

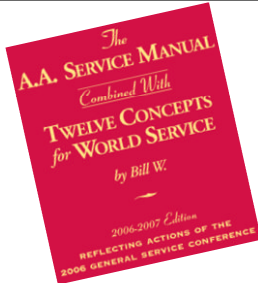


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THE A. A. SERVICE MANUAL *Combined With* TWELVE CONCEPTS *for* WORLD SERVICE

A piece of A. A. literature that isn't found at every meeting, is the Service Manual: Become a General Service Representative and New York will send you a copy. A new version is printed each year reflecting the Actions of that year's General Service Conference. So what is in this little gem and what is it all about?

In 1951 Bill W. wrote the first draft of the "Third Legacy Manual", the three legacies being Unity, Recovery and Service. It was also the year of the first General Service Conference, a five year experiment in having the fellowship run AA. Bob had passed and Bill realized that AA had to be able to sustain itself, for he too was mortal. The Report and Charter Committee of the General Service Conference is responsible for reviewing and approving the updating and revision this publication each year. The Service Manual is combined with the Twelve Concepts of World Service.

The book begins with 'AA's Legacy of Service (forward and historical background by Bill W.) written in 1951. It looks at the growth in the first 15 years to over 2 thousand members, the beginnings of group services, early money problems, the acceptance of the 12 traditions and the birth of the Conference. This is followed by the long form of the Twelve Traditions as approved by the 1950 Convention in Cleveland.

The heart of this manual then follows, beginning with an overview of the conference structure (the upside down triangle); how communications travel through the structure and the Conference Charter. There is a listing of terms and acronyms used in General Service. (GSO, DCM, PI&CPC etc.) There is a great presentation on the 3rd Legacy procedure used for elections of delegates and most other service positions.

Next are descriptions, qualifications and duties for service positions, GSR (General Service Representative), DCM (District Committee Member), Delegate, District and Area Officers as well as descriptions of Assemblies

and Committees. This is followed by descriptions and explanations of the General Service Conference and the General Service Board which includes both alcoholic (class B) and non-alcoholic (class A) trustees.

The manual then talks about the Board's two Corporations AAWS (AA World Services) and the AA Grapevine (of which La Viña is a part); and the General Service Office. And, finally, it includes maps of the 93 delegate areas, the original 1955 Conference Charter, the current Conference Charter and the Bylaws of the General Service conference.

This is followed by essays discussing each of the 12 Concepts. These were originally published separately in 1962, and, as of last year, are available separately or combined with the service manual. This has provided me with great enlightenment on how a group of self-centered, overly sensitive, grandiose ego-maniacs can so successfully serve the newcomer and have a fellowship that is 72 years old and is not self destructing.

Much of this has been applied to all aspects of my life, for which I am truly grateful.

Brian K. Area 06 Dist 04 North Santa Clara County

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AA LITERATURE

What does “Conference-Approved” Mean?

It means simply that a General Service Conference had recommended certain language in publications. It does *not* mean the Conference disapproves of any other publication. Many local AA central offices publish their own meeting lists. AA as a whole does *not* oppose these, any more than AA disapproves of ... other publications from any source that AA's find useful.

GSO Box 4-5-9, 1978 (Vol 23, No. 4)

The AA Literature Person

The first service I ever performed when I came to AA was as the literature person for my home group. I was drawn to that position because, wouldn't you know, as a librarian I was very interested in the AA publications. I have read and re-read the “Big Book” as well as the “12 and 12” many times yet seem to find new understanding and insight every time I look at them. Because they are the “official” publications of Alcoholics Anonymous most of us

have read them but I have also discovered many excellent books related to alcoholism and recovery which are not part of the “official” literature.

I was first drawn to the magazine *The Grapevine* because I was intrigued with the jokes and cartoons. In my early recovery I couldn't understand how anyone could joke about being an alcoholic but as time went by I



began to realize that “humor is the best medicine” as it could elevate me out of sadness and loneliness. I also appreciated hearing other people's stories of how they came into AA and what they have learned about becoming “joyous and free.”

After I had been sober for about six years my partner gave me a wonderful little book of meditations entitled *Twenty-Four Hours a Day* which I read faithfully each morning. When I came to the end of the book I would start all over again in the new year and I did this for the next 20 years, gleaning insights, hope and guidance, again and again. I finally decided to put it aside for awhile and read other books of meditations, some affiliated with my church, and some, like *Each Day A New Beginning*, AA related. I fully intend to eventually come back to the “little black book” which gave me such solace and peace for so many years.

I became familiar with the book *As Bill Sees It*, a collection of writings by Bill Wilson, a couple of years after getting sober. I found it very useful for gleaning ideas for group discussions or for jump-starting discussions on specific issues with fellow alcoholics.

There are many fine books on recovery that are not published by AA which I have read. For me, reading AA literature has proved a valuable way to stay connected with the program and to think and reflect on the principles that keep me sober “one day at a time.”

Lenora B. , San Jose

The Persian Flaw

The great Middle Eastern artists that have created Persian carpets over the centuries always put some type of flaw in their carpets before completion. This true tradition of humility maintains the philosophy that only God can be perfect. So, if you want to know if a Persian carpet is authentic, ask to see the flaw. So, our recoveries are flawed to some extent, and authentic!

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Contributions from AA members are welcome and will be printed as space allows. Submissions can be sent via email or should be typed or neatly handwritten. The editors reserve the right to edit content for length, clarity, and relation to AA Traditions. All material, including announcements, should be submitted by the 25th of the month prior to publication.

AA Literature

Introduction to sobriety



My introduction to sobriety began on May 3, 1991, when I entered the 28 day program at O'Connor Hospital in San Jose. Admittance came with a package of AA books and pamphlets.

