



~ BELLA LUCY ~

A Story of Courage and Strength

Lucy's journey began September 7, 1905, in Ft. Yukon, Alaska. Lucy spent the first 3 years of her life with her parents until her mother passed away. Her father gave Lucy to a traveling missionary woman, Miss Langdon, who raised her in an obligatory manner for the next 12 years.

As a teenager, Lucy was sent to St. Xavier's school for girls in San Francisco, CA, during which time she received news that her father was found dead. Lucy was heartbroken. The tension between Miss Langdon and Lucy had escalated. Desperate to get away, she traveled to Berkeley, CA. She was 18 and became self-supporting.

In 1926 Lucy met her first husband, Mac, at a dancehall during the time of the "Roaring 20's". They married and had a son, living in Bolinas, Marin County. Things were going well for them in spite of the depression. However, her drinking began to escalate.

She and Mac bought a home in Saratoga in the 1940s when it was a small town and a rural farm area. Lucy was a consummate entertainer, the "Martha" of her day. There was a lot of noise and frivolity but nobody seemed to mind or care as they had a large property and no one could hear.

Lucy recalls some of the crazy things we do when drinking. Her son was in a Catholic prep school, so Lucy with her culinary and entertaining talents invited the priests for dinner. She had been drinking and when she lifted the turkey out of the oven it fell off the pan and skidded across the floor. Lucy laughed and said "oh dear, I will serve the other turkey instead" as she had seen a Julia Child segment with the same situation. Of course, Julia didn't really have another turkey. So Lucy just wiped it off and served more alcohol to her guests hoping they wouldn't notice.

Another time she was making a plum pudding and didn't have cognac to flambé the pudding, however, she found some home brew someone had given them and used that instead. Of course when she lit a match to the dish there was a huge flame thankfully leaving the house intact.

She became increasingly unhappy, as we all do, as her drinking escalated. With low self-esteem she began

searching for something to fill the gap. She joined many groups, organizations, and religions including the Oxford Group, where she found acceptance. The Oxford Group taught her the value of making amends and making peace with the past. However, they wanted to change the world, not just the individual.

Lucy kept drinking. She and Mac finally divorced. She began to lead a double life. She met a man one night, Eddy. He was persistent, a Vaudeville man, an entertainer, and they started a relationship and were married. Eddy taught her how to drink during the day and the drinking became unmanageable for both of them. Eddy was known as "Little Eddy", and is fondly remembered for saying "any idiot can stay sober for 24 hours".

Life had become out-of-control and their relationship was on the "rocks". Lucy recalled an article she read in the Saturday Evening Post by Jack Alexander from March 1941 about AA (also an AA pamphlet). She gave Eddy an ultimatum to either call AA or get out. He called and two men came to their home that night with orange juice, honey and a big book. "That's how it was done in the old days", she says. As they were leaving to take him to a meeting Eddy asked, "can my wife come too", they said "sure". She thought, "gee, I don't want to stop drinking". But she went and has not regretted a day since. She said withdrawals were brutal, you just shook, rattled and rolled till the alcohol was out of your system. She celebrated 44 yrs of continual sobriety on March 8th, 2007.

In the early days members worked with other alcoholics and went on lots of 12-step calls. You would keep

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so busy, you had no time to think about drinking. Lucy remembers having received a call from a woman who had been drinking. She knew not to go alone, however, could not find another sober alcoholic woman to go with her. So off she went with Little Eddy in tow. They arrived at a big house and knocked on the door. They were shocked when the woman opened the door naked as a jay bird with a litter of pups running rampant throughout the house. Lucy looked at Little Eddy and instructed "you get the dogs and I'll take care of the woman".

Lucy got in touch with a new God, to replace her punishing one. She reflects that AA has given her so much and she has had a blessed life. She tries to breathe in God and out love everyday. Time would prove that if she let go and let God the miracles would happen. Acceptance has been a powerful tool as well. She has helped hundreds of people achieve sobriety and gave people shelter when they had nowhere else to go. She was instrumental in starting a halfway house for Native Americans called the Four Winds and has served on the Alcohol Abuse committee for the City of San Jose.

AA taught her to love herself. Among many of the tools for life, she has learned to love people, forgive, and accept. She says "nothing belongs to us, we are here temporarily and on loan, we don't get to take it with us when we go, God works through us, all we have to do is open our hearts and listen". She is full of gratitude.

Lucy says, "I finally came home when I came to AA". In her early years, Lucy was not permitted to practice her native ways and culture. Today she is in touch with her Native beliefs and she still hears the changes in the wind and listens to the trees, birds and animals. She has overcome many hardships and through it all has kept her faith and used the tools in the program.

Full of fun, with a zest for life, a great sense of humor, she has a positive attitude, and focuses on the solution not the problem. She has taught us to size situations and how important it is to let it go. She has touched many lives and we are grateful to her. It is an honor and privilege to know her. A shining example to us all that that AA works.



STEPPING STONES

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In keeping with our theme of "AA Old Timers", two were interviewed. It was an incredible gift to the interviewer to talk with these amazing, interesting people.

**Interview with PAT S.,
Sobriety Date October 23, 1957**

How are you today, Pat?

Pretty good for an 83 year old woman. I have some physical problems and I'm in a wheelchair part of the time now, but I'm doing OK.

When did you start drinking?

I started drinking at 16. Although it wasn't constant in those days, I even had periods when I didn't drink. But I pretty much was off and running from the start.

When did you realize you had a problem?

As a teen I played tennis and I remember at 16 getting drunk at the park where I played. I never got drunk in public, but this day I did and when my tennis coach asked who they should call, I asked them to call my Uncle Marion .

How did you hear about AA?

I have NO idea how I heard of AA but looking back it could have been in a bar or could have been the bits and pieces of family's conversations about my uncle that I heard as a child. It turns out that Uncle Marion, with Bill W, started AA in Memphis, Tennessee. That might have been why I had them call him when I was drunk.

What was it like for you in those early days?

My drinking progressed. Things got worse and worse and at the end whenever I tried to stop drinking I had seizures and convulsions. I HAD to drink. When I called AA and a woman answered the phone, "This is AA, may we help you" I told the woman I needed help and was suicidal. She sent a woman to the bar to pick me up. The incredibly beautiful woman who picked me up arrived in a white Lincoln Continental, wearing an all white dress and even had a white Great Dane with her. She took me to her mansion in Scottsdale and I was surrounded by women. That night I had a convulsion. A doctor was called and he came and gave me a shot.

What were your feelings about going to meetings?

The day after the convulsion, I was taken to a woman's recovery house, "The Casa", which housed 7 other women. My first night in the house we had an AA

meeting. There was a large green pool table light over the table. The woman who led the meeting had flaming red hair and a green eye shade. It seemed bizarre. I was in such bad shape - sick and shaky - so when the 5th Chapter was read, "Rarely have we seen a person fail who has thoroughly followed our path," I thought, "Oh, s---, it's a devil worshipping, weird sect!" But the second thought was, "I don't care, if they can show me how not to drink."

