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FOCUS: Controlling One's Temper (Eliminating Road Rage)

I take one road regularly to a meeting. At one intersection, there are three lanes at the stop light, and on the opposite side of the cross street the three lanes merge to two. I'm always in the correct lane. Someone invariably gets into the lane that has to immediately merge, which causes me to immediately speed up and set them right.

One night I was driving to a meeting. This joker was



in the merge lane. When the signal changed, we both sped up – the other person won and merged in front of me. I was furious! I sped up and finally got in front of him. (Take that!) I was making my way to the meeting; right turn here, left turn there. This person was going

the same route. Another left turn. Oh no, he's right behind me. Straight shot down a busy street. Behind me again! I turn into the meeting parking

It turns out to be someone I know

lot – so does he! Now I'm getting nervous. What if I "road raged" with exactly the wrong person this time! I can envision the headlines – "Person shot in church parking lot." I get out of my car, trying nonchalantly to be invisible. He parks and gets out of his car. Oh no, this is it! It turns out to be someone I know, simply going to the same meeting.

Then, I got this God Shot. The realization came to me, why am I so **continued on page 4 column 1**

Monthly Topics

Here's Lookin' at You!! This month's feature is the Serenity in Yosemite Alcoholics Anonymous Conference which meets every year on the weekend before Thanksgiving. To attend, try contacting ysc@sti.net for dates and forms.

This month our focus is on Controlling Your Temper (Altered Attitude or No More Road Rage.) Stories start on this page and continue on pages 4-5.

June's Topic will be Being an Example in AA (Good or Bad -- either way, you will Pass It On...) When you go to a meeting, are you available to the newcomer, or are you in your head, dreaming up ways you would embellish the story being told, or thinking of what to eat for dinner, or where you'll be meeting your latest hottie, or something other than the meeting? What kind of example are you? What kind would you LIKE to be? Write your stories and send them to ODAACOIN@yahoo.com by May 23, 2012. We look forward to hearing from YOU!

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FEATURE: Serenity in Yosemite Park



I have been blessed to attend many AA conferences in Yosemite National Park. "Serenity in Yosemite" is an annual event held the weekend before Thanksgiving weekend. Amazing blessings await attendees, from the first timers to the recurring attendees.

The biggest blessing is the weather,

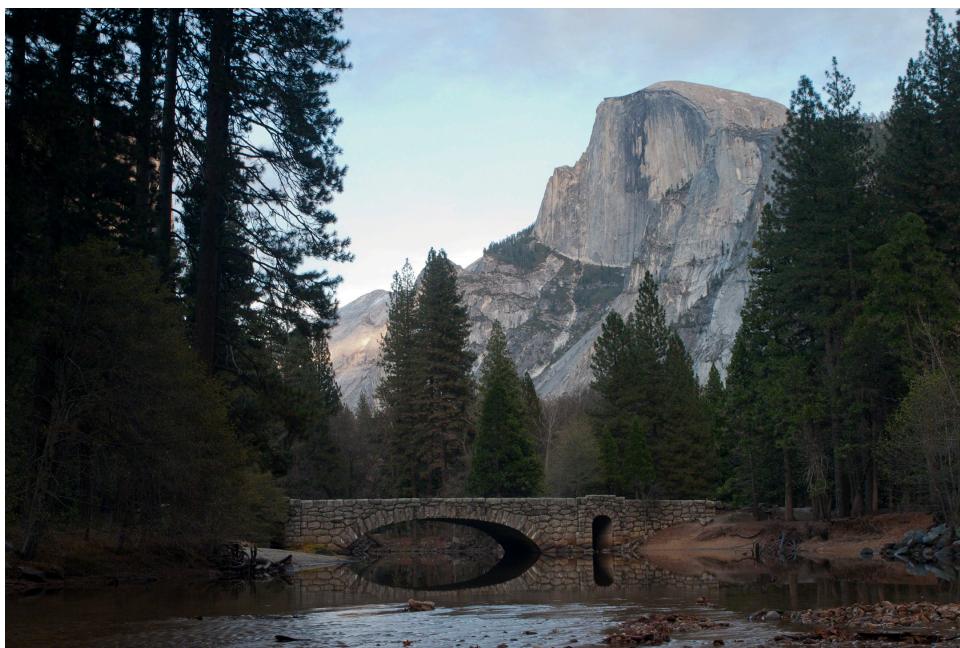
and more specifically the light. It seems that every year the valley has a different feel to it. One year it can be dry and feel like a warm sunny autumn day, and the next year there could be snow on the ground and a chill in the year. The fireplace at Curry Village is always going to help you warm up. Though the weather and light changes from year to year,

one thing is constant and that is the sheer beauty of Yosemite Valley.

The beauty of Yosemite Valley coupled with the AA conference make the weekend pretty spiritual. Hearing the speakers and attending the marathon meetings bring a natural high unto itself, and then walking outside and viewing the natural beauty is an over the top spiritual experience.

Another nice blessing is seeing the regular attendees. The conference seems to attract a lot of people who enjoy the weekend getaway. In addition to a lot of people from Northern California, the conference also attracts folks as far away as Southern California.

Lastly, the biggest blessing for me is taking pictures while at the conference. Photography is something I discovered on this journey of sobriety and I tell people that my photography is a gift from God. Yosemite Valley is a photographer's



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paradise and what makes taking pictures unique during the conference weekend is that I always feel like I am in the zone.

If you haven't taken an AA road trip, then I would encourage you to make this trek at least once. Gather up the newcomer and friends and make the trip. The camaraderie is fun and you

will never know what awaits you at the conference in Yosemite National Park.

Kent G

Controlling My Temper

I once had a situation at work where for months I was working alongside an apprentice in my trade whom I resented. This guy was arrogant and acted as though he was better than everyone. I had gossiped to other men in our company about him, hoping to find others who felt the same, in order to justify my own ill feelings. I would have loved to see this guy fall right on his face and not even help him up afterwards. I spent time out of my day resenting him, to the point that when he walked into the room I

would want to walk out.

One day after work I decided I was tired of drowning in my resentment. You know what I did? I did the opposite of what came natural -- and that was to make amends. I bought donuts for our crew the next day. Later on I was sitting with this guy whom I despised and said to him that I thought he was a good apprentice and would make a great electrician. Tom, who was sitting next to me when I said this, was one whom I had

gossiped to about this fellow.

Suddenly this resentment that had governed my days and nights was wiped away instantly. I no longer walked around hating that man; I was free of any resentment towards him. I could focus on work and other things because my time was not filled with anger. This was not my own thinking. I believe it was divine intervention: the program working in my life.

Tim I.

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willing (and able) to be such a jerk on the road with people I don't know, and feel so embarrassed when it's someone I do know. I really got it this time -- it seems to be emotional pain that teaches me the most lasting lessons. This experience absolutely

changed my behavior on the road. Am I perfect? Of course not -- I still have my moments. But I am much more kind and considerate on the road; I give myself enough time to get where I'm going or chill out when I'm late. I remember that when I am disturbed

(even by those who don't follow the rules of the road) it has to do with something about me. And, most amazing of all, driving is relatively stress-free when I stay in the moment and simply mind my own business.

Anonymous

Letting Go

Leaving a meeting on Wednesday, my friends and I walked to the pedestrian crossing, modeling good citizenship. As we walked some jerk tooted her horn at us. I jumped toward the car screaming, "What the F8@# is your problem?" The driver turned out to be a neighbor, friend, sister in sobriety, who smiled broadly at us and waved. I felt like a fool and then I wanted to kill her. When we reached the other side of the street I had to stop and allow my blood pressure to normalize. My primary response to loud noises, scares or conflict expresses itself as anger. A good friend glanced at me exclaiming, "Your ability to respond with anger to almost any situation amazes me."

I've discovered coping mechanisms for dealing with my intense anger. Bursting into tears and running from the room where the conflict occurred numbered among my most frequently used, yet least successful techniques. A few years later I began using very unacceptable language. Although these helped take the emotional pressure away, they were neither useful, mature nor satisfying, effective ways of dealing with my rage.

