 4, 5 & 8.

We have a new addition to the newsletter this month, and it sounds like a winner...Tradition of the Month. So for October our very own Rose W has offered a 10th Tradition story on page 3 on "no opinion on outside issues." Who can offer us next month's tradition on "attraction, not promotion"? Can you think of anything? Let us know!

November's topic will be GRATITUDE to gear us toward Thanksgiving. Although it was a very painful time for me to lose them six years ago, I am grateful that I do not have to watch my parents and my husband each deteriorate in care facilities for the end of their days. They are now in God's hands, and I can be grateful that I had them healthy and happy for so many years, and with little suffering at the end. I am truly blessed.

Give this topic some serious thought and then write your Gratitude stories for next month; we know you have some wonderful things to share. Please submit them to ODAATCOIN@yahoo.com by October 24th, 2012.

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# **FEATURE: Women's Happy Destiny Meeting**



Women's Happy Destiny Meeting. Time 12:00 noon at the Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 15855 Los Gatos-Almaden Road, Los Gatos, CA. Thirty-Seven Years old!

The Happy Destiny Meeting started in early 1975 as a mixed meeting, born out of a desire to 1) give young mothers a chance to meet during the day while children were in school, and 2) have a mid-day meeting closer to home than the Sunnyvale (Fremont and Hollenbeck) meeting, which was the only daytime meeting being held at the time.

Lathel W., an older woman in AA, initiated this meeting to allow alcoholics to attend meetings closer to home,

while they had time on their hands to learn how to live sober. After they'd been in sobriety for at least a year, she encouraged her sponsees to help organize other daytime meetings.

Due to an influx of women from the Monte Villa rehab center in Morgan Hill, the women began outnumbering the men. Gradually there were no men; so within two years, the format changed from a mixed meeting to a women's meeting in 1977. Jo C., Nancy S., Dorinne R., Helene O'H., Marie G., Patty R., Rosemary F., and Mary H. were all part of the meeting from 1976 onwards. Laila M., Neal S., and Sue S. became influential in the late '70s, and Peggy Z. joined them when she retired in 1994.

The refreshments in the beginning were coffee and a bag of hard candy, and the women who started the meeting had children in grade school. At one time, when its membership had only four in attendance, they communally swore to keep the meeting going, no matter what. They initially congregated in a small room in the back of the church on uncomfortable sofas and chairs, and then expanded to over forty, spreading into the fireside room inside the church facility.

The Happy Destiny meeting rooms have changed throughout the entire church, depending on the attendance and the capacity required. Today the

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attendance ranges between seventy and one hundred and meets in the large hall adjacent to the parking lot

of the church.

The format of the meeting alternates weekly: One week the focus is on a Step, then the next week it's a topic discussion. Babysitting is offered in a separate room, which has helped considerably with gaining young mothers to attend. Refreshments have also gone from barely nothing to

bountiful gourmet selections. Today it is a volunteer baking effort to remain self-supporting through its own



contributions, and the tone is always upbeat. Many of the women here have been coming for years, and have

> remained a close-knit bunch. You will be welcomed if you are a newcomer, and there is almost always a lunch group after the meeting to resume conversations you may have missed. Everyone is welcome.

# A Tradition Ten Story

I was out of town recently and present during a contentious conversation. At breakfast, one of the people shared their side of the story to those of us at the table. The story didn't end there, and I wasn't privy to the ensuing conversations, but I smelled something exciting... and was very, very interested in pursuing the progress of the drama. However, no additional information was fed to me and I was too polite to ask about the details and resolution, if any. Darn! Didn't take away the curiosity, though. How easy it is to just want to know - to fish for information to satisfy my insatiable curiosity (read "nosiness") for information about other peoples' lives. Did the situation involve me in the slightest? No. Could I have contributed in any way to the solution? No.

As I was thinking about this, I realized that Tradition Ten, "No Outside Interests," really applied in this instance. I have put tremendous ongoing effort and prayer into not involving myself in gossip, one of my more precious character defects. I can then go to the other extreme, thinking in black or white. Wanting to be right with and about others without being righteous is my trial and error work. I can say I do not participate in malicious gossip. I'm as interested as the next person in what's going on in a friend's life in order to support them any way I can. I will share general - positive - words about how someone is doing. I'm much better at keeping to myself personal opinions about someone else's life. Making something my business that is clearly none of my business is my slippery slope. If I want to be involved in something outside myself, I had better check my motives.

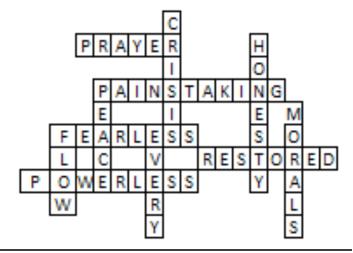
### **Monica's Puzzle Answer**

#### ACROSS

- 2. HOW WE SPEAK WITH OUR HIGHER POWER
- 4. THOROUGH IN RECOVERY
- 6. UNAFRAID
- 8. RE-ESTABLISHED RELATIONSHIPS
- 9. INCAPABLE

#### DOWN

- 1. CALAMITY IN OUR LIVES WHEN NOT IN RECOVERY
- 3. TRUTHFUL WITH OURSELVES AND OTHERS
- 4. SERENITY
- 5. PRINCIPLES
- 6.. BLESSINGS WILL\_\_\_. LIKE A STREAM.
- 7. LIVE \_\_\_DAY AS IF IT IS YOUR LAST



# The Family Afterward

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- I asked how Dad's garden was growing, how Mom's cookies turned out, what was happening in the church. How were the old church members I used to know?
- I'd ask how my brother's kids were doing, even though I spoke regularly with my brother. My parents loved to brag about his kids; his youngest daughter was their favorite grandchild. I didn't mind. They missed having my kids in their grammar school years because we lived in Chicago during that time. Annual visits didn't do it.
- I'd ask about my dad's time in the service, even though I'd heard it over and over again. He loved to talk about it, and I loved to hear about it.
- I'd ask my mom about her life as a youngster, and she was reluctant to talk about anything except that her oldest sister pretty much was the family "boss" and that her mom died a year after I was born. She said her dad was "not a good man" and I really never knew why, except that he yelled at my grandmother. I only knew him as the man who smoked cigars and gave me nickels. He died when I was seven.
- I did not like my mother when I first got sober, and I learned to love her, respect her, and see how well she did in caring for my dad when I stopped drinking. I learned to love them both in a completely different way once I sobered up. As time went on, I could see how God's plan worked in having me be aware of the struggles they went through to keep all three of us kids afloat and out of trouble. They were wonderful parents, and I only can know that from being sober. Thank you, God.

Anonymous

# **One Family Afterward**

This is a story of one family afterwards. I was the youngest in my family, and somehow, on paper, the one who went furthest down the road of alcoholism. It didn't start out that way. You would have thought it would have been my sister - the rebellious one, the one who fought and screamed over every injustice real or perceived - as we wound our way up through the years into adulthood. I was the "goody-two shoes" the one who didn't want to break the rules, the one who wanted to keep the peace, the one who wanted to win the prize for being good, and for being right. I know self-righteousness is as big a sin as any of the others, but I really did try to do the right thing. Until I stopped. At 13, something changed in me. I just didn't want to be good anymore. I was done with making all that effort. I quit.

First it was cigarettes. Then it was a beer here and there. A shared "joint" with a girl I barely knew – just for the experience of "getting high." Before I knew it, it was anytime anyplace anywhere. I was gone, over the line, in a very short period of time. Somewhere it is written that young girls, growing up around alcoholism, can rip through those "developmental"

periods" of heavy drinking into full blown alcoholism in a very short time. That was me.

My sister, three years older than I, had certainly drunk and indulged in who knows what other substances, but after leaving home and getting out on her own, she somehow managed to lead a seemingly somewhat normal life. Not I. Leaving home for good the day after I turned 18, I drank myself to sleep every night. Unless I couldn't afford to. This did happen, quite regularly, as I could not keep a job to save my life. Drinking was more important than just about anything and everything. Drinking was my solution to life

And then I got sober. I am from back East, and had come out to California just nine months before I was 12th-stepped. I don't remember what I wrote in the letter to my folks, but as soon as they read it, they got me on the phone right away. They thought I had joined a cult.

Now, I had not been a subtle drunk, or a closet drinker, by any stretch of the imagination. I drove drunk. I came home for the holidays drunk. I showed up for any sort of family gathering as drunk as possible, in every

instance I can remember -- whether it was for the Memorial Day parade or visiting someone in the hospital. No, my family knew what I was up to. My last year in high school, my brother ratted me out, and one late afternoon my mom stormed into my favorite bar, yelling and screaming about shutting the place down for serving minors.