Tell me about your early days being sober, when you realized the program was working

When I came to AA, I found people who told the truth. I felt it in my soul; I saw it in their eyes and for the first time in my life, I was in a place where I was supposed to be.

Shaking, stuttering, but absolutely desperate, we started working the Steps immediately. I was tickled, totally thrilled, to find out that I was an alcoholic; that I had a bad disease and that these beautiful, fabulous, gorgeous women who were coming to see me were alcoholics too. I accepted I was an alcoholic. I had no problem with Step 2, I knew I was nuts, but when I got to Step 3 I was stuck. As a lonely little kid growing up, God was my dearest friend, but I had dropped God 10 years before. Now in AA, they used the word God and I thought, "Well life, one more time you dangle things in front of me that I can't have." Betty, who was the house mother, said, "I want you to say, 'God, thank you for where you have put me today'." So, that night, I said, "OK God, if you are up there and give a damn about me, help me." This was the miracle. In prior years in my house I did not have mirrors and in fact, had not looked into one for five years. The morning after my prayer, I looked in the mirror and saw blue eyes looking back at me - soft, open and warm and I started to laugh and cry. I ran to Betty and asked, "What's happened to me?" and she said, "It's joy!" That's how I found God.

I could tell you so many stories. When I had 10 ½ months, I decided to take the bus with my daughter and go back to Memphis. I was terrified! We sat behind the driver, and my daughter read the Big Book to me. At the first stop we were having lunch and the driver came in, sat down with us and asked, "How long have you been in the program." When I answered 10 ½ months, he said, "You keep on. I have five years." God protected me on that trip!

Tell me about the service work you did.

I was playing gin rummy at the club with the good old boys and when calls for help came in, I noticed that it depended on their hand whether they would go on the call. I decided I needed to do something. I would have died if

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the women didn't come when I called. So I started the first Intergroup Office in Memphis with just 1 year and 3 months. But I didn't know how to do it. I asked for help. I would call the Alcoholic Foundation (now General Service Office) and Bill would answer the phone and give me advice. I think I talked to him every other day. He told me to get together a representative from each group and tell them, "here is our problem" and "here are our needs." We needed a phone as we were using the pay phone at the club for incoming calls. My mother bought us one and I locked it up every night.

Later in my sobriety I started Grace House, a recovery house for women in Memphis. It is still there.

Through the years there has been so much AA service.

You gained a lot of experience, strength and hope, helping people get sober. What would you want to say to people coming in today?

My life hasn't been easy, but never has taking a drink been an issue. I was taught so much in my first week, I knew AA worked. If I was to give any advice to a newcomer it would be respect AA; be willing to go to any lengths to stay sober; pay attention; stick with the winners; listen to those who relapse, find out why; go to meetings; learn to love the Big Book; and get a sponsor who will teach you the AA books. Above all, stay close to God as you understand Him.

Interview with Doug R.

Sobriety Date December 14, 1958

How are you today, Doug?

Fine

You have been sober 48 years. How old were you when you started drinking?

I started drinking at 18. My dad was an alcoholic who found AA when he was 65. He died at the age of 72 one year after I got sober. He and I were both periodics.

When did you first realize you had a problem?

I first realized I had a problem when I was 20 years old and in the Navy. After liberty in San Francisco, I woke up totally battered and bruised but had no recollection. I was in a blackout. I was so in denial for so many years, I swore I didn't have blackouts. It was only after years sober, I realized I did. After my debacle in SF, the chief signal man told me, "Just keep drinking, Doug, and it will kill you."

How did you hear about AA?

I heard about AA from my dad. It was funny, he used to come for dinner and leave the Grapevine. I thought he was leaving the little magazine for my wife who didn't have a drinking problem. I didn't get it. But he never preached AA to me.

Tell me about your early days being sober, when you realized the program was working.

There have been many "special incidents" in my life, those coincidences we come to see as God. When I was 6 months sober I went to work in Greenland. There was a charismatic, baseball-loving Maryknoll priest who was there. Not only did we become friends, but he helped me a great deal. I told him I was an alcoholic and had gone to AA. He told me that his churches were full of people like me but the church was unable to help. He had heard of AA, but didn't know much about it. I gave him my Big Book and after reading it he told me to stick to AA. This man was extremely helpful to me.

After Greenland, with 11 months sobriety, I was looking for a job. I was afraid to drive and had lost my drivers license due to DUI's, so when I had a job offer in San Francisco I took the bus. Coming back I got off in Santa Barbara. I got into a cab and told the driver to take me to a hotel I had frequented. The driver commented that it had a great bar, an orchestra and lots of gals. I was on the edge of drinking, but I replied, "No bar, I don't drink." He said, "You don't drink? Are you sick or something?" Dejectedly I said, "No, I don't drink, I went to AA." He pulled the cab over, stopped and turned around, put out his hand and said, "Hi, I'm Radcliffe and I'm an alcoholic. I'm taking you to the hotel to drop off your stuff and then I'll take you to the AA Club." I hung around the club for three days. That was the turning point in my sobriety.

How many meetings did you go to in those days?

I went to meetings every chance I got, every day. I still love going to meetings, I don't have to push myself to go. I work with others.

You gained a lot of experience, strength and hope, helping people get sober. What would you want to say to people coming in today?

What I would say to people coming to AA today – Take the 1st Step – take all the Steps; go to as many meetings as you can; and get a sponsor.

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WHY I STILL GO TO MEETINGS AND DO H & I WORK

That's easy: I wish to stay sober and I am still indebted to the man who answered the phone when I made the "call that changed my life."

I am living proof that this Program works: I haven't had a drink since my first meeting. Also, I found a new way of life. I discovered that I could live without alcohol. In the years that I have been attending AA, I have met many wonderful people, and found a way of living life to the fullest. All of this has been given to me by this program. If I had continued drinking, I would not have what I have today, nor be alive. I thought I was living the good life when I was drinking, I had it all, great job, nice family, and what else did I need? Then the life changing event occurred: I hit a guy on a motorcycle and ended up in jail.

How did I hit somebody on a motorcycle? Why did I go to jail? Both have the same answer: I was drunk. What would I have to do so that I didn't injure anyone again and not return to jail? Not get drunk. Well, how does one do that? I went to an Alcoholics Anonymous meeting. I found a way of life that excluded alcohol, but besides not drinking, I found a way to accept the turmoils and situations of life without drinking. The things I have today could not have happened without AA. So, if I wanted to continue keeping them, I had to remain sober. The only way I know how to stay sober is to attend AA meetings.