After years of sitting in Twelve Step rooms, ("...sometimes quickly, sometimes slowly..."), I discovered that my anger grounds itself in my

unfathomable fear. I suspect this fear stems from my alcoholic home and my church where expectations, judgment, criticism, sarcasm and teasing



were the features of the conversation, the more biting and belittling the better. Everyone — Mom, Dad, siblings, clergy — wanted to participate in the "fun."

Such an environment spawns recognizable character defects: perfectionism, sense of entitlement, low frustration level, impatience, need to look good, need to control, low self esteem and an awesome startle response.

Over the years, my experience has been, "...that God could and would, if God were sought..." My 11th Step meditation has slowed me down, allowing me to gain some insight. As we say, "God either is or God isn't." Why am I so resistant to allowing my Higher Power to deal with my anger?

I value and attempt to remember the Fourth Step Reflection on our yellow prayer card, "This is a sick [person.] How can I be helpful to [them?] God, save me from being angry. Thy Will be done." P. 67 Big Book.

I also use the Resentment Prayer a lot. Today I have life "...beyond my wildest dreams..." I no longer need to do everything perfectly. I worked with kids last week and they kept score of the mistakes I made as we completed our tasks. To their delight, my mistakes were legion. This has become all right with me, because today, I have a measure of self-esteem. I know I'm one of God's kids, loved infinitely by this God I don't understand, and loved by my friends in 'the rooms'. I don't need to have so much control today; there is Some Being, not me, who does know about the big picture and I believe today this Higher Power does have 'skills' and is not 'out to lunch.'

For me today, anger is likened to drinking poison and expecting the other person, the driver who cut me off, the bank teller who doesn't understand, my co-worker, or spouse to die. Today I prefer to spend my time loving and laughing, taking care of myself and allowing the Higher Power to be in charge of all my affairs.

Anonymous.

Controlling My Anger

I used to get so mad about things. I felt like I knew what was best and what was right, and that everything should go according to my plan. I was NOT good with spontaneity. I was not good with changes to the plan. I remember my husband, three little kids, and I were flying home to the Midwest for Christmas. Our flight was late getting into Saint Louis due to weather, so we missed the connecting flight. I had a fit, right there at the ticket counter, with people watching, including my small children. I had very unrealistic expectations, but I didn't realize it at the time. I did not treat the airline representative well at all. Couldn't wait to get to the hotel (it was a long van ride on a cold night) to get a drink.

It's embarrassing to think about it now. I was so selfish. Instead of being grateful for having more time with my kids, and being able to get into a hotel (not everyone did that night) where we could sleep in warm beds, I had to let everyone know how displeased I was.

I can say that after two years in AA,

I am learning a much better way of dealing with difficult situations, and dealing with my feelings. Working the Twelve Steps has given me a much clearer insight into why I behaved and thought certain ways. It has helped me see my part in things, and to see how I can work on my behaviors and attitudes that block me off from "the sunlight of the Spirit." I am learning to let go of my need to control and have faith that things are going to be okay. What a relief that is—to know

I had a fit, right there at the ticket counter... couldn't wait to get a drink

that I don't have to be in charge! And knowing that a lot of things don't really matter in the big picture.

You can be right. We can do things your way. As long as I can let you know where I stand and keep that inner serenity, I have a better chance of being calm and can just let things happen.

I try my best each day to live by the principles of our program: honesty,

patience, tolerance, kindness, generosity, humility. I talk to my Higher Power each morning and most nights. It helps me to focus on these principles and to ask for guidance and courage. Through working the steps I have come to understand myself much better, and to be aware of my ideas, emotions, and attitudes so that I do not react rashly to a situation. I try to take a moment before I speak or react. "Restraint of pen and tongue" as mentioned in the Tenth Step section of the Twelve and Twelve. Some days are better than others. I have lots of work to do on myself and on improving my relationships with others, but I know that the women of AA are here with me, and will guide and support and teach me. My sponsor knows me well, and I have learned to open up to her so she can help me. My sponsees help me learn as I am sharing my experience with them. It is an amazing thing we've got! I never want to lose it, so I am willing to keep working at my sobriety, and enjoying any time I can get that is anger-free.

Lisa W

Controlling Anger

Controlling anger has so many meanings for me. When I first began recovery, my thought was if I just stop yelling it would be fixed. "Do not show anger" is what I believed "those people" were saying. As it turned out, the changes I was trying to make were just the tip of my true anger. So now what? My sponsor walked me through the steps and that is where I found out the whys. What triggers anger for me is wanting to be right. I know, and by the way, everyone needs to know, that I'm right. I would carry the banner letting everyone know of the injustices done to me or some else. When I am in this mode, I am not in the present. I am thinking of how to win and that

really takes me into the future. It is exhausting, teeth get clenched, and I lose the truth along the way. I want to be superior and that turns out to be the bottom line for me. The anger becomes ugly!

So I was taught about altering my attitude, not just one, but all of them—one at a time. I must first recognize what I'm doing. Gossip and manipulation were the most traveled avenues for me. If it looks like fear and sounds like fear, it is fear - Oh My God - what a revelation.

Today when I feel the anger surfacing, I have to look at what is the truth. My disease is lying to me. I think an

injustice has been done to me. Never is it my first thought to look for the solution. Taking a deep breath and remembering the principles of the program is a good starting place. I do not want my recovery looking as though I'm out of control. So there's a truth!

Now, how do I make that happen? I have a sponsor, I have friends in AA, I have a reasonable thinking husband and daughter; they are all part of my support structure that allows me to work through the anger. If I am willing to talk about it, I have to be willing to listen to the advice that I seek. Jotting these issues down and dropping them into my "GOD

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Editor's Bag

May – May Day, Maytree, Queen of the May, dancing the maypole, spring festival, the Merry Month of May, Lily of the Valley flowers, and emeralds -- green, green, green. ("It's green they say, on the far side of the hill...") My favorite time of year, birthday month.

The topic this month is Controlling Your Temper. What's different -- now that you're sober -- about how you handle your anger? I remember pouring a beer in someone's lap when I was mad at something he said to me in a Wyoming bar, and I am lucky to be alive. My brother dragged me out of that place just before the guy was ready to pop me one, and said, "Control yourself, Fran!" But I was "spitting mad" and I was going to "show him a thing or two!" I sure did, boy. My justifiable resentment was no more than a one-upmanship trick, supposedly to show him that – what? I'm really cool? I think not. In the greater scheme of things, I definitely had a lot to learn. Drinking was my way to up the ante in the resentment department... HUGE resentments created from minuscule mouse droppings...

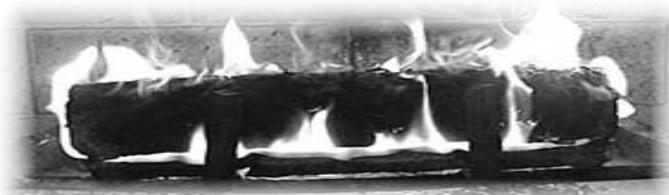
And with my spouting off I was just displaying my stupidity. Now when I watch television shows with

Topics Upcoming:

July	Biting the Bullet (Acceptance)	June 20, 2012
August	Not Blaming Others (Step 10)	July 18, 2012
September	Being a Friend in Sobriety	August 22, 2012

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militaristic scenarios between people, it's never the guy who's punching another who is ONE UP – it's the guy who stares down the opponent and coolly disarms him without laying a hand on him. The negotiator is the winner. Why have a Lose-Lose situation between opponents? How about a Win-Win? It's the cool calm collected one who wins. That's who I want to be – Ms. Cool, not Scrooge McDuck.

Keep those cards & letters (via email) coming, everyone – I love hearing from you, and we need your stories. This is YOUR newsletter. If I write all the stories, you'll all be asleep. Zzzzzzz....



Controlling My Anger

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CAN" reminds me that I'm not alone. My Higher Power does not give me answers by writing them in the sky. So I do depend on others to bring me the message. Do I want to be right or happy? Changing my attitude of setting others straight is the most reoccurring character defect for me. I have to go through the process of breathing; take a minute to relax; unclench my teeth; look at what the truth really is; turn it over to my Higher Power; talk to my sponsor and my support group; and ask myself "who do I want to be"? Today, I am a woman in recovery and discovery, with a greater respect for myself and others.

