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Service Sponsorship

My experience with Service in A.A. dates back to my early years and exposure to the program in the 1980's. In fact when I was about 30 days out of "treatment" I was approached by two "Oldtimers", (I think they each had six month's!!) ...and was asked to be secretary of a late night candlelight meeting in Sunnyvale. Is that Service Sponsorship? I think not!!! Or maybe it is...

When someone has gone through the 12 Steps thoroughly there should be a compelling desire to "want" to take this "thing" to the next level in their sobriety and Spiritual Recovery. When we get to the program everything about us is selfish and self centered quite naturally. We come to our first or next exposure to AA wanting to do something about

our current situation never thinking about others. The thought doesn't occur to us to "Help Others". But as time goes by we start to develop a better understanding,



through the steps, that it's important for us to keep the whole thing going through commitment to one another and Service in Alcoholics Anonymous. That's when "Service Sponsorship" kicks it into high gear.

Though the person's sponsor may not be

the actual person to guide the individual into service, it's key for that person to be helped by member's who ARE active in service. That means that any member who has

been involved in Service to Alcoholics Anonymous in any way can help by sharing the wonderful benefits that service has to offer...

It's also just as important that the new prospective volunteer start off with exposure to service through a

commitment to their "Home Group" or something of that nature. Alcoholics in recovery have a natural innate ability to bite off more than we can chew! We want to be "President" or "Chairperson."

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It sounds so Grand! But we, as members, understand that service begins with us. It's an important duty to the group that the Coffee is made, the snacks are purchased, the finances are handled, and that the Meeting starts and stops "on time"... and I could go on.

Someone who is involved in other areas of service (General Service, PI/CPC. Outreach, BTG, Intergroup, The Diverter, etc.) to AA "Sponsor" could potentially anyone, who has an understanding of the "Steps" and wants to learn more about the Traditions, into Service to Alcoholics Anonymous.

have an obligation to "Pay it forward". If it weren't for our founding members, and several million people before us, we may not have had a chance to get the gifts that true recovery offers.

Our sobriety hinges on the ongoing support of one another and "Service" makes that possible. By being active in A.A. you CAN make a difference and continue to "Keep the doors open" for the next poor sot. I encourage you to get into Service Sponsorship by reaching out to people that you see that are not involved in service yet and asking them to take part in our weekly and monthly activities. It may be by this exposure to service that the individual may see the benefits. It's through

these commitments that we indeed keep this whole thing together. This is "Service Sponsorship".

I am forever grateful to those two men in 1982 who approached me and all those who have never discouraged my willingness to "be involved". It is through this needle that I've been allowed to thread the continued success I've had with staying alcohol free with relative ease. Service makes that possible.

-Anonymous

SPONSORHIP WORKSHOP

Are you a new Sponsor, in need of a proven technique to guide a Sponsee through the 12 steps? Are you new in AA and unsure of what Sponsorship entails? Are you a seasoned Sponsor with helpful information to share (we especially need your participation and guidance)? You'll be excited to know that the Santa Clara County Intergroup has heard your concerns! "Sponsorship: The Cornerstone of Your Sobriety" will be presented on Saturday afternoon on August 1, 2009 at the Alano Club West (American Legion Post 99, 1344 Dell Avenue, Campbell). This two-hour workshop from 1-3 p.m. will cover the experience, strength, and hope of Sponsorship. There will be a variety of sponsoring methods discussed, including service sponsorship, as well as some pitfalls to avoid. We'll conclude with a question-and- answer period. Be sure to attend this informative and fun workshop; then get out there and let your sponsorship shine!

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General Service Article

(encompassing AA as a whole)

There are many interesting things happening in General Service at this time, but one of the most exciting is the record attendance at the California Northern Coastal Area 06 Pre-Conference Assembly, this past April, in San Rafael. There were General Service Representatives (GSRs) lined up at both microphones for two days as they provided David N. (Area Delegate to the General Service Conference) with their group's conscience on that day's agenda topics. These topics ranged from the possibility of the production of a 7th Tradition poster to the consideration of a request to develop a second volume of Daily Reflections.

For many GSRs, this assembly is especially important. Those GSRs have worked many hours choosing topics that might be of interest to their groups, researching the background material of the chosen topics, presenting the material and information to their groups, and taking copious notes detailing their group's discussion on the topics. It is usually quite rewarding and exhilarating for GSRs to stand at a microphone and share their group's views on any topic.

Due to the record attendance at the 2009 Pre-

Conference Assembly, some GSRs were unable to share their group's conscience at the microphone. There was just not enough time to hear everyone and get through every topic. The good news is that there are multiple ways to deliver a group conscience. A copy of it can be left in the basket at the front of the room or can be emailed to the delegate. There was still a sense of dissatisfaction for some GSRs as they were sent back to their seats when the alloted time for discussion of that topic was exceeded.

CNCA 06 would like to continue on the path of record attendance and participation of GSRs at the four yearly assemblies, so a discussion has begun as to how we can improve upon the assembly process to encourage enthusiasm within the groups we serve. Some have mentioned switching to different processes for delivering group consciences, using the examples of different Areas. Some are certain that if the District Officers spend more time training GSRs to deliver a group conscience more efficiently and effectively, there would be time for all to share at the microphone. Whatever the outcome of this discussion, too much participation by the groups at an assembly is a very exciting problem to have!

Nichole L.

Love and Service

When we love, we will see in others what we wish to have in ourselves.

We will know that love is a privilege given to us by God.

When we love, we will never be bored with life or our program.

It is what impels us to be active and to get involved in service.

- The Best of the Grapevine [Vol. 3], p. 297





Service Sponsorship: Members Experiences

I have always had a service sponsor even when I did not know what a service sponsor was. Told by my sponsor to stand by the door and put my hand out to new people I did. Everyone was new to me so I got to meet a lot of people. I gave my phone number to newcomers like me. Nobody called and he said that's ok it keeps you sober. When I wanted to become a secretary at three months he said I was too new. Six months will do.

On the phone with my sponsor when I told him I had six months, he suggested strongly I visit Central Office and sign up for the Twelve Step list. At each milestone in my recovery he always reminded me of two things, one that I had enough sobriety to qualify for a particular service position and two, since I identified myself as a grateful alcoholic service was how I could prove it to myself. Consequently I volunteered as a diverter worker, meeting secretary, meeting treasurer, Intergroup Representative and General Service Rep. My service sponsor practiced what might be called non-optional A.A. His loving suggestions bordered on musts.