Then came H & I work. When I went to jail in handcuffs, I made the promise to myself that it would never happen again. So what did I do? I signed up for the Downtown Jail. Now, I go to jail, but voluntarily. No problem, I get to run a meeting and then LEAVE. What a great feeling. Since one wasn't enough, I signed up for Work Furlough. Three of us ran a meeting for many years and loved it. The best thing is when you see one of the guys who attended a Work Furlough meeting in an A.A. meeting on the outside.

It says in the Big Book, "...You have to give it away to keep it." That's what I do by doing H & I work. It's kept me sober all these years.

Demented Dave, Sobriety date is September 27, 1972.

FINDING AA

I went to my first meeting of AA on May 5, 1971. I had tried to stop drinking for 18 months, but I did not think I was an alcoholic. I was a miserable failure. I had thought I could take it or leave it, but proved to myself that I couldn't leave it. I could leave it alone until somewhere between 7pm and 9pm but then I would have a half a glass of beer and then decide to wait until I had a "good day" to stop. I was just going to have one glass of the good stuff up in the liquor cabinet to just relax. Next I would be waking up full of guilt and remorse. I would have no idea how much I had to drink the night before, except that it was too much.

When I was in high school, I used to baby sit for a woman who went to AA. I thought if I could find a meeting, they might tell me how to stop for about six months. Then I could get control of our two teenagers and the baby in diapers. My problem was I could never tell a stranger about needing to find an AA meeting. That Power that loves drunks took pity on me one day. My older sister called me and told me she had been going to AA. She said I could go with her that night.

The first five women she introduced me to, were all married to daily drinkers like I was and their husbands didn't stop drinking just because they had. Two of them were also sisters. Their faith that I could do what they were doing was profound. One of the sisters said if I stayed honest with each minute, I could keep delaying the drink for each minute until the whole day had passed. My sister lent me her Big Book that night. So instead of drinking that night, I read the first 164 pages of the Big Book. Dr. Silkworth's explanation of the phenomena of craving explained to me what had been happening each night. I asked the Spirit of the women to keep me from drinking each minute even if I was never going to be happy again. That was fortunate. It seemed like the people around me were just "letting go and letting God." It was 8 months before I became aware that I had not thought of a drink all day long.

Many experiences have kept me from that first drink ever since my first meeting. I still have a healthy respect for alcohol which is why I never got away from meetings. I can't afford the risk of that first drink wiping out all my solutions to life's problems. As Ethel C always said, "As the years go by, I can no longer tell if I am further away from my last drink, or closer to the next one."

Peggy P, Sobriety date May 5, 1971

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ACTION IS THE KEY

If someone would have told me when I was 30 years old that I was still going to be active in AA 45 years later, I would not have believed them. Of course, in 1962, alcoholism was not considered a disease.

I can only share with you what the old timers shared with me: You never have to take another drink if you don't want to; Make a lot of meetings; It works a day at a time; AA stands for altered attitudes; I could use Alcoholics Anonymous as a power greater than myself; Stay with the winners.

Action is the magic word. I am a great believer in the 12 Steps and the 12 Traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous. Sobriety had to be number one because without it, I had nothing. This included a lot of meetings and H & I service work. This is the foundation of my program because having been a "taker," I had to learn to become a "giver." As we have learned in AA, we've got to give it away in order to keep it.

In closing, I heard an old timer once say, you can wrap up the program with surrender and acceptance. I find myself grateful today for having learned a little bit of what it means to surrender to a higher power and accept His will in my life.

Artie R, Santa Clara, Sobriety date January 7, 1962



PUBLIC INFORMATION SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

One of the ongoing goals of the Public Information (PI) Committee is to place 4th Edition hard cover Big Books in the library of every school in Santa Clara County. You can help with this project, either as an individual or as a member of your group.

- ◆ You can purchase a book at Central Office and leave it in the PI/CPC donation box. Central Office will acknowledge your donation.
- ◆ Your home group can donate books to the committee via Central Office and the group's donation will be acknowledged. (Your group could take a second collection.)
- ◆ You can join PI/CPC and participate in delivering our Big Book to campuses.

The Annual Old Timers Meeting

We are very fortunate people. Those of us who have experienced the miracle of recovery through the program of A.A. know this. We hear the gratitude every day in the Meetings we attend. Whether we have 20 days or 20 years we have been graced with the same miracle, one day at a time.

The difference between the Old timer and the Newcomer or Short timer is experience. The Old timer has had to overcome difficulties and adversities of every description to get to where he is today. Through these experiences comes wisdom, spiritual growth, and a deepening of the quality of sobriety that only time can bring.

By attending meetings that have Old timers participating, we are the beneficiaries of their wisdom and spiritual growth. The wealth of experiences these people share with us is invaluable for all of us. They are our history, our living treasures.

We have an opportunity to hear from some of these folks on Nov. 10 at 7:00 PM in the auditorium of St. Martin of Tours Church, 300 O'Connor Drive, San Jose.

The meeting date is a little later this year and we have had more time to prepare. Old Timers have been invited to participate from the all over Central California. Bill W. and Dr. Bob did not have the benefits of having 'Old Timers' to talk or listen to ... we do.

Jim C., Old Timers Chair 2007

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE



GROUPS WANTED for CHILE COOKOFF

October 15 there will be a planning meeting to recruit home groups for the chili cookoff event to be held in January.

Please ask your group to participate!!

A signup flyer for committees will be available at the October Intergroup Meeting.. Any one interested should contact Central Office: 408 374-8511.

Archives

Pardoxes

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S In October of 1951 there were thirteen meetings in Santa Clara County. Harry C, Jade O’N. and Bill G. thought it was time to start a meeting on the east side. At that time, all of the existing meetings were closed meetings except for a meeting at the American Legion which had mostly closed meetings but had one open meeting per month. Harry, Jade, and Bill wanted a meeting that their wives could attend so they decided to start an open meeting on Friday nights. The first location was in the basement of the Foothill Community Church at the corner of White and Alum Rock. They told Al E. that they wanted him to secretary the meeting. He told them that he wasn’t sober long enough and they replied, ”All you have to do is follow orders.”

S It was about this time that the Lascar award was presented to A.A. in San Francisco by the American Public Health Association. Bill W. attended the presentation and Al E. was able to go to San Francisco where he met Bill W.

S In October of 1954 the Alcoholic Foundation became the General Service Board of A.A. In regards to this change Bill said, “In the old days our Foundation was originally chartered to do everything but lobby for Prohibition... Was A.A. spiritual or was it medical?... The moment we lent the A.A. name to any outside enterprise, we got into trouble, sometimes very serious trouble.” (Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age. Page 108)

Paradox #1: We SURRENDER TO WIN.

On the face of it, *surrendering* certainly does not seem like *winning*. But it is in AA. Only after we have come to the end of our rope, hit a stone wall in some aspect of our lives beyond which we can go no further; only when we hit "bottom" in despair and surrender, can we accomplish sobriety, which we could never accomplish before. We must, and we do, surrender in order to win.