One of my first assignments there was to read the first 164 pages of the Big Book. Wish I could tell you it made a lot of sense and immediately changed my life. But, alas, I needed time to clear the fog, and I needed the help of a sponsor to guide me on this life-changing journey through the 12 Steps of the Program to learn a new way to live. The results of her wonderful loving patience, guidance, leadership, and tolerance with me are a new (alcohol free) way to think, a new way to feel, and a new way to experience peace and love and joy and happiness and freedom and all the other worthwhile things of life.

The purpose of this book is for alcoholics to develop a concept of a power greater than ourselves that will restore us to sanity. I was told that I could set aside all those old concepts of "GOD" and build a new concept that was my very own. I came into AA with a very confused nebulous idea of a punishing God from my Irish Catholic father and a mixed up uncaring concept from my Swedish German Methodist mother. I found many words in the Big Book that I could use to help with my new concept. They are all wonderful, and "Spirit of the Universe" is a descriptor that works for me.

Just as I wasn't able to fully comprehend the contents of The Doctor's Opinion and through Page 164 in the beginning, I have yet to fully comprehend the full impact of these principles in my life. I am thankful that this is a program of progress and not of perfection. Just as my understanding of the program changes and grows, so does my concept of my higher power. I have since worked the steps formally with a second sponsor, and on a daily basis I am into Steps 10, 11 and 12. When a resentment sticks around for any length of time, I'm back into Steps 4 through 9 with my current sponsor. Today, I don't let any resentments stick around for long – just isn't worth the energy and time spent not feeling as great as I can feel. I also have the opportunity to work through them again and again with each new sponsee. I look forward to more growth and more understanding as each new day unfolds.

I have also found that attending many AA meeting and Big Book Seminars are very helpful to my continued growth and understanding.

As my good friend Bud T. used to say: "I Thank God for Alcoholics Anonymous, and I thank Alcoholics Anonymous for God. I found both in the rooms of Alcoholics Anonymous with people like you." Thank you for allowing me to share.

Love and peace to you all.

Carolyn S., Paradise, CA

Without love and service, there is no joy

God blessed me with a wonderful sponsor 10 ½ years ago, who took me through the 12 steps with the assistance of the Alcoholics Anonymous Big Book and the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions. I read and digested everything I could regarding every step of AA as if my life depended on it. My sponsor gave me one of her paper back versions of the Big Book which she had written on the first page "Without the working of the steps, there is no relief from the soul sickness which is the burden of alcoholism. Without love and service, there is no joy. Unless we "pass it on" with joy, we lose it! We never get it by just being dry. Dr. Jack.



My sponsor and I continued on with our "AA literature" journey by together reading and discussing other books. I particularly enjoyed reading and discussing Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age. I learned about the 3 legacies of Recovery, Unity and Service. This book also presents the history of AA and the struggles that Bill Wilson and Dr. Bob encountered along the way. I like this quote which appears on page 255 "Very few of us know how much we have to know in order to know how little we know."

Together we read Dr. Bob and the Good Oldtimers and Pass it On by Bill Wilson. These books gave me insight to the real lives of our AA founders, and helped me understand their perspectives.

My morning meditation always begins with reading the Daily Reflections. I love starting each day with AA guidance and encouragement. I enjoy the way this book focuses on one step per month, beginning in January with Step One and finishing in December with Step 12. Thank God for AA literature!

Jeanne H.

AA Literature

AA In Correctional Facilities

(Great Opportunity for Service)

This informative, 14-page pamphlet talks about the very special Twelfth Step work some members choose to perform; taking the AA message of hope behind prison bars (as different from jail). It describes the step-by-step process beginning with meetings with the institution's administration, starting a group, sponsors, identification with the fellowship, and types of meetings.

This pamphlet also contains a section (beginning on Page 11) describing "a special kind of AA service", ***Corrections Correspondence***. The 'outside' member will be connected with an inmate in another region of the country. A free flyer is available from the GSO describing this service, including guidelines which suggest the focus of this correspondence be kept on recovery from alcoholism through AA's Twelve Steps. You can download this at: www.aa.org/en_pdfs/en_f-26correctcorrespondence.pdf

In the words of Gayle R, who staffs the Corrections Desk at GSO in New York,

"While we welcome any opportunity to get the word out about this much-needed form of AA service, please note that while the need for male outside AA members to write to inmates remains great, we currently have a waiting list of over 300 female AA members. This doesn't mean that female AA members are discouraged from sending in a form, but that we really need them to understand that it may be as much as a year before their name comes up in the system for a link. Currently we get about two to three requests from male inmates for every male AA member who volunteers. Many male AA members take on several inmates for correspondence to help address this need, but the gap is still wide."

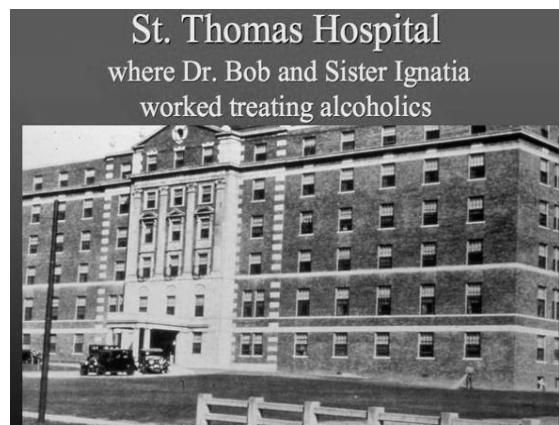
Questions from AA members about this service may be directed to Gayle at corrections @aa.org, or you can call direct to 212-870-3085.