Every day I make the effort to believe in the best version of myself, even behind the wheel of my car!

Terry L.

Friday Night Grapevine Speaker Meeting

May 11: Kenneth L.
(San Jose)

May 18: Susan B.
(San Jose)

May 25: Howard H.
(Sunnyvale)

Powerless Over Anger

Before I quit drinking — you remember **before** — when I got angry, and decided not to lash out and hit somebody, that was when I was most likely to drink AT my anger and whoever had "caused" my temper to flare up.... Then whooomph... I'd be drunk — beginning not to care — usually working myself into a numbed state of inebriation, where I had been known to just pass out!

During my perhaps less-drunken moments, I was most likely to simply forget what I was mad about and just say, "f---it." The next day would usually bring some latent, under-my-breath ranting and thrashing, always to no avail, except to make me look foolish to others. And as usual, anger and a bad temper were not a pretty part of me.

Then I got sober... been sober more than 22 years, worked the steps, had a sponsor, I "...practice these principals in all my affairs..." But anger is one of those reactions that seemed to stay, even bubbling to the surface quite quickly, with me.

So today I am one of those individuals that needs to constantly "work my steps" on those issues that provoke anger and an uncontrollable temper within me.

Today I find it necessary to talk with another alcoholic about stuff that "seems" to set me off on an amendable tirade.

For example. I am forever going to F--- Electronics to get yet one more item that I (usually) need to complete a project, only to find not exactly what I wanted, but perhaps something that might work;; so I buy it for some affordable price. When I get home I discover that not only will it not work, but I had something all along that would have worked satisfactorily.

Now it's time to make that ultimate

decision of whether I'm going to return what I bought or just throw it into the box in my closet, that box which contains items that I may need at some point in the future... which is undoubtedly where I found the item to use this time. Mind you, it only cost \$14.99, and to take it back will surely "cost" me at least 3 hours of my time... my priorities?! ... probably saving those precious minutes. And all of this will probably send me into a tirade that may cause me to "throw" some caustic words in the direction of my loved one, words I will surely regret in the not too distant future. I will ultimately end up talking out my frustrations with my sponsor or just another alcoholic, followed by making my amends to my significant-other. And everything will resolve itself ... when I practice what I have been taught in the rooms of A.A.

This kind of control issue, whether it involves me having to share highway space with another person, standing in line at the grocery store, or looking for that specific book in the book store, will almost always bring me to my knees with regard to my unmanageability and serenity. But anger is what can bring me down ... if I let it. That is to say, my powerlessness over my anger was, is and (probably) always will be my major nemesis. And I do have the (combined) power to "save myself" by using all of the "tools" I have been given in Alcoholics Anonymous.

Bottom line ...Just because I'm sober doesn't mean I'm all peaceful and calm inside, a picture of mental health. I need to stay centered and calm in the midst of this storm we call life. And the most effective way for me to do that is to "... practice these principles in all my affairs."

Brian M

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.



Please join us at the

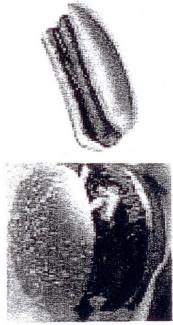
Saturday Nite Live Group's Annual Sponsorship Workshop

This is a four-part workshop that will use the chapter, "Working with Others" as a guide for members to share their experience, strength, and hope regarding the topic of sponsorship. Our aim is to solve common problems by finding common solutions using our basic text as a reference for carrying the message to those still suffering from alcoholism.

The Workshops will be held at The Saturday Nite Live Group of Alcoholics Anonymous, located at 1388 Bascom Ave. San Jose, CA (at Stokes). Meeting time is **5-6pm** on the dates listed below along with the pages we will be reviewing.

January 15 ... 5pm-6pm	Pages 89-93
March 18 ... 5pm-6pm	Pages 93-97
May 20 ... 5pm-6pm	Pages 97-101
July 15 ... 5pm-6pm	Pages 101-103

SNL'S ANNUAL PICNIC



DATE: Saturday, May 12, 2012

TIME: 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Vasona Park

Lakeview Area



BAKE SALE



CHILI COOKOFF

ARCHIVES CORNER

- There is a book in the Archives in New York that is said to have belonged to Bill W. entitled "The Common Sense of Drinking" by Richard Peabody. "Halfway measures are of no avail," Peabody wrote in discussing what the alcoholic must do to recover. "The surrender to the fact that alcohol can no longer be indulged in without bringing disastrous results is of such importance that it requires extremely thoughtful consideration" (p. 74). Peabody deplored the "going-on-the-wagon" point of view as only a stopgap measure. Peabody affirmed that frankness and honesty were a first principle of mental hygiene. The idea of complete surrender being a necessity also was espoused by Peabody. These ideas became the bedrock for Bill W. and the early members of A.A. The important thing that they added was the twelve steps of recovery which enabled the drunks to clean up their lives and change their thinking.
- In April the General Service Conference in New York takes place each year. Our Area delegate went to this gathering after hearing our group conscience on many of the items which were discussed at the Conference. Bernard B. Smith, nonalcoholic chair of the Board of Trustees opened the 1954 Conference with the following comments, "We may not need a General Service Conference to ensure our own recovery. We do need it to ensure the recovery of the alcoholic who still stumbles in the darkness one short block from this room. We need it to ensure the recovery of a child

being born, tonight, destined for alcoholism. We need it to provide, in keeping with our Twelfth Step, a permanent haven for all alcoholics who, in the ages ahead, can find in A.A. that rebirth which brought us back to life. We need it because we, more than all others, are conscious of the devastating effect of the human urge for power and prestige which we must insure can never invade A.A.

"We need it to insure A.A. against government while insulation it against anarchy; we need it to protect A.A. against disintegration, while preventing over-integration. We need it so that Alcoholics Anonymous and Alcoholics Anonymous alone,

is the ultimate depository of its Twelve Steps, its Twelve Traditions and all of its services. We need it to insure that changes within A.A. come only as a response to the needs and wants of all of A.A. and not of any few.

"We need it to insure that the doors of the halls of A.A. never have locks on them so that all people for all time that have an alcoholic problem may enter these halls unasked, and feel welcome. We need it to insure that Alcoholics Anonymous never ask of anyone who needs us what his or her race is, what his or her creed is, what his or her economic or social position is."

SATURDAY NITE LIVE 2012 Event Calendar

MAY: Saturday, May 12, Times TBA
Anniversary Picnic, Vasona Park-Lakeview Area

JUNE: Saturday, June 16, 3:30 - 5:30PM
Ice Cream Sundaes/Float Social

JULY: Saturday, July 21, 9:30PM - 12:30AM
Sock Hop (50's Nite)

AUGUST: Times and Date TBA
SNL Thank you Picnic

OCTOBER: Saturday, October 20, 9:30PM - 12:30AM
Halloween Dance/Costume Party

DECEMBER: Monday, December 31, Times TBA
New Year's Eve Talent/No Talent Show

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LOCAL EVENTS

- May 12** SNL's Annual Picnic, 11AM-4PM, Vasona Park, Lakeview Area, Los Gatos
May 12 CNCA 2012 Post Conference Assembly, Westlake Pacelli Event Center, 145 Lake Merced Blvd., Daly City
May 19 SCCYPA Potluck with a meeting to follow, 8 pm, Masonic Hall, 131 E. Main St., Los Gatos
June 9 Early Bird Group of AA's 2nd Annual BBQ at Kelly Park, 10AM-4PM, 1300 Senter Rd., San Jose
June 16 Traditions Workshop, Gilroy Group of AA, 7511 Gourmet Ave., Gilroy

EVENTS AROUND CALIFORNIA

- May 18-20** 41st Annual Hospitals & Institutions Conference, Senior Citizens Hall, 2290 Benton Dr., Redding, 96003
June 22-24 22nd Annual June Lake Kampvention, 1278 N. Eastbury Ave., Covina. www.kampventionjunelake.org

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3	4	5 SCCYPAA BUSINESS MEETING 6:30pm	6 PI/CPC WORKSHOP: 5:30 PI/CPC MEETING: 6pm OUTREACH MTG: 5:45pm INTERGROUP MTG: 7:30pm this is a new location.	7	8	9 PICPC Workshop 10am, Central Office
10	11	12	13 NORTH COUNTY GENERAL SERVICE MEETING 7:30pm	14	15	16 DIVERTER/12TH STEPPERS WORKSHOP 10am, Central Office
17	18 BRIDGING THE GAP MEETING: 7:00pm 1980 E. Hamilton Ave., SJ	19 SOUTH COUNTY GENERAL SERVICE MEETING 7:00pm SCCYPAA BUSINESS MEETING 6:30pm	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 H & I COMMITTEE 7:00pm	27	28	29	30

WE WANT TO HELP YOU SPREAD THE WORD!!