Oddly enough, that bar was called, "Mom's."

No, it's not that my folks didn't know that I drank. But I guess I said something about God in that letter, and I guess the idea that God might be of some kind of help to me just hadn't crossed their minds, or maybe it was the idea of total abstinence that made them think I had gotten into some crazy outfit – I really cannot remember what I wrote in that letter, but they were pretty concerned on the phone, and very cautious about supporting me in my new endeavor.

That first year I was in and out, which probably didn't help at all in their understanding of the situation. I remember at least one long distance phone call asking Mom for money for a friend, some convoluted story, when I was high on acid and drunk, too. Perhaps she didn't notice.

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And then, after my last drink - and who knew it would be my last? - my life didn't exactly stabilize. I continued to behave quite erratically, maybe even more so, as I began the process of digging into the steps and unearthing the thinking that had led me to be able to lie and cheat and steal and behave in all those ways we do when we need a drink more than anything else in the world.

And I started looking at my family, at all those years growing up, and remembering how we had behaved with each other, and I started making phone calls to compare notes.

And THAT's when the fight started.

My sister, my brother, my mother, my dad - they all had very different versions of pretty much anything that I could remember. And each one of us thought we were, of course, "right." This did not do a lot to create any sort of feeling of togetherness. In fact, it ripped apart what I came to believe had been our "myth of togetherness" which my brother and sister and I had clung to through our growing up years. No, there was no reconciliation. If anything, sobriety drove a wedge through our family.

Drinking had corrupted my character. It took time for me to gain a true sense of who I was, what my values were, and how I wanted to lead my life. I think that's what the Steps give us: an opportunity to assess where we have ended up, and begin again. This process, too, added to the tension between me and my family. I didn't just "go along to get along" anymore. I dared to disagree. And, unfortunately, I was not always respectful about it.

I have taken inventories and done my best to make amends. But, as a friend once said, some things can't be fixed. I am who I am. Sometimes, that is just the way it is.

One relationship did heal. My father and I found a new freedom and a new happiness. Whatever had kept us apart - disappeared. It didn't happen overnight. In fact, I was five years sober before I even admitted that I had long ago shut him out. By the grace of God, the steps of this program, and the fellowship of AA showing me how it was done, my father and I learned how to walk through the fear. We learned how to love each other, how to accept each other, in a truly deep way that I had never experienced before. For that, I shall be forever grateful to God, to A.A., and to those brave men and women who led the way. Thank you all.

IS

#### The Family Afterwards

The Family Afterwards for me requires a bit of attitude adjustment. It seems to be a bit of a bad news good news - good news situation. As Maurice Chevalier sings "I'm not young anymore." And I have not had children, so if one stays sober and doesn't die, then perhaps one can be the surviving member of a dysfunctional family, such as I am.

You see for me The Family Afterwards, if taken to mean only one's blood family, can be easily forgotten. I no longer need to contend with the difficult siblings or parents at holidays and celebrations. They have all crossed to "the Great Party in The Sky." Sometimes however, an issue from the past, concerning a dead family member does surface, then I use some of the strategies I've learned around the rooms. I write letters to the dead person or about the subject of interest. I visit a gravesite and leave what feels appropriate for the moment; I make living amends in some shape or fashion. I donate to

some charitable organization, I talk with my sponsor and sometimes I even do Eleventh Step work.

However, on most days my interaction with my world means I need to deal with my partner of twenty one years, folks in my occasional work situation, friends, neighbors, salespeople and those pesky strangers on the phone. In these interactions I need to use all the skills I've learned from my family of choice, my recovery family, not my family of blood.

At my family home I learned, as most ACAs do "Do Not Talk, Do Not Trust, and Do Not Feel." Since arriving at AA I've learned that I am not the overly sensitive victim I felt destined to be as a child. Rather it is possible for me to draw boundaries, to realize my Higher Power and I are in charge of my life and that I do have choices, that your wish is not my command. I've learned that when I talk with people who are trustworthy my pain decreases and my joy increases. I understand today that the answer, "I'm FINE." when asked how I am, will probably draw hoots and hollers, and extra listening time from friends who understand that FINE translates into "not so good."

My friends in Twelve Step programs really want the best for me. It is my job to decide what I need and who I can trust to help me. I have witnessed amazing care taking in the program. When one of us could use rides or cards or food we are there. However, I need to express my needs, ask for what I want, and not expect someone else to read my mind as I learned in my blood family. I've learned that saying "I'm sorry" can change my life quickly and for the better. In a recovering world grudges, anger and resentments make matters worse, never better. I try to remember, "Your Will not mine be done."

DC

# **Editor's Bag**

Happy October, National Apple Month, Oktoberfests everywhere, and of course, Halloween! National Nut Day happens on October 22, so unite, you nuts! (We do have a few in the program, too, I've heard.) It's also Physical Therapy month, among other things. We are officially into Fall...leaves turning red, brisk mornings with frost on the car windows in the morning. The heat just got turned on, and I love it.

This is the month for the Family Afterwards...and I am so glad to be sober. I see at least one relative coming up (or is it climbing down?) the family tree, probably destined for these rooms, but ah, there is no predicting the future on my part...I've been wrong far too many times to foresee anything except what I have control over. And then, that goes haywire, too. I'm just here for the ride.

For all of you who have been on vacation this past summer, we'd love to hear about your travels and your AA meeting adventures. I just made plans to go to the International Women's Conference in Reno, NV in February of 2013, and you can bet I'll tell you all about it. Because I love to travel and I love meeting other alcoholics in sobriety. What stories can YOU tell us?

In the timeline history of AA\*, we find that we gained international notoriety in October of 1944. A magazine article entitled, "Maybe I Can Do It Too," an article about A.A. member Edward G. that ran in the October 1944 edition of Reader's Digest, appeared in translation in several of the magazine's international editions, as it did for the next four years. As a result, alcoholics from around the globe wrote to the Alcoholic Foundation seeking to learn more about the Fellowship.

I am learning more and more about AA the longer I hang around, and I am amazed at not only how far we've come in such a short time, but how much of an impact Alcoholics Anonymous has made on the world. Here in our little Santa Clara Valley, we are just a drop in the bucket. But what a big noise we make! Keep it up, everyone!

\* From "Alcoholics Anonymous Timeline: Over 70 years of Growth." Available on the internet.



### **Topics Upcoming**

December AA's Greatest Gift to You Deadline Nov. 21, 2012

January Your Best Advice to the Newcomer Deadline Dec 19, 2012

February Thirteenth Step/True Love? Difference? Deadline January 23, 2013

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# **Traveling with AA**

You are excited about your upcoming trip to West Maui and have confirmed your air travel and hotel/condo reservations in Lahaina, Ka'anapali, Kahana, or Kapalua. Then it hits you: West Maui is a legendary drinking spot; the sound of blenders will be everywhere. What will you do about your sobriety program?

Relax, campers, you're heading to a great place to get or stay sober. Mission Control for A.A. in West Maui is the Alano Club of Lahaina, located at 562 C Front Street in the northern part of Lahaina. (Turn onto a gravel road next to a baseball field and proceed about 100 yards. The clearly marked club is on your left.) Arrive early, as meetings are well attended, you won't want to miss a warm greeting from the Kama'ainas (locals), and the Kona coffee is outstanding. This is one of the few places that accept donations for coffee apart from the 7th Tradition basket passing. Tell the barista Jack sent you. This won't get you out of the donation and will earn you a blank stare.

#### Thanks, Cheyenne, for your creative efforts.

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## ... in West Maui

Check out http://alanocluboflahaina. org/meeting.php for the Club's meeting schedule. There is at least one A.A. meeting here daily, with two meetings Monday through Thursday, and three meetings on Friday and Sunday. My favorite is the open 9:00 AM daily Coffee Break, which uses a Daily Reflections and discussion format. Attendance is 25-50, at least 10 of whom are visitors. Sharing is voluntary and there's no shortage of volunteers. There is a lot of sobriety in the room, and many relative newcomers as well.

Now you're thinking: "Hey, I'm in Hawaii. Why do I want to spend a minute INDOORS?" Got you covered, Happy Trudger. Check out the daily meetings at Wahikuli Beach Park located between Lahaina and Ka'anapali. There is a little graveyard

(to remind you of the consequences of drinking) next to cement picnic tables and benches. There is no coffee, the 7th Tradition is observed to support the West Maui Fellowships, and only six can be seated on the benches. If you have folding chairs, bring them unless you arrive early. Attendance varies from four to 16. Everyone speaks loudly to be heard over the waves. Feel free to hit the beach before and after the meetings here.