Paradox #2: We GIVE AWAY TO KEEP.

That seems absurd and untrue. How can you keep anything if you give it away? But in order to keep whatever it is we get in AA, we must go about giving it away to others, for no fees or rewards of any kind. When we cannot afford to give away what we have received so freely in AA, we had better get ready for our next "drunk." It will happen every time. We've got to continue to give it away in order to keep it.

Paradox #3: We SUFFER TO GET WELL.

There is no way to escape the terrible *suffering* of remorse and regret and shame and embarrassment which starts us on the road to getting well from our affliction. There is no new way to shake out a hangover. It's painful. And for us, necessarily so . . . We suffer to get well.

Paradox #4: We DIE TO LIVE.

That is a beautiful paradox straight out of the Biblical idea of being "born again" or "in losing one's life to find it." When we work at our Twelve Steps, the old life of guzzling and fuzzy thinking, and all that goes with it, gradually dies, and we acquire a different and a better way of life. As our shortcomings are removed, one life of us dies, and another life of us lives.

We in AA die to live.

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STEPPING OUT IN SOBRIETY

Biker Tales

About thirteen years ago I walked into the Mid-Peninsula Alano Club, when it was housed in an elbow of a room in the "Del Monte Building" in Sunnyvale. After walking past a few customized Harley's I gathered there were some "Bikers" there... Sure enough there were. I noticed a patch on one of the guy's vest that said "Rule 62" and I approached him and asked, "What's Rule 62"? He was about 6'5" and I'm 5'4". He said looking down onto me.... "Don't take yourself too damn serious". And that was that. It made an impression on me that stuck. About two years ago, almost to the day, I bought my first Bike. I saw a patch on the backs of some sober riders around town and at meetings in Mountain View and Sunnyvale. In the middle of the patch it has the A.A. circle triangle and the words "Rule 62". I wanted to be a part of that. Now that I was sober, after so many years of struggling with the program and myself, I wanted to ride my new bike safely with a group of sober riders and have fun. I "Googled" the name on the Internet and found that this club was holding their monthly meeting that coming Sunday in Sunnyvale. That's how I found the Pathfinders Motorcycle Club.

After introducing myself and expressing interest in joining, they asked me to leave the room and they took a vote and I was forever changed from that moment on. I was a "Prospect" for a period of six months. The Prospecting period is to get to know the club members, be of service to the club and let the club get to know me. When I was "Brought up" for my patch, again the club as a whole has a vote and say. The group voted and I was gifted to become a "Full Patch Member".

I started, that winter and spring, to learn what the club was really all about. Though people may see us at meetings, laughing and joking around outside, or riding past you on the freeway in a pack, the Club is really bigger than all that. We are involved in community projects, donate our time, money (at times) and energy in bringing to life that "Hope for something better". Whether it's a "Toy Run" at Christmas for underprivileged kids or being Volunteers at a water station at the San Francisco Marathon we ARE community involved. Bringing the sense of Hope to life is our goal, and we strive to meet the occasion.

There is also another part of our fun that I really need to mention... *THE RUNS*.... From about April to Oc-

tober every year, each of the clean and sober motorcycle clubs have their own individual events. These are open events that invite all the other c/s clubs to meet at locations throughout the state... There's Bass Lake, Melones Reservoir (The Frog Jumps), "Soberfest"... to mention a few. Then our own event: The Ocean Redwood Run that's held in September every year. These are camping events where we have to "Rough it" a little but thank God for air mattresses! We usually ride in a "Pack" to the event sights with a chase vehicle carrying most of our gear. The numbers vary at each event but on average there's

usually two hundred or so at each event. Friday nights there's always a "Recovery Meeting" around the campfire with a guest speaker. Saturdays usually start off with COFFEE and some form of breakfast. There's a "Poker Run" Saturday followed by Dinner, another Recovery Meeting and then The Raffle Begins... We pull up stakes on Sunday morning and start to prepare for the ride home.

Being a Pathfinder has been a wonderful experience for me. The members of my club have been an inspirational part of my recovery. They've been honest with me about some of my character defects and then been patient with me to grow up through those defects. My recovery, both physical and emotional, has been a gift that I never expected to receive when I showed up to my first "Club Meeting". The Pathfinders mean everything to me. I feel I owe them my life but they don't expect a thing. They've taught me true brotherhood and sisterhood when my definition previously was scattered. Although my Club Name is "Cujo"... I don't have to bark like a dog anymore. Now I'm never alone and I run in a "Pack". I live by that saying on my "Patch".... "Rule 62"... and "PFFP"... (Pathfinder Forever Forever Pathfinder) For more information you can visit our website at: www.pathfindersmc.us.

Peter C., Mt. View

Publisher's note: Although A.A. does not have clubs or other similar events or organizations, Peter's article is a reminder that, one we get sober, a wonderful world of possibilities opens to us.





GUIDANCE

DANCING WITH GOD

*When I meditated on the word Guidance,
I kept seeing "dance" at the end of the word.
I remember reading that doing God's will is a lot like
dancing.*

*When two people try to lead, nothing feels right.
The movement doesn't flow with the music,
and everything is quite uncomfortable and jerky.
When one person realizes that, and lets the other
lead,
both bodies begin to flow with the music.
One gives gentle cues, perhaps with a nudge to the
back*

*or by pressing Lightly in one direction or another.
It's as if two become one body, moving beautifully.
The dance takes surrender, willingness,
and attentiveness from one person
and gentle guidance and skill from the other.
My eyes drew back to the word Guidance.*

*When I saw "G": I thought of God, followed by "u"
and "i".*

"God, "u" and "i" dance."

God, you, and I dance.

*As I lowered my head, I became willing to trust
that I would get guidance about my life.*

Once again, I became willing to let God lead.

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Author Unknown

From SAD and ALONE to GRATITUDE

My Prison Mind keeps me sad and alone with empty thoughts and chained feelings. The Prison Mind says, "Let's cover up the feelings with alcohol; then those feelings won't matter". The program has taught me that alcohol just depresses me even more.

I have learned I can't do this alone. I cry for help and shout, "Help me! What direction do I take; what gate do I have to open, to be free from my Prison Mind!"

I found the key to open that gate ... the Twelve Steps guide me on the path to follow. All it takes is willingness. My Prison Mind can be restored to sanity, I can turn it over to a Higher Power, and I can make my inventory and share it. Now that I am following the path of the Twelve Steps, I don't need that bottle any more. I have a new way. Now I can walk that path of recovery, sober and alive. I thank you, Alcoholics Anonymous, and I thank myself for my recovery and my serenity.

Colleen B

AA Thought for the Day

(courtesy AAOnline.net)

Coercion

Though it is traditional that our Fellowship may not
coerce anyone,
let us not suppose even for an instant that we are not
under constraint.