He helped me to see that some of my bright ideas to improve A.A. might not be the best solution for me or anybody else. When I decided I could be a good IG Rep and GSR for the same meeting. he thought that might be double dipping. He explained that service was so good for you that I should not deprive another alcoholic of the benefit. He taught me the principal of the Spirit of Rotation which essentially says when your service term is up, it's over. He explained that throughout A.A from the individual meeting, the Group, Intergroup, General Serviced locally, the General Service Conference and the office in New York the principal is rotation. He showed me the A.A. Service Manual where it said "We must recall that we are protected from the calamities of too much authority by rotation..." (AA Service Manual, page 64). And then he smiled and said "And Bill, A.A. may need protection from someone like you". The reason my recovery sponsor was such a good service sponsor was that he had been there and done that.

When Intergroup took its own inventory recently, one of the items discussed was service sponsorship, a term most people were

not aware of. Most members of General Service learn the benefit of having a service sponsor early on. My experience tells me that having a service sponsor is really beneficial for anyone who loves A.A., is grateful for their sobriety and can be of service. Not all recovery sponsors have a service background, but there are more than enough folks in A.A. who have and are willing to share it.

In my early sobriety it was suggested that I get a book, get a sponsor, find a Power greater than myself, take the steps and help others by sharing what I had been given. I would suggest that anyone interested in service to Alcoholics Anonymous get a book (A.A. Comes of Age), get a service sponsor, serve where and when you can, and help others by sharing what you have learned. I have a service sponsor and I am a service sponsor and I am a grateful recovered alcoholic.

- Bill D.



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Service Sponsorship: Members Experiences

I started in General Service as a General Service Representative (GSR) for the Living With Others Group in San Jose. I had been active in AA for 12 years prior. I had done H&I work, been an Intergroup Representative, been a sponsor, and had held numerous service positions at various meetings. I had always heard negative things about General Service, such as, the meetings are boring, nothing ever happens, and it's just too political. I had managed to avoid a nomination for GSR for the entirety of my sobriety.

I started as a GSR in February of 2007 at a time when I was starting to get bored with AA service. My journey in General Service came at exactly the right time in my sobriety. I felt like a newcomer all over again! The District 40 Officers were so very pleasant and welcoming, but this meeting was unlike any business meeting I had ever been

to. It was often confusing and I was completely lost at my first couple of meetings. I wasn't always sure what information to take back to my group. I didn't understand the lingo or the acronyms, there was a new book to study (the Service Manual), 12 Concepts, and new processes to learn. They even ended the meeting with the Responsibility Statement (which I memorized with a quickness, so it wasn't obvious to everyone that I had no idea what I was doing).

In my second month as a GSR, I had the honor of taking the Living With Others Group conscience on that years agenda topics, which I delivered to our Area Delegate at the Pre-Conference Assembly. There was a lot to learn very quickly and everyone had lots of helpful suggestions, but it's like I learned in meetings: you can ask 15 people for their advice and you will get 15 different

answers.

I have found it to be very useful to have a Service Sponsor who has been active in General Service and who is willing to share her experience with me. I had never heard of a Service Sponsor before I started in General Service, but it was recommended at my first District Meeting that I find somebody who was willing to show me the ropes in General Service. It is good to know, when questions arise, that I have somebody to call and ask for advice. It is also nice just to know she is in the District Meeting with me, so I can ask her for guidance. In the last two years, I have fallen madly in love with General Service and have found my Service Sponsor's enthusiasm for General Service to be contagious. I invite you all to check out your local District meeting and join us!

- Nichole L.

Pass it On

As I read the Big Book daily, I am learning how to stay on the path that the first one hundred members cleared for me.

Whenever I am feeling low, I think of "Bill's Story," on page 15, when he was full of self-pity during his trying times:

"When all other measures failed, work with another alcoholic would save the day."

- Anonymous



Willingness: Members Experiences

To be honest I had not heard of Service Sponsorship until a few months ago. If the term is new to you then the following excerpt from the *Questions* and Answers on Sponsorship Pamphlet (quoted with permission of A.A.W.S.) should shed a little light on the subject:

"A service sponsor is usually someone who is knowledgeable in A.A. history and has a strong background in the service structure. The A.A. member is introduced to a new language: G.S.R., D.C.M., area assembly, minority opinion. They will become familiar with the Traditions, Concepts and Warranties, as well as the A.A. Service Manual/Twelve Concepts for World Service, Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age and other A.A. literature.

The service sponsor begins by encouraging the member to become active in their home group - coffee, literature, cleanup, attending business or intergroup meetings, etc. The service sponsor should keep in mind that all members will not have the desire or qualifications to move beyond certain levels and, thus, the service sponsor might help find tasks ap-

propriate to individuals' skills and interests.

Whatever level of service one performs, all are toward the same end - sharing the overall responsibilities of Alcoholics Anonymous."

It was service sponsors that helped me to become a part of AA instead of just being around it when I was relatively new in sobriety. For no good reason at all (it seemed to me) I was getting "volunteered" to have commitments in AA. I don't drink coffee (gasp), but all of a sudden I was making 100 cups of coffee for a large Saturday morning meeting. I was socially challenged and yet I was "volunteered" to be a speaker seeker. I wanted to hide out in the back of the meeting, but I was "volunteered" to be secretary. It was a good thing that I didn't know what I was doing or what I was getting myself into or else I would have tried to weasel my way out of it, and yet, I so desperately wanted to be a part of and enjoy the close associations I saw in the meetings.

I don't think that I can stress enough just how much these people helped to change my life. Like everything else in AA, I get to pass on what was so freely given to me. Now I find myself helping to "volunteer" people into service positions, get to watch the same shocked look on their faces as I had on mine. As each member accepts the gift of being a part of these meetings I also get to see them grow in ways that are amazing. There is a bond, a shared point in our stories of recovery where our paths changed and we both grew.

Like the sponsorship pamphlet says, not every person is suited for every service position. GSR didn't work well for me but I did find a new respect for how the structure of our program works. This latest gift I was volunteered for, in Intergroup, is absolutely perfect...who knew?

I am very grateful for those who take such care in service of Alcoholics Anonymous to help this program to continue to be available for the future newcomer.

- Cathyann

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Sponsorship - A Vital Stepping-Stone to Service and Sobriety Service Material From the General Service Office

The 91 delegates to the General Service Conference listened as the question was asked: "How many of you came to service in A.A. with the help of a sponsor?" Essentially, all 91 delegates raised their hands in assent.

Past trustee Al H., of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada vividly remembers that moment in 1978. "We sponsor as we have been sponsored," he says. "I was taken to my first service meeting barely three months after I became sober and I've been active ever since."