And if the Alano Club and beach schedules are not enough, you can go back indoors for meetings in other nearby locations. If you are staying elsewhere on Maui than West Maui, see http://www.aamaui.org/maui. html for meetings all over the island. Aloha. And remember your sunscreen.

Jack

# Holiday Tamale Parti



We'll provide the tamales and drinks...

#### Want to bring something??

How about some rice, beans, salad, chips and salsa...you get the idea! UNLESS, you make a meaner tamale than Lucy. THEN BRING THOSE!

**OR** Just come 'on down and eat and have fun!

Come join us for a special time of fellowship, friendship and gratitude...

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1st

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#### THE FAMILY AFTERWARDS

### **Family After Sobriety**

Alcoholism is truly a family disease. While the alcoholic suffers, so do all the loved ones around him/her. In early sobriety, the family members are skeptical, unsure that the nightmare is over. If the alcoholic has struggled, and has had relapses, the family is afraid to be hopeful.

They want to know the family can move forward, but don't know if this time is the final time. Education about the disease, and sometimes ALANON, or other support groups, help the family express their sadness and distress. While there still may be love and hope, they have the memories of what has transpired.

There are old hurts, past embarrassments, and certainly deep resentments. No matter what the alcoholic says, the family is tentative to believe. It takes time, and demonstrated effort to get the family to accept daily progress. The alcoholic must be patient, as well, as the harm done can't be erased.

All that we can do is show our loved ones, day by day, that we are embracing a new sober life. Over time, they begin to be hopeful again. The family learns new norms, and changes those things that they need to do to support the alcoholic. Some families adapt a sober home, and no longer allow liquor in their home. They create new opportunities for sober fun. They support the need to make changes with other family members and friends.

While no one forgets, including the alcoholic, there is gradual forgiveness. In spiritual families, they embrace the influence and guidance of their Higher Power. Slowly, the joy returns, the trust builds, and a new life begins. While the disease is ever present, it no longer consumes the family.

Trust builds, and A.A. becomes a part of the family infrastructure. Meetings, A.A. friendships, and A.A. philosophy become the way of life. Families have to heal, alcoholics have to heal, and God has to show them all the way. Families, after sobriety, are truly the gift the alcoholic and their families need and deserve.

Corrine D



### **Family Afterward**

Prior to coming into recovery, I had a horrible relationship with my mother and hadn't seen her for over a year. I had a six-year-old boy that I used to forget to pick up at school, or take to school, or feed on time. In a moment of my HP's grace, I had asked his biological father to take him because I couldn't lead the life that I was living while attempting to be a mother, so I had to get rid of that obstacle. I had jobs that I forgot to go to and just stopped showing up. I had a father who had thrown me into the street because he found out I was doing other mind and mood altering chemicals (he was also my supplier of other "things" and drinking buddy). I hadn't spoken to other family members in a

long time, and all my friends were as radioactive as I was.

My "brother" found me in the streets. My mother took me in, and I ended up in the "rooms". I couldn't work, so I went on welfare system. However, I had a job, and that was to stay sober. I went to meetings during those 90 days more than once a day. My dance card was quite empty, you see. My mother started to be more supportive of me. Within three (or so) months, I had my own apartment, and shortly after that, I got my son back.

Little by little, with the help of my sponsor, my support group (which was all my HP's work), the Steps, and working the principals that I was acquiring in whatever affairs I had, I found myself with true friends. My mother and I started to have a relationship that I had only dreamt of having. Although I had to give up my relationship with my father after a while (he was an addict/alcoholic and I could not jeopardize my recovery), I was back in lives of my family and had the blessing of making another family in recovery with another son. The relationship did not work and it was one of the most painful things I had to go through, but I was supported like I had never been before. I made new family with others in recovery. Family doesn't have to be blood related. There are ties that I have made here which are as strong as the blood ties that exist...some are even stronger than my blood ones.

Without the fellowship, I would've never had the opportunity to make amends, to be worthy of being loved (by me, first of all), and to learn how to love; how to be a good friend, mother, sister, aunt, cousin, and wife.

Arlene

#### ARCHIVES CORNER

The Lasker awards are among the most respected science prizes in the world. Since 1945 the awards program has recognized the contributions of scientists, physicians and public servants that made major advances in the understanding, diagnosis, treatment, cure, and prevention of human disease.

In 1951 the Lasker Award was given to Alcoholics Anonymous . The presentation was made in San Francisco at the Opera House on October 30, 1951. Mr. Bernard S. (non alcoholic Trustee) accepted the Award on behalf of Alcoholics Anonymous. They originally wanted to give the Award to Bill W. but he refused.

This year congress choose the book Alcoholics Anonymous as one of the eighty-eight books which most affected the human race.

An alcoholic named Orville Vern F. was attending meetings with the first men to get sober from San Jose. Since he lived in Palo Alto he decided to start a meeting there. He ran an ad in the Palo Alto paper and rented a room in the community center. In spite of his efforts, no one came to his meeting. He then asked his wife if he could move the meeting to their home. Not wanting to have a bunch of drunks in their home, she agreed to pay the rent at the current meeting place until the meeting was able

to support itself. This resulted in the oldest existing meeting in Santa Clara County being supported by a nonalcoholic in the beginning. In October 2012 the Palo Alto Group celebrated seventy-one years.

In October of 1951 there were thirteen meetings in the county. Al E. sobered up on July 22, 1951. Some AA members thought there should be a meeting on the Eastside and they told Al that he would secretary the new meeting since he lived on the Eastside. Al said that he wasn't sober long enough since he only had ninety days. They told Al that this was the Group Conscience and so Al became secretary.

# **Grapevine Speaker Meeting** Friday Night Speaker List

(Meeting has moved to United Presbyterian Church, 728 W. Fremont in Sunnyvale)

10/12: Steve S., Santa Clara

10/19: Tara C., Redwood City

10/26: Woody W., San Jose



## A. A. Needs Your Help!

We are in need of 12-Step volunteers. If you are available to take 12-Step phone calls and/ or go out on a 12-Step call (although, never alone!), come to the workshop and sign up!

## We are especially in need of Women 12-Step Volunteers

Every 3rd Saturday of each month I0 AM Central Office 274 E. Hamilton Ave. Suite D., Campbell 408-374-8511

#### **October 2012**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	I	SCCYPAA BUSNESS MEETING 6:30pm	3 PI/CPC WORKSHOP: 5:30 PI/CPC MEETING: 6pm OUTREACH MTG: 5:45pm INTERGROUP MTG: 7:30pm	4	5	6 SECRETARY'S WORKSHOP 10am, Central Office ARCHIVES WORK DAY 11:15am, Central Office
7	8	9	NORTH COUNTY GENERAL SERVICE MEETING 7:30pm	II	12	13 PI/CPC Workshop 10am, Central Office TAKE YOUR SPONSOR TO BRUNCH 11AM-2PM Lincoln Glen Church
14	BRIDGING THE GAP MEETING: 7:00pm 1980 E. Hamilton Ave., SJ	SOUTH COUNTY GENERAL SERVICE MEETING 7:00pm SCCYPAA BUSNESS MEETING 6:30pm	17	18	19	DIVERTER/12TH STEPPERS WORKSHOP 10am, Central Office
21	22	H & I COMMITTEE 7:00pm	24	25	26	27
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#### **LOCAL EVENTS**

- Oct. 13 6th Annual Take Your Sponsor to Brunch, IIAM - 2PM, Lincoln Glen Church, 2700 Booksin Ave., San Jose Oct. 27 Stayin' Alive 5! Costume Party & Dance Extravaganza! Hosted by Early Birds of AA, 6PM - 11PM, Masonic Hall,
- - 131 E. Main St., Los Gatos
- Dec. I Holiday Tamale Party, IIAM-2PM, Intergroup Central Office, 274 E. Hamilton Ave., Suite D, Campbell

#### **EVENTS AROUND CALIFORNIA**

Oct. 13 Area 06 Bridging the Gap Forum, 8:30AM - 3:30PM, Clubhouse at Fairgrounds Mobile Estates, 2525 Flosden Rd., American Canyon

