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“WE ARE NOT A GLUM LOT”

When I first got sober I thought my life had come to an end. How could I enjoy my life without alcohol? Growing up it seemed everyone who was anyone partied. Every event or party was about drinking and all my friends drank like I did. We were just having “fun”. Alcohol was my friend, companion, mistress and the only solution to living I had ever known. It became normal not to remember the night before or how I got home. Some say, “First the man took a drink, then the drink took a drink, then the drink took the man.” This seemed very fitting in my case as once I started there was no stopping. How did this happen to me? Where was my will-power?

At one time I had been naturally humorous and outgoing although as the disease of Alcoholism progressed I started to believe that these traits of character would only come once I took a drink. Where had all the good times gone? I became withdrawn on the inside only

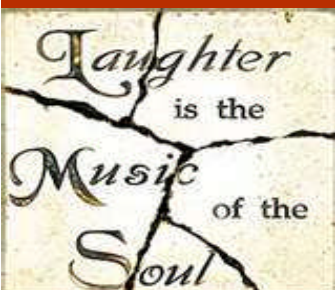
showing how well I was by how life looked on the surface. If only others would do what they were supposed to do things would be fine. My expectations only led to deep resentments that fueled my drinking. Having once had a deep connection to a power greater than myself I found that I was lost when I was drinking. How and who could I ask for help?

I asked a man to sponsor me. When I am restless, irritable, and discontent I have to look at my step work. Have I been thorough? By working the steps of Alcoholics Anonymous I take the steam out of old issues and resentments. Coincidentally I am not alone. As it turns out the Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous is worldwide and I can travel anywhere, yes anywhere, and simply by walking into a room of Alcoholic Anonymous find someone who speaks the same language. “We absolutely insist on enjoying life” is a creed that we in AA live by. One aspect of AA life is that I

have a new family. We spend time doing things together because we want to enjoy this new life. I have been to more fun things in my recovery than I have in many years. The best part is that I can remember them! If you are new to recovery please come join us! We welcome you and wish you well!

Today things are much different. The statement “We have found much of heaven and we have been rocketed into a fourth dimension of existence of which we had never dreamed” is a testament to our spiritual awakening. Miracles start to manifest in the lives of our fellows before our very eyes. Life just simply gets better without drink. One of the most rewarding parts of recovery is to watch and contribute to the recovery of others by sponsoring them through the steps. I do the work not just to stay sober but because the life I always dreamed of is becoming reality.

Bill W., Gilroy



"WE ARE NOT A GLUM LOT"

Before I came to AA I was dead, but did not know enough to lie down.

An alcoholic is someone who wants to be held while isolating.

An Alcoholic: A person who when going to a wedding, wants to be the bride and when going to a funeral, wants to be the corpse.



Di- AA: Look
rections to AA: Just go straight to hell and take a U-turn. for a way in; not for a way out.

AA has no fixed address -- you can take it with you.

AA is the only place where you can walk into a room full of strangers and reminisce.

In AA there are no losers -- just slow winners.

AA romance ... the odds are good ... but the goods are odd.

Alcoholic: Someone who refuses to give up a life of failure without a fight.

You Gotta Love the Irish

Gallagher opened the morning newspaper and was dumbfounded to read in the obituary column that he had died. He quickly phoned his best friend, Finney.

"Did you see the paper?" asked Gallagher. "They say I died!!"

"Yes, I saw it!" replied Finney. "Where are ye callin' from?"



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We Are Not a Glum Lot

My wife and I were sitting at a table at my high school reunion, and I kept staring at a drunken woman swigging her drink, as she sat alone at a nearby table.

My wife asks, 'Do you know her?'

'Yes,' I sighed. 'She's my old girlfriend. I understand she started drinking right after we split up those many years ago, and I hear she hasn't been sober since.'

'My God!' says my wife. 'Who would think a person could go on celebrating that long?'



The other day, Mark said his daughter used to refer to him as "The Groundhog" because whenever someone said something to him he didn't like; he disappeared for 6 months.

Your Daily Moment of Zen



Do not walk behind me, for I may not lead. Do not walk ahead of me, for I may not follow. Do not walk beside me, either -- leave me the hell alone.

Always remember you're unique. Just like everyone else.

If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.

Good judgment comes from bad experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.

It is far more impressive when others discover your good qualities without your help

Never test the depth of the water with both feet.

Don't squat with your spurs on.