Like so many members, AI early absorbed the miracle of Twelfth-Step work-that sharing the A.A. message with other alcoholics helps to keep us sober. Thanks to alert sponsorship, he then learned how such one-on-one help in the Fellowship can be stretched to include an ever widening range of twelfth-stepping—from becoming active within one's group to serving at the local intergroup or central office, on institutions committees, and finally in "general service." This term embraces the myriad activities within the Conference structure that are carried out by G.S.R.s, area committees, delegates, trustees and the G.S.O. staff. They affect A.A. as a whole and are crucial to our unity and survival.

Al points out that "a lot of A.A.s—not just newcomers, either—don't know enough about A.A. and how it works." He believes that "God smiled on us when he led us into the Fellowship. The hand of A.A. was there for us and if we want it to be there for your kids and mine, I think we need to be active ourselves in service and help the newcomer to do the same. Frankly, I don't even know how to sponsor anyone who doesn't get involved in service. I'm a great admirer of Dr. Bob, who said that if we fail to acquire a spirit of service, we will have missed the greatest gift A.A. has to offer—the ability to give our sobriety away and so keep it."

Al, who travels hundreds of miles to attend service meetings, recalls visiting a new group several years ago with a sponsee. An 18-year-old newcomer had been given the task of slicing pickles; spotting Al, the sponsee quickly took the young woman aside and informed her that she was talking to a trustee. Undaunted, she retorted, "The pickles need slicing." Al sliced.

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Missouri delegate Rita J. says she sponsors new people into service early. "I introduce them to the Traditions," she declares, "and take them to G.S.R. and state assembly meetings. A number of them get into service." It's not always easy, Rita admits, "but I just hang in. Of course, when I called for a group conscience meeting not long ago, hardly anyone I sponsored showed up. I couldn't exist without a sense of humor!"

Past trustee David A., of Dallas, Texas, says that "everyone I've sponsored has gone into service. It's not mandatory, I tell the newcomer, but it's more than a suggestion. I also tell them that the Twelve Steps are just one-third of our legacy; there are the Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of World Service. It's a 36-point program." He further suggests that they read the Big Book ("you'll find yourself") and A.A. Comes of Age ("you'll love A.A. so much you won't leave—you'll want to stay and grow"). "I was brought to service by a former delegate who wanted to go to the Bill W. Dinner in 1967," David relates. Bill himself autographed my copy of As Bill Sees It; I met people in service and went back and back and back. I was G.S.R., D.C.M., delegate, area chairperson, area GvR, you name it. I served as alternate in each of these offices, too, before becoming a trustee-at-large, U.S.A. And I'm even more active now than when I started. I attend the state conferences, do meetings on the Traditions and Concepts and, of course, try to get newcomers interested in service whenever I can." Past trustee Ruth H., Hollis, New York: "When I took the G.S.R. role, my sponsor said, 'You don't want that, it's political.' Nevertheless, I became active on the Southeast New York Conference Committee. The other officers took me under their wing and gave me an appreciation of service. Today, I do the same with those I sponsor—I try to make them aware of A.A. as a whole. Whenever I see members working the Steps and Traditions, I make every effort to interest them in service beyond the group. Service is integral to my recovery; without it, I doubt that I would have stayed sober these past 28 years.

Past trustee George D., Tiburon, California: "When I first came to A.A. I slipped a lot. After I finally stopped drinking, my sponsor and other old timers told me I was the kind of drunk who had to be active to stay sober. I took them at their word and have continued to do so for 26 years. Service is a part of me."

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Sponsorship - A Vital Stepping-Stone to Service and SobrietyService Material From the General Service Office

For the first 11 years, George remembers, "I was active in every aspect of service except general service, perceiving it to be full of basic service club types. My closest A.A. friend was active in general service and I just figured it was an eccentricity—otherwise he was a nice, cosmopolitan guy. Finally, he dragged me along with him and I eventually became a delegate in 1975. In a discussion with the late Bob H., who was retiring at the time as G.S.O. manager, I questioned my motives in doing service work—was it love of A.A. or a need for recognition and approval? Bob then quoted what Bernard Smith, a nonalcoholic trustee and former chairperson of the General Service Board, once said about Bill W.: 'Never in history have so many great things been accomplished by a man with such doubtful motives.' With Bob's help I realized that if I waited to be 'pure' before getting anything done, I'd wait a lifetime."

George believes that general service may not be for everyone. "Instead of pushing people into it," he suggests, "I think we should lead them by example. We need to treat each other in service with the same sensitivity we bring to recovery."

Past trustee Dick D., Springfield, Massachusetts: "My late sponsor got me to intergroup and area institutions when I was still fairly new to A.A. He did the same with another Springfielder, Margaret C., who also is a past trustee. Then I sponsored a couple of A.A.s who later became delegates, and they've sponsored just as actively in turn. We have a living chain of service activity in this area.

Dick encourages people he sponsors to participate in service work, but notes that "much depends on the individuals, their family problems and other factors." Importantly, he notes, "I don't just send them to service meetings at the beginning, I take them myself."

He feels that the young people coming into A.A. today are motivated to get into service work. "Many have come to our program before hitting the bottom of the barrel. They're dedicated and grateful enough to pass it on."

- www.aa.org



Letter From the Editor

Hello everyone,

Here is a list of upcoming COIN topics for the next few months:

Aug. - Why Go to Meetings?
Sept - Stick With the Winners

Oct - The Importance of a Home Group

Nov - Gratitude

If you would like to share a story, article, resource, or poem please email your submissions to me by the 15th of the preceding month to:

cathyann5116@yahoo.com

ARCHIVES CORNER

- 1. Bill W. had talked about and worked on the idea of a General Service structure for some time, knowing full well that he and Dr. Bob would not be with us forever. Likewise, he had circulated his ideas and drafts about our Twelve Traditions around the Fellowship. The first International Convention, which was held in Cleveland in 1950, saw the fruition of both of those ideas. It was at this convention that the Twelve Traditions were adopted by the Fellowship. It was also decided to give General Service a 5 year trial. In "A.A. Comes of Age" Bill discusses the difficulty he had in convincing the Trustees of the necessity of the General Service structure, and, in particular, an annual General Service Conference. At the Cleveland convention they sensed that Dr. Bob would not be with them much longer and that the old order was changing. "We could no longer depend upon the authority and influence of our pioneering people for A.A. unity." ("A.A. Comes of Age", page 23).
- 2. On the local scene, in 1952 Max S. was involved in what was then called Institutions and Hospitals (I & H). One of the places he went was Agnew State Hospital. He wanted to help those who found A.A. while confined to relate to outside groups when they were released. With this in mind, he started a group called the Agnew Group, which met on Thursday nights at the Alano Club on Almaden Road. Shortly after the name of the group was changed to the Twelve Step Study Group and, when the Almaden clubhouse burned down, the group moved to the Alano Club of San Jose on Fair Avenue, where it remains to this day, now known as the Seekers Group.
- 3. In March of 2009 the Saint Marks Group celebrated 51 years. It was that meeting that Jack H. attended right after his last drink. He had tried A.A. for 90 days and then told his sponsor, Al E., that he had enough of "this sobriety stuff" and he tried the drinking again for a while. It was this meeting to which he came after his last drink in March of 1958. Were he still with us, he would have also celebrated 51 years in March.