#### **EVENTS AROUND THE COUNTRY AND GLOBE**

- Oct. 26-28 MNYPAA, Minnesota Young People in A.A., Millenium Hotel, 1313 Nocollet Mall, Minneapolis, MN.
- Nov. 9-11 Lake Havasu City's Miracle on the River 25th Anniv. 2012, Nautical Beachfront Resort, Lake Havasu City, AZ.
  - For more info: www.havasuaa.com
- Nov. 22-25 46th Annual Las Vegas Roundup, Riviera Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas, NV www.lasvegasroundup.org
- Feb 14-17 49th International Women's Conference, Reno, NV http://internationalwomensconference.org

### **November 2012**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
October 2012  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	December 2012  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31			I	2	3 SECRETARY'S WORKSHOP 10am, Central Office ARCHIVES WORK DAY 11:15am, Central Office
4	5	6 SCCYPAA BUSNESS MEETING 6:30pm	7 PI/CPC WORKSHOP: 5:30 PI/CPC MEETING: 6pm OUTREACH MTG: 5:45pm INTERGROUP MTG: 7:30pm	8	9	10 PI/CPC Workshop 10am, Central Office
II	12	13	NORTH COUNTY GENERAL SERVICE MEETING 7:30pm	15	16	DIVERTER/12TH STEPPERS WORKSHOP 10am, Central Office
18	19 BRIDGING THE GAP MEETING: 7:00pm 1980 E. Hamilton Ave., SJ	20 SOUTH COUNTY GENERAL SERVICE MEETING 7:00pm SCCYPAA BUSNESS MEETING 6:30pm	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 H & I COMMITTEE 7:00pm	28	29	30	

#### WE WANT TO HELP YOU SPREAD THE WORD!!

Please send news and information about your group's activities before the end of the month so we can get them in the COIN. We accept them in any form, But emailing a flyer is best: aasanjose@comcast.net

# Telephone Calls Received During September 2012

Daytime at Central Office......31

Daytime 12 Step Calls.....8

(Evening 12 Step Call information is not available.)

An average of just over 8,000 hits are made on our website each month!!

I AM RESPONSIBLE...
WHEN ANYONE, ANYWHERE,
REACHES OUT FOR HELP,
I WANT THE HAND OF A.A.
ALWAYS TO BE THERE.
AND FOR THAT: I AM RESPONSIBLE.

To all the members and groups who support us, WETHANK YOU!

#### SPEAKER MEETINGS

#### **Grapevine Speakers Meeting**

Fridays at 8 p.m.
United Presbyterian Church
728 W. Fremont Ave. (at Hollenbeck), Sunnyvale

#### Second Tradition Group of AA

Saturdays at 8 p.m. Lincoln Glen Church, 2700 Booksin Ave, San Jose

#### Remember We Deal With Alcohol

Saturdays at 8 p.m. St. Mark's Church 1957 Pruneridge Ave., Santa Clara

#### **Saturday Nite Live Group**

Fridays at 8 p.m. 1388 S. Bascom at Stokes, San Jose

#### Speaker Meeting—VA Hospital

Sunday at 11:15 a.m. 3801 Miranda Ave., Palo Alto

#### **Saturday Morning Fellowship**

Saturday at 10 a.m.
United Presbyterian Church
Fremont & Hollenbeck, Sunnyvale

#### **MEETING CHANGES**

#### **NEW**

We Women Agnostics: 8:00PM, Thurs., First Congregational Church, 1980 Hamilton Ave., at Leigh Ave., San Jose.

**Newcomers Steps 1-2-3:** 12 Noon, Sat., Cornerstone Fellowship Group, 1600 Dell Ave., Suite S, Campbell.

**Promises Kept (Women's Meeting):** 7:00PM, Mon., East Valley Pentacostal Church, 2715 S. White Rd., San Jose.

Fair Avenue Fellowship Speaker Meeting: Sun., 6:00PM, Fair Avenue Fellowship at the Alano Club of San Jose, 1122 Fair Ave. (at McLaughlin) in San lose.

#### **CHANGED**

**Caring and Sharing:** 8:00PM, Tues., Pizza Jack's, 1600 Monterey Hwy, San Jose. Meeting has moved to Almaden United Methodist Church, 1200 Blossom Hill Rd., San Jose.

**Solutions for Gay Women:** 7:30PM, Thurs., First Congregational Church, 1980 Hamilton Ave., San Jose. Meeting has moved to Church of Christ, 400 W. Campbell Ave. in the Fireside Room, Campbell.

**Grapevine Speakers Meeting:** 8:00PM, Fri., First Presbyterian Church, 2499 Homestead Rd., Santa Clara. Meeting has moved to United Presbyterian Church, 728 W. Fremont (at Hollenbeck), Sunnyvale.

**Sunshine Group:** 12 Noon, Thurs., International Church, 3275 Williams Rd., San Jose. Meeting has moved to Masonic Lodge, 2500 Masonic Dr., San Jose.

Women's Step Topics: 6:30PM, Thurs., First Congregational Church, 1980 Hamilton Ave., San Jose. Meeting has moved to Room #8.

**LGBTQ Gay & Lesbian Topic Discussion:** 6:30PM, Sat., First Unitarian Church of San Jose, 160 North 3rd Street, San Jose. Meeting has moved to First Prebyterian Church, 49 N. 4th Street, San Jose.

Los Gatos Tuesday Night: 8:15PM, Tues., Faith Lutheran Church, 16548 Ferris Ave., Los Gatos. Meeting time has changed to 8:00PM.

All meetings held at the Emergency Housing Consortium: Various days and time throughout the week. 211 Little Orchard Street, San Jose. All meetings are ADULTS ONLY. No children are allowed at any of the meetings.

**Gay & Lesbian Steps and Traditions Group:** 8:00PM, Fri., First Unitartian Church of San Jose, 160 N. 3rd St. at St. James, San Jose. Meeting has moved to Billy DeFrank LGBT Center: 938 The Alameda, near Race St., San Jose.

#### **NO LONGER MEETING**

You have a Choice: 8:15PM, Fri., Fremont and Hollenbeck Group, United Presbyterian Church, 728 W. Fremont, Sunnyvale.

**Upstairs Group (As Bill See It):** Wed., 7:00PM, 13335 Monterey Rd., above Rocca's Market, San Martin.

# **Birthday Contributions**

BIRTHDAY CELEBRANT	YEARS	CONTRIBUTIONS	BIRTHDAY
Eric L.	3	Katie R.	09/23/2009
Jerry C.	32	Sheila T.	10/10/1980
Sheila T.	29	Sheila T.	09/09/1983
Eva Z.	1	Eva Z.	09/19/2011
Barbara W.	23	Barbara W.	10/03/1989
Jacqueline B.	3	Jacqueline B.	09/07/2009
Stephen T.	20	Steven T.	09/09/1992

# **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** TO ALL!! 111 YEARS **OF SOBRIETY!!**

If you would like to participate or honor a friend, please use the birthday forms at your Meeting or Central Office.

#### In Memorium

We lost another beloved member of AA this last week. Linda P. passed away on 9/13/2012 with over 35 years of sobriety. She will be greatly missed by many.



### **InterGroup Minutes: September 5, 2012**

- Bill H., Intergroup Chairperson, opened the meeting at 7:30 PM, followed by a Moment of Silence and the serenity prayer.
- Annette read the definition of Intergroup.
- David read the 12 traditions.
- New Intergroup Reps: Trudy, Karen, Nelly, Eric, Brian, David
- Visitors: Heidi, Annette, Ali, Mike, Katie, Gary, Lynn
- Birthdays: John, 30 yrs., Joel, 37 yrs., Jenny, 6 yrs., Libby, 10 yrs., Laura, 15 yrs., Steve, 8 yrs.
- 7th tradition.
- Additions and corrections to the agenda: None.
- Additions and corrections to the minutes: None.
- 69 voting representatives in attendance.