AA Thought for the Day

Fellowship

Then I began to see the miracles that happen only in AA. People who would nearly crawl in the doors, sick and broken, and who in a few weeks of meetings and not drinking one day at a time would get their health back, find a little job and friends who really cared, and then discover a God in their lives.

But the most compelling part of AA, the part that made me want to try this sober thing, was the laughter

the pure joy of the laughter that I heard only from sober alcoholics.

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Thought to Ponder . . . Let it begin with me.

H E A R T = Healing, Enjoying, And Recovering Together



“We are Not a Glum Lot”



“Truthfully the party had been over for a while and I was the last one to see it. Like many others”

I discovered the magic of alcohol when I was 17 years old during the summer before my senior year in high school. In about 15 minutes I was transformed from a painfully shy introvert into the life of the party! At least from my perspective! From that first night of drinking I was hooked and the party was on!

Fifteen years later after lots of self and family destruction, the party was over. Truthfully the party had been over for a while and I was the last one to see it. Like many others, coming to AA, I felt like it was the worst thing that could have happened to me, but instead it has turned out to be the best thing that's happened, even better than that first drink!

My home group from day one has a meeting called “The Joy of Living” meeting. It's a

chip meeting and it's usually an upbeat atmosphere that night. There is so much joy in celebrating the life of sobriety that you can't come and not get a lift! Often groups of people will come to support a friend who is celebrating their AA birthday by getting their medallion with us and the love and cheering just fills the room!

A couple years ago I attended a funeral for my uncle who passed. He was an old country preacher from the Midwest. It was a fairly small service and he had a brother-in-law who was also a retired minister and as part of the eulogy he shared one little verse from the Bible that caught my attention because I think it perfectly describes this joyous life I've found in Alcoholics Anonymous.

The verse is Proverbs 15:15 which says in part, “The cheer-

ful heart has a continual feast.” I love that! I want that too! I was taught in early AA to use my dictionary so I did and found this: Feast – a time of celebration; a rich and abundant party!

No wonder I love that Monday chip meeting, when my heart is full of cheer, the party is ON again! And who likes to party like us?! Best of all its real and lasting; when I leave the rooms that joy and love that I desperately tried to find in that bottle stays with me wherever I go...and there are no hangovers!

There really is great joy in living, when I stay on the path and try to help others! I once heard someone change the wording of part of our 5th chapter to say “rarely have we seen a person fail who has thoroughly ENJOYED our path”! Not bad!

Anonymous, Santa Clara



The OLDEST drunk joke I can remember is about the guy who's been dating the same girl for years. EVERY time he goes to pick her up, she's almost an hour late coming down the stairs and always says, "I'm sorry I'm late, I just washed my hair and can't do a thing with it."

Finally, one Friday night he's about 2 hours late showing up at her house and is so drunk that he can hardly crawl, much less walk. She's indignant and asks the meaning of his behavior. He replies, "I'm sorry I'm late, but I just washed my feet and I can't do a thing with 'em".

What's Happening in General Service

Over these past months of writing, I've tried to touch on many aspects of General Service; from just what is General Service, the Conference Process, how important your GSR (General Service Representative) is to you and your Home Groups, to the Activities surrounding General Service such as Pacific Region AA Service Assembly (PRAASA). But there's one more secret about General Service here in our Area that I haven't divulged to you as yet...Wondering what it might be???

Our Area (CNCA 06) has a fantastic Archives Committee, which oversees our Alcoholics Anonymous Archives memorabilia from all over our part of the State., and it is located nearby at 193 Mayhew Way, Walnut Creek, CA 94597. It is open every second Saturday of each month (unless there's a Holiday or another GS event!), All are welcome to not only come and view these tidbits of our Nor-Cal History, but even pitch in to assist those hard working Archivists, arranging files or moving a box or two!

At our local Central Office is Chuck G., Santa Clara Counties Archives Chair and caretaker of our Santa Clara Archives. When I visited, I asked if Chuck would be so kind as to show me the ever "infamous" Santa Clara Archives. Chuck walked me over to the Archives area and displays, and I was given the most fantastic Alcoholic Anonymous history lesson equipped with visual aids and a chance to hold some very precious items! Chuck works on Thursdays and Fridays. He would love to show you our heritage.

I had no idea how much the Archives of our history in Alcoholics Anonymous really meant to me...I mean...they meant something to me, but from a distance. I, of course, have always been grateful to our early founders and past recovering AA's who had paved the path of Sobriety before us, so that the doors have stayed open for a drunk like me to have walked through. It's just that all that knowledge was at book level...I read about it, I heard about it, I was spoke to about it, but I have never really walked in it, or cared enough to want to learn to care for it...