Indeed, we are under enormous coercion -- the kind
that comes in bottles.

Our former tyrant, King Alcohol, always stands ready
again

to clutch us to him.

Therefore, freedom from alcohol
is the great "must" that has to be achieved, else we go
mad or die.

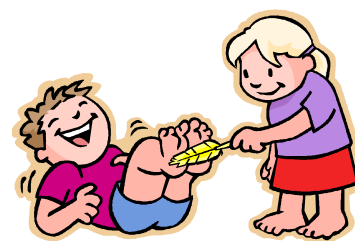
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THAT AIN'T IN THE BOOK (an occasional series)

From the Denver Central Office Newsletter, October 2006

Page 20, Paragraph 1	Our very lives, as ex-problem drinkers, depend upon our constant thought of others and how we may help meet their needs.
Page 97, Paragraph 2	Helping others is the foundation stone of your recovery. A kindly act once in a while isn't enough. You have to act the Good Samaritan every day, if need be. It may mean the loss of many nights' sleep, great interference with your pleasures, interruptions to your business. It may mean sharing your money and your home, counseling frantic wives and relatives, innumerable trips to police courts, sanitariums, hospitals, jails and asylums. Your telephone may jangle at any time of the day or night.
Page 14-15	For if an alcoholic failed to perfect and enlarge his spiritual life through work and self-sacrifice for others, he could not survive the certain trials and low spots ahead.
Page 62, Paragraph 2	Selfishness - self-centeredness! That, we think, is the root of our troubles.
Page 62, Paragraph 3	So our troubles, we think, are basically of our own making. They arise out of ourselves, and the alcoholic is an extreme example of self-will run riot, though he usually doesn't think so. Above everything, we alcoholics must be rid of this selfishness. We must, or it kills us!

MISSPEAKS

- ♦ · Our leaders are but trusted *serpents*.
- ♦ · Our leaders are but *twisted* servants.
- ♦ · Came to believe that our *wives* had become unmanageable.
- ♦ · Please help me start this meeting with a moment of violence, followed by the serenity prayer!
- ♦ · Sought through prayer and *medication* to improve our conscious contact with GOD.
- ♦ · Came to believe that a *powder* greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.
- ♦ · ...and c) that God could and would if he were *sober*.
- ♦ · We have a friend who after listening to an inspirational speaker went to the speaker after the meeting to voice his appreciation and with a slip of the tongue said, "I want to *SPANK* you for speaking."
- ♦ · In describing ones feelings prior to recovery, one said, "I had a huge gut in my hole!"

Alcoholics
Anonymous...
How may we help you?



Telephone Calls Received During September

Daytime at Central Office - 507
Daytime 12 Step Calls - 6
Evening and Weekend calls - 472

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

Deleted

Practice These Principles (Moms and babies)

The Naked Truth, Los Gatos

Changed

Gay/Lesbian Big Book Discussion, Tues., 7:30PM, moved to St. Francis Episcopal Church, Whickam Rm., 1205 Pine, San Jose.

Sunday Early Evening, Sun., 7:00PM, moved to Bowers Park, 2582 Cabrillo, Santa Clara.

Living Sober, Sun., 10:30AM, moved to Kaiser Conference Center, 710 Lawrence Expressway, Santa Clara.

Gay Reflections on the Solution, Sun, 8:30AM, moved to Kaiser Conference Center, 710 Lawrence Expressway, Santa Clara.

Freethinkers of the Valley, Tues., 8:00PM, moved to Kaiser Conference Center, 710 Lawrence Expressway, Santa Clara.

Gay Men & Women Together, Fri., 8:00PM, has changed their name to Gay & Lesbian Steps & Traditions Study Group and moved to Holy Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1948 The Alameda, San Jose.

New

Alano Club West, 1344 Dell, Campbell:

Monday, 7:30AM, Getting Started Group

Wednesday, 7:30AM, Morning Show

Thursday, 7:30AM, (name to be announced)

Friday, 7:30AM, Just Do It

Saturday, 7:30AM, (name to be announced)

Mine, Yours, Ours, Mon. 12:00 noon, Mid-Peninsula Alano Club, 1155 Reed Ave., Sunnyvale

Titanic Group, Sat., 10:00AM, (men's group), Alano Club of San Jose, 1122 Fair Ave., San Jose.

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

SCCYPAA Young at Heart, Tues., 8:00PM, Calvary Korean Baptist Church, Rm. D-112, 16330 Los Gatos Blvd., Los Gatos

Vietnamese Speaking Meeting, Sat., 6:00PM, Alano Club of San Jose, 1122 Fair Ave., San Jose.

Cup of Coffee Group, Mon., 9:00AM, Alano Club of San Jose, 1122 Fair Ave., San Jose.

Dawn Patrol, Mon., 6:30AM, Alano Club of San Jose, 1122 Fair Ave., San Jose.

IN MEMORIUM

Bob S, Saratoga, 50 Years

Bob started the Friday Night Saratoga Group
which just celebrated 50 years
on September 28, 2007.

Birthdays Contributions

Name	Years	Gift From	Birthday
Maggie McQ	12	Addnl. Cont. Rose W.	08/21/1995
Susan F.	12	Maggie McQ, Rose W.	08/24/1995
Matt R.	20	Pat G.	09/1987
Don S.	5	Tina A.	09/01/2002
Kathy K.	6	Rita R.	09/02/2001
Pam N.	24	Rita R.	09/05/1983
Kathy McG	26	Robbie R.	09/05/1981
Pat S.	12	Jackie J.	09/07/1995
Aby R.	18	Rita R.	09/07/1989
Kelly C.	21		09/08/1986
Sandi L.	1	Pat C. & The Colonel	09/15/2006
Don D.	In Memoriam	Pat C. & Pat G.	09/19/1982
Lenore M.	5	Pat C.	09/26/2002

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

For a total of

154 YEARS OF SOBRIETY

and for a total contribution of **\$193.00**

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



October 2007

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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

LOCAL EVENTS

Nov. 10 San Jose: Annual Oldtimers Meeting. 7:00 PM
St. Martin of Tours Auditorium, 300 O'Connor Drive, San Jose.

Refreshments served.

Come see the Santa Clara County Archives display.

EVENTS AROUND CALIFORNIA

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

Nov. 16-18 Curry Village, Yosemite National Park: "Serenity in Yosemite", www.serenityyosemite.com

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

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

October 3, 2007

- Bill, Intergroup Chairperson, opened the meeting at 8:02pm, followed by A Moment of Silence, and the Serenity Prayer.
- Marilyn read the Definition of Intergroup.
- There were 47 voting representatives and 8 visitors in attendance.
- Julie read the Twelve Traditions.
- There were no corrections or additions to the Agenda.
- There were no corrections or additions to the previous month's Minutes.
- Intergroup Council's Treasurer's Report: Chuck G.