#### **REPORTS**

#### Intergroup Chair, Bill H cedes to Kent G. for nominations

- Nominating committee: Kent G., Larry I., Larry L, Ali M., Rose W.
- Nominees for Central Service Board:
  - Mike W.
    - 27 years sober.
    - Home Group: Sunday Early Morning Sobriety.
    - In the area since 2005.
    - Has served as IGR, GSO, H&I.
    - Has a bachelors degree, a masters degree and is a Logistics Manager.
  - Annette N.
    - 21 years sober.
    - Home Group: Saturday Morning Meeting at Ferris Spencer.
    - Is a salesperson by training.
    - Manages property and her own business.
    - Has served as IGR and GSR.
    - Has a degree in Finance.
  - Steve D.
    - 8 years sober.
    - Home Group: Joy of Living Group.
    - Has served in H&I and secretary positions.
    - Works as a Financial Advisor.
  - o Garry S.
    - 29 years sober.
    - Home Group: Noon Meeting at St. Luke's.
    - On the steering committee of the Los Gatos Group.
    - On the committee for the Spiritual Progress Retreat.
    - On the board of the ARH Recovery Home.
    - Is an engineer by training.
  - Lynn D.
    - 21 years sober.
    - Home Group: Saturday Morning Big Book Study at Ferris Spencer.
    - Is a sponsor, a sponsee and has served as IGR and treasurer.
    - On the board of the ARH Recovery Home.
    - On the board of ASWA.
    - Started a recruiting business and has experience with financial and HR issues.

- Nomiee for Intergroup Chair:
  - Gloria V.
    - 5 years sober.
    - Has been involved with Intergroup for the last 4 years.
    - Home Group: Spiritual Progress Group on Sundays.
    - Integroup Rep for 2 years, Activity Chair for 3 years.
    - Executive Assistant for CEO at area biotech company.
- Nominee for Assistant Intergroup Chair:
  - Paige
    - 10 years sober.
    - Home Group: Shared Gift Women's Group
    - Has served as IGR and treasurer.
    - Works in retail.
- Nominee for Intergroup Recording Secretary:
  - Carol B.
    - 7 years sober.
    - Home Group: Monday Midday Women's Group.
    - Has served as H&I, IGR, secretary, treasurer, diverter and GSR.
- Talk to Bill H. or Kent G. if you have someone you want to nominate.
- Check the bylaws for CSB nominee qualifications.

#### Intergroup Treasurer Report, Laura, None.

#### Central Service Board, Jo Ann

- The board met on 08/30/2012 at Central Office.
- All bills are paid except payroll due at the end of the month.
- Overall, July 2012 was a very good month, in large part because contributions were high. Net income for 2012 is \$15.875.76.
- August contributions are about \$500 less than August 2011 with 3 days left.
- Have no yet reached goal for the prudent reserve account, though our overall financial health is stronger this year. Currently at 4.5 months prudent reserve with a target of 6 months.
- Please thank your groups for their continued contributions and support of Central Office.

#### Central Office, Bruce

- Something to think about: If Santa Clara County is 1.8 million people and 1/10 is an alcoholic, that means there
  are a 180,000 people in need of hearing the message. It is our responsibility to think of ways to get the word out
  there.
- Unity Day was very successful. "Whatever Happened to Uncle George" was well received and Milton B. did a wonderful job as the closing speaker.
- NCCOMM was held on August 3rd in Sacramento. Lela, the delegate from CNIA attended for a discussion of
  events at GSO. Also discussed communication and website issues and concerns, which will also be talked about
  at the National Manager's Seminar in Washington, D.C. in late September to early October.
- CNCA Summer Assembly was held in San Jose on August 11th. Great discussions about the Grapevine. Also
  heard the immediate past general manager of GSO, Greg Muth, share his story and his thoughts on the direction
  of AA.
- Next Intergroup activity is the Oldtimer's Meeting on September 8th. Then "Take Your Sponsor to Brunch" on October 13th. Bruce will be missing it do to the Washington, D.C. seminar.
- AAWS and Grapevine have put together some really good videos and PSAs that should get wider exposure.
   Please let your groups know that these videos exist and are available for borrowing or buying. Also, Integroup would like to purchase a new TV to show the videos at various events and at central office. Donations specific to this purchase are welcome and a flyer has been created for soliciting funds.

#### PI, Raymond

- Phone number: 408-401-3985.
- "Many Paths, One Destination" event to be held on September 15th at the 1st Congressional Church at 1980 Hamilton Ave., San Jose, CA 95125. PI will man a literature table from 8:30 AM to 3:15 PM.

- "5th Annual Health and Wellness Fair" will be held on October 6th at the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 332 at 2125 Canoas Garden Ave. San Jose, CA 95125. Pl will man a literature table from 8 AM to 11 AM.
- PI put on 2 workshops and hosted a literature table at Unity Day and it went very well.
- PI would like to start an "Adopt a Literature Rack" program. It's still in the exploratory phase, but the program
  would sponsoring literature racks at various locations, such as hospitals and doctor's offices. PI is looking for
  recommended locations and would greatly appreciate ideas from your groups.

#### CPC, Susan

- "California Northern Coast Area 06 Joint Communication Meeting" is being held on November 24th at the Petaluma Community Center at 320 N. McDowell Boulevard, Petaluma, CA 94954.
- "Traffic Safety Communities Network DUI Panel" is being held on September 27th at the Fremont High School in Sunnyvale, CA.
- CPC is looking for feedback on whether or not the wording of tradition 11 needs to be updated to conform with new communications mediums.

#### 12 Step Committee, Bill

- Committee is looking at how to better serve the AA community, such as using different communications mediums and better conveying info to 12 step volunteers.
- If you are a 12 step volunteer, please contact Bill at <a href="mailto:billd82@gmail.com">billd82@gmail.com</a> so that a comprehensive list of volunteers can be assembled and information can be easily disseminated.
- The committee is studying the "SF Sunshine Club" which brings the message to bedridden and housebound individuals to see if it can be mimicked locally.

#### Daytime Coordinator, Mike M., None.

#### Nights & Weekends Diverter Coordinator, Tommy O.

- Phone Number: 408-981-9725.
- Two open shifts to be filled: Week 5, Monday, 4:30 to 7 PM. Week 4, Tuesday, 10:30 PM to 6 AM.
- Diverter shifts are open to be filled. A shift is a few hours once a month. Workshops are held on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 10 AM at Central Office.
- New volunteers are always needed. Three diverter coordinator shifts are coming open. Ideally, volunteers will have already served as diverters.

#### **Outreach Committee, Mary Pat**

 Don't forget, outreach is part of your responsibility as an IG representative! Please go to new meetings and spread the word about Intergroup.

#### COIN. Fran

- The COIN greatly appreciates all of the interest from the community!
- The topic for September is "The Family Afterwards." The deadline for submission is September 19th. For November, the topic is "Gratitude."
- Please ask speakers with great stories related to topics to write them down and send them in.
- Get your group featured in the COIN by writing a story about it! The COIN will send a photographer to get pictures.
- Remember, people in service positions at your group can register with Central Office and receive a free copy of the COIN.

#### Activities Chair (still vacant), Gloria

- The Oldtimer's Meeting is having an event on September 8th.
- Thanks to everyone who volunteered to sell tickets for the "Take Your Sponsor to Brunch" event. Tickets are \$10 a piece.

#### Communications Committee, Steve S.

- There was a meeting in August concerning the scope of the committee's goals and its current activity.
- Ideas were discussed for a new, maintainable website to be completed by the 1st quarter of 2013.
- The committee will meet twice a month and is also discussing new guidelines concerning online communications and publishing.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

#### OTHER SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORTS

NCCAA, None.

#### Hospitals and Institutions, Bret

- Covers the area from Santa Clara to Soledad.
- Brings 55 meetings to 25 institutions.
- 14 of 25 institutions are in need of volunteers.
- Lots of positions do not require clearances, so talk to Bret about specific openings.

#### North County General Service, Eric

- District 04 has created a budget committee consisting of two GSRs, two DCMs and the district treasurer. Contributions from groups have seen a slight uptick.
- The District 40 Summer Assembly was wonderful and there is an upcoming conference report workshop.

#### South County General Service, Eric

 AA is growing rapidly in India ever since a TV show hosted by a very popular film star focused on alcoholism. More than 250,000 phone calls have flooded the Indian General Service Office since the program aired.

#### SCYPAA, Caitlyn

 "Revenge of the Nerds 3" is being held at 8 PM on September 29th on the Los Gatos Masonic Hall. Speaker meeting followed by a dance.

#### **OPEN FORUM**

- The Grapevine Speaker Meeting has joined the Fremont and Hollenbeck Group. The details were on page 10 of the August COIN.
- The Serenity First Group is celebrating 20 years on Saturday, September 8th at 6 PM. There will be a meeting followed by a dance.