ARCHIVES??? Do you know the history of our Valley's meetings?? Who started them? Why did they need to come this far South? Which city in Santa Clara County had the first AA meeting? How did our Area's District's and Committee's unfold? When did Santa Clara first split into two District's? I think that most of us in the rooms of A.A. don't always understand what General Service is all about; I know I didn't until I started attending the District meeting...and then for the first two years, that was all I could barely understand. Now...I realize just how much larger the scale is, that General Service touches in Alcoholics Anonymous....as members it is our Responsibility to continue to pass our history to the future Alcoholic who hasn't walked into our rooms as yet; OUR legacy, and our founders, for our Future.

Get to our local Central Office on the 3rd Saturday of each month for our Archives Workshop...pitch in and be a part of our history!

Love & Service,
April A
DCMC District 04, Santa Clara County North

Have you see
a first edition
of the Big
Book?
Come see the
Archives of
Santa Clara
County
Intergroup!

ARCHIVES



In August of 1939 began a long partnership between Dr. Bob and Sister Ignatia. Dr. Bob asked Sister Ignatia, who was a person of some authority at St. Thomas Hospital, if

she could assign a private room to a drunk whom he wanted to treat. She responded that she would do what she could. Sister Ignatia's night supervisor was not at all fond of drunks with DTs. Being a somewhat resourceful person, Sister Ignatia put Dr. Bob's patient in the flower room. "From this uncertain start of hospitalization in our pioneering time, we watched the growing procession of alcoholic sufferers as they passed through the doors of St. Thomas and out into the world again." (AA Comes of Age)

August 6, 1941, is the date given in our local archives records for the first group in Santa Clara County. Mickey C., who lived in San Jose, had been attending meetings in San Francisco. Later he attended the Oakland Group which had begun in April of 1941. He met Orville Vern F. of Palo Alto, Jim R. of San Jose, and Al C. of San Jose at these meetings. The first formal meeting in San Jose was held in a downtown office building on Wednesday evening, August 6, 1941, with these four attending, plus Ralph C. and Nic N. of Oakland attending as sponsors of a sort to this early group. The group obtained P.O. Box 2 for their mailing address. On August 13 the group began regular meetings at the YMCA on Third and Santa Clara.

LAUGHTER



About Laughter

Simulated stimulating laughter:

Laughter yoga consists of a group of exercises that instigate laughter without a cause, which very easily turns into genuine laughter. In India in 1995 a doctor, Madan Kataria started working with laughter exercises and it has spread to laughter clubs all over the world.

Laughter is good for:

Your health: It creates endorphins – the body's own pain-killer – and white blood cells, strengthening your immunity

Works against stress

Physical fitness: Laughing for 10 minutes is equal to running for 30 minutes. It increases your lung capacity.

Love: It opens your heart and enables you to trust to meet others as you are.



Birthdays Contributions

Name	Years	Gift From	Birthday
Andy T.	22	Scarlet B.	Unknown
Bernadette P.	35		06/18/1973
John P.	9	Bernadette P.	06/24/1999
Margaret H.	20	Jerry H.	06/28/1988
Tony B.	35		07/14/1973
Louise B	15	Anna C.	07/04/1993
Susan J.	7	Jennifer F.	07/07/2001
Dominic B.	7		07/09/2001
Lexi G.	16		07/11/1992
Sharon L.	27	Anna C.	07/13/1981
Linda D.	30	Addnl Cont., Aileen B.	07/17/1978
Edmund S.	24		07/20/1984
Al E.	57	The Colonel & Pat	07/22/1951
Mary Anne G.	24		07/29/1984

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

For a total of

328 YEARS OF SOBRIETY

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



Telephone Calls Received During July



Daytime at Central Office 537
Daytime 12 Step Calls 9
Evening and Weekend calls 436
Evening 12 Step Call information is not available.

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

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

Deleted

All meetings at Mid-Peninsula Alano Club, Mountain View, have been deleted. The Club is closed.

3rd Tradition Meeting, Mon., 8:00PM, Kaiser Santa Clara

Noon Meeting, Tues., Thurs., Fri., Denny's at First & Alma

Changed

Sober Thoughts, Wed., noon, Oak Grove Baptist Church, changed to Almaden Hills United Methodist Church, 1200 Blossom Hill Rd.