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

EVENTS AROUND THE COUNTRY AND GLOBE

- May 11-13** 1st Annual Coeur d'Alene Convention of AA, Coeur d'Alene Resort, Coeur d'Alene, ID. www.cdaconvention.org
May 17-20 28th Annual Tri-State Round-up, Riverside Resort Hotel & Casino, Laughlin, NV. www.tristate-roundup.com
May 31-Jun. 3 MauiFest VIII, Hawaii. www.mauifest.org

Telephone Calls Received During April 2012

Daytime at Central Office.....**377**

Daytime 12 Step Calls.....**8**

(Evening 12 Step Call information is not available.)

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

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

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

SPEAKER MEETINGS

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

Remember We Deal With Alcohol

Saturdays at 8 p.m.

St. Mark's Church

1957 Pruneridge Ave., Santa Clara

Saturday Nite Live Group

Fridays at 8 p.m.

1388 S. Bascom at Stokes, San Jose

Speaker Meeting—VA Hospital

Sunday at 11:15 a.m.

3801 Miranda Ave., Palo Alto

Saturday Morning Fellowship

Saturday at 10 a.m.

United Presbyterian Church

Fremont & Hollenbeck, Sunnyvale

MEETING CHANGES

NEW

24 Hour Concept: Thurs., 10:30AM, 3466 Grossmont Dr., Portable #1, San Jose.

New Beginnings Group: Tues., 7:00PM, Emergency Housing Consortium, 2011 Little Orchard, Veteran's Center, San Jose.

No Chaser: Thurs., 7:00PM, Emergency Housing Consortium, 2011 Little Orchard, Veteran's Center, San Jose.

I2 & I2: Fri. 7:00PM, Emergency Housing Consortium, 2011 Little Orchard, Veteran's Center, San Jose.

Came to Believe: Sun., 7:00PM, Emergency Housing Consortium, 2011 Little Orchard, Veteran's Center, San Jose.

Women's Candlelight Big Book Discussion: Thurs., 6:00PM, Morgan Hill Community & Cultural Center, 17000 Monterey Rd., Morgan Hill.

Women's Step Topics: Thurs., 6:00PM, First Congregational Church, 1980 Hamilton Ave., Room 8, San Jose.

Split the Difference: Sun. 7:30PM, Winchester Fellowship, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1224 Winchester Blvd. (at Tulip Ave.), Santa Clara.

It Works It Really Does (Women's Meeting): Mon. 10:30AM, Center for Training & Careers, 749 Story Road-Assembly Room, San Jose.

The Firing Line (Men's Meeting): Mon. 8:00PM, Trinity Presbyterian Church, 3151 Union Ave., San Jose.

CHANGED

****Intergroup Council Meeting:** 7:30PM, First Wed. of each month, Queen of Apostles School, 4950 Mitty Way, San Jose. Meeting location has moved to Trinity Presbyterian Church, 3151 Union Ave., San Jose (near Foxworthy Ave.).

****PI/CPC Committee Meeting:** 6:00PM, First Wed. of each month, Queen of Apostles School, 4950 Mitty Way, San Jose. Meeting location has moved to Trinity Presbyterian Church, 3151 Union Ave., San Jose (near Foxworthy Ave.).

Men's Underground Book Study: 7:00PM, Sun. Holy Spirit Episcopal Church, 41 W. Rincon Ave., Rincon Room, Campbell. Meeting is no longer a "closed, men's" meeting and name has changed to "Underground Book Study".

Caring and Sharing: 8:00PM, Tues., St. Christopher's Church, 1576 Curtner Ave., San Jose. Location has moved to Pizza Jack's, 1600 Monterey Hwy (in the back), San Jose.

New Beginning Group: Mon.-Thurs., 7:00AM, First Christian Church, 80 S. 5th St., San Jose. All meetings have changed their names to "Third Tradition".

University Beginners: Wed. 5PM, University of Santa Clara, 500 El Camino Real, Bannan Hall Rm. 305, Santa Clara. Meeting time has changed from 5-6PM to 4:45-5:45PM.

LGBT Happy Destiny Group: Sat., 6:00PM, Conscious Living Center, 2400 Wyandotte St., Suite C, Mountain View.

Tuesday Noon Step Study: Tues., 12 noon, By the Book Group, St. Mark's Church, 1957 Pruneridge Ave., Santa Clara. Meeting has moved to Chinese for Christ Church, 425 Williams Rd., Santa Clara.

The El Camino Group and Chip Winners Group: Tues. & Wed., respectively, 8:15PM, Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1715 Grant Rd., Los Altos. Both groups have decided to form a group and are now both part of the Grant Road Group. No change in location or time.

Fair Avenue Fellowship Announcement: Fair Avenue Fellowship, The Alano Club of San Jose, 1122 Fair Avenue, San Jose. All Monday-Saturday 6:00PM meetings have changed their name to "Back to Basics". All Monday-Sunday 7:30PM meetings have changed their name to "The Seeker's Group".

Midday Women's Group: Mon., 12 noon, St. Mark's Church, 1957 Pruneridge Ave., Santa Clara. Time has changed to 1PM.

Friday Noon Big Book Study: Fri., 12 noon, By the Book Group, St. Mark's Church, 1957 Pruneridge Ave., Santa Clara. Time has changed to 1PM.

A Second Chance at a First Class Life: Sun. 4:00PM, Cornerstone Fellowship Group: 1600 Dell Ave. (2nd floor), Campbell. Meeting is not a Closed Men's meeting as previously stated. It is an Open meeting and all are welcome.

NO LONGER MEETING

12 Steps and HOW (Women's): Tues., 12 noon, Almaden Hills United Methodist Church, 1200 Blossom Hill Rd., San Jose

Sunday Spirituality: Sun. 9:00AM, Oak Creek Apts.: 1824 Sand Hill Road, Bldg. F, Willow Room, Palo Alto.

Birthday Contributions

BIRTHDAY CELEBRANT	YEARS	CONTRIBUTIONS	BIRTHDAY
Linda J.	10	Anonymous	04/08/2002
Juris S.	3	Anonymous	04/05/2009
Kate D.	6	Carol B.	05/01/2006
Chuck G.	30	Bruce K., Robby R.	04/17/1982
Paula D.-M.	27	Aileen B.	04/22/1985
Fran D.-U.	24	Aileen B.	04/17/1988
Jerry H.	25	Jerry H.	04/10/1987
Michele M.	28	Michele M.	03/01/1984
Peggy P.	41	Peggy P.	05/05/1971
Jerry H.	36	Peggy P.	05/05/1976
Bruce K.	29	Bruce K.	04/27/1983

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!! 259 YEARS OF SOBRIETY!!

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

PI/CPC Events for May

- Provide literature for distribution to students:
 - Live Oak High School, May 7th 10 am to noon.
 - Fremont High School May 9th 11 am to 12:30
 - Santa Clara University May 22nd 9:55 am to 11:25 am

2. PACT (Parole Action Community Team) Meetings:

Every Tuesday 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at National Guard Armory near the Court House on Hedding Street, San Jose

In Memorium

George T., beloved member of Alcoholics Anonymous, passed away in April. He was well-loved by those who knew him and will be greatly missed.

Kathy G, Jr., of Modesto, CA (formerly San Jose) April 2012 Beloved wife of Pablo G, Jr. (formerly San Jose) and daughter of the late Margie H.