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# INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC. Profit & Loss

September 2012	Sep 12	Sep 11
Ordinary Income/Expense	3ep 12	Зер 11
Income		
3030 · Contributions-General	10,545.73	11,803.38
8010 · Literature Sales	5,413.79	3,948.35
8020 · Meeting Guide Sales	623.00	912.00
8050 · Activities Committee	919.00	70.00
8060 · Newsletter Subscriptions	0.00	10.00
Total Income	17,501.52	16,743.73
Cost of Goods Sold	,	,
5000 · Cost of Goods Sold		
5100 · Cost of Inventory Sold	4,518.94	2,722.79
5150 ⋅ Cost of Meeting Directories	801.94	465.75
Total 5000 ⋅ Cost of Goods Sold	5,320.88	3,188.54
Total COGS	5,320.88	3,188.54
Gross Profit	12,180.64	13,555.19
Expense		
6010 · Alarm Service	0.00	0.00
6015 · Activities Committee Expense	1,168.57	1,660.00
6030 · Accounting and Legal Fee	0.00	800.00
6060 · Amortization of Improvements	0.00	3.25
6070 · Bank Credit card charges (Credit card costs and fees)	72.14	89.65
6120 · Computer Expenses	24.38	0.00
6140 · Conferences - Office Manager	628.28	789.54
6150 · Unity Day Expense	0.00	0.00
6160 · Copier Expense	209.63	506.39
6190 · Depreciation Expense	253.75	822.25
6220 · Insurance - Worker Compensation	232.25	0.00
6230 · Insurance - General Liability	190.92	677.56
6240 · Employee HRA Plan	437.49	851.20
6245 · Internet Access Charges	29.95	30.35
6320 · Newsletter Expense	66.42	0.00
6330 · Office Expense	173.54	113.48
6360 · Archives	53.63	0.00
6370 · Office Paper Supply	402.45	0.00
6380 ⋅ Payroll Taxes	767.41	614.10
6410 · Postage	40.20	327.56
6430 · PI/CPC	0.00	0.00
6480 · Rent	2,534.00	2,470.65
6540 ⋅ Salaries - Office	9,510.58	8,027.32
6560 ⋅ Payroll Expenses	611.65	85.50
6600 ⋅ Signing Services	200.00	150.00
7010 · Taxes and Licenses	0.00	0.00
7050 · Telephone	226.56	353.52
7060 · Travel	0.00	0.00
9080 · Sales Tax (Sales tax paid on purchases)	0.00	0.00
Total Expense	17,833.80	18,372.32
Net Ordinary Income	-5,653.16	-4,817.13
Other Income/Expense		
Other Income	4.00	F F0
8030 · Interest Income	1.89	-5.53

# INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.

### **Profit & Loss**

	September 2012	Sep 12	Sep 11	
Total Other Income		1.89	-5.53	
Net Other Income		1.89	-5.53	
Net Income		-5,651.27	-4,822.66	

# INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.

# **Profit & Loss**

crual Basis	Piolit & Loss	
	September 2012	Jan - Sep 12
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
3030 · Contribution	ns-General	116,649.70
8010 · Literature S	ales	41,774.69
8020 · Meeting Gui	de Sales	7,059.00
8050 · Activities Co	ommittee	5,463.00
8060 · Newsletter S	Subscriptions	100.00
Total Income		171,046.39
Cost of Goods Sold		
5000 · Cost of Goo	ds Sold	
5100 · Cost of	Inventory Sold	28,796.59
5150 · Cost of	Meeting Directories	5,318.56
Total 5000 · Cost of	f Goods Sold	34,115.15
Total COGS		34,115.15
Gross Profit		136,931.24
Expense		
6010 ⋅ Alarm Servi	ce	621.00
6015 · Activities Co	ommittee Expense	3,948.75
6030 · Accounting	and Legal Fee	2,675.00
6060 · Amortization	n of Improvements	0.00
6070 ⋅ Bank Credit	card charges (Credit card costs and fees)	878.36
6120 · Computer E	xpenses	78.62
6140 · Conference	s - Office Manager	1,394.48
6150 ⋅ Unity Day E	xpense	900.00
6160 ⋅ Copier Expe	ense	905.21
6190 · Depreciation	n Expense	761.25
6220 · Insurance -	Worker Compensation	628.49
6230 · Insurance -	General Liability	1,711.87
6240 · Employee H	RA Plan	7,188.84
6245 · Internet Acc	ess Charges	271.35
6320 · Newsletter i	Expense	1,605.99
6330 · Office Expe	nse	1,090.04
6360 · Archives		53.63
6370 ⋅ Office Pape	r Supply	1,592.76
6380 ⋅ Payroll Taxe	es	5,792.09
6410 ⋅ Postage		1,552.17
6430 · PI/CPC		110.00
6480 · Rent		22,742.65
6540 · Salaries - O	ffice	63,846.37
6560 ⋅ Payroll Exp	enses	1,318.55
6600 ⋅ Signing Ser	vices	1,550.00
7010 ⋅ Taxes and L	icenses	60.00
7050 · Telephone		2,100.76
7060 · Travel		149.23
9080 ⋅ Sales Tax (S	Sales tax paid on purchases)	153.89
Total Expense		125,681.35
Net Ordinary Income		11,249.89
Other Income/Expense		
Other Income		
8030 · Interest Income		155.98

# INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.

# **Profit & Loss**

September 2	01	2
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	Jan - Sep 12
Total Other Income	155.98
Net Other Income	155.98

Net Income 11,405.87

# INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.

# **Balance Sheet**

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	As of October 3, 2012	Oct 3, 12
ASSETS	4 Access	
	t Assets	
C	hecking/Savings 1010 · Petty Cash	204.39
	1020 · First Republic Bank (Checking account)	22,092.58
	1021 · First Republic Bank CD 0429 (12 Mo. CD @ .4%, 08/12/2012)	17,505.65
	1023 · First Republic Bank CD 3228 (12 Mos. CD @ .6%, 02/05/2013)	16,386.56
	1025 · First Republic Bank CD 7266 (12 Mos. CD @ .05%, 01/06/2013)	20,075.12
	1026 · First Republic Bank CD 7619 (15 Mos. CD @ .05%, 06/21/2013)	15,003.78
Te	otal Checking/Savings	91,268.08
A	ccounts Receivable	
	1110 · Accounts Rec - Group Deposits	-1,342.32
Te	otal Accounts Receivable	-1,342.32
0	ther Current Assets	
	1250 · Literature Inventory	18,543.20
	1310 · Prepaid Insurance	1,107.36
	1499 · Undeposited Funds	290.57
Te	otal Other Current Assets	19,941.13
Total C	Current Assets	109,866.89
Fixed A		
	30 · Office Equipment	30,259.02
	640 · Office Furnishings - Asset	7,507.80
	641 · Less Accumulated Depreciation	-33,423.42
	880 - Leasehold Improvements	300.00
	81 · Less Accumulated Amortization	-300.00
	Assets	4,343.40
	Assets 860 - Deposits	1,993.85
	Other Assets	1,993.85
TOTAL ASS		116,204.14
LIABILITIES		
Liabilit		
C	urrent Liabilities	
	Other Current Liabilities	
	2100 · Payroll Liabilities (Payroll Liabilities)	0.02
	2240 · Sales Tax Payable (due quarterly)	1,389.26
	2600 · Unity Day	1,073.11
	Total Other Current Liabilities	2,462.39
To	otal Current Liabilities	2,462.39
Total L	iabilities	2,462.39
Equity		
27	740 ⋅ Temporarily Restricted Funds	10,842.08
39	000 · Unrestricted Funds	88,550.23
	et Income	14,349.44
Total E		113,741.75
TOTAL LIA	BILITIES & EQUITY	116,204.14

# INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC. Balance Sheet

As of October 3, 2012

Oct 3, 12

**Our Prudent Reserve Accounts total:	\$68,971.11	This represent
about 4.5 mos., or 75% of the Board estab	olished goal of 6 mo	onths of operating
expenses.		

### INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.

#### **Balance Sheet** As of October 3, 2012

#### **ASSETS**

**Current Assets** 

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Checking/Savings
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1010 · Petty Cash

1020 · First Republic Bank (Checking account)

1021 · First Republic Bank CD 0429 (12 Mo. CD @ .4%, 08/12/2012)

1023 · First Republic Bank CD 3228 (12 Mos. CD @ .6%, 02/05/2013)

1025 · First Republic Bank CD 7266 (12 Mos. CD @ .05%, 01/06/2013)

1026 · First Republic Bank CD 7619 (15 Mos. CD @ .05%, 06/21/2013)

#### **Total Checking/Savings**

**Accounts Receivable** 

1110 · Accounts Rec - Group Deposits

**Total Accounts Receivable** 

**Other Current Assets** 

1250 · Literature Inventory

1310 · Prepaid Insurance

1499 · Undeposited Funds

**Total Other Current Assets** 

**Total Current Assets** 

**Fixed Assets** 

1630 · Office Equipment

1640 · Office Furnishings - Asset

1641 · Less Accumulated Depreciation

1680 · Leasehold Improvements

1681 · Less Accumulated Amortization

**Total Fixed Assets** 

Other Assets

1860 · Deposits

**Total Other Assets** 

**TOTAL ASSETS** 

#### **LIABILITIES & EQUITY**

Liabilities

**Current Liabilities** 

**Other Current Liabilities** 

2100 · Payroll Liabilities (Payroll Liabilities)

2240 · Sales Tax Payable (due quarterly)

2600 · Unity Day

**Total Other Current Liabilities** 

**Total Current Liabilities** 

**Total Liabilities** 

**Equity** 

2740 · Temporarily Restricted Funds

3900 · Unrestricted Funds

**Net Income** 

**Total Equity** 

**TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY** 

# INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC. Balance Sheet

As of October 3, 2012

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	Sep 12	Jan - Sep 12		Sep 12
1 INV Early Bird Group 70968	0.00	333.15	District 40	0.00
1 Inv Freedom Fellowship 70940	1,104.16	2.252.26	Downtown Steppers (Men) 392 (Mon.)	0.00
1 INV Fremont & Hollenbeck Group 70907	210.00	700.00	Dr. Bob's Nightmare 360 (Sun.)	0.00
1 INV Fremont & Manet Group 70975	0.00	1,750.00	Early Bird SJ 244 (Thur.)	0.00
1 INV One Day at a Time 70903	1,019.60	6,502.47	Early Spiritual Progress 7 (Sun.)	0.00
1 INV R and B Group 70972	0.00	3,433.78	Early Tuesday Group 119 (Tues.)	0.00
1 INV Saturday Nite Live Group 70905	70.00	560.00	Easier Way Group 290 (Fri.)	0.00
1 Inv Seeking Guidance Group 70976	5.00	2,083.98	East Valley Group 322 (Fri.)	0.00
1 INV Serenity First Fellowship 70902	50.00	225.00	Eleventh Step Meditation Mtg 276 (Thur.)	0.00
1 INV South County Fellowship 70954	210.00	2,030.00	End of the Line Men's Group 147 (Tues.)	0.00
1 INV Spiritual Progress Group 70904	0.00	2,481.09	Evergreen Group 884 (Thur.)	0.00
1 INV Winchester Fellowship 70960	0.00	225.00	G Attitude Adjustment	0.00
12 Steps at Noon 303 (Fri.)	158.00	360.00	G By the Book 70980	0.00
24 Hour Concept 532 (Thurs.)	0.00	44.00	G Fair Avenue Fellowship 70901	4.57
3rd Steppers Book Study (Wom) 610 (Thur.)	0.00	560.00	G Forged From Adversity Group 70957	0.00
A Vision for You Women's 802 (Tues.)	70.00	290.00	G Gilroy Groups 70906	0.00
A.B.C. Women's Group 58 (Mon.)	0.00	57.30	G Higher Power Hour 70952	353.50
Almaden Valley Discussion 30 (Sun.)	0.00	392.00	G Remember We Deal With Alcohol 70938	0.00
As Bill Sees It 6.00P 518 (Mon.)	0.00	255.00	G Serenity at Noon (fka Agnew) 70921	0.00
Attitude Adjustment LG 608 (Thur.)	0.00	1.27	G Sunrise Group of Palo Alto 70963	0.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 43 (Sat.)	30.00	280.00	G Sunrisers Group/Carrows 70932	285.77
Attitude Adjustment SJ 861 (Thur.)	600.00	600.00	G Third Tradition (906)	0.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 886 (Tues.)	0.00	70.00	G Third Tradition Women's Gp, The 70979	889.92
Attitude Adjustment/Trad Study 321 (Mon.)	0.00	260.00	G We Care Group 70934	250.00
Back to Basics Saratoga Noon 151 (Tues.)	101.00	202.00	G West Valley Fellowship 70942	0.00
Basic Big Book Study 803 (Tues.)	0.00	60.00	Gathered Together for Sobriety 43 (Sun.)	0.00
Bedmakers Group (Men) 812 (Thur.)	0.00	50.00	Gay & Lesbian AA Big Book Disc146 (Tues.)	0.00
Berryessa Group 527 (Wed.)	0.00	257.34	Gay & Lesbian Sober Experience 896 (Mon.)	0.00
Better Way of Living 197 (Wed.)	0.00	293.00	Gay Men & Women Together 85 (Mon.)	60.00
Big Book Men's Group (Men) 106 (Tues.)	0.00	175.00	Gay Men's Freedom 262 (Thur.)	350.00
Big Book Speakers Group 289 (Fri.)	0.00	175.00	Gay Reflections on the Solution 841(Sun.)	0.00
Big Book Study Mlpts 347 (Sat.)	80.00	80.00	Get Up and Go (Women) 187 (Sat.)	0.00
Bill's Basement 384 (Fri.)	0.00	145.00	Get Well Group 17 (Sun.)	0.00
Birthday Contribution 00951	396.00	3,896.00	Grace Group of AA 352 (Sat.)	280.00
Boiled Owls (Men's) 816 (Wed)	0.00	3,089.00	H.O.W. Group 164 (Wed.)	0.00
Bowers Fellowship 46 (Sun.)	0.00	689.05	Happy Destiny (Women) 109 (Tues.)	542.00
California Ave. Supper Group 715 (Thur.)	0.00	472.36	Happy, Joyous & Free 650 (Tues.)	115.50
Cambrian Saturday Night (Chips) 376 (Sat)	0.00	1,281.70	High Hope (Men's) 239 (Sat.)	0.00
Campus Group 234 (Thur.)	0.00	352.10	HOW Group 71 (Mon.)	317.00
Character Defect Freedom 201 (Tues)	0.00	835.00	Humbly Asked 87 (Sun.)	0.00
Childish Emotions (Chips) 767 (Thur.)	0.00	20.00	In the Basement 545 (Sun.)	0.00
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Chips and Dyps (Chips) 559 (Tues.)	0.00	1,242.16	In the Solution 647 (Sat.)	0.00
Class of '81	0.00	301.00	Invaders Group 44 (Sun.)	0.00
Daily Reflections 432 (Thur.)	0.00	90.50	Ladies Amethyst AA Study Group 749 (Wed.)	0.00
Design for Living 200 (Tues.)	0.00	51.00	Lesbians Living the Promises 349 (Fri.)	30.00
Liquor Was But A Symptom 203 (Thur.)	0.00	185.00	Sisters Seeking Serenity 858 (Wed.)	0.00
Living in the Solution MH (W) 33 (Sat.)	0.00	126.00	Sizzler Group 27 (Sun.)	0.00
Living Solutions 728 (Fri.)	0.00	513.28	Sober and Free Convention 70928	0.00
Living with Serenity (Chips) 599 (Wed.)	0.00	271.10	Sober in the Park 688 (Sun.)	0.00
Los Altos Big Book 860 (Thurs.)	0.00	464.00	Society of the Second Chance 305 (Tues.)	0.00
Los Altos Group 225 (Thur.)	0.00	196.70	Solutions for Gay Women 870 (Thur.)	0.00
Los Altos Men's Group 59 (Mon.)	0.00	435.00	South Valley Men's 845 (Thur.)	140.00
Los Gatos Big Book 664 (Mon.)	0.00	387.95	South Valley Women's Surrender 88 (Mon.)	0.00
Los Gatos Tuesday Night 110 (Tues.)	0.00	113.37	Spiritual Awakening 813 (Tues.)	0.00
Meditation Meeting LA 39 (Sat.)	0.00	97.76	St. Luke's Group 113 (Tues.)	0.00
Memorium Contribution	0.00	25.00	St. Mark's Group 270 (Thur.)	0.00
Men's 4th Step Group 320 (Fri.)	0.00	111.00	Step Along (Women) 638 (Wed.)	0.00
Men's Basic Step Study Group 891 (Tues.)	0.00	416.00	Step Study (Women) LG 820 (Wed.)	100.00
Men's Big Book (Caveman Gp) 659 (Sun.)	0.00	291.46	Sunday Night Recovery 23 (Sun.)	0.00
Men's Group 97 (Mon.)	0.00	350.00	Sunday Spirituality 674 (Sun.)	0.00
Men's Honesty Group 26 (Sat.)	0.00	1,080.00	Sundowner's Dinner Mtg (Chips) 768 (Wed.)	108.50
Men's Single Problem Study 89 (Mon.)	0.00	350.00	Sunshine Group noon 243 (Thur.)	0.00
Men's Single Problem Study Gp 220 (Thur.)	0.00	1,457.53	T.G.I.F. Speaker/Discussion 298 (Fri.)	0.00
Midday Women's Group 91 (Mon.)	0.00	453.74	Think Tank (Men's) 361 (Sat.)	0.00
Monday at a Time 208 (Mon.)	0.00	140.00	Traditions Breakfast Event	0.00
Mountain Miracles 882 (Thur.)	0.00	491.40	Traditions Study 818 (Mon.)	0.00
Mountain View Group 350 (Sat.)	0.00	105.00	Traditions Workshop	0.00
New Direction 12 x 12 90 (Mon.)	0.00	238.46	Truly Happy Hour 324 (Fri.)	0.00
New Life Start (Chips) 444 (Sun.)	0.00	206.50	Tuesday Night Men's Mtg 525 (Tues.)	375.20
New Live and Let Live, The 24 (Sun.)	0.00	385.00	Tuesday Night Saratoga Group 152 (Tues.)	0.00
New Nooners 808 (Mon.)	0.00	165.12	Unknown	321.40
Newcomers, Oldtimers (Women) 769 (Sat.)	0.00	342.47	Up the Creek-Daily Reflections 745 (Tue.)	0.00
No Bull Big Book 655 (Fri.)	518.77	718.77	Veterans of Alcohol 874 (Tues.)	0.00
Other Wednesday Nite, The (Men) 209 (Wed)	0.00	950.00	Veterans of Alcohol NortH 338 (Tues.)	0.00
Pass It On Group 418 (Sun.)	0.00	290.50	Villages Group of AA, The 406 (Mon.)	0.00
Personal 00911	140.31	10,346.03	We Are Not Saints 12 & 12 520 (Tues.)	0.00
Plaza Del Rey Group 52 (Sun.)	0.00	385.00	We Care Step Study 128 (Tues.)	0.00
Progress Not Perfection 229 (Sun.)	0.00	112.00	Wisdom to Know 651 (Mon.)	0.00
Rincon Men's Fellowship 567 (Thur.)	0.00	770.00	Women's Brunch 640 (Sat.)	0.00
Saratoga Family Group 328 (Fri.)	0.00	300.00	Women's Topic Disc. Group 103 (Tues.)	0.00
Saturday's Reflections 622 (Sat.)	20.00	125.05	Women on the Move 570 (Wed.)	0.00
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Saturday 6PM Meeting 413 (Sat.)	161.65	161.65	Women Sharing the Solution 519 (Thur.)	0.00	
Saturday Morning Los Gatos 777 (Sat.)	0.00	1,540.00	Women to Women 704 (Sat.)	114.00	
SCCYPAA	215.93	906.08			
Second Tradition Group Spkr 721 (Sat.)	698.50	1,110.00	TOTALS	10545.73	
Serenity Discussion 210 (Wed.)	0.00	409.97			
Shared Gift, The (Women) 61 (Mon.)	0.00	1,242.57			
Single Problem Study (Men) 212 (Wed.)	0.00	625.62			
Single Problem Topic (Men's) 582 (Mon.)	49.45	327.45			