Big Book Highlighter, Mon., changed to 6:00PM, Forged From Adversity Group, Sunnyvale

Early Monday Night, Mon. 7:00PM, address change to 1611 Stanford Ave., Palo Alto

California Ave. Supper Club, Thurs, 6:00PM, address change to 1611 Stanford Ave., Palo Alto

Design for Living, Tues., 6:00PM, San Jose, time changed to 8:00PM

New

Friday Friends, Friday, noon, 7787 Monterey St., Gilroy

Daily Reflections, Wed., 9:00AM, Advent Lutheran Church, 16870 Murphy Ave., Morgan Hill

Noon Nooners, Mon., noon, Mission Oaks Hospital, Los Gatos

Natural High, Mon. 2:00PM, Downtown Alano Club, 99 W. Almaden

Saturday's Reflections, Sat., 9:00AM, Morgan Hill United Methodist Church, 17175 Monterey St., Morgan Hill

University Beginners, Wed. 5:00PM, University of Santa Clara, 500 El Camino Real, Benson 11

I In Memoriam

**John P., Campbell, 29 years
Member of Mirror Group**

**Beloved Bob C. of San Jose
left us at 1:30am on 7/27/08
Sobriety Date 11/27/71**

CENTRAL OFFICE CORNER

GROUP HISTORY MONTH

Chuck, our Archivist, has discovered that too many of our members, in too many groups, are not aware of the history of their groups. We know that the first meeting in Santa Clara County began in August, 1941, so we thought August would be a propitious month for us to learn the history of the groups we attend. We actually have some history of the groups prior to 1980, but have very little information after that date.

We'd like updates on any of the meetings that were formed prior to 1980, but we'd really like you to research the history of your meeting after 1980, especially if it was started after 1980 and even if it's just starting. Here's what we'd like:

- A. Where it meets.
- B. When it meets.
- C. Why did it get started?
- D. Who started it?
- E. What are the meeting locations, if more than one?
- F. Why did they move?
- G. Any interesting, funny, or poignant stories.
- H. Any lessons learned—either the hard way or through experience.
- I. Anything else you can think of.

Accuracy is, of course, at a premium. Once you're confident of your facts, turn them in to Central Office. We'd like to archive this information and use it from time to time in the COIN, or in our archives display, or at one of our events. Perhaps another booklet will be prepared. Most of all, LET'S HAVE SOME FUN!

WRITE FOR THE COIN

Please write about anything that moves or inspires or concerns you. Especially, we're looking for articles on the following topics:

- September: Spirituality
- October: Forgiveness
- November: Gratitude

Email them to Central Office at office@aasanjose.org, or to Bernadette P. at compproulx@aol.com by the 15th of the previous month.

FINALLY, from PAT C.

Farwell to Our Special Bob C.

Such a special, spunky, and happy soul,
that we were all so very blessed to know.
He brought a smile and a joyful joke along with
the message that gave so many Hope.

He strolled in so bold, with Sweet Wilda on his arm, what a joy to see,
it really could be. It gave us hope, "Maybe, someday I will be as blessed as them.
Oh, to have the blessing of unconditional Love not many know."

We miss his presence but are glad to know
he had somewhere so special to go.

What a happy day it was for those who went before him.
Just to see him stroll into that Special Meeting so far away,
where we are all hoping to go someday,
so far away.

Pat C.

September 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 <i>PI Comm.</i> 6:00PM <i>Outreach Comm.</i> Mtg. 6:15PM <i>Intergroup Meeting</i> 8:00PM	4	5	6 <i>Secretary's Workshop</i> 10:00AM Central Office
7	8	9	10 <i>North County General Service</i> 7:30PM	11	12	13 <i>PI/CPC Workshop</i> , 10:00AM Central Office
4	15	16 <i>South County General Service</i> 7:00PM	17	18	19	20 <i>Archives Work Day</i> 10:00AM Central Office
21	22	23 <i>H & I Meeting</i> 7:00PM	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

LOCAL EVENTS

August 24: UNITY DAY, Milpitas Community Center, Milpitas, CA SEE DETAILS INSIDE THIS ISSUE

October 4: TAKE YOUR SPONSOR TO BRUCH pancake breakfast, St. Mark's, Pruneridge and Winchester.