Dan H., long time member of Alcoholics Anonymous, passed away on April 25, leaving behind Mary Ann, his beloved wife and a long time member of Al Anon. He will be sorely missed by us all.

InterGroup Minutes: April 4, 2012

- Bill H., Intergroup Chairperson, opened the meeting at 7:30 PM, followed by a Moment of Silence and the serenity prayer.
- Joyce read the definition of Intergroup.
- Tomas read the 12 traditions.
- New Intergroup Reps:
 - Tony S, Cornerstone Fellowship
 - Nicole, Get Up & Go
 - Jillian, Las Gatos Saturday Morning
- Visitors: Mike, Kelly and Barbara
- Birthdays: Paige, 10 yrs., Varsha, 19 yrs., Michelle, 28 yrs., Tony, 1 yr.
- 7th tradition.
- Additions and corrections to the agenda:
 - Dave B. filling in for Jo Ann for CSB announcement.
- Additions and corrections to the minutes:
 - PI/CPC did not go to Daniel Laren Elementary School yet.
- 53 voting representatives in attendance.

REPORTS

Intergroup Chair, Bill H.

- A month-to-month lease has been finalised with the church.
- Leave it cleaner than we left it. Intergroup needs volunteers to clean the kitchen after each meeting.

Intergroup Treasurer Report, Laura

- Took in \$276.86 for the month of March ending on March 31st.
- Prudent reserves of \$300.

Central Service Board, Dave B. filling in for Jo Ann

- The board met on 03/29/2012 at Central Office.
- All bills are paid. Contributions for the month of February 2012 were up \$3200 compared to February 2011.
- Overall, the month of February was a \$6,938.52 improvement over February 2011. This was due to increased contributions and net proceeds from the chili cook off.
- At the time of the Board meeting, March contributions had already exceeded March 2011 by \$4000 with 3 days remaining in the month.
- March literature sales were down approximately \$1400 and meeting guide sales are down by roughly \$400 from March 2011. This is not out of the ordinary as these numbers ebb and flow.
- Year to date, there has been a net income of \$6,146.75, which leaves central office in a good place financially for the year of 2012. Prudent reserve is at 4.5 months of operation expenses. It had been at 3 months for roughly the last 2 years.
- There has been no noticeable downward trend in book sales due to the release of e-books.

Central Office, Bruce

- The "Big Book" and "Twelve and Twelve" e-books are available through the GSO website at www.aa.org. Another feature on the website is a daily reflection from the "Daily Reflections," book.
- The volunteer computer was replaced thanks to a special donation from a member. Central Office is now in good shape as far as computers go.
- A CD in the amount of \$15,000 was purchased on March 21st, which puts Central Office at about 4.5 months of reserve.
- The annual rent increase occurred in March. It goes up each year at 5 cents per square foot and Central Office occupies 1,267 square feet of space. So the increase was \$63.35 per month, mean rent is now \$2,534.00 per month.
- Central Office is getting a new front door. The old one is cracked and sits crookedly, leaking heat and air conditioning.
- The schedule and registration materials for the annual Manager's Seminar have come in; it's scheduled for September 27th - 30th in Washington, D.C.
- Cory loves pancakes. Bring them to her at Central Office for better service.

PI/CPC, Susan

- Attended a community member's meeting at Daniel Laren Elementary; the meeting was mostly Spanish speaking.
 - A translator was brought in and attendees were asked how many of them live with a person that has a problem with alcohol.
 - Out of roughly 50 attendees, most of the hands went up. All of the literature that was brought was handed out.
 - The size of the group that requests outreach doesn't matter as long as the message of AA is heard.
- Thinking of combining the PI and CPC chairs as most events are PI related.
 - The PI chair is responsible for running the business meetings and workshops and coordinating PI activities.
 - It is a 2 year commitment with a 2 year sobriety requirement and a working knowledge of the 12 steps and 12 traditions.
 - Previous experience a plus.
- Jim attends a lot of meetings and doesn't see IG reps talking about PI/CPC or any literature at meetings.
- Need more young people for reaching out to schools.
- Should be stressed that PI/CPC is not in conflict with "attraction rather than promotion," and sober alcoholics can attend events and participate without joining PI/CPC.

12 Step Committee, Sean

No Report

Daytime Coordinator, Mike M

- There were 379 calls last month with 6 requiring 12 step follow ups. It was a fairly steady rate of calls throughout the month.
- Need someone to take on the Wednesday shift from 9 - 11:30 AM.
 - Position has a 2 year sobriety requirement and a working knowledge of the 12 steps and 12 traditions.

Nights & Weekends Diverter Coordinator, Steve S

- There have been some issues with shift workers not picking up over the last two months, especially during the 6 AM shift.
- Need more diverters for all shifts. Only a couple of people left with multiple shifts.
- Starting in June, the shift times will be standardized with uniformity as the goal.
 - Evening shifts will be from 10 PM - 6 AM.
- Workshops are held on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 10 AM at Central Office.
- There is a 1 year sobriety requirement for diverters and a 6 month sobriety requirement for 12 step work. Also, participants must reside in the county.

Outreach Committee, Mary Pat

- Currently passing around sheet to all IG members during IG meetings for members to fill in their names next to the meetings for which they are the IG representative. After all members have claimed a meeting, they will fill in their name next to a meeting that does not have a representative. That will be the meeting the reach out to.
- The purpose of the outreach committee is:
 - Educate groups on Intergroup.
 - Engage the participation of new groups in Intergroup.
 - Verify accuracy of group information in the meeting guide.
- To perform outreach, go to an AA meeting and:
 - Meet the members and secretary.
 - Greet the meeting.
 - Inform them about Intergroup.
 - Answer any questions.
 - Complete forms to update the meeting information. This should be done no matter what to make sure the meeting guide is always up to date.
- Make sure to get updated meeting info to Central Office.

COIN, Fran

- The topic for next month is anger. "What pushes your buttons, and what do you do in sobriety to handle it?"
- Please remember to promote the writing of stories for the COIN and announce the monthly topics at group level.
- If you have an idea for something to put in the COIN, for instance anagram puzzles, please contact the COIN staff.
- If you want a specific meeting to be featured in the COIN, talk with the staff. They can help write the story and take photos.

- On page 9, under Saturday Nite Live, the Tile Painting and Pizza Party is going to be on April 21st, not April 15th.
Activities Chair (still vacant), Gloria
- Gloria is currently initiating the new chair.
- The Founder's Day Picnic is coming up in June and the flyers should be ready next months meeting and at Central Office.
 - Location has not been settled yet.
- Unity Day will be held on Sunday, August 19th at Milpitas Community Center.
 - Committee meets on 2nd Thursday of each month at Hick'ry Pit on Campbell Ave.
 - Will vote next month on a \$750 towards the event from Intergroup.
- Pat G. put on a traditions workshop.
 - The event had around 120 attendees and brought in around \$450.

Communications Committee, Carole R

No Report

OLD BUSINESS

- Gilroy Tradition Meeting had asked for \$150 for a June 16th Tradtions Workshop followed by BBQ from 12-2.
 - Motion made and seconded with 45 ayes.

NEW BUSINESS

None

OTHER SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORTS

NCCAA

No Report

Hospitals and Institutions, Bret

- Covers the area from Santa Clara to Soledad.
- Brings 55 meetings to 25 institutions.
- 14 of 25 institutions are in need of volunteers.
- Lots of positions require clearances, so talk to Bret about specific openings.

Bridging the Gap, Julius

- Responsible for taking alcoholics getting out of institutions to their first meeting.
- Things are going well. Call Julius at 408-758-8290 if you would like to help.

North Country General Service, Cameron

- Went to Bellevue, WA for General Service conference.
- One new GSR representative next month.
- Jeff facilitated pre-conference discussion.

South Country General Service, Larry

- Busy gathering group consciences for GS meeting.
- Agenda Topics Workshop went really well, with around 80 people in attendance.
- Please don't forget to support General Service Representatives as they gather group consciences on the agenda topics.

SCYPAA

No Report

OPEN FORUM

- Gay and Lesbian conference at the end of the month. See David for a flyer or for more information.