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1 INV Early Bird Group 70968	100.00
1 Inv Freedom Fellowship 70940	153.30
1 INV Fremont & Hollenbeck Group 70907	223.00
1 INV Fremont & Manet Group 70975	30.00
1 INV One Day at a Time 70903	76.00
1 INV R and B Group 70972	727.65
1 INV Saturday Nite Live Group 70905	423.00
1 Inv Seeking Guidance Group 70976	300.00
1 INV Serenity First Fellowship 70902	367.50
1 INV South County Fellowship 70954	84.00
1 INV Spiritual Progress Group 70904	70.23
1 INV Winchester Fellowship 70960	422.80
12 Steps at Noon 303 (Fri.)	550.00
24 Hour Concept 532 (Thurs.)	322.04
3rd Steppers Book Study (Wom) 610 (Thur.)	161.00
A Vision for You Women's 802 (Tues.)	770.00
A.B.C. Women's Group 58 (Mon.)	1,696.65
Almaden Valley Discussion 30 (Sun.)	625.62
As Bill Sees It 6.00P 518 (Mon.)	238.00
Attitude Adjustment LG 608 (Thur.)	2,133.24
Attitude Adjustment SJ 43 (Sat.)	4,077.35
Attitude Adjustment SJ 861 (Thur.)	40.25
Attitude Adjustment SJ 886 (Tues.)	3,666.73
Attitude Adjustment/Trad Study 321 (Mon.)	1,000.00
Back to Basics Saratoga Noon 151 (Tues.)	680.00
Basic Big Book Study 803 (Tues.)	428.50
Bedmakers Group (Men) 812 (Thur.)	100.00
Berryessa Group 527 (Wed.)	310.00
Better Way of Living 197 (Wed.)	120.00
Big Book Men's Group (Men) 106 (Tues.)	1,518.90
Big Book Speakers Group 289 (Fri.)	82.60
Big Book Study Mlpts 347 (Sat.)	2,335.47
Bill's Basement 384 (Fri.)	483.68
Birthday Contribution 00951	840.00
Boiled Owls (Men's) 816 (Wed)	502.40
Bowers Fellowship 46 (Sun.)	3,440.80
California Ave. Supper Group 715 (Thur.)	479.50
Cambrian Saturday Night (Chips) 376 (Sat)	668.77
Campus Group 234 (Thur.)	1,040.80
Character Defect Freedom 201 (Tues)	177.00
Childish Emotions (Chips) 767 (Thur.)	52.00

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Chips and Dyps (Chips) 559 (Tues.)	571.20
Class of '81	200.00
Daily Reflections 432 (Thur.)	649.67
Design for Living 200 (Tues.)	461.00
Liquor Was But A Symptom 203 (Thur.)	977.00
Living in the Solution MH (W) 33 (Sat.)	210.00
Living Solutions 728 (Fri.)	160.05
Living with Serenity (Chips) 599 (Wed.)	300.00
Los Altos Big Book 860 (Thurs.)	170.00
Los Altos Group 225 (Thur.)	70.00
Los Altos Men's Group 59 (Mon.)	380.00
Los Gatos Big Book 664 (Mon.)	83.30
Los Gatos Tuesday Night 110 (Tues.)	736.86
Meditation Meeting LA 39 (Sat.)	350.00
Memorium Contribution	369.20
Men's 4th Step Group 320 (Fri.)	143.64
Men's Basic Step Study Group 891 (Tues.)	351.40
Men's Big Book (Caveman Gp) 659 (Sun.)	100.00
Men's Group 97 (Mon.)	291.32
Men's Honesty Group 26 (Sat.)	108.50
Men's Single Problem Study 89 (Mon.)	442.00
Men's Single Problem Study Gp 220 (Thur.)	255.89
Midday Women's Group 91 (Mon.)	840.00
Monday at a Time 208 (Mon.)	322.00
Mountain Miracles 882 (Thur.)	0.00
Mountain View Group 350 (Sat.)	450.00
New Direction 12 x 12 90 (Mon.)	132.00
New Life Start (Chips) 444 (Sun.)	1,608.00
New Live and Let Live, The 24 (Sun.)	225.00
New Nooners 808 (Mon.)	1,082.44
Newcomers, Oldtimers (Women) 769 (Sat.)	150.00
No Bull Big Book 655 (Fri.)	75.00
Other Wednesday Nite, The (Men) 209 (Wed)	345.00
Pass It On Group 418 (Sun.)	858.43
Personal 00911	180.00
Plaza Del Rey Group 52 (Sun.)	210.00
Progress Not Perfection 229 (Sun.)	140.00
Rincon Men's Fellowship 567 (Thur.)	605.16
Saratoga Family Group 328 (Fri.)	117.75
Saturday's Reflections 622 (Sat.)	461.75

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September 2012

	Jan - Sep 12
Saturday 6PM Meeting 413 (Sat.)	394.80
Saturday Morning Los Gatos 777 (Sat.)	359.00
SCCYPAA	
Second Tradition Group Spkr 721 (Sat.)	116,679.18

Serenity Discussion 210 (Wed.)

Shared Gift, The (Women) 61 (Mon.)

Single Problem Study (Men) 212 (Wed.)

Single Problem Topic (Men's) 582 (Mon.)