Beginning Balance:	09/05/07	\$ 107.00	Prudent Reserve	\$300.00
Contributions:	09/05/07	\$ 74.00		
Cont. to Central Office		\$ 74.00		
Refreshments:	09/05/07	\$ 12.00		
Rent Paid through December 2007		\$ 90.00		
Balance:	10/01/07	\$ 5.00	Prudent Reserve	\$300.00

- Announcements: None
- Birthdays: Jennifer, 18 yrs; Julie, 18 mos; Shirley, 21 yrs; Mariah, 3 yrs.

Unfinished Business - None

New Business – Mary Pat thanked Peggy P., Susan H., Lee C., and Bill V. for their service on the Nominating Committee.

- Prospective Officer and Board Member Presentations – Mary Pat introduced prospective secretary, Kathy H., and alternate secretary, Rita M., who each introduced themselves and gave a brief presentation on their qualifications. Mary Pat then introduced three prospective board members, Shirley B., Lexi G., and Robin L. Robin withdrew her name, however due to personal and other commitment conflicts. Shirley B. and Lexi G. gave short presentations on their qualifications for board members. One prospective board member, Don, was not in attendance.
- New Officer and Board Member elections.
 - Secretary – Kathy H. was voted unanimously as Intergroup Recording Secretary.
 - Alternate Secretary – Rita M. was voted unanimously as Alternate Intergroup Recording Secretary.
 - Board Members – Shirley B. was elected Intergroup Board member with a majority vote of 27 during the first round of voting, and Lexi G. was elected Intergroup Board members with 45 votes during the second round of voting.

Open Forum – Robbie R. welcomed the new Board Members and noted that they will be sworn in at the November meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:52pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Alison S.

2:26 PM
10/24/07
Accrual Basis

INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.

Profit & Loss

September 2007

	Sep 07	Sep 06	Jan - Sep 07
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
3030 · Contributions-General	6,883.09	5,667.81	98,615.53
8010 · Literature Sales	5,564.68	6,175.62	45,468.29
8020 · Meeting Guide Sales	1,229.50	0.00	9,952.70
8060 · Newsletter Subscriptions	5.00	20.00	160.00
Total Income	13,682.27	11,863.43	154,196.52
Cost of Goods Sold			
5000 · Cost of Goods Sold			
5100 · Cost of Inventory Sold	3,980.66	4,233.41	30,768.87
5150 · Cost of Meeting Directories	186.43	-1,394.55	3,454.64
Total 5000 · Cost of Goods Sold	4,167.09	2,838.86	34,223.51
Total COGS	4,167.09	2,838.86	34,223.51
Gross Profit	9,515.18	9,024.57	119,973.01
Expense			
6010 · Alarm Service	0.00	0.00	531.00
6030 · Accounting and Legal Fee	122.28	51.93	3,362.72
6060 · Amortization of Improvements	3.25	3.25	9.75
6070 · Bank Credit card charges (Credit card costs and fees)	80.28	41.50	812.58
6120 · Computer Expenses	0.00	0.00	1,298.66
6140 · Conferences - Office Manager	10.00	137.54	472.37
6150 · Unity Day Expense	0.00	0.00	650.00
6160 · Copier Expense	124.29	111.91	1,090.70
6190 · Depreciation Expense	1,363.25	-800.00	4,089.75
6220 · Insurance - Worker Compensation	0.00	0.00	511.10
6230 · Insurance - General Liability	399.75	399.75	1,118.66
6240 · Employee HRA Plan	708.37	549.70	6,805.77
6245 · Internet Access Charges	19.95	0.00	179.55
6280 · Miscellaneous Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
6330 · Office Expense	258.96	490.21	2,837.64
6360 · Archives (Archives)	-100.00	0.00	-98.21
6380 · Payroll Taxes	489.40	501.88	4,763.79
6410 · Postage	8.00	78.00	2,019.13
6480 · Rent	2,280.60	2,217.25	20,462.05
6540 · Salaries - Office	6,353.44	6,378.49	56,526.33
6600 · Signing Services	200.00	0.00	1,650.00
7010 · Taxes and Licenses	0.00	0.00	130.00
7050 · Telephone	324.36	305.59	2,774.61
7060 · Travel	33.92	0.00	34.42
9080 · Sales Tax (Sales tax paid on purchases)	0.00	0.00	0.03
Total Expense	12,680.10	10,467.00	112,032.40
Net Ordinary Income	-3,164.92	-1,442.43	7,940.61
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
8030 · Interest Income	261.59	185.66	2,340.87
8050 · Activities Committee	0.00	0.00	1,109.49
Total Other Income	261.59	185.66	3,450.36
Net Other Income	261.59	185.66	3,450.36
Net Income	-2,903.33	-1,256.77	11,390.97

INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.
Balance Sheet Prev Year Comparison
As of September 30, 2007

	<u>Sep 30, 07</u>	<u>Sep 30, 06</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
1010 · Petty Cash	225.00	225.00	0.00
1035 · Bank of America (Bank account)	6,702.91	8,935.20	-2,232.29
1036 · Bank of America CD 5247 (10 mo CD @ 4.16%, 01/17/07)	0.00	12,417.18	-12,417.18
1039 · Bank of America CD 5717 (12 mo. CD @ 3.73%, 1/23/07)	0.00	14,760.48	-14,760.48
1040 · Bank of America CD 5718 (4 mo. CD @ 4.88%, 1/24/08)	30,950.72 *	14,775.33	16,175.39
1041 · Bank of America CD 5931 (11 mo. CD @ 4.26%, 1/28/08)	15,105.26 *	14,527.16	578.10
1042 · Capital Preservation Fund (Treas. fund currently @ 4.45%)	28,977.16 *	3,206.74	25,770.42
Total Checking/Savings	<u>81,961.05</u>	<u>68,847.09</u>	<u>13,113.96</u>
Accounts Receivable			
1110 · Accounts Rec - Group Deposits	-540.95	-858.38	317.43
Total Accounts Receivable	<u>-540.95</u>	<u>-858.38</u>	<u>317.43</u>
Other Current Assets			
1250 · Literature Inventory	16,575.71	15,046.74	1,528.97
1310 · Prepaid Insurance	891.50	832.91	58.59
Total Other Current Assets	<u>17,467.21</u>	<u>15,879.65</u>	<u>1,587.56</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>98,887.31</u>	<u>83,868.36</u>	<u>15,018.95</u>
Fixed Assets			
1630 · Office Equipment	38,150.80	38,150.80	0.00
1640 · Office Furnishings - Asset	2,197.84	2,197.84	0.00
1641 · Less Accumulated Depreciation	-20,943.75	-16,034.50	-4,909.25
1680 · Leasehold Improvements	300.00	300.00	0.00
1681 · Less Accumulated Amortization	-143.75	-130.75	-13.00
Total Fixed Assets	<u>19,561.14</u>	<u>24,483.39</u>	<u>-4,922.25</u>
Other Assets			
1860 · Deposits	1,993.85	1,993.85	0.00
Total Other Assets	<u>1,993.85</u>	<u>1,993.85</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>120,442.30</u>	<u>110,345.60</u>	<u>10,096.70</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Other Current Liabilities			
2240 · Sales Tax Payable (Sales Tax Payable)	1,227.79	1,186.32	41.47
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>1,227.79</u>	<u>1,186.32</u>	<u>41.47</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>1,227.79</u>	<u>1,186.32</u>	<u>41.47</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>1,227.79</u>	<u>1,186.32</u>	<u>41.47</u>
Equity			
2740 · Temporarily Restricted Funds	19,561.14	95,777.91	-76,216.77
3900 · Unrestricted Funds	88,262.40	10,393.73	77,868.67
Net Income	11,390.97	2,987.64	8,403.33
Total Equity	<u>119,214.51</u>	<u>109,159.28</u>	<u>10,055.23</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>120,442.30</u>	<u>110,345.60</u>	<u>10,096.70</u>