EVENTS AROUND CALIFORNIA

Aug. 15 - 17: Summer Serenity in the Sierras, Oakhurst, CA
 Sept. 5-7: NCCAA, Santa Cruz, CA
 Sept 26-28: 22nd Annual Gold Country Roundup, Plymouth, CA
 Nov. 21-23: "Serenity in Yosemite", Yosemite National Park, CA
 March 12-15: 37th Annual ACYPAA Round-up, Irvine, CA

EVENTS AROUND THE COUNTRY

Aug 29—31: Pacific Regional Forum, Spokane WA
 Nov. 27-30: Sober Fun In The Sun, Las Vegas, NV

SANTA CLARA COUNTY INTERGROUP COUNCIL

MINUTES MONTHLY MEETING

August 6, 2008

- Bill, Intergroup Chairperson, opened the meeting at 8:02 pm, followed by a Moment of Silence, and the Serenity Prayer.
- Peggy read the Definition of Intergroup.
- There were 46 voting representatives and 19 visitors in attendance.
- Gene read the Twelve Traditions.
- No corrections to the agenda.
- No corrections to previous month's minutes.
- Intergroup Council Treasurer's Report: Chuck G.

Beginning Balance:	07/02/08	\$14.00	Prudent Reserve \$300.00
Contributions:	07/02/08	\$81.00	
Refreshments:	07/02/08	\$33.00	
Balance:	08/01/08	\$62.00	Prudent Reserve \$300.00
- Birthdays: Paula 14 yrs, Brian 8 yrs, Martha 17 yrs, Kevin 2 yrs, Rita 28 yrs, Chancy 9 yrs, Rose Mary 26 yrs.
- Announcements:
 - Justin - SCCYPAA: Fearless Factor BBQ, August 9th, 2008. Lake Cunningham Park, starting at noon with meeting at 6 pm.

Reports

1. Intergroup Chair – Bill D.
 - 7 new Intergroup reps attended the meeting.
 - Chair appointed Neale as chair for the nominating committee for the October elections. Intergroup representatives voted to accept the appointment.
2. Central Service Board – Dave J.
 - Researched and documented salary ranges.
 - Contributions are up for the month of July.
 - Reviewed Employees and set salary increases.
3. Central Office – Bruce K.
 - August is group history month. Central Office is asking for any history of your group that can be displayed at the office.
 - The COIN is looking for people to help collect articles, work on layouts.
4. PI/CPC – Jennifer G.
 - August: presentations at Fatherhood Conference, Unity Day, Proyecto Primavera, Parole Action Committee Team, Health Fair with Girl Scout Troup, East San Jose.
 - Each group is welcome to send a representative to PI/CPC meetings.
5. Twelfth Step Committee –
 - Daytime – Bruce K. no shifts available.
 - Nights and Weekends – Maxine: Tuesday, week 5: 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm. Friday, week 2: 7:00 pm to midnight.
 - A table and a diverter panel set for Unity Day, workshop 4pm to 5pm.
6. Outreach Committee – Lee C.
 - Will have presentation at Unity Day
 - 664 meetings needed to visit; 345 visited; 69 meetings no longer existing.
7. Newsletter – Bruce for Bernadette
 - Upcoming topics:
 - September:* Surrender, serenity, spirituality
 - October:* Forgiveness
 - November:* Gratitude
 - Send Bernadette to compmproulx@aol.com or to Central Office. Submit article by the 15th of the previous month.

8. Activities Committee – Marilyn H.
 - October 4th: Take Your Sponsor to Brunch at St. Marks. Pancake breakfast served 11am to 2pm. Recovery meeting 2pm. \$10 donation. Raffle between 11am to 2pm.
9. Other Service Committee Reports
 - Unity Day – Peter
 - Committee meeting: August 11th at 6pm at Harry's Hofbrau. All are welcome.
 - Unity Day 2008, August 24th at Milpitas Community Center, 457 East Calaveras Blvd. This year's theme, "Communication and Participation." 8:30 am to 8:00 pm. Schedule of workshops and speakers in back of COIN.
 - Northern California Council of Alcoholics Anonymous
 - NCCAA 61st Annual Fall Conference, September 5-7, 2008, Santa Cruz. Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium, 307 Church Street.
 - Hospitals & Institutions
 - Flyer handed out with facilities in need of meeting secretaries.
 - Contact H&I chair Robert or attend monthly H&I meeting if interested in doing service. 2-year commitment.
 - Be sure to pass pink cans at meetings separately from meeting 7th tradition.
 - Bridging the Gap –Bill M.
 - Will have table at Unity Day.
 - 3 new treatment centers participating
 - BTG chair participating in workshop in Kansas in September.
 - North County – Jeanne H.
 - Summer Assembly: August 9th in Daly City, West Pacell Event Center, 8:30am to 5pm.
 - Monthly meeting: 2nd Wednesday in Sunnyvale 7:30 pm at St. John's Lutheran Church, corner of Fremont and Manet Ave. New GSR orientation at 6:45 pm, Service manual study 6:30-7:30pm
 - South County – Erica C.
 - Forum will be held end of month in Washington, August 29-31.
 - Potluck will be held next month, flyers available next meeting.
 - Erica's phone number corrected on agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

Intergroup Inventory meeting notes distributed at July meeting. Intergroup Reps were not prepared to discuss inventory this month. It will be discussed at the September meeting.