August 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Secretary's Workshop 10:00AM Central Office. SPONSHORSHIP WORKSHOP—1:00, Alano Club West
2	3	4	5 PI Comm. 6:00PM Outreach Comm. Mtg. 6:15PM Intergroup Meeting 8:00PM	6	7	8 PI/CPC Workshop, 10:00AM Central Office
9	10	11	12	13	14	15 Diverter Workshop, 1980 Hamilton Ave., 10:00 am
16	17 Downtown Steppers 25th Anniv., Trinity Cathedral, 81 N. 2nd.	18 South County General Service 7:00PM	19 North County General Service 7:30PM	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

LOCAL EVENTS

Aug. 1: SPONSORSHIP WORKSHOP, 1:00—3:00PM, Alano Club West, American Legion Post 99, 1344 Dell Ave., Campbell.

Aug. 17: Downtown Steppers 25th Anniversary, Trinity Cathedral, 81 N. 2nd at St. John St., San Jose

Aug. 23: Unity Day, Milpitas Community Center, 457 E. Calaveras Blvd., Milpitas (see schedule inside)

EVENTS AROUND CALIFORNIA

Aug. 14-16: Summer Serenity in the Sierras, Oakhurst, CA

Aug. 21-23: 2009 Redwood Coast Roundup, Fortuna, CA

Aug. 21-23: 6th Annual Common Solution Round-up, Shaver Lake, CA

Sept. 25-27: Woman to Woman Conference, San Diego

EVENTS AROUND THE COUNTRY

July 1-4 (2010): 2010 International Convention, San Antonio, TX, watch the COIN and G.S.O.s website at www.aa.org for more info.

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Telephone Calls Received During May



Alcoholics

Daytime at Central Office 477

Daytime 12 Step Calls 14

Evening and Weekend calls 353

Evening 12 Step Call information is not available.

An average of just over 7,500 hits are made on our website each month!!

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

To all the members and groups who support us, **WE THANK YOU!**

SPEAKER MEETINGS

Weekender Speaker Meeting

Sundays at 6 p.m.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 1735 Hecker Pass Road, Gilrov

Grapevine Speakers Meeting

Fridays at 8 p.m.

Presbyterian Church

San Tomas & Homestead, Santa Clara

Second Tradition Group of AA

Saturdays at 8 p.m.

Lincoln Glen Church, 2700 Booksin Ave, San Jose

Saturday Night Speakers-8 p.m.

Alano Club of San Jose

1122 Fair Avenue, 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

Deleted

1-2-3 Step, Tues. 8:00PM, Alano Club West

Road to Recovery, Sun., 8:00PM, Alano Club of San Jose

Changed

<u>Tell It Like It Is</u>, Tues., 6:00 PM, Sunnyvale, is now a 12 Step Study Mtg. <u>H.O.W. Group</u>, formerly Wed., 6:30 PM, Sunnyvale, is now Wed., 6:00 PM, 581 E. Fremont Ave., at Manet

<u>Serenity at Noon Group.</u> Mon—Fri, Noon, formerly at Agnews, moved to Comunidad Cristiana de San Jose Church, 2371 Ringwood Ave. @ Tradezone, San Jose

East Valley Group, Fri., 8:15 PM, moved to the Parish Office Center

Queer and Sober. Sat. 10:30 AM, moved to Holy Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1948 The Alameda, at McKendre, downstairs

<u>University Beginners</u>, Wed., 5:00 PM, Santa Clara, meeting room changed to 207A

<u>Big Book Men's Group</u>, formerly Big Book & Donuts, now meeting at Whole Foods, 4000 El Camino Real, Los Altos, Tues., 7:00 AM

10th Step Meeting, now at 6:00 PM, 651 Broadway, Gilroy

Entire Abstinence, Monday, 8:00 PM, moved to Meterrainian Apts., 550 Kiely Blvd, The Club House.

New

<u>The Cave Group.</u> Wed., 7:15 PM, Cornerstone Fellowship, Alano Club West <u>Eleventh Step Meditation</u>, 8:00 PM, San Jose Christian Reformed Church, 5150 Camden Ave.

We Are Not Saints, Tues., 7:30 PM, Women, Cornerstone Fellowship, Alano Club West, 1344 Dell Ave., Campbell

10:00AM Meeting, Friday, 10:00 AM, Alano Club West, 1344 Dell Ave., Campbell

Came to Believe, Thurs., 12:00 PM, 7787 Monterey St., Gilroy

Meeting 23, Tues., 6:00 PM, 210 San Jose Ave., #12

Walk Through the Big Book, Tues., 6:00 PM, 2000 Monterey Rd., Community Room

No Hurry Big Book Study, Friday, 6:00 PM, 7787 Monterey St., Gilroy



BIRTHDAY CONTRIBUTIONS

BIRTHDAY CELEBRANT	YEARS	CONTRIBUTIONS BY	BIRTHDAY
Gloria V.	2	Mary Pat P.	06/19/07
Katie T.	1	Mary Pat P.	06/19/08
Во С.	5	Rita M. and Mary Pat P.	06/07/04
Peggy Z.	35	Rita M.	05/29/74
Joanne C.	32	Rita M.	06/07/77
Paula D-M.	24	Rita M.	04/22/85
Rita M.	29	Jackie J., Mary Pat P., Nancy S. and Peggy Z.	06/12/80
Rob R.	47		06/11/62
Bill T.	17		
Dominic B.	8		07/09/01



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!!

200 YEARS OF SOBRIETY

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

REMEMBERING PERRY O.

May 1924—May 2009

Open A.A. meeting Friday, July 31 7:00PM First Congregational Church 1980 Hamilton, at Leigh

Coffee and cookies to follow

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INTERGROUP MINUTES

June 3, 2009

- Mary Pat P., Intergroup Chairperson, opened the meeting at 8:00 pm, followed by a Moment of Silence and the Serenity Prayer.
- Lori read the short Definition of Intergroup.
- There were 46 voting members in attendance; roll call was not done.
- Dan read the Twelve Traditions.
- Additions to the Agenda: under Unfinished Business add Inventory Response Committee. Corrections to the Agenda: Barbara N. phone number was corrected.
- Corrections to the previous month's minutes: Motion made should read Peter and Marilyn (activities committee) to move forward to coordinate picnic in the beginning of June 2010, with the budget of \$4,000, as presented to Intergroup. Intergroup Council Treasurer's Report: Mike M.