<p>* Our Prudent Reserve Accounts total: \$75,033.14 This represents 6 months of operating expenses, which is the Board established goal. Thank you.</p>
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INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.

Group Contributions

September 2007

	Sep 07 Jan - Sep 07			Sep 07 Jan - Sep 07	
1 INV Freedom Fellowship 70940	140.00	700.00	Early Tuesday Group 119 (Tues.)	0.00	493.46
1 INV Fremont & Hollenbeck Group 70907	0.00	1,868.18	Easier Way Group 290 (Fri.)	0.00	1,394.68
1 INV Fremont & Manet Group 70975	0.00	525.00	East Valley Group 322 (Fri.)	100.00	425.00
1 INV R and B Group 70972	268.34	1,522.54	Eastside Step Study 45 (Sun.)	0.00	105.00
1 INV Saturday Nite Live Group 70905	0.00	3,108.50	El Camino Group 108 (Tues.)	0.00	172.15
1 INV Spiritual Progress Group 70904	0.00	700.00	Eleventh Step Group 167 (Wed.)	0.00	140.00
12 Steps & HOW (Women) 25 (Tues.)	0.00	70.00	Eleventh Step Meditation Mtg 276 (Thur.)	0.00	115.50
12 Steps at Noon 303 (Fri.)	0.00	290.55	Evergreen Group 884 (Thur.)	0.00	210.00
A Vision for You Women's 802 (Tues.)	0.00	80.97	Fireside Big Book Study 809 (Tues.)	0.00	53.31
A.B.C. Women's Group 58 (Mon.)	70.00	210.00	Fireside Group 297 (Fri.)	0.00	36.92
AA Literature Discussion Grp 700 (Tues.)	0.00	105.50	Fireside Men's Book Study (Thur.)	0.00	51.67
Almaden Valley Discussion 30 (Sun.)	0.00	41.31	Freethinkers of the Valley 29 (Tues.)	0.00	210.00
As Bill Sees It 6.00P 518 (Mon.)	0.00	725.00	G Agnews Noon Meetings 70921	0.00	1,680.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 258 (Fri.)	0.00	443.00	G Forged From Adversity Group 70957	0.00	482.50
Attitude Adjustment SJ 861 (Thur.)	0.00	888.80	G Gilroy Groups 70906	0.00	616.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 886 (Tues.)	194.84	610.84	G Milpitas We Care Group 70934	0.00	420.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 198 (Wed.)	0.00	690.34	G Seeking Guidance Group 70976	0.00	3,020.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 321 (Mon.)	0.00	602.00	G South County Fellowship 70954	350.00	1,593.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 446 (Sun.)	0.00	260.00	G Sunrise Group of Palo Alto 70963	0.00	485.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 443 (Sat.)	0.00	594.74	G Sunrisers Group/Carrows 70932	481.40	4,121.42
B.F.E. Book Study (residence) 837 (Wed.)	400.00	400.00	G Third Tradition Women's Grp(The 70979	0.00	1,652.00
Basic 12 & 12 00662 (Mon.)	0.00	163.53	G Winchester Fellowship 70960	0.00	553.44
Basic Big Book 710 (Thur.)	0.00	100.00	Gathered Together for Sobriety 43 (Sun.)	0.00	234.92
Basic Big Book Cupertino (Fri.)	0.00	28.00	Gay & Lesbian Sober Experience 896 (Mon.)	0.00	280.00
Bedmakers Group (Men) 812 (Thur.)	0.00	88.00	Gay & Lesbian Step & Tradition G 221(Fr	0.00	171.50
Berryessa Group 527 (Wed.)	0.00	420.00	Gay Alcoholics Living/Sobriety 742 (Wed.)	210.00	301.00
Better Way of Living 197 (Wed.)	0.00	385.00	Gay Men's Freedom 262 (Thur.)	0.00	1,054.59
Big Book & Doughnuts (Men) 106 (Tues.)	0.00	180.00	Get Up and Go SC (Women) 187 (Sat.	0.00	698.65
Big Book Discussion Group LA 107 (Tues.)	0.00	110.00	Get Well Group 17 (Sun.)	0.00	351.40
Big Book Study 8.00P Cupt 284 (Fri.)	0.00	100.00	Grace Group of AA PA 352 (Sat.)	150.00	925.00
Big Book Study Group SJ 503 (Sat.)	0.00	100.00	Grateful Live Group 535 (Mon.)	147.00	854.00
Big Book Study Mlpts 8.00P 347 (Sat.)	0.00	200.00	Gratitude Group SJ 339 (Sat.)	0.00	156.00
Birthday Contribution 00951	193.00	3,646.00	Happy Destiny (Women) 109 (Tues.)	0.00	650.73
California Ave. Supper Group 715 (Thur.)	193.90	948.90	Happy Hour Campbl 652 (Fri.)	0.00	200.00
Cambrian Saturday Night 376 (Sat.)	310.00	1,564.00	High Hope SJ 239 (Sat.)	0.00	385.90
Candlelight Meeting SC 380 (Sat.)	0.00	180.00	Higher Power Hr Big Book Topic 871(Thur.)	0.00	1,120.00
Caring & Sharing 148 (Tues.)	0.00	98.00	HOW Group 71 (Mon.)	0.00	560.00
Chip Winners Group 168 (Wed.)	0.00	442.40	Humbly Asked 8.00A 87 (Sun.)	0.00	486.50
Courage to Change 145 (Wed.)	0.00	546.09	In the Basement 545 (Sun.)	0.00	165.98
Daily Reflections 432 (Thur.)	0.00	98.00	In the Chapel 13 (Fri.)	0.00	78.38
Design for Living 200 (Tues.)	0.00	322.00	In the Solution 647 (Sat.)	0.00	559.00
Down to Earth Group 563 (Tues.)	0.00	175.17	Intergroup Council 80909	74.00	74.00
Downtown Steppers (Men) 392 (Mon.)	0.00	130.90	Invaders Group 44 (Sun.)	0.00	300.00
Dr. Bob's Nightmare 360 (Sun.)	0.00	455.00	Joy of Living 464 PA (Wed.)	288.57	288.57
Early Bird 129 (Tues.)	0.00	140.76	Joy of Living Meeting 92 (Mon.)	0.00	494.54
Early Bird 244 (Thur.)	62.00	62.00	Just For Today 238 PA (Thur.)	19.00	390.62
Early Bird 429 (Sun.)	0.00	36.89	Ladies Amethyst AA Study Group 749 (Wed.)	0.00	268.75
Early Monday Night 68 (Mon.)	469.40	1,084.32	Lesbians Living the Promises 349 (Fri.)	0.00	140.00
Early Spiritual Progress 7 (Sun.)	0.00	175.00	Liquor Was But A Symptom 203 (Thur.)	0.00	84.00

INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.

Group Contributions

September 2007

	Sep 07 Jan - Sep 07			Sep 07 Jan - Sep 07	
Live and Let Live 24 (Sun.)	200.00	200.00	Signs of Sobriety .) 402 (Mon.)	0.00	25.00
Living in the Solution (W) MH 33 (Sat.)	0.00	63.00	Sisters in Sobriety Milpitas 548 (Thur.)	0.00	70.00
Living Sober 21 10-30A (Sun.)	0.00	260.55	Sober and Free Convention 70928	0.00	318.50
Living with Others 319 (Fri.)	0.00	174.10	Sober in the Park 688 (Sun.)	0.00	70.00
Lodestar Group/Sober Thoughts 499 (Wed.)	0.00	360.00	Source of Strength (Women) 501 (Mon.)	60.00	60.00
Los Altos Group 225 (Thur.)	0.00	70.00	South Valley Men's 845 (Thur.)	0.00	280.00
Los Altos Men's Group 59 (Mon.)	0.00	258.00	Speaker Meeting PA 18 (Sun.)	0.00	359.00
Los Gatos Tuesday Night 110 (Tues.)	0.00	70.00	Spiritual Progress 269 (Thur.)	0.00	1,050.00
Mad Hatters Tuesday Noon 661 (Tues.)	0.00	183.00	Spiritual Progress Group 8 (Sun.)	0.00	73.65
Meditation Meeting LA 39 (Sat.)	0.00	112.00	Spiritual Step Study Group 233 (Sun.)	0.00	1,057.40
Memorial Contributions	0.00	55.00	St. Luke's Group 113 (Tues.)	0.00	1,288.00
Men's 4th Step Group 320 (Fri.)	0.00	44.10	St. Mark's Group 270 (Thur.)	200.00	1,134.22
Men's Basic Step Study Group 891 (Tues.)	0.00	197.12	Starting the Steps 753 (Fri.)	180.00	362.00
Men's Freedom from Alcohol 606 (Wed.)	0.00	420.00	Step Along (Women) Cupt 638 (Wed.)	42.00	42.00
Men's Group 97 (Mon.)	0.00	178.62	Step by Step Group LosAltos 5 (Sun.)	0.00	70.00
Men's Honesty Group SJ 26 (Sat.)	0.00	947.44	Step Study (Women) LG 820 (Wed.)	0.00	202.37
Men's Single Problem Study 220 (Thur.)	0.00	2,485.00	Steps & Traditions 893 (Wed.)	177.10	414.80
Men's Single Problem Study 89 (Mon.)	540.00	1,236.00	Sunday Early Evening 682 (Sun.)	0.00	336.00
Men's Single Topic Discussion 582 (Mon.)	0.00	1,108.00	Sunday Night Recovery 23 (Sun.)	100.00	100.00
Men's Topic Discussion 635 (Tues.)	0.00	161.81	Sundowners' Dinner Meeting 768 (Wed.)	0.00	109.51
Men's Underground Book Study 401 (Sun.)	0.00	413.00	Sunshine Group noon 243 (Thur.)	0.00	315.00
Midday Meeting PA 714 (Mon.)	0.00	70.00	T.G.I.F. Speaker/Discussion 298 (Fri.)	0.00	697.75
Midday Women's Group 91 (Mon.)	90.00	732.70	There Is a Solution (Men) MH 732 (Thur.)	0.00	394.24
Midweek Spiritual Progress 213 (Wed.)	0.00	140.00	Think Tank (Men) SJ 361 (Sat.)	700.00	2,100.00
Mountain Miracles 882 (Thur.)	0.00	998.20	Thurs. South Valley Group See 1 INV 267	0.00	70.00
Mountain View Group 350 (Sat.)	0.00	175.00	Trinity Group 370 (Sat.)	0.00	150.00
New Direction 12 x 12 90 (Mon.)	0.00	200.00	Tuesday Night Saratoga Group 152 (Tues.)	0.00	130.00
New Life Start 444 (Sun.)	0.00	448.00	Unknown	0.00	887.87
New Nooners 859 (Fri.)	0.00	236.00	Up the Creek-Daily Reflections 745(Tues.)	25.00	200.00
New People's Group 3 (Sun.)	0.00	446.01	Veterans of Alcohol (open) 874 (Tues.)	0.00	546.00
New Steps for Living 20 (Sun.)	0.00	1,007.94	Villages Group of AA (The) 406 (Mon)	0.00	809.00
Newcomers, Oldtimers (Women) 769 (Sat.)	0.00	280.00	We Care Step Study 128 (Tues.)	0.00	424.70
Noon Step Study 0555 (Tues.)	0.00	70.00	What's Happening Today 552 (Thur.)	0.00	321.22
Open A A 00660 (Wed.)	0.00	47.32	Women's Brunch PA 640 (Sat.)	368.67	976.12
Other Wednesday Nite (Men) 209 (Wed.)	0.00	2,137.10	Women's Topic Disc. Group 103 (Tues.)	78.87	258.91
Palo Alto Men's Meeting 525 (Tues.)	0.00	1,157.80	Women on the Move 570 (Wed.)	0.00	110.00
Palo Alto Step Study 752 (Tues.)	0.00	295.69	Women Preparing for the Weekend 691(Fri.)	0.00	159.60
Pass It On Group Los Altos 418 (Sun.)	0.00	700.00	Women Sharing the Solution 519 (Thur.)	0.00	354.90
Personal 00911	0.00	3,908.26	TOTAL	6,883.09	98,590.53
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.)	0.00	820.20			
Shared Gift (The) (Women) 61 (Mon.)	0.00	263.40			