NEW BUSINESS – none

OPEN FORUM – none

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy H.

INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.

Profit & Loss

July 2008

	Jul 08	Jul 07	Jan - Jul 08
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
3030 · Contributions-General	22,430.30	14,642.95	82,892.82
8010 · Literature Sales	4,549.68	3,313.58	33,954.64
8020 · Meeting Guide Sales	1,158.50	1,046.50	7,418.75
8060 · Newsletter Subscriptions	15.00	5.00	100.00
Total Income	28,153.48	19,008.03	124,366.21
Cost of Goods Sold			
5000 · Cost of Goods Sold			
5100 · Cost of Inventory Sold	2,898.65	2,302.03	24,050.90
5150 · Cost of Meeting Directories	356.87	220.38	2,245.65
Total 5000 · Cost of Goods Sold	3,255.52	2,522.41	26,296.55
Total COGS	3,255.52	2,522.41	26,296.55
Gross Profit	24,897.96	16,485.62	98,069.66
Expense			
6010 · Alarm Service	177.00	177.00	531.00
6030 · Accounting and Legal Fee	491.16	669.02	2,628.09
6060 · Amortization of Improvements	0.00	0.00	6.50
6070 · Bank Credit card charges (Credit card costs and fees)	97.40	63.85	569.89
6120 · Computer Expenses	0.00	67.97	0.00
6140 · Conferences - Office Manager	408.99	0.00	881.49
6150 · Unity Day Expense	750.00	0.00	670.00
6160 · Copier Expense	161.22	146.91	894.11
6190 · Depreciation Expense	0.00	0.00	2,813.67
6220 · Insurance - Worker Compensation	-33.22	-39.13	451.70
6230 · Insurance - General Liability	0.00	0.00	768.75
6240 · Employee HRA Plan	669.79	728.37	5,388.53
6245 · Internet Access Charges	19.95	19.95	139.65
6330 · Office Expense	229.51	297.07	4,479.83
6360 · Archives (Archives)	0.00	0.00	41.22
6380 · Payroll Taxes	556.99	506.79	4,069.60
6410 · Postage	294.80	20.00	1,576.28
6480 · Rent	2,280.60	2,280.60	15,964.20
6540 · Salaries - Office	6,722.45	6,193.69	44,772.79
6600 · Signing Services	200.00	200.00	1,200.00
7010 · Taxes and Licenses	0.00	20.00	60.00
7050 · Telephone	318.42	278.58	2,098.49
9080 · Sales Tax (Sales tax paid on purchases)	-0.82	0.03	-1.62
Total Expense	13,344.24	11,630.70	90,004.17
Net Ordinary Income	11,553.72	4,854.92	8,065.49
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
8030 · Interest Income	372.95	273.66	1,335.91
8050 · Activities Committee	-56.11	1,109.49	-34.09
Total Other Income	316.84	1,383.15	1,301.82
Net Other Income	316.84	1,383.15	1,301.82
Net Income	11,870.56	6,238.07	9,367.31

INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.
Balance Sheet
As of July 31, 2008

	<u>Jul 31, 08</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1010 · Petty Cash	225.00
1020 · First Republic Bank (Checking account)	17,421.47
1021 · First Republic Bank CD 3202 (4 Mo. Liquid CD @ 4.11%, 10/04/2008)	15,244.09 *
1022 · First Republic Bank CD 3210 (6 Mos. CD @ 3.39%, 02/04/2009)	20,339.04 *
1023 · First Republic Bank CD 3228 (12 Mos. CD @ 3.44%, 02/04/2009)	15,258.06 *
1042 · Capital Preservation Fund (Treas. fund currently @ 2.68%)	25,643.49 *
Total Checking/Savings	<u>94,131.15</u>
Accounts Receivable	
1110 · Accounts Rec - Group Deposits	-753.40
Total Accounts Receivable	<u>-753.40</u>
Other Current Assets	
1250 · Literature Inventory	15,620.96
1310 · Prepaid Insurance	1,595.00
Total Other Current Assets	<u>17,215.96</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>110,593.71</u>
Fixed Assets	
1630 · Office Equipment	29,796.02
1640 · Office Furnishings - Asset	6,547.68
1641 · Less Accumulated Depreciation	-16,186.67
1680 · Leasehold Improvements	300.00
1681 · Less Accumulated Amortization	-153.50
Total Fixed Assets	<u>20,303.53</u>
Other Assets	
1860 · Deposits	1,993.85
Total Other Assets	<u>1,993.85</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>132,891.09</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
2240 · Sales Tax Payable (Sales Tax Payable)	456.71
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>456.71</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>456.71</u>
Total Liabilities	456.71
Equity	
2740 · Temporarily Restricted Funds	14,496.69
3900 · Unrestricted Funds	108,570.38
Net Income	9,367.31
Total Equity	<u>132,434.38</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>132,891.09</u></u>