Archives

♦ The first formal meeting in San Jose was held in a downtown office building on Wednesday evening, August 6th 1941. There were six men in attendance. On August 13th the group began regular meetings at the YMCA on third and Santa Clara St.

♦ In 1980 problems arose between a group and the American Legion Hall. The janitor complained about the condition of the hall after the meetings. Conditions didn't improve so coffee was no longer allowed. Then a new Post Commander raised the rents without allowing coffee. In 1981 the group moved to Immanuel Lutheran Church at 1710 Moorpark Ave. . In January of 1985 the group records were found which covered from 1960 to 1978. They were found by Dave Q. when calling the custodian for a period photo.

♦ In August of 1939 Dr. Bob and Sister Ignatia began working with drunks at St. Thomas Hospital. *AA Comes of Age* tells about Dr. Bob requesting a private room for a drunk that he brought to the hospital. Sister Ignatia had no private rooms available but told Dr. Bob that she would do what she could. She proceeded to put the drunk in the flower room. Dr. Bob and Sister Ignatia are said to have treated 5,000 cases. The ward where they worked can still be seen at St. Thomas Hospital. There is an Archives display in the back of the little chapel next to the ward that has some of both Dr. Bob's and Sister Ignatia's personal items . Among the things that are displayed is a four ounce medicine bottle that Dr. Bob used to hide his booze in his sock.



STEPPING OUT IN SOBRIETY

Freedom to Have Fun

A little over a year ago I was a slave to alcohol. Alcohol was all I cared about. I put it above everything, my job, my friends, my family and myself. Alcohol dictated who I hung out with and where I could go. I always worried if alcohol would be served and if not, how much I should drink before I went and could I smuggle more in. My world became very small, dark and miserable. Life didn't seem worth living.

I couldn't stop drinking. Every morning I promised myself that today would be different, I wouldn't drink. By 3:00 I couldn't wait to get off work so I could start drinking. I almost drank myself to death. After a three week stay in the hospital I was struck with peripheral neuropathy. I couldn't walk or use my hands. My mother had to take care of me like I was a toddler. Even in this state I called my drinking buddies and begged them to smuggle me a bottle of vodka. I was obsessed with it.

I knew I was an alcoholic and I knew about AA. My mother is a member of AA, 15 years sober and I saw how it changed her life, but I didn't think it could work for me. I couldn't imagine my life without drugs and alcohol. I thought if I joined AA life would be over, boring, I'd never have fun again (not that it was fun then).

I was so wrong. AA has given me the life I couldn't imagine. True friends that understand me and with whom I can share anything (the fellowship), a set of guidelines to live my life by (the Big Book) and someone to guide me through it all (my sponsor).

My new AA life has freed me from the slavery of Alcoholism. Freed me to do things I never would or could have done when I was drinking. For my one year AA anniversary I decided to go sky diving. I wanted to celebrate the life that just a year earlier I didn't want to continue living. I don't want to live my life in fear and what better way to conquer that than to jump out of a plane at 14,000 ft. It was wonderful and wild! Screaming towards earth at 125 mph until the parachute opens. Then as you glide to earth it's so quiet and peaceful. I truly felt gratitude (that the chute opened) and a connection with my higher power.

Last weekend I took a sea kayaking class with two of my sober friends. We had a great time out on the water. Laughing, helping and sharing a new experience with each other. We are making plans for another kayak adventure with a larger AA group and are talking about a white water rapids trip. I never could have had these experiences the last few years of my drinking. I now know that the best part of my life is yet to come...sober and free.

Diane S., Campbell



AA Thought for the Day

(courtesy AAOnline.net)

A Way of Life

AA is not a plan for recovery that can be finished and done with.

It is a way of life, and the challenge contained in its principles is great enough to keep any human being striving for as long as he lives. We do not, cannot, outgrow this plan.

As arrested alcoholics, we must have a program for living that allows for limitless expansion. Keeping one foot in front of the other is essential for maintaining our arrestment.

c.2001 AAWS, *Alcoholics Anonymous*, p. 275
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AA-related 'Alconym'

FROM CENTRAL OFFICE**DID YOU KNOW...?**

That Central Office carries stuff you may never have heard of?:

- **"Emotional Sobriety"**, a Grapevine book
- **"In Our Own Words"**, a Grapevine book about young people in AA
- The **Slogans** on parchment (suitable for framing)
- **"Experience, Strength & Hope"**, a book containing all the stories in each of the firsts three editions of the Big Book.
- A boxed set of the Big Book and "Experience, Strength & Hope" (this combination contains all the Big Book stories ever published)

That Central Office carries stuff you wish you would have heard about earlier?:

- **"AA Guidelines"**, about many helpful subjects such as Central Office, PI/CPC, Relationship between AA and Al-Anon, Relationship between AA and Clubs, Archives, and many other helpful topics
- The **"A.A. Fact File"**, a folder with tons of info in it
- The **A.A. Service Manual**
- The annual **Conference Report**

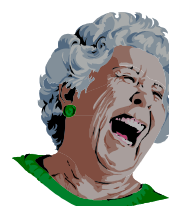
*That **The Grapevine** is one of our most valuable resources, yet one of our least utilized?:*

- Subscriptions to the Grapevine magazine are in decline
- Valuable history and topics of current relevance, on book, tape, and cd are available at Central Office
- **La Vina**, the Spanish version, has been available for several years
- How about a **"Traditions Checklist"** for your group inventory (or for yourself)?