9:32 AM
05/02/12
Accrual Basis

INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.
Profit & Loss
April 2012

	<u>Apr 12</u>	<u>Apr 11</u>	<u>Jan - Apr 12</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
3030 · Contributions-General	15,856.28	13,252.37	57,247.71
8010 · Literature Sales	3,614.98	5,361.65	19,187.91
8020 · Meeting Guide Sales	558.50	1,181.50	3,132.00
8050 · Activities Committee	0.00	4,602.25	4,544.00
8060 · Newsletter Subscriptions	5.00	20.00	50.00
Total Income	<u>20,034.76</u>	<u>24,417.77</u>	<u>84,161.62</u>
Cost of Goods Sold			
5000 · Cost of Goods Sold			
5100 · Cost of Inventory Sold	2,489.31	3,821.77	13,635.74
5150 · Cost of Meeting Directories	230.82	532.52	3,115.06
Total 5000 · Cost of Goods Sold	<u>2,720.13</u>	<u>4,354.29</u>	<u>16,750.80</u>
Total COGS	<u>2,720.13</u>	<u>4,354.29</u>	<u>16,750.80</u>
Gross Profit	<u>17,314.63</u>	<u>20,063.48</u>	<u>67,410.82</u>
Expense			
6010 · Alarm Service	207.00	207.00	414.00
6015 · Activities Committee Expense	0.00	1,065.00	2,637.18
6030 · Accounting and Legal Fee	0.00	0.00	975.00
6070 · Bank Credit card charges (Credit card costs and fees)	94.73	124.40	331.06
6120 · Computer Expenses	54.24	0.00	54.24
6140 · Conferences - Office Manager	766.20	0.00	766.20
6160 · Copier Expense	86.94	74.34	419.58
6190 · Depreciation Expense	0.00	0.00	822.25
6230 · Insurance - General Liability	114.08	162.83	456.32
6240 · Employee HRA Plan	573.10	879.30	4,378.40
6245 · Internet Access Charges	30.71	29.95	121.60
6320 · Newsletter Expense	413.39	0.00	820.76
6330 · Office Expense	67.45	590.58	393.86
6370 · Office Paper Supply	0.00	77.38	720.76
6380 · Payroll Taxes	590.48	680.66	2,937.01
6410 · Postage	8.10	13.08	811.62
6480 · Rent	2,525.00	2,590.65	10,072.65
6540 · Salaries - Office	6,711.24	7,632.32	26,862.91
6560 · Payroll Expenses	79.99	82.48	372.74
6600 · Signing Services	200.00	200.00	600.00
7010 · Taxes and Licenses	60.00	60.00	60.00
7050 · Telephone	225.56	345.38	822.57
7060 · Travel	39.25	0.00	107.14
9080 · Sales Tax (Sales tax paid on purchases)	0.00	0.00	-0.87
Total Expense	<u>12,847.46</u>	<u>14,815.35</u>	<u>55,956.98</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>4,467.17</u>	<u>5,248.13</u>	<u>11,453.84</u>
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
8030 · Interest Income	2.50	0.36	64.13
Total Other Income	<u>2.50</u>	<u>0.36</u>	<u>64.13</u>
Net Other Income	<u>2.50</u>	<u>0.36</u>	<u>64.13</u>
Net Income	<u>4,469.67</u>	<u>5,248.49</u>	<u>11,517.97</u>

9:35 AM
05/02/12
Accrual Basis

INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.
Balance Sheet
As of April 30, 2012

Apr 30, 12

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

1010 - Petty Cash	155.43
1020 - First Republic Bank (Checking account)	20,931.71
1021 - First Republic Bank CD 0429 (12 Mo. CD @ .4%, 08/12/2012)	17,470.77 **
1023 - First Republic Bank CD 3228 (12 Mos. CD @ .6%, 02/05/2013)	16,337.61 **
1025 - First Republic Bank CD 7266 (12 Mos. CD @ .05%, 01/06/2013)	20,072.62 **
1026 - First Republic Bank CD 7619 (15 Mos. CD @ .05%, 06/21/2013)	15,000.00 **

Total Checking/Savings

89,968.14

Accounts Receivable

1110 - Accounts Rec - Group Deposits	-1,727.55
Total Accounts Receivable	-1,727.55

Other Current Assets

1250 - Literature Inventory	15,656.64
1310 - Prepaid Insurance	2,362.91
1499 - Undeposited Funds	2,203.72
Total Other Current Assets	20,223.27

Total Current Assets

108,463.86

Fixed Assets

1630 - Office Equipment	30,259.02
1640 - Office Furnishings - Asset	7,097.67
1641 - Less Accumulated Depreciation	-33,484.42
1680 - Leasehold Improvements	300.00
1681 - Less Accumulated Amortization	-300.00

Total Fixed Assets

3,872.27

Other Assets

1860 - Deposits	1,993.85
Total Other Assets	1,993.85

TOTAL ASSETS

114,329.98

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Other Current Liabilities

2240 - Sales Tax Payable (due quarterly)	1,826.61
2600 - Unity Day	1,593.09

Total Other Current Liabilities

3,419.70

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Equity

2740 - Temporarily Restricted Funds	10,842.08
3900 - Unrestricted Funds	88,550.23

Net Income

11,517.97

Total Equity

110,910.28

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY

114,329.98

**Our Prudent Reserve Accounts total: \$68,881.00
This represents about 4.5 mos., or 75% of the Board established goal of
6 months of operating expenses.