Beginning Balance: 04/01/09 \$ 58.00 Prudent Reserve \$300.00

 Contributions:
 05/06/09
 \$93.86

 Refreshments:
 05/06/09
 \$11.00

Balance: 05/06/09 \$140.86 Prudent Reserve

\$300.00

• Birthdays: Tammy 4 yrs; Susanna 3 yrs; Bubba 9 yrs. Announcements: Peter: Flyer for Founder's Day on table.

Lexi - SCCYPAA Traditions Workshop, Calvary Church, Los Gatos, 10 am.

Reports

Intergroup Chair - Mary Pat P.

3 new Intergroup reps.

Reminder – Intergroup reps are to bring their group's conscience to the meeting; reminded reps the principle behind Tradition 4.

Central Service Board - Doug. for Lexi

Reviewed the corrections to the quarterly financial reports.

Group's voluntary contributions have remained steady, but still good to remind groups of Central Office's ongoing needs. Please convey our gratitude for the group's support of our 7th tradition.

Spot-check review of book inventories and found no discrepancies.

Discussed annual Central Office Manager's meeting this December.

Discussed Archive issues.

Central Office -Bruce K.

Reminded reps to sign-in.

Book price increases in July.

Brought 24-hr cards, wanted reps input. Sell for \$1.10

4. PI/CPC - Jean Marie

Presentations coming up: 13 at Primavera; 3 health fairs, Fatherhood fair, Unity Day.

5. Twelfth Step Committee -

Daytime - Bruce K. - Shift available: Wednesdays 2:00pm to 4:30pm at Central Office.

Nights and Weekends – Peter – Shifts are available: Monday 6am to 9am; Thursday 7am to 9am; Saturday 6am to 9am and noon to 3pm.

Diverter workshop: Every 3rd Saturday starting at 10:00 am., First Congregation Church, 1980 Hamilton Ave, San Jose, 95125. Anyone interested in being a diverter or an alternate is welcome.

6. Outreach Committee – Lee C.

72 meetings left to verify.

Intergroup reps reminded to do service with Outreach committee.

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Newsletter Committee - Cathyann

E-mail articles to: cathyann5116@yahoo.com

List of upcoming COIN topics for the next few months:

July: Service Sponsor Aug: Why go to meetings

Sept: Stick with the winners

Oct: The importance of a home group.

8. Activities Committee - Marilyn H.

Take Your Sponsor to Brunch – scheduled for 2nd weekend in October.

9. Other Service Committee Reports

Unity Day - Peter

Unity Day scheduled for August 23rd, 2009.

Flyer in COIN

Want to get involved? Come to planning meetings on 1st Saturday of each month, 4pm at Carrows on Saratoga Ave.

Northern California Council of Alcoholics Anonymous - Barbara B - No Report

Hospitals and Institutions - Charlene

Service positions are available. Contact Charlene for more information.

Intergroup reps reminded to go to groups and encourage getting an H&I rep.

Bridging the Gap - Bill M

New Chair elected: Cece F.

BTG is doing about 20 presentations a month.

North County - Mark R - No report

South County -No report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Sponsorship Workshop -Barbara N.

Scheduled for Saturday, August 1st, 1pm to 3pm.

Location is down to two places.

Communications/Information Distribution - Steve

Ad Hoc committee meeting: Thursday, June 11th, 8pm at Carrows on Saratoga Avenue.

Anyone interested in joining committee, call Steve at 650-279-3197

Inventory Response Committee - Mike

Reminded Intergroup representatives to do service in the Outreach committee during their service to Intergroup.

COIN ran service sponsorship

Reminded representatives to bring the new representative to the meeting.

Mary Pat – Intergroup Chair appointed David W as the new committee chair. Intergroup reps approved appointment

Traditions Workshop - Dave

Will attend SCCYPA's workshop and bring information back to group.

Start time of Intergroup meeting - Mary Pat

Information back from Church: Daycare done at 6pm. Could start as early as 6:30pm.

Discussion took place on pros and cons of changing the meeting time.

Motion: To have the meeting start time be changed to 7:30pm. Motion seconded. Discussion

Motion amended: To have the Intergroup meeting start time be changed to 7:30pm, starting in the month of September, after Unity Day. Amended Motion seconded. Intergroup voting members passed the motion.

NEW BUSINESS: None OPEN FORUM: none

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:32 pm

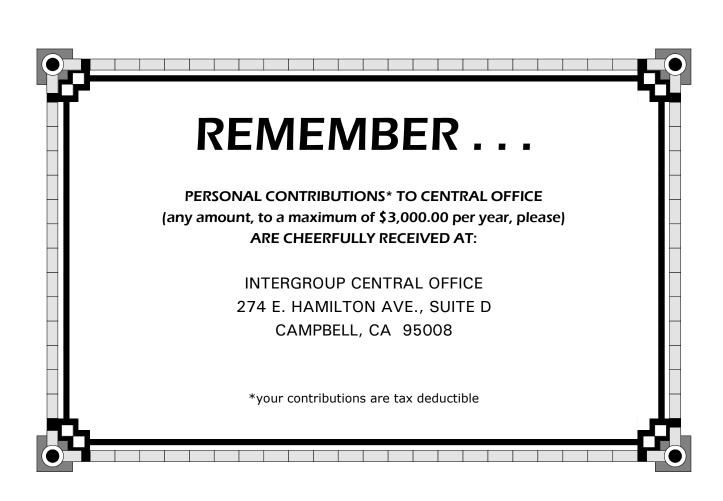
Respectfully submitted,

Kathy H.