*That Central Office carries terrific **CDs, tapes, and videos**?:*

- The Big Book and the 12 & 12 are available on both
- "AA Comes of Age", "Pioneers of AA", and "Living Sober" are among many books available on tape
- Sponsorship, AA history, newcomers, our Traditions – some on tape, some on cd
- The voice of Bill W. discussing a variety of topics
- Bill on video – he talks about history, Traditions, and principles

That Central Office has the best looking staff in the business?



Alcoholics
Anonymous...
How may we help you?



Telephone Calls Received During July

Daytime at Central Office	591
Daytime 12 Step Calls	8
Evening and Weekend calls	261

Evening 12 Step Call information is not available.

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

Groups contributing to your Central Office make it possible to provide telephone service and coverage so that someone is always available to the caller in need. We also have a listing in the white and yellow pages of the phone books for all the cities in Santa Clara County. **WE THANK YOU!**

SPEAKER MEETINGS

Weekender Speaker Meeting

Sundays at 6 p.m.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

1735 Hecker Pass Road, Gilroy

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

ALANO CLUB WEST

Has now re-opened. Its new location is 1344 Dell Ave., Campbell. Please see their website for further information at www.alanowest.org

Deleted -

Step Study Group, Friday, 8:00PM, Los Gatos Neighborhood Center

Big Book Discussion, Saturday, 5:00PM, Alano Club of San Jose

New Beginnings, Sunday, 3:00 PM, Freedom Fellowship, Moffett Central Shopping Center, 327 B Moffett Blvd., Mountain View

Changed -

Hora de Vivir, Tues. & Wed., time changed to 7:30PM, Alano Club of San Jose

Men's Basic Step Study, Tuesday 8:00PM, moved to Holy Spirit Episcopal Church, 41 W. Rincon, Campbell

In the Solution, Saturday 7:30AM, Alano Club West, now meeting at 1st Congregational Church, 1980 Hamilton Ave., San Jose

New -

Skyland Group, Mon. 8PM, Skyland Church, 25100 Skyland Rd., Los Gatos

Seeking Guidance (men), Friday 6:00PM, Immanuel Presbyterian Church, 3675 Payne at San Tomas

Happy, Joyous, & Free Topic Mtg, 4:00PM, Holy Spirit Episcopal Church, 41 W. Rincon (St. Lawrence Hall), Campbell

As Bill Sees It Book Mtg, Sunday, 6:00PM, We Care Group, Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, 1989 E. Calaveras Blvd., near Evans Rd.

Women's 12 Step Survival, Tuesday 7:30PM, Sobrato Family Transitional Center, 9345 Monterey Rd, Gilroy

Queer and Sober, Saturday 10:30AM, Billy DeFrank LGBT Center, 938 The Alameda, San Jose

Spiritual Awakening Group, Saturday 9:00AM (breakfast) 9:30AM meeting, Calvary Church, 16330 Los Gatos Blvd., Los Gatos

Basic 12 & 12, Monday, 6:00AM, Dennys Rest., 1390 1st St., at Cline.

The Way Out Big Book Study, Friday, 7:00 PM, Pueblo de Dios Church, 3257 Payne Ave.

Open A.A., Wednesday, 7:15 PM, St. Francis Episcopal Church, 1205 Pine Ave.

In Memoriam

Kenny P, (the Pollock) 50 years
"Lady" Lee, Santa Clara
John "Ozzie" M, San Jose

Birthdays Contributions

Name	Years	Gift From	Birthday
Karen Wheeler	19		06/21/1988
Sharon L.	26	Mary Pat P.	07/20/1981
Sarah P.	14	Evelyn M	Unknown
Nat H.	21		07/01/1986
Neal M.	2	The Colonel & Pat C.	07/07/2007
Domonic B.	6		07/09/2001
Linda D.	29		07/17/1978
Nancy H.	21		07/17/1986
Ed S.	23		07/20/1984
Bert J.	25	Bert J.	07/20/1982
Sharon L.	26	Mary Pat P.	7/20/1981
Brian K.	7		07/22/2000
Mr. Al E.	56	The Colonel & Pat C.	07/22/1951
Tammy P.	20	Evelyn M., Aileen B.	07/23/1987
Jackie J.	15	Aileen B.	07/24/1992
Tom S.	21		07/28/1986
Lynn S.	20	Evelyn M., Aileen B, Mary Pat P. Neale S.	07/28/1987
Aileen B.	10	Pat C.	07/29/1997
Tammy P.	20	Mary Pat P.	07/28/1981
Suzette D.	1	Mary Pat P.	7/29/2006

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

For a total of

382 YEARS OF SOBRIETY

and for a total contribution

\$491.00

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



Wedding Contribution - Congratulations Rita M. from Evelyn M.



August 2007

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

			1 Intergroup Meeting 8:00PM	2	3	4 Secretaries Workshop 10:00AM, Central Office
5	6	7	8 North County General Service	9	10	11 PI/CPC Workshop 10:00AM, Central Office
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 Archives Workshop 10:00AM, Central Office
19	20	21 South County General Service	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 H & I Meeting	29	30	31	

LOCAL EVENTS

Aug. 26 Unity Day: Milpitas Community Center, 457 East Calaveras Blvd., Milpitas. "Are we going to any length?"

9:00AM to 8:15PM

EVENTS AROUND CALIFORNIA

Aug. 17-19 Oakhurst: Summer Serenity in the Sierras, contact Larry J 209 742-2271.

Aug 24-26 Fortuna, CA: 2007 Redwood Coast Roundup, www.redwoodcoastroundup.org

Aug. 30-Sept. 2 Los Angeles, CA: ICYPAA Conference, Westin Bonaventure Hotel, www.49thICYPAA.org

Aug. 31-Sept. 2 Monterey, CA: Monterey Bay Area Roundup, Conference Center, www.mbar.org

Sept. 22-24 Woman to Woman San Diego: www.womantowomansandiego.com.