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05/02/12
Accrual Basis

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

April 2012

	Apr 12	Jan - Apr 12		Apr 12
1 INV Early Bird Group 70968	0.00	99.14	Ladies Amethyst AA Study Group 749 (Wed.)	199.00
1 Inv Freedom Fellowship 70940	0.00	340.20	Lesbians Living the Promises 349 (Fri.)	35.00
1 INV Fremont & Hollenbeck Group 70907	0.00	490.00	Living in the Solution MH (W) 33 (Sat.)	0.00
1 INV Fremont & Manet Group 70975	700.00	1,330.00	Living Solutions 728 (Fri.)	513.28
1 INV R and B Group 70972	1,735.78	1,735.78	Living with Serenity (Chips) 599 (Wed.)	0.00
1 INV Saturday Nite Live Group 70905	70.00	280.00	Los Altos Big Book 860 (Thurs.)	0.00
1 Inv Seeking Guidance Group 70976	0.00	927.05	Los Altos Group 225 (Thur.)	0.00
1 INV Serenity First Fellowship 70902	0.00	100.00	Los Altos Men's Group 59 (Mon.)	0.00
1 INV South County Fellowship 70954	210.00	980.00	Los Gatos Big Book 664 (Mon.)	70.00
1 INV Spiritual Progress Group 70904	435.00	1,126.50	Los Gatos Tuesday Night 110 (Tues.)	113.37
1 INV Winchester Fellowship 70960	75.00	150.00	Meditation Meeting LA 39 (Sat.)	97.76
12 Steps at Noon 303 (Fri.)	0.00	88.00	Men's Basic Step Study Group 891 (Tues.)	156.00
A Vision for You Women's 802 (Tues.)	0.00	150.00	Men's Big Book (Caveman Gp) 659 (Sun.)	176.16
A.B.C. Women's Group 58 (Mon.)	57.30	57.30	Men's Group 97 (Mon.)	0.00
Almaden Valley Discussion 30 (Sun.)	0.00	182.00	Men's Honesty Group 26 (Sat.)	0.00
As Bill Sees It 6.00P 518 (Mon.)	0.00	175.00	Men's Single Problem Study 89 (Mon.)	0.00
Attitude Adjustment LG 608 (Thur.)	1.27	1.27	Men's Single Problem Study Gp 220 (Thur.)	0.00
Attitude Adjustment SJ 43 (Sat.)	150.00	150.00	Midday Women's Group 91 (Mon.)	20.62
Berryessa Group 527 (Wed.)	0.00	185.00	Monday at a Time 208 (Mon.)	0.00
Bill's Basement 384 (Fri.)	0.00	75.00	Mountain Miracles 882 (Thur.)	105.00
Birthday Contribution 00951	138.00	1,470.00	New Direction 12 x 12 90 (Mon.)	0.00
Boiled Owls (Men's) 816 (Wed)	0.00	1,939.00	New Life Start (Chips) 444 (Sun.)	206.50
Bowers Fellowship 46 (Sun.)	0.00	100.00	New Live and Let Live, The 24 (Sun.)	227.50
Cambrian Saturday Night (Chips) 376 (Sat)	447.30	904.40	New Nooners 808 (Mon.)	0.12
Campus Group 234 (Thur.)	165.60	352.10	No Bull Big Book 655 (Fri.)	0.00
Character Defect Freedom 201 (Tues)	0.00	495.00	Other Wednesday Nite,The (Men) 209 (Wed)	0.00
Chips and Dyps (Chips) 559 (Tues.)	0.00	963.66	Pass It On Group 418 (Sun.)	0.00
Class of '81	0.00	301.00	Personal 00911	3,170.32
District 40	0.00	100.00	Plaza Del Rey Group 52 (Sun.)	0.00
Dr. Bob's Nightmare 360 (Sun.)	0.00	125.00	Progress Not Perfection 229 (Sun.)	0.00
Early Bird SJ 244 (Thur.)	0.00	30.00	Rincon Men's Fellowship 567 (Thur.)	0.00
Early Spiritual Progress 7 (Sun.)	0.00	76.00	Saratoga Family Group 328 (Fri.)	100.00
Early Tuesday Group 119 (Tues.)	0.00	481.60	Saturday's Reflections 622 (Sat.)	50.05
Easier Way Group 290 (Fri.)	100.00	211.00	Saturday Morning Los Gatos 777 (Sat.)	840.00
East Valley Group 322 (Fri.)	150.00	150.00	SCCYPA	690.15
Eleventh Step Meditation Mtg 276 (Thur.)	0.00	128.20	Second Tradition Group Spkr 721 (Sat.)	0.00
End of the Line Men's Group 147 (Tues.)	0.00	84.00	Serenity Discussion 210 (Wed.)	163.25
Evergreen Group 884 (Thur.)	0.03	70.07	Shared Gift, The (Women) 61 (Mon.)	0.00
G Attitude Adjustment	0.00	86.80	Single Problem Study (Men) 212 (Wed.)	0.00
G By the Book 70980	0.00	550.00	Single Problem Topic (Men's) 582 (Mon.)	0.00
G Fair Avenue Fellowship 70901	0.00	204.85	Sisters Seeking Serenity 858 (Wed.)	0.00
G Gilroy Groups 70906	0.00	210.00	Society of the Second Chance 305 (Tues.)	0.00
G Higher Power Hour 70952	0.00	691.80	Solutions for Gay Women 870 (Thur.)	0.00
G One Day at a Time 70903	330.98	2,997.76	South Valley Men's 845 (Thur.)	0.00
G Remember We Deal With Alcohol 70938	0.00	374.84	South Valley Women's Surrender 88 (Mon.)	83.30
G Sunrise Group of Palo Alto 70963	381.28	1,237.48	Spiritual Awakening 813 (Tues.)	122.50
G Sunrisers Group/Carrows 70932	394.18	1,665.53	St. Mark's Group 270 (Thur.)	0.00
G Third Tradition	20.00	40.25	Step Study (Women) LG 820 (Wed.)	0.00
G Third Tradition Women's Gp, The 70979	0.00	1,793.96	Sunday Spirituality 674 (Sun.)	0.00
G We Care Group 70934	0.00	500.00	Sunshine Group noon 243 (Thur.)	0.00
G West Valley Fellowship 70942	0.00	680.00	T.G.I.F. Speaker/Discussion 298 (Fri.)	0.00
Gathered Together for Sobriety 43 (Sun.)	0.00	236.70	Think Tank (Men's) 361 (Sat.)	0.00
Gay & Lesbian AA Big Book Disc146 (Tues.)	100.00	100.00	Traditions Breakfast Event	0.00
Gay & Lesbian Sober Experience 896 (Mon.)	0.00	84.00	Traditions Workshop	450.00
Gay Men's Freedom 262 (Thur.)	0.00	587.50	Tuesday Night Men's Mtg 525 (Tues.)	0.00
Get Up and Go (Women) 187 (Sat.)	893.72	1,529.85	Tuesday Night Saratoga Group 152 (Tues.)	100.00
Get Well Group 17 (Sun.)	0.00	200.90	Unknown	0.00
Grace Group of AA 352 (Sat.)	0.00	280.00	Up the Creek-Daily Reflections 745 (Tue.)	50.00
H.O.W. Group 164 (Wed.)	0.00	502.40	Veterans of Alcohol NortH 338 (Tues.)	0.00
Happy Destiny (Women) 109 (Tues.)	804.00	2,164.80	Villages Group of AA, The 406 (Mon.)	0.00
Happy, Joyous & Free 650 (Tues.)	0.00	187.00	Women's Brunch 640 (Sat.)	283.01
High Hope (Men's) 239 (Sat.)	200.80	486.77	Women's Topic Disc. Group 103 (Tues.)	53.75
HOW Group 71 (Mon.)	64.00	64.00	Women on the Move 570 (Wed.)	0.00
Humbly Asked 87 (Sun.)	0.00	177.00	Women Sharing the Solution 519 (Thur.)	0.00
In the Solution 647 (Sat.)	155.40	325.50	Women to Women 704 (Sat.)	0.00
Invaders Group 44 (Sun.)	0.00	100.00	TOTAL	15,856.28

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Accrual Basis

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

April 2012

	Jan - Apr 12
1 INV Early Bird Group 70968	437.00
1 Inv Freedom Fellowship 70940	245.00
1 INV Fremont & Hollenbeck Group 70907	126.00
1 INV Fremont & Manet Group 70975	513.28
1 INV R and B Group 70972	221.10
1 INV Saturday Nite Live Group 70905	184.00
1 Inv Seeking Guidance Group 70976	196.70
1 INV Serenity First Fellowship 70902	295.00
1 INV South County Fellowship 70954	317.95
1 INV Spiritual Progress Group 70904	113.37
1 INV Winchester Fellowship 70960	97.76
12 Steps at Noon 303 (Fri.)	156.00
A Vision for You Women's 802 (Tues.)	176.16
A.B.C. Women's Group 58 (Mon.)	350.00
Almaden Valley Discussion 30 (Sun.)	280.00
As Bill Sees It 6.00P 518 (Mon.)	170.00
Attitude Adjustment LG 608 (Thur.)	918.53
Attitude Adjustment SJ 43 (Sat.)	296.15
Berryessa Group 527 (Wed.)	140.00
Bill's Basement 384 (Fri.)	105.00
Birthday Contribution 00951	238.46
Boiled Owls (Men's) 816 (Wed)	206.50
Bowers Fellowship 46 (Sun.)	227.50
Cambrian Saturday Night (Chips) 376 (Sat)	55.12
Campus Group 234 (Thur.)	200.00
Character Defect Freedom 201 (Tues)	400.00
Chips and Dyps (Chips) 559 (Tues.)	178.50
Class of '81	3,718.36
District 40	150.00
Dr. Bob's Nightmare 360 (Sun.)	112.00
Early Bird SJ 244 (Thur.)	350.00
Early Spiritual Progress 7 (Sun.)	100.00
Early Tuesday Group 119 (Tues.)	50.05
Easier Way Group 290 (Fri.)	840.00
East Valley Group 322 (Fri.)	690.15
Eleventh Step Meditation Mtg 276 (Thur.)	411.50
End of the Line Men's Group 147 (Tues.)	409.97
Evergreen Group 884 (Thur.)	630.00
G Attitude Adjustment	374.84
G By the Book 70980	278.00
G Fair Avenue Fellowship 70901	455.00
G Gilroy Groups 70906	170.00
G Higher Power Hour 70952	70.00
G One Day at a Time 70903	100.00
G Remember We Deal With Alcohol 70938	83.30
G Sunrise Group of Palo Alto 70963	380.56
G Sunrisers Group/Carrows 70932	369.20
G Third Tradition	251.40
G Third Tradition Women's Gp, The 70979	291.32
G We Care Group 70934	442.00
G West Valley Fellowship 70942	54.05
Gathered Together for Sobriety 43 (Sun.)	840.00
Gay & Lesbian AA Big Book Disc146 (Tues.)	322.00
Gay & Lesbian Sober Experience 896 (Mon.)	450.00
Gay Men's Freedom 262 (Thur.)	1,006.00
Get Up and Go (Women) 187 (Sat.)	100.00
Get Well Group 17 (Sun.)	761.04
Grace Group of AA 352 (Sat.)	150.00
H.O.W. Group 164 (Wed.)	225.00
Happy Destiny (Women) 109 (Tues.)	0.18
Happy, Joyous & Free 650 (Tues.)	462.75
High Hope (Men's) 239 (Sat.)	71.25
HOW Group 71 (Mon.)	268.75
Humbly Asked 87 (Sun.)	203.00
In the Solution 647 (Sat.)	98.00
Invaders Group 44 (Sun.)	57,247.71