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

June 2009

	Jun 09	Jun 08	Jan - Jun 09
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
3030 · Contributions-General	10,169.39	9,065.14	68,990.91
8010 · Literature Sales	6,234.46	5,207.18	33,992.73
8020 · Meeting Guide Sales	1,018.00	1,072.00	6,294.50
8060 · Newsletter Subscriptions	15.00	10.00	80.00
Total Income	17,436.85	15,354.32	109,358.14
Cost of Goods Sold			
5000 · Cost of Goods Sold			
5100 · Cost of Inventory Sold	4,598.00	3,743.14	24,800.40
5150 · Cost of Meeting Directories	663.51	165.17	3,098.24
Total 5000 · Cost of Goods Sold	5,261.51	3,908.31	27,898.64
Total COGS	5,261.51	3,908.31	27,898.64
Gross Profit	12,175.34	11,446.01	81,459.50
Expense	,	,	•
6010 · Alarm Service	20.97	0.00	374.97
6030 · Accounting and Legal Fee	0.00	141.16	1,636.69
6060 · Amortization of Improvements	0.00	3.25	3.25
6070 · Bank Credit card charges (Credit card costs and fees)	59.43	55.55	498.08
6120 · Computer Expenses	0.00	0.00	131.36
6140 · Conferences - Office Manager	65.00	0.00	496.91
6150 · Unity Day Expense	0.00	0.00	750.00
6160 · Copier Expense	185.66	110.11	719.38
6190 · Depreciation Expense	0.00	1,443.17	1,418.00
6220 · Insurance - Worker Compensation	496.99	490.90	977.21
6230 · Insurance - General Liability	0.00	501.00	2,384.00
6240 · Employee HRA Plan	817.36	669.79	4,904.16
6245 · Internet Access Charges	29.95	19.95	168.58
6330 · Office Expense	293.88	570.79	761.89
6350 · Office Furnishings - Expense	0.00	0.00	96.35
6370 · Office Paper Supply	119.15	0.00	1,258.46
6380 · Payroll Taxes	627.96	517.94	4,043.42
6410 · Postage	62.26	184.51	953.66
6480 · Rent	2,343.95	2.280.60	14,120.35
6540 · Salaries - Office	7,342.86	6.179.07	45,128.55
6560 · Payroll Expenses	75.93	0.00	445.57
6600 · Signing Services	200.00	200.00	1,050.00
7010 · Taxes and Licenses	-10.00	0.00	60.00
7050 · Telephone	337.37	294.52	1,997.60
7060 · Travel	38.19	0.00	68.78
9080 · Sales Tax (Sales tax paid on purchases)	0.00	0.00	-0.25
Total Expense	13,106.91	13,662.31	84,446.97
Net Ordinary Income	-931.57	-2,216.30	-2,987.47
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Other Income/Expense Other Income			
8030 · Interest Income	0.04	100 11	050.50
	0.04	182.11 -221.15	853.53
8050 · Activities Committee	-300.00	-39.04	-187.96 665.57
Total Other Income	-299.96		
Net Other Income	-299.96	-39.04	665.57
t Income	-1,231.53	-2,255.34	-2,321.90
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INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC. Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2009

	Jun 30, 09
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1010 · Petty Cash	225.00
1020 · First Republic Bank (Checking account)	5,590.90
1021 · First Republic Bank CD 3202 (3 Mo. CD @ 1.4%, 08/06/2009)	15,617.82 **
1022 · First Republic Bank CD 3210 (6 Mos. CD @ 1.78%, 08/04/2009)	20,708.48 **
1023 · First Republic Bank CD 3228 (12 Mos. CD @ 2.03%, 02/04/2010)	15,601.98 **
1024 · First Republic Bank CD 2608 (8 mos. CD @ 3.73%, 07/26/2009)	13,202.15 **
1042 · Capital Preservation Fund (Treas. fund, variable interest)	15,741.98 **
Total Checking/Savings	86,688.31
Accounts Receivable	
1110 · Accounts Rec - Group Deposits	-589.16
Total Accounts Receivable	-589.16
Other Current Assets	
1250 · Literature Inventory	19,809.47
1310 · Prepaid Insurance	224.00
1499 · Undeposited Funds	9.96
Total Other Current Assets	20,043.43
Total Current Assets	106,142.58
Fixed Assets	
1630 · Office Equipment	28,857.02
1640 · Office Furnishings - Asset	7,097.67
1641 · Less Accumulated Depreciation	-19,592.00
1680 · Leasehold Improvements	300.00
1681 · Less Accumulated Amortization	-163.25
Total Fixed Assets	16,499.44
Other Assets	
1860 · Deposits	1,993.85
Total Other Assets	1,993.85
TOTAL ASSETS	124,635.87
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
2240 · Sales Tax Payable (due quarterly)	1,718.17
Total Other Current Liabilities	1,718.17
Total Current Liabilities	1,718.17
Total Liabilities	1,718.17
Equity	
2740 · Temporarily Restricted Funds	16,499.44
3900 · Unrestricted Funds	108,740.16
Net Income	-2,321.90
Total Equity	122,917.70
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	124,635.87

** Our Prudent Reserve Accounts total: \$80,872.41

This represents the Board established goal of 6 months of operating expenses.

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INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC. Group Contributions June 2009