Oct. 5-7 Modesto, CA: NCCAA 60th Annual Fall Conference, www.ncc-aa.org

Oct. 12-14 Santa Barbara: Santa Barbara AA Convention, www.sbaaconvention.org

Oct. 19-21 Santa Clarita, CA: 4th Annual Santa Clarita Valley Convention of A.A., www.scvaaconvention.org

OUTSIDE CALIFORNIA

Aug. 3-5 Boise, Idaho: 2007 Gem State Roundup, contact Karen F. 208 713-2150 or Kathy G. 208 323-0967

Aug. 4-6 College Station, TX: 21st Annual Aggieland Convention, inform@AAaggieland.com

Aug. 30-Sept. 2 Beaver, UT: The Great Outdoor Beaver Meeting, contact Russ or Val D. 661 269-5349

Aug. 31-Sept. 2 Reno, NV: 30th Annual Sierra Nevada Roundup, contact Tom E. 775-356-5456

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Please check the GSO website at www.aa.org for a full listing of gatherings in the United States and around the world.

SANTA CLARA COUNTY INTERGROUP COUNCIL

MINUTES MONTHLY MEETING

August 1, 2007

- Bill, Intergroup Chairperson, opened the meeting at 8:01 pm, followed by a Moment of Silence, and the Serenity Prayer.
- Moriah read the short Definition of Intergroup.
- There were 34 voting representatives and 15 visitors in attendance.
- John read the Twelve Traditions.
- No corrections or additions to the agenda.
- No corrections or additions to the pervious month's minutes.
- Intergroup Council Treasurer's Report: Chuck G.

Beginning Balance:	7/04/07	\$00.00	Prudent Reserve \$300.00
Contributions:	7/04/07	\$80.00	
Refreshments:	7/04/07	\$18.00	
Rent to September 1 st			
Balance:	8/01/07	\$30.86	Prudent Reserve \$300.00
- Birthdays: Brian 7 yrs; Faye 1 yrs.
- Announcements: SCCYPAA - Faye: Young people's meeting starting August 7, Tuesday nights 8:00 pm – 9:00 pm. Calvary Korean Baptist Church, Room D-112, 16330 Los Gatos Blvd, Los Gatos. Business meeting first Tuesday of every month, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm. September 29th 1st Annual Car Show and BBQ; 12:00 – 5:00 pm at the Historical Museum Park, 1650 Senter Rd, San Jose. Call Kelly (408) 306-0679 or David (408) 781-3850 for more information.

Reports

1. Intergroup Chair – Bill D.
 - Elections held in October; nominating committee: Mary Pat, Chair; Peggy P.; Lee C.; Bill H.
2. Central Service Board – Robbie R.
 - Approved "paid time off" to 22 days. Contributions are up substantially. Board approved Bruce for Central Office Manager for next year.
3. Central Office – Bruce K.
 - Northern California Managers Meeting in Dublin in August.
 - Big Book price has been lowered to \$7.00.
 - Prudent Reserve status is in very good condition.
4. PI/CPC – Darcy A.
 - Meetings held 6pm-7pm at St. Timothy's, Grant Rd, Mtn. View. Everyone welcome!
 - Speaker Workshops held at Central Office 10am – 11am on August 11, September 8, and October 13.
 - Involved in DUI classes; will have Unity day workshop; involved in Fatherhood conference August 4th in San Jose; Gilroy Senior Center; San Jose Parks and Recreation, Hellyer Park.
5. Twelfth Step Committee – Maxine
 - Daytime – Bruce K. presents importance of divertership to Intergroup. Important to remember that the diverter is the 1st voice of AA a person hears.
 - Nights and Weekends – shifts available, contact Maxine or Central Office for times. Diverter workshop 4pm – 5pm at Unity Day
6. Outreach Committee – Sally D.
 - Volunteers needed.
 - 614 meetings; 258 visited; 29 found not to exist.
 - Committee meeting: 7pm at Central Office 1st Wednesday of each month.

7. Newsletter – Rose W.
 - o Will need new editor in December 2007.
 - o August Intergroup will vote on name of newsletter.
 - o Newsletter will need a logo.
8. Activities Committee – Marilyn Hull
 - o “Take your Sponsor to Brunch” – Total Revenue \$2721.75, Total Expenses \$1612.26, Profit \$1109.49. Event exceeded target attendance; Event was a great success.
 - o Next committee meeting in September 2007, next event in January 2008.
9. Other Service Committee Reports
 - Unity Day – Peter for Tom K.
 - o Lou H. in charge of registration table.
 - o Theme: “Are we going to any length”
 - o Last meeting, August 9th, 6pm, Harry Hofbrau.
 - Northern California Council of Alcoholics Anonymous – Dennis
Next meeting end of August. Next conference in Modesto, October.
 - Hospitals & Institutions – Paul C.
 - o \$23,000 taken in since January
 - o Call Robert if interested in doing service
 - o Elmwood coordinator wrote introduction letter for those interested in service.
 - Bridging the Gap – no report
 - North County – Brian K.
Summer assembly on August 11th in Petaluma.
 - South County – no report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Intergroup will have liaisons to NCGS, SCGS, and H & I.

NEW BUSINESS – Newsletter Name voted on. New name: The COIN (Central Office Intergroup Newsletter)

OPEN FORUM – Dennis: concerned that not enough people volunteer.
Terri: would like to have contact numbers in newsletter. (Unable to do, due to anonymity)

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy H.

INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.
Profit & Loss
July 2007

	<u>Jul 07</u>	<u>Jul 06</u>	<u>Jan - Jul 07</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
3030 · Contributions-General	14,642.95	12,520.08	85,349.96
8010 · Literature Sales	3,313.58	4,988.14	36,459.52
8020 · Meeting Guide Sales	1,046.50	0.00	7,879.20
8060 · Newsletter Subscriptions	5.00	25.00	150.00
Total Income	<u>19,008.03</u>	<u>17,533.22</u>	<u>129,838.68</u>
Cost of Goods Sold			
5000 · Cost of Goods Sold			
5100 · Cost of Inventory Sold	2,302.03	2,394.47	24,533.66
5150 · Cost of Meeting Directories	220.38	722.51	2,742.26
Total 5000 · Cost of Goods Sold	<u>2,522.41</u>	<u>3,116.98</u>	<u>27,275.92</u>
Total COGS	<u>2,522.41</u>	<u>3,116.98</u>	<u>27,275.92</u>
Gross Profit	<u>16,485.62</u>	<u>14,416.24</u>	<u>102,562.76</u>
Expense			
6010 · Alarm Service	177.00	177.00	531.00
6030 · Accounting and Legal Fee	669.02	690.26	3,199.68
6060 · Amortization of Improvements	0.00	0.00	6.50
6070 · Bank Credit card charges (Credit card costs and fees)	28.34	0.00	667.81
6120 · Computer Expenses	67.97	0.00	1,298.66
6140 · Conferences - Office Manager	0.00	0.00	462.37
6150 · Unity Day Expense	0.00	0.00	650.00
6160 · Copier Expense	146.91	399.70	829.19
6190 · Depreciation Expense	0.00	0.00	2,726.50
6220 · Insurance - Worker Compensation	-39.13	0.00	511.10
6230 · Insurance - General Liability	0.00	0.00	718.91
6240 · Employee HRA Plan	728.37	549.70	5,389.03
6245 · Internet Access Charges	19.95	19.95	139.65
6330 · Office Expense	297.07	482.98	2,293.21
6360 · Archives (Archives)	0.00	0.00	-100.00
6380 · Payroll Taxes	506.79	524.48	3,775.98
6410 · Postage	20.00	282.75	1,491.13
6480 · Rent	2,280.60	2,217.25	15,900.85
6540 · Salaries - Office	6,193.69	6,180.29	43,701.70
6600 · Signing Services	200.00	0.00	1,250.00
7010 · Taxes and Licenses	20.00	0.00	80.00
7050 · Telephone	278.58	22.00	2,180.26
7060 · Travel	0.00	0.00	0.50
9080 · Sales Tax (Sales tax paid on purchases)	0.03	0.00	0.03
Total Expense	<u>11,595.19</u>	<u>11,546.36</u>	<u>87,704.06</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>4,890.43</u>	<u>2,869.88</u>	<u>14,858.70</u>
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
8030 · Interest Income	273.66	166.41	1,785.68
8050 · Activities Committee	1,109.49	0.00	1,109.49
Total Other Income	<u>1,383.15</u>	<u>166.41</u>	<u>2,895.17</u>
Net Other Income	<u>1,383.15</u>	<u>166.41</u>	<u>2,895.17</u>
Net Income	<u><u>6,273.58</u></u>	<u><u>3,036.29</u></u>	<u><u>17,753.87</u></u>

INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.

Balance Sheet

As of August 1, 2007

	<u>Aug 1, 07</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1010 · Petty Cash	225.00
1035 · Bank of America (Bank account)	10,956.96
1040 · Bank of America CD 5718 (8 mo. CD @ 4.79%, 9/24/07)	30,703.43 *
1041 · Bank of America CD 5931 (18 mo. CD @ 4.26%, 1/28/08)	14,998.10 *
1042 · Capital Preservation Fund (Treas. fund currently @ 4.45%)	28,776.42 *
Total Checking/Savings	<u>85,659.91</u>
Accounts Receivable	
1110 · Accounts Rec - Group Deposits	-807.48
Total Accounts Receivable	<u>-807.48</u>
Other Current Assets	
1250 · Literature Inventory	16,872.02
1310 · Prepaid Insurance	1,291.25
Total Other Current Assets	<u>18,163.27</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>103,015.70</u>
Fixed Assets	
1630 · Office Equipment	38,150.80
1640 · Office Furnishings - Asset	2,197.84
1641 · Less Accumulated Depreciation	-19,580.50
1680 · Leasehold Improvements	300.00
1681 · Less Accumulated Amortization	-140.50
Total Fixed Assets	<u>20,927.64</u>
Other Assets	
1860 · Deposits	1,993.85
Total Other Assets	<u>1,993.85</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>125,937.19</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
2240 · Sales Tax Payable (Sales Tax Payable)	359.78
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>359.78</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>359.78</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>359.78</u>
Equity	
2740 · Temporarily Restricted Funds	23,660.64
3900 · Unrestricted Funds	84,162.90
Net Income	17,753.87
Total Equity	<u>125,577.41</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>125,937.19</u></u>

* Our Prudent Reserve Accounts total: \$74,447.95 This
represents 6 months of operating expenses, which is the Board established
goal. Thank you.