<p style="text-align: center;">* Our Prudent Reserve Accounts total: \$76,484.68 This represents the Board established goal of 6 months of operating expenses.</p>

INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.
Group Contributions
July 2008

	Jul 08	Jan - Jul 08		Jul 08	Jan - Jul 08
1 INV Fremont & Hollenbeck Group 70907	289.10	1,117.89	Fireside Big Book Study 809 (Tues.)	93.10	93.10
1 INV Fremont & Manet Group 70975	170.00	1,438.30	Fireside Group 297 (Fri.)	0.00	191.00
1 INV R and B Group 70972	321.63	1,889.15	G Early Bird 70968	0.00	79.94
1 INV Saturday Nite Live Group 70905	396.31	1,278.21	G Fair Avenue Fellowship 70901	0.00	300.00
1 Inv Seeking Guidance Group 70976	0.00	828.06	G Freedom Fellowship 70940	70.00	935.16
1 INV Spiritual Progress Group 70904	0.00	644.00	G Gilroy Groups 70906	0.00	175.00
12 & 12 Step Study SJ 6.00P 800 (Wed.)	0.00	43.67	G Higher Power Hour 70952	2,100.00	2,100.00
12 Steps & HOW (Women) 25 (Tues.)	0.00	14.00	G Remember We Deal With Alcohol 70938	0.00	133.33
12 Steps at Noon 303 (Fri.)	100.00	205.00	G Serenity First Fellowship 70902	0.00	100.00
3rd Steppers Book Study (Wom) 610 (Thur.)	0.00	63.84	G South County Fellowship 70954	210.00	1,435.00
A Vision for You Women's 802 (Tues.)	0.00	140.00	G Sunrise Group of Palo Alto 70963	500.00	900.00
A.B.C. Women's Group 58 (Mon.)	315.00	315.00	G Sunrisers Group/Carrows 70932	584.07	3,286.68
Almaden Valley Discussion 30 (Sun.)	0.00	173.00	G Third Tradition Women's Grp(The 70979	0.00	2,346.26
As Bill Sees It 6.00P 518 (Mon.)	245.00	495.00	G West Valley Fellowship 70942	280.00	840.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 258 (Fri.)	0.00	583.52	G Winchester Fellowship 70960	0.00	839.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 861 (Thur.)	550.00	900.00	Gathered Together for Sobriety 43 (Sun.)	0.00	110.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 886 (Tues.)	0.00	600.78	Gay & Lesbian Sober Experience 896 (Mon.)	0.00	280.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 321 (Mon.)	0.00	224.00	Gay & Lesbian Topic Discussion 516 (Sat.)	0.00	200.90
Attitude Adjustment SJ 446 (Sun.)	0.00	84.00	Gay Men & Women Together 85 (Mon.)	0.00	228.60
Attitude Adjustment SJ 443 (Sat.)	0.00	200.00	Gay Men's Freedom 262 (Thur.)	0.00	499.49
Basic 12 & 12 00662 (Mon.)	220.00	603.09	Gay Reflections on the Solution 841(Sun.)	0.00	260.00
Basic Big Book Study 803 (Tues.)	91.00	91.00	Get Up and Go SC (Women) 187 (Sat.)	0.00	538.06
Bedmakers Group (Men) 812 (Thur.)	0.00	150.00	Get Well Group 17 (Sun.)	177.10	317.10
Berryessa Group 527 (Wed.)	250.00	250.00	Grace Group of AA PA 352 (Sat.)	0.00	350.00
Better Way of Living 197 (Wed.)	0.00	175.00	Grateful Live Group 535 (Mon.)	0.00	800.00
Big Book & Doughnuts (Men) 106 (Tues.)	0.00	280.00	Happy Destiny (Women) 109 (Tues.)	0.00	719.60
Big Book Discussion Group LA 107 (Tues.)	0.00	65.00	Happy, Joyous & Free 650 (Tues.)	105.00	193.00
Big Book Step Study (Men) 325 (Fri.)	311.00	311.00	High Hope SJ 239 (Sat.)	191.80	456.80
Big Book Study Mlpts 8.00P 347 (Sat.)	0.00	100.00	HOW Group 71 (Mon.)	485.00	869.00
Birthday Contribution 00951	722.00	3,753.00	Humbly Asked 8.00A 87 (Sun.)	0.00	330.00
California Ave. Supper Group 715 (Thur.)	0.00	337.93	In the Basement 545 (Sun.)	0.00	136.36
Cambrian Saturday Night 376 (Sat.)	350.00	1,400.00	In the Solution 647 (Sat.)	0.00	314.00
Campus Group 234 (Thur.)	35.00	35.00	Inspiration Big Book 195 (Wed.)	0.00	210.00
Chip Winners Group 168 (Wed.)	0.00	322.41	Intergroup Council 80909	0.00	205.50
Courage to Change 145 (Wed.)	0.00	140.00	Joy of Living 464 PA (Wed.)	0.00	520.00
Daily Reflection 531 MH (Wed.)	104.83	104.83	Joy of Living Meeting 92 (Mon.)	0.00	301.70
Daily Reflections 432 (Thur.)	0.00	113.40	Just For Today 238 PA (Thur.)	0.00	170.00
Design for Living 200 (Tues.)	0.00	102.00	Ladies Amethyst AA Study Group 749 (Wed.)	0.00	204.07
Down to Earth Group 563 (Tues.)	156.37	385.54	Lesbians Living the Promises 349 (Fri.)	0.00	315.00
Downtown Steppers (Men) 392 (Mon.)	0.00	147.00	Liquor Was But A Symptom 203 (Thur.)	0.00	105.00
Dr. Bob's Nightmare 360 (Sun.)	0.00	212.49	Live and Let Live 24 (Sun.)	0.00	225.00
Early Bird 244 (Thur.)	0.00	141.40	Living in the Solution (W) MH 33 (Sat.)	0.00	84.00
Early Tuesday Group 119 (Tues.)	0.00	628.60	Living with Others 319 (Fri.)	0.00	272.50
Easier Way Group 290 (Fri.)	329.00	815.00	Lodestar Group/Sober Thoughts 499 (Wed.)	0.00	90.00
East Valley Group 322 (Fri.)	50.00	232.69	Los Altos Group 225 (Thur.)	70.00	175.00
El Camino Group 108 (Tues)	0.00	81.88	Los Altos Men's Group 59 (Mon.)	127.00	351.00
Eleventh Step Meditation Mtg 276 (Thur.)	0.00	100.00	Los Gatos Tuesday Night 110 (Tues.)	0.00	140.00
End of the Line Men's Group 147 (Tues.)	555.10	1,072.88	Memorial Contributions	75.00	75.00

INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.
Group Contributions
 July 2008

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Unity Day - 2008

Sunday - August 24, 2008



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



This Year's Theme:

"Communication and Participation"

Noon Speaker: Jim A. (2nd Tradition Group)

Evening Speaker: Diane W. (Past Delegate)

Sponsored by:

Santa Clara County A.A. Intergroup, Hospitals & Institutions,
General Service North County, General Service South County,
General Service District 17 (Spanish Speaking Groups)

8:30 am to 8:00 pm

**Workshop Topics: "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....**

Did I mention that this Event is..... FREE!!!!

Everyone is Welcome!!!

TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP - Please contact us:

Peter C. 650-567-9665 or Wayne M. 408-847-9954

"Milpitas Community Center"

457 East Calaveras Blvd
Milpitas, CA



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From the West: Take Route 237 east – *STAY ON IT !!!* - Calaveras Blvd east to Milpitas Blvd... Entrance is on Calaveras Blvd
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**** The Milpitas Community Center is located between
Hwy 17 and Hwy 680 on East Calaveras Blvd**

Unity Day 2008

Lobby: "Registration" - 8:30am to 6:30pm

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

Unity Day 2008

Lobby: "Registration" - 8:30am to 6:30pm

6:30-8:00pm	Evening Speaker Meeting Diane W. <i>(Past Delegate)</i>			
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