,	Jun 09	Jan - Jun 09		Jun 09	Jan - Jun 09
1 INV Fremont & Hollenbeck Group 70907	529.40	1,155.18	G South County Fellowship 70954	210.00	1,505.00
1 INV Fremont & Manet Group 70975	0.00	1,068.00	G Sunrise Group of Palo Alto 70963	0.00	550.00
1 INV R and B Group 70972	212.28	1,691.74	G Sunrisers Group/Carrows 70932	486.84	2,926.57
1 INV Saturday Nite Live Group 70905	70.00	420.00	G Third Tradition Women's Grp(The 70979	116.66	1,222.36
1 Inv Seeking Guidance Group 70976	0.00	563.87	G Winchester Fellowship 70960	0.00	456.50
1 INV Spiritual Progress Group 70904	0.00	360.00	Gay & Lesbian Sober Experience 896 (Mon.)	0.00	98.00
12 Steps at Noon 303 (Fri.)	0.00	70.00	Gay & Lesbian Step & Tradition G 221(Fr	0.00	50.68
3rd Steppers Book Study (Wom) 610 (Thur.)	0.00	236.43	Gay Grab Bag Solution 41 (Sun.)	0.00	119.30
A Vision for You Women's 802 (Tues.)	70.00	210.00	Gay Living Sober Group 21 (Sun.)	210.00	210.00
A.B.C. Women's Group 58 (Mon.)	0.00	350.00	Gay Men & Women Together 85 (Mon.)	165.00	165.00
As Bill Sees It 6.00P 518 (Mon.)	0.00	476.00	Gay Men's Freedom 262 (Thur.)	0.00	161.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 258 (Fri.)	0.00	148.40	General Service 90000	0.00	20.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 861 (Thur.)	0.00	164.85	Get Up and Go SC (Women) 187 (Sat.	0.00	315.83
Attitude Adjustment SJ 886 (Tues.)	0.00	84.30	Get Well Group 17 (Sun.)	112.80	414.70
Attitude Adjustment SJ 198 (Wed.)	0.00	206.35	Grace Group of AA PA 352 (Sat.)	0.00	331.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 321 (Mon.)	0.00	220.50	Grateful Live Group 535 (Mon.)	180.60	482.65
Basic 12 & 12 00662 (Mon.)	0.00	315.00	Gratitude Group SJ 339 (Sat.)	140.00	140.00
Basic Big Book Study 803 (Tues.)	0.00	42.24	Happy Hour Campbl 652 (Fri.)	137.20	406.70
Bedmakers Group (Men) 812 (Thur.)	0.00	47.00	Happy, Joyous & Free 650 (Tues.)	0.00	266.00
Berryessa Group 527 (Wed.)	0.00	161.00	High Hope SJ 239 (Sat.)	0.00	282.00
Better Way of Living 197 (Wed.)	0.00	70.00	HOW Group 71 (Mon.)	0.00	400.00
Big Book Discussion Group LA 107 (Tues.)	0.00	35.00	In the Basement 545 (Sun.)	0.00	110.16
Big Book Meeting 160 (Wed.)	0.00	220.00	In the Solution 647 (Sat.)	0.00	280.00
Big Book Step Study (Men) 325 (Fri.)	0.00	245.00	Inspiration Big Book 195 (Wed.)	0.00	50.00
Big Book Study Mlpts 8.00P 347 (Sat.)	0.00	50.00	Intergroup Council 80909	112.24	296.25
Bill's Basement 384 (Fri.)	0.00	332.00	Invaders Group 44 (Sun.)	0.00	50.00
Birthday Contribution 00951	292.00	1,264.00	Joy of Living 464 PA (Wed.)	0.00	442.15
California Ave. Supper Group 715 (Thur.)	0.00	369.60	Ladies Amethyst AA Study Group 749 (Wed.)	0.00	163.00
Cambrian Saturday Night 376 (Sat.)	0.00	1,050.00	Lesbians Living the Promises 349 (Fri.)	0.00	140.00
Campus Group 234 (Thur.)	0.00	125.73	Live and Let Live 24 (Sun.)	150.00	150.00
Caveman Group) Men's Big Book 659 (Sun.)	343.00	343.00	Living in the Solution (W) MH 33 (Sat.)	0.00	137.25
Chip Winners Group 168 (Wed.)	0.00	382.72	Living with Others 319 (Fri.)	0.00	272.57
Courage to Change 145 (Wed.)	0.00	160.97	Living with Serenity (Chip) 599 (Wed.)	0.00	168.00
Daily Reflections 432 (Thur.)	0.00	194.95	Los Altos Group 225 (Thur.)	0.00	105.00
Down to Earth Group 563 (Tues.)	89.00	89.00	Los Altos Men's Group 59 (Mon.)	0.00	230.00
Downtown Steppers (Men) 392 (Mon.) Dr. Bob's Nightmare 360 (Sun.)	0.00 305.90	105.00 500.90	Los Gatos Tuesday Night 110 (Tues)	0.00	420.00 70.00
Early Bird 414 (Sat.)	0.00	21.75	Los Gatos Tuesday Night 110 (Tues.) Meditation Meeting LA 39 (Sat.)	0.00	105.00
Early Tuesday Group 119 (Tues.)	0.00	618.78	Meditation Meeting LA 39 (Sat.) Men's Basic Step Study Group 891 (Tues.)	0.00	592.20
Easier Way Group 290 (Fri.)	0.00	746.77	Men's Group 97 (Mon.)	0.00	191.80
East Valley Group 322 (Fri.)	20.00	110.00	Men's Honesty Group SJ 26 (Sat.)	0.00	560.00
El Camino Group 108 (Tues)	0.00	29.40	Men's Single Problem Study 89 (Mon.)	0.00	603.00
Eleventh Step Group 167 (Wed.)	0.00	210.00	Men's Single Problem Study 220 (Thur.)	0.00	1,050.00
Eleventh Step Meditation Mtg 276 (Thur.)	102.09	242.09	Midday Women's Group 91 (Mon.)	35.00	220.00
End of the Line Men's Group 147 (Tues.)	0.00	433.31	Midweek Spiritual Progress 213 (Wed.)	0.00	420.00
Evergreen Group 884 (Thur.)	0.00	50.00	Monday Midday Meeting PA 714 (Mon.)	0.00	210.00
Free to Be Me (Women) 736 (Thur.)	0.00	42.00	Mountain Miracles 882 (Thur.)	0.00	378.70
G Fair Avenue Fellowship 70901	82.80	721.45	Mountain View Group 350 (Sat.)	0.00	280.00
G Forged From Adversity Group 70957	0.00	1,050.00	New Direction 12 x 12 90 (Mon.)	0.00	70.00
G Gilroy Groups 70906	140.00	140.00	New Nooners 808 (Mon.)	0.00	145.00
G Higher Power Hour 70952	1,841.00	1,841.00	New People's Group 3 (Sun.)	0.00	413.00
G Remember We Deal With Alcohol 70938	0.00	770.00	New Steps for Living 20 (Sun.)	0.00	801.56
G Serenity at Noon (fka Agnew) 70921	255.05	4,347.40	Newcomers, Oldtimers (Women) 769 (Sat.)	240.80	240.80
G Sober & Free Conference 70928	0.00	252.50			