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Group Contributions

July 2007

	Jul 07	Jan - Jul 07		Jul 07	Jan - Jul 07
1 INV Freedom Fellowship 70940	140.00	560.00	El Camino Group 108 (Tues.)	63.49	172.15
1 INV Fremont & Hollenbeck Group 70907	245.00	1,868.18	Eleventh Step Group 167 (Wed.)	0.00	140.00
1 INV R and B Group 70972	110.26	1,254.20	Eleventh Step Meditation Mtg 276 (Thur.)	0.00	115.50
1 INV Saturday Nite Live Group 70905	256.92	3,026.13	Evergreen Group 884 (Thur.)	140.00	210.00
1 INV Spiritual Progress Group 70904	0.00	700.00	Fireside Big Book Study 809 (Tues.)	53.31	53.31
12 Steps & HOW (Women) 25 (Tues.)	0.00	70.00	Fireside Group 297 (Fri.)	0.00	36.92
12 Steps at Noon 303 (Fri.)	150.00	290.55	Fireside Men's Book Study (Thur.)	0.00	51.67
A Vision for You Women's 802 (Tues.)	0.00	80.97	Freethinkers of the Valley 29 (Tues.)	0.00	210.00
A.B.C. Women's Group 58 (Mon.)	0.00	140.00	G Agnews Noon Meetings 70921	630.00	1,680.00
AA Literature Discussion Grp 700 (Tues.)	18.00	105.50	G Forged From Adversity Group 70957	0.00	482.50
Almaden Valley Discussion 30 (Sun.)	0.00	41.31	G Gilroy Groups 70906	280.00	616.00
As Bill Sees It 6.00P 518 (Mon.)	0.00	725.00	G Milpitas We Care Group 70934	0.00	420.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 886 (Tues.)	0.00	416.00	G Seeking Guidance Group 70976	782.00	3,020.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 258 (Fri.)	0.00	443.00	G South County Fellowship 70954	175.00	1,243.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 321 (Mon.)	252.00	602.00	G Sunrise Group of Palo Alto 70963	215.00	485.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 861 (Thur.)	0.00	888.80	G Sunrises Group/Carrows 70932	280.27	3,192.89
Attitude Adjustment SJ 198 (Wed.)	220.00	690.34	G Third Tradition Women's Grp(The 70979	0.00	1,652.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 446 (Sun.)	0.00	260.00	G Winchester Fellowship 70960	75.00	553.44
Attitude Adjustment SJ 443 (Sat.)	0.00	594.74	Gathered Together for Sobriety 43 (Sun.)	0.00	234.92
Basic 12 & 12 00662 (Mon.)	0.00	163.53	Gay & Lesbian Sober Experience 896 (Mon.)	0.00	280.00
Basic Big Book 710 (Thur.)	0.00	100.00	Gay Alcoholics Living/Sobriety 742 (Wed.)	0.00	91.00
Basic Big Book Cupertino (Fri.)	28.00	28.00	Gay Men & Women Together 221 (Fri.)	0.00	171.50
Berryessa Group 527 (Wed.)	0.00	420.00	Gay Men's Freedom 262 (Thur.)	0.00	788.59
Better Way of Living 197 (Wed.)	0.00	175.00	Get Up and Go SC (Women) 187 (Sat.)	0.00	698.65
Big Book & Doughnuts (Men) 106 (Tues.)	0.00	180.00	Get Well Group 17 (Sun.)	141.40	351.40
Big Book Discussion Group LA 107 (Tues.)	0.00	70.00	Grace Group of AA PA 352 (Sat.)	400.00	775.00
Big Book Study 8.00P Cupt 284 (Fri.)	0.00	100.00	Grateful Live Group 535 (Mon.)	0.00	707.00
Big Book Study Group SJ 503 (Sat.)	0.00	100.00	Gratitude Group SJ 339 (Sat.)	0.00	156.00
Big Book Study Mlpts 8.00P 347 (Sat.)	0.00	100.00	Happy Destiny (Women) 109 (Tues.)	363.72	650.73
Birthday Contribution 00951	491.00	2,696.00	Happy Hr. SJ 652 (Fri.)	0.00	200.00
California Ave. Supper Group 715 (Thur.)	294.00	755.00	High Hope SJ 239 (Sat.)	160.30	385.90
Cambrian Saturday Night 376 (Sat.)	324.00	1,254.00	Higher Power Hr Big Book Topic 871(Thur.)	490.00	1,120.00
Caring & Sharing 148 (Tues.)	98.00	98.00	HOW Group 71 (Mon.)	350.00	560.00
Chip Winners Group 168 (Wed.)	0.00	242.90	Humbly Asked 8.00A 87 (Sun.)	0.00	486.50
Courage to Change 145 (Wed.)	0.00	371.09	In the Basement 545 (Sun.)	0.00	165.98
Daily Reflections 432 (Thur.)	98.00	98.00	In the Chapel 13 (Fri.)	0.00	78.38
Design for Living 200 (Tues.)	126.00	322.00	In the Solution 647 (Sat.)	297.00	559.00
Down to Earth Group 563 (Tues.)	0.00	175.17	Invaders Group 44 (Sun.)	0.00	200.00
Downtown Steppers (Men) 392 (Mon.)	0.00	130.90	Joy of Living Meeting 92 (Mon.)	0.00	494.54
Dr. Bob's Nightmare 360 (Sun.)	0.00	140.00	Just For Today 238 (Thur.)	36.27	371.62
Early Bird 129 (Tues.)	0.00	140.76	Ladies Amethyst AA Study Group 749 (Wed.)	0.00	268.75
Early Bird 429 (Sun.)	0.00	36.89	Lesbians Living the Promises 349 (Fri.)	0.00	70.00
Early Monday Night 68 (Mon.)	0.00	614.92	Liquor Was But A Symptom 203 (Thur.)	84.00	84.00
Early Spiritual Progress 7 (Sun.)	0.00	175.00	Living in the Solution (W) MH 33 (Sat.)	0.00	63.00
Early Tuesday Group 119 (Tues.)	0.00	493.46	Living Sober 21 (Sun.)	0.00	260.55
Easier Way Group 290 (Fri.)	0.00	630.00	Living with Others 319 (Fri.)	0.00	174.10
East Valley Group 322 (Fri.)	50.00	250.00	Lodestar Group/Sober Thoughts 499 (Wed.)	100.00	360.00
Eastside Step Study 45 (Sun.)	0.00	105.00	Los Altos Group 225 (Thur.)	0.00	70.00