Second Tradition Group



of Alcoholics Anonymous
Saturday Night 8PM Speaker Meeting

Lincoln Glen Church
2700 Booksin Ave.
San Jose, CA

Upcoming Speakers

May 19th	Linda B. from Woodside, CA
May 26th	Leslie K. from Modesto, CA
June 2nd	Rita S. from Temecula, CA
June 9th	Frank S. from San Mateo, CA
June 23rd	Bob D. from Redwood Shores, CA
July 14th	Gwen D. from El Dorado Hills, CA
July 21st	Marian G. from Lancaster, CA
July 28th	Bill H. from San Jose, CA
August 4th	Mike S. from Riverside, CA
August 18th	Tina A. from Los Angeles, CA
August 25th	Penny P. from Livermore, CA
September 1st	Diane O. from Cupertino, CA
September 8th	Rusty M. from Oceanside, CA
September 15th	Johnnie H. from Long beach, CA
September 29th	Fernando S. from Concord, CA

And many more.... (Missing dates are TBA)

For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority-a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.

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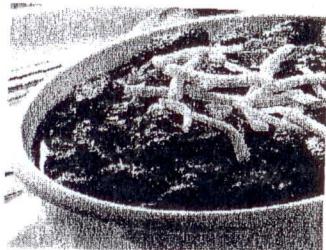
DATE: Saturday, May 12, 2012

TIME: 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Vasona Park

Lakeview Area

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BAKE SALE

Gilroy Group Alcoholics Anonymous

Traditions Workshop

Saturday, June 16, 2012
7511 Gourmet Alley
Gilroy, CA
12:00 - 2:00 PM

The Gilroy Group of Alcoholics Anonymous is presenting a Traditions workshop. There will be four (4) speakers, each doing 3 traditions. There will be a free BBQ following the workshop. Directions: Take Hwy. 101 south to Gilroy. Exit Leavesley Ave. Make a right at the light. Go straight until you reach Monterey St. Make a left turn. Go straight until you reach 4th St., make a right turn. The very 1st driveway to your left is Gourmet Alley. Drive down a ways, plenty of parking is available to your right.

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.



Please join us at the

Saturday Nite Live Group's Annual Sponsorship Workshop

This is a four-part workshop that will use the chapter, "Working with Others" as a guide for members to share their experience, strength, and hope regarding the topic of sponsorship. Our aim is to solve common problems by finding common solutions using our basic text as a reference for carrying the message to those still suffering from alcoholism.

The Workshops will be held at The Saturday Nite Live Group of Alcoholics Anonymous, located at 1388 Bascom Ave. San Jose, CA (at Stokes). Meeting time is **5-6pm** on the dates listed below along with the pages we will be reviewing.

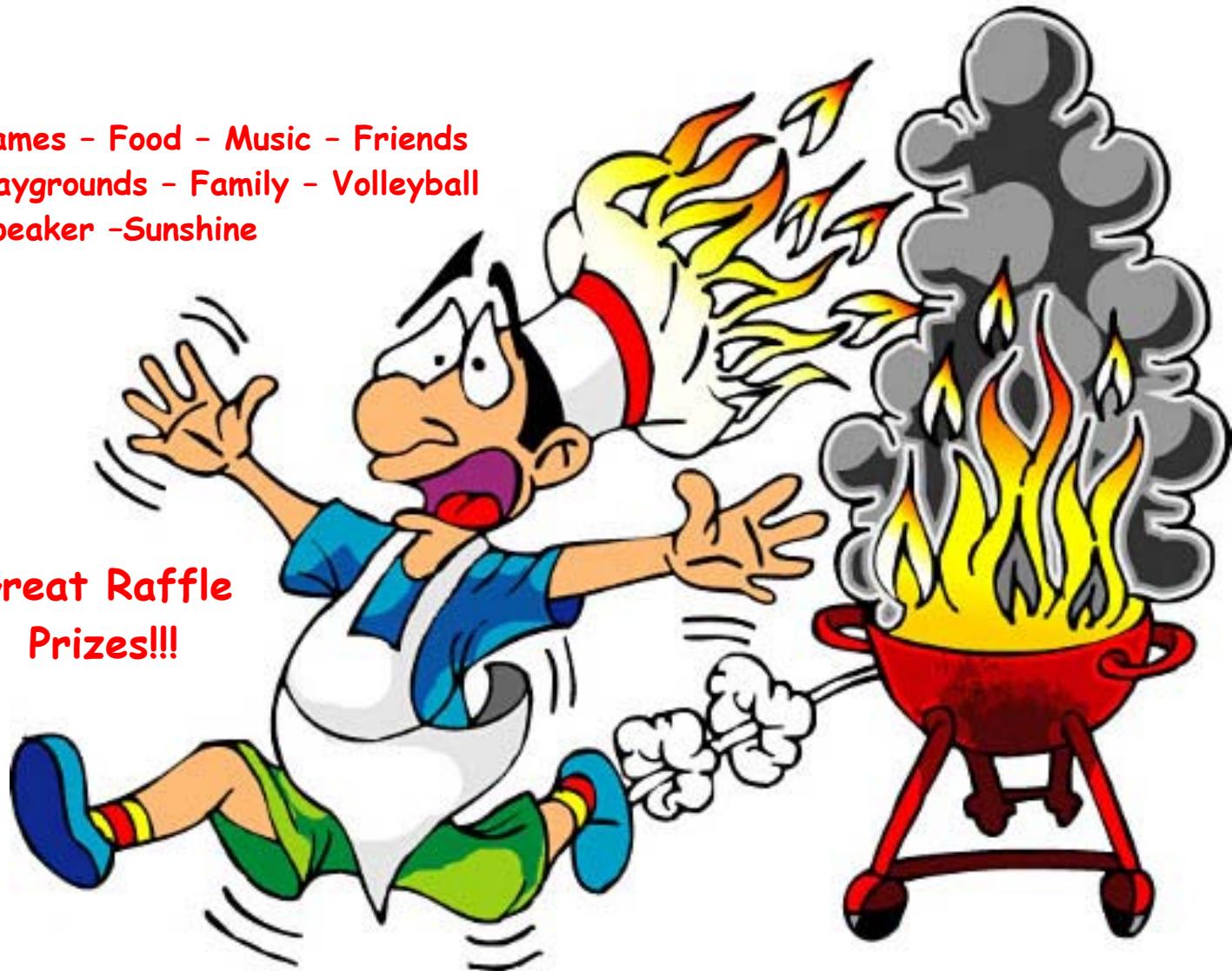
January 15 ... 5pm-6pm	Pages 89-93
March 18 ... 5pm-6pm	Pages 93-97
May 20 ... 5pm-6pm	Pages 97-101
July 15 ... 5pm-6pm	Pages 101-103

**The Early Bird Group of A.A. is hosting
The Second Annual BBQ at Kelley Park
on Saturday, June 9th, 2012**

1300 Senter Road, San Jose CA 95112

Games - Food - Music - Friends
Playgrounds - Family - Volleyball
Speaker - Sunshine

**Great Raffle
Prizes!!!**



We have the area reserved from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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