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	Jun 09	Jan - Jun 09
No Bull Big Book 655 (Fri.)	0.00	210.00
Noon Discussion 177 (Wed.)	0.00	75.00
Palo Alto Men's Meeting 525 (Tues.)	0.00	282.80
Pass It On Group Los Altos 418 (Sun.)	0.00	181.32
Pathfinders 543 (Fri.)	0.00	24.88
Personal 00911	1,072.32	4,582.55
Positive Outlook Group SJ 368 (Sat.)	0.00	178.00
Progress Not Perfection 229 (Sun.)	0.00	70.00
Rincon Men's Fellowship 567 (Thur.)	350.00	700.00
Saturday Morning Los Gatos 777 (Sat.)	0.00	1,680.00
Saturday Night Promises PA 847 (Sat.)	311.50	525.70
SCCYPAA	638.25	638.25
Second Tradition Group Spkr 721 (Sat.)	0.00	2,114.00
Serenity at Noon 215 (Wed.)	0.00	175.31
Shared Gift (The) (Women) 61 (Mon.)	0.00	185.00
Signs of Sobriety .) 402 (Mon.)	0.00	25.00
Single Problem Topic 582 (Mon.)	0.00	581.70
Sizzler Group 27 (Sun.)	0.00	280.00
South Valley Men's 845 (Thur.)	0.00	60.00
South Valley Women's Surrender 88 (Mon.)	0.00	240.80
Speaker Meeting PA 18 (Sun.)	0.00	125.00
Spiritual Progress 269 (Thur.)	0.00	158.54
Spiritual Step Study Group 233 (Sun.)	0.00	550.24
St. Luke's Group 113 (Tues.)	0.00	260.00
St. Mark's Group 270 (Thur.)	0.00	768.65
Starting the Steps 753 (Fri.)	0.00	100.00
Step Along (Women) Cupt 638 (Wed.)	0.00	71.40
Sunday Early Evening 682 (Sun.)	0.00	256.82
Sundowners' Dinner Meeting 768 (Wed.)	227.50	227.50
T.G.I.F. Speaker/Discussion 298 (Fri.)	100.00	400.00
The Other Wednesday Nite (Men) 209 (Wed)	430.00	
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Thy Will be Done (Meditation) Cambl 974	0.00	55.52
Trinity Group 370 (Sat.)		80.00
Tuesday Night Saratoga Group 152 (Tues.)	0.00	800.00 174.76
University Beginners 176 (Wed) SC	174.76	174.76
Unknown	0.00	135.00
Up the Creek-Daily Reflections 745(Tues.)	50.00	200.00
Veterans of Alcohol (Open) 874 (Tues.)	0.00	280.00
Veterans of Alcohol North (Open)338(Wed)	0.00	120.00
Villages Group of AA (The) 406 (Mon	165.40	856.40
What's Happening Today 552 (Thur.)	0.00	1,118.53
Winners Group 440 (Sat.)	0.00	70.00
Women's Brunch PA 640 (Sat.)	0.00	652.45
Women's Topic Disc. Group 103 (Tues.)	0.00	308.98
Women Sharing the Solution 519 (Thur.)	0.00	466.90
DTAL	10,169.39	68,830.91

-	Jun 09	Jan - Jun 09

Sunday - August 23, 2009



Milpitas Community Center 457 East Calaveras Blvd (at Route 237)



This Year's Theme:

"Enthusiasm and Gratitude in Action"

Morning Speaker: Lexi G. (San Jose)
Noon Speaker: Adam C. (Sacramento)
Evening Speaker: Mark L. (San Jose)

Sponsored by:

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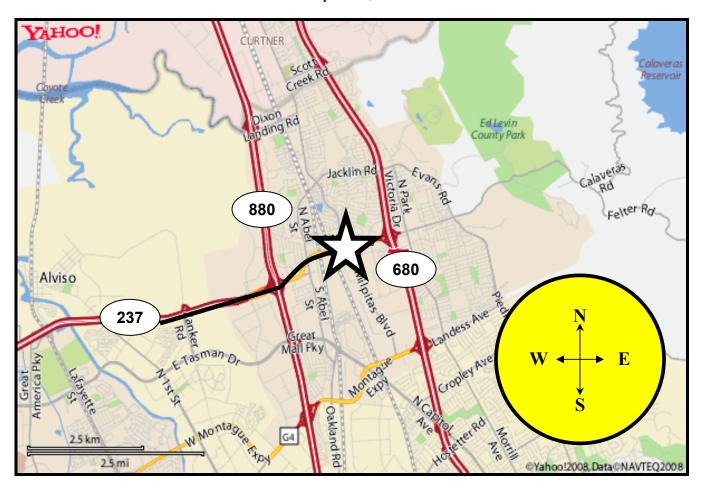
8:30 am to 8:00 pm

Workshops: "La Vina", PI/CPC, Outreach, Archives, H & I, Bridging the Gap, 12th Step & Diverter Workshop, and MORE!!! Also: **Delegate's Conference Report**, and Much More ...Traditional "Nooner" AA Meetings in English and Spanish, Entertainment, FREE "Continental Breakfast", FREE lunch and FREE dinner.... Al-Anon and Family Members Welcome!!! Did I mention that this Event is..... FREE!!!

Everyone is Welcome!!!

"Milpitas Community Center"

457 East Calaveras Blvd Milpitas, CA



From the North: Take 880 South and take Route 237/Calaveras Blvd East to Milpitas Blvd... Entrance is on Calaveras Blvd (*Next to Safeway*) Address: 457 East Calaveras Blvd – "Milpitas Community Center"

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** The Milpitas Community Center is located between Hwy 17/880 and Hwy 680 on East Calaveras Blvd

Unity Day 2009

TIME	Main Auditorium	Room 5	Room 7	Room 8
9:00-10:00am	Early Riser Morning Speaker Meeting: Lexi G. (San Jose)			
10:15-11:15am	SCCYPAA Workshop	Bridging the Gap Workshop	PI/CPC Workshop	Archives Committee Workshop
11:30-12:25pm	Lunch (Free!) Entertainment during Lunch	Spanish A.A. Noon Meeting (If you eat here please clean up)	Al-Anon Noon Meeting (If you eat here please clean up)	AA Noon Meeting **In the Basement Group** (If you eat here please clean up)
12:30-1:30pm	Mid-Day Speaker: Adam C. Sacramento	"Spanish A.A." PSA's to be	Al-Anon Spanish Meeting (If you eat here please clean up)	"A.A." PSA's to be
1:30-2:30pm	"Delegate's Report" David N.	displayed on a loop by VHS tape	"Al-Anon" PSA's to be displayed on a loop by VHS tape	displayed on a loop by VHS tape
2:45-3:45pm	Service Opportunities Panel	Spanish Literature "La Vina" Workshop	Al-Anon Workshop	Service Sponsor Workshop "How to"
4:00-5:00pm	Hospitals & Institutions Workshop	Spanish General Service & Spanish PI/CPC Workshop	"Outreach Committee" <i>Workshop</i>	12th Step and Diverter Workshop
5:15-6:15pm	Dinner (Free!)			
6:30-8:00pm	Evening Speaker Meeting Mark L. San Jose			

SPONSORHIP WORKSHOP

Are you a new Sponsor, in need of a proven technique to guide a Sponsee through the 12 steps? Are you new in AA and unsure of what Sponsorship entails? Are you a seasoned Sponsor with helpful information to share (we especially need your participation and guidance)? You'll be excited to know that the Santa Clara County Intergroup has heard your concerns! "Sponsorship: The Cornerstone of Your Sobriety" will be presented on Saturday afternoon on August 1, 2009 at the Alano Club West (American Legion Post 99, 1344 Dell Avenue, Campbell). This two-hour workshop from 1-3 p.m. will cover the experience, strength, and hope of Sponsorship. There will be a variety of sponsoring methods discussed, including service sponsorship, as well as some pitfalls to avoid. We'll conclude with a question-and- answer period. Be sure to attend this informative and fun workshop; then get out there and let your sponsorship shine!