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Los Altos Men's Group 59 (Mon.)	195.00	258.00	Spiritual Step Study Group 233 (Sun.)	0.00	1,057.40
Los Gatos Tuesday Night 110 (Tues.)	0.00	70.00	St. Luke's Group 113 (Tues.)	0.00	1,288.00
Mad Hatters Tuesday Noon 661 (Tues.)	50.00	183.00	St. Mark's Group 270 (Thur.)	200.00	934.22
Meditation Meeting LA 39 (Sat.)	42.00	112.00	Starting the Steps 753 (Fri.)	0.00	182.00
Memorial Contributions	0.00	55.00	Step by Step Group LosAltos 5 (Sun.)	0.00	70.00
Men's 4th Step Group 320 (Fri.)	0.00	44.10	Step Study (Women) LG 820 (Wed.)	84.00	202.37
Men's Basic Step Study Group 891 (Tues.)	0.00	197.12	Steps & Traditions 893 (Wed.)	0.00	237.70
Men's Freedom from Alcohol 606 (Wed.)	420.00	420.00	Sunday Early Evening 682 (Sun.)	0.00	336.00
Men's Group 97 (Mon.)	0.00	178.62	Sundowners' Dinner Meeting 768 (Wed.)	0.00	109.51
Men's Honesty Group SJ 26 (Sat.)	408.44	947.44	Sunshine Group noon 243 (Thur.)	0.00	315.00
Men's Single Problem Study 220 (Thur.)	1,610.00	2,485.00	T.G.I.F. Speaker/Discussion 298 (Fri.)	0.00	697.75
Men's Single Problem Study 89 (Mon.)	0.00	696.00	There Is a Solution (Men) MH 732 (Thur.)	0.00	394.24
Men's Single Topic Discussion 582 (Mon.)	0.00	1,108.00	Think Tank (Men) SJ 361 (Sat.)	0.00	1,400.00
Men's Topic Discussion 635 (Tues.)	0.00	79.80	Thurs. South Valley Group See 1 INV 267	0.00	70.00
Men's Underground Book Study 401 (Sun.)	95.00	413.00	Trinity Group 370 (Sat.)	0.00	100.00
Midday Women's Group 91 (Mon.)	227.70	642.70	Tuesday Night Saratoga Group 152 (Tues.)	0.00	130.00
Midweek Spiritual Progress 213 (Wed.)	0.00	140.00	Unknown	372.57	887.87
Mountain Miracles 882 (Thur.)	263.20	998.20	Up the Creek-Daily Reflections 745(Tues.)	25.00	175.00
Mountain View Group 350 (Sat.)	0.00	175.00	Veterans of Alcohol (open) 874 (Tues.)	175.00	546.00
New Direction 12 x 12 90 (Mon.)	0.00	200.00	Villages Group of AA (The) 406 (Mon	0.00	451.00
New Life Start 444 (Sun.)	448.00	448.00	We Care Step Study 128 (Tues.)	0.00	424.70
New Nooners 859 (Fri.)	0.00	236.00	What's Happening Today 552 (Thur.)	0.00	321.22
New People's Group 3 (Sun.)	288.40	446.01	Women's Brunch PA 640 (Sat.)	0.00	607.45
New Steps for Living 20 (Sun.)	0.00	632.95	Women's Topic Disc. Group 103 (Tues.)	0.00	180.04
Newcomers, Oldtimers (Women) 769 (Sat.)	280.00	280.00	Women on the Move 570 (Wed.)	0.00	110.00
Noon Step Study 0555 (Tues.)	0.00	70.00	Women Preparing for the Weekend 691(Fri.	0.00	159.60
Open A A 00660 (Wed.)	0.00	47.32	Women Sharing the Solution 519 (Thur.)	112.00	354.90
Other Wednesday Nite (Men) 209 (Wed.)	885.50	2,137.10	TOTAL	14,642.95	85,324.96
Palo Alto Men's Meeting 525 (Tues.)	0.00	630.00			
Palo Alto Step Study 752 (Tues.)	0.00	295.69			
Pass It On Group Los Altos 418 (Sun.)	0.00	700.00			
Personal 00911	0.00	3,803.26			
Positive Outlook Group SJ 368 (Sat.)	0.00	373.80			
Progress Not Perfection 229 (Sun.)	0.00	140.00			
Saratoga Group 328 (Fri.)	0.00	515.00			
Saratoga Serenity Group 329 (Fri.)	0.00	144.20			
Saturday Morning Los Gatos 777 (Sat.)	0.00	1,540.00			
SCCYPAA	0.00	292.60			
Second Tradition Group Spkr 721 (Sat.)	0.00	404.50			
Serenity Discussion 210 (Wed.)	361.20	820.20			
Shared Gift (The) (Women) 61 (Mon.)	0.00	263.40			
Signs of Sobriety .) 402 (Mon.)	0.00	25.00			
Sober and Free Convention 70928	0.00	318.50			
Sober in the Park 688 (Sun.)	0.00	70.00			
South Valley Men's 845 (Thur.)	0.00	280.00			
Speaker Meeting PA 18 (Sun.)	82.00	359.00			
Spiritual Progress 269 (Thur.)	0.00	700.00			
Spiritual Progress Group 8 (Sun.)	0.00	73.65			