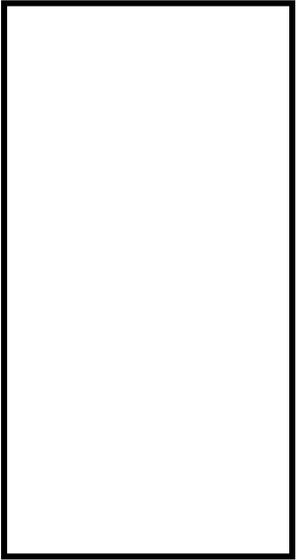




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Meetings from the '60s

Your Central Office has a collection of meeting schedules dating from 1964. The fledgling groups initially formed family groups, since the early members understood the necessity of family recovery from the disease of alcoholism. Over the years, the groups that lasted dropped the "family" designation as the Al-Anon program became a viable presence.

Members of your Archives Committee, in their research into early meetings, found that many meetings have come and gone since our first schedules. We were also delighted to find that many meetings from those early days have endured. Some are still located in their original homes, some have moved one or more times, but what they have in common is that they are still showing up in today's meeting schedule. For the most part, they all still hold "Group" in their names.

What does it mean to be a group? The Group Guidelines say that most AA members meet in AA groups as defined by the long form of our Third Tradition: "Any two or three alcoholics gathered together for sobriety may call themselves an AA group, provided that, as a group, they have no other affiliation." The main difference between meetings and groups is that AA groups generally continue to exist outside the

prescribed meeting hours ready to provide Twelfth Step help when needed.

The meetings that were started and continue to this day are: Alano Club of San Jose** (San Jose); Bowers Fellowship (Santa Clara); Cambrian Park Saturday Night Group** (San Jose); East Valley Group (San Jose); End of the Line Group** (San Jose); Foxworthy Speakers Group (Los Gatos); Fremont Avenue Noon Group (Sunnyvale); Los Altos Group (Los Altos); Men's Group 4th Step** (San Jose); Midday Women's Group (Santa Clara); Spiritual Progress Group (Los Gatos)**; St. Luke's Group (Los Gatos); Sunnyvale Men's Group (Sunnyvale); Tuesday Night Saratoga Group (Saratoga); Trinity Family Group** (San Jose); Wednesday Noon Discussion (Palo Alto); Winchester Fellowship (Santa Clara).

It's an impressive list – and we have group histories for those that are starred (**).

If you are part of one of these groups or another group and would like to contribute to a group history, to be published in these pages and on file at Central Office, please contact us at coin@aasanjose.org, or call Central Office at (408) 374-8420 and ask for the Archives. It's a great way to "Pass It On" to our AA members of the future.

– The Archives Committee

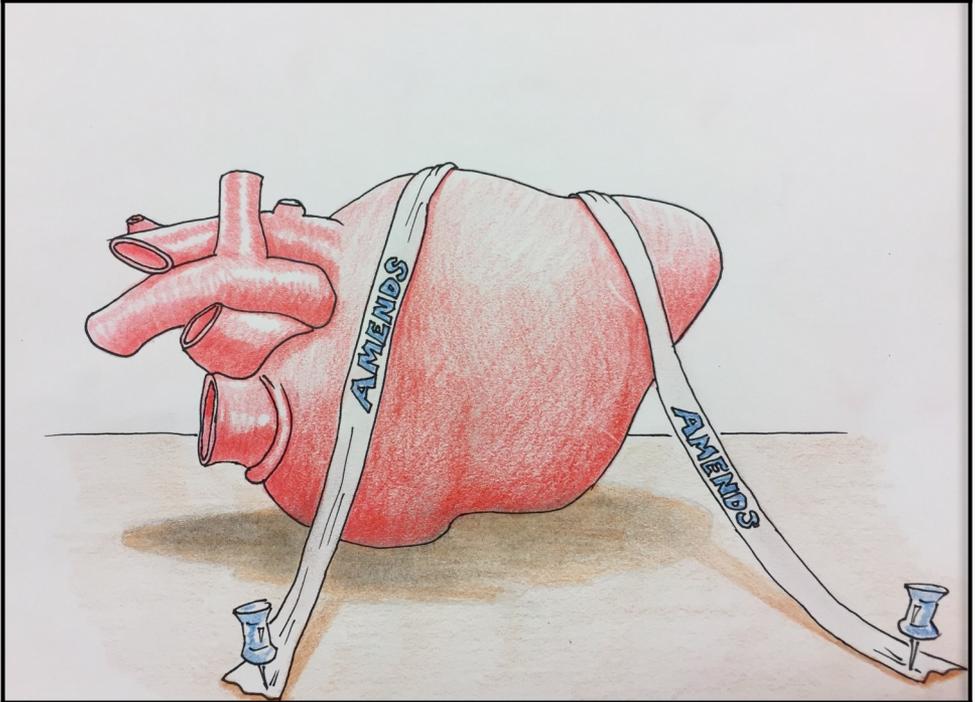


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Upcoming COIN Deadline

October 2017 Issue: September 20th
Topics: Step Ten, Tradition Ten, Tenth Step Principle (Perseverance)

Please email all submissions to coin@aasanjose.org.

Step Nine: Making Our Amends

The Big Book says about Step Nine that “if we are painstaking about this phase of our development, we will be amazed before we are halfway through,” and it then goes on to list the promises. The 12 Steps and 12 Traditions is more direct about the different approaches we can take, and encourages us to exercise caution before we rush in and make major blunders.

This suggestion, I think, cannot be taken lightly. I have heard many horror stories about well-meaning members wanting to put Step Nine behind them – people who ran to friends and loved ones and disclosed things that destroyed any trust they may have had in the alcoholic.

“Good judgment, a careful sense of timing, courage, and prudence – these are the qualities we shall need when we take Step Nine.” Sometimes we read the *headline* but fail to read the *entire article*, so to speak. If we do this when we go through the steps, we can do more damage to our already strained relationships. Making promises to my close friends and family that I’m not sure I can keep usually falls on deaf ears, but an honest recognition of my past mistakes, without going into too many details, and my sincere determination to give the program my best effort – understanding that my *behavior* is the measure of my success – is a more prudent approach.

We know that the road to hell is

paved with good intentions. After we have put some time between us and our drinking careers, we can revisit those amends and go into details about each event, but only after we have run it by an experienced and trusted advisor. That is where the sponsor comes in.

Rushing into an amend that could bring hardship to our unsuspecting families, or to other third parties, is another mistake that members sometimes make. Step Nine in the 12x12 says that “we cannot, for example, unload a detailed account of extramarital adventuring upon the shoulders of our unsuspecting wife or husband.” I would also include major financial or work-related amends that may result in the losing a job or creating heavy financial difficulties for the family. These should be consulted upon carefully with all involved and put off until everyone involved is in agreement. They should be undertaken only after talking to someone to make sure that we are not overlooking anything.

How about all those relatives and friends



that we haven't seen in a while but still have an uncomfortable feeling about the way we left that relationship? These people only have a snapshot of what we used to be like and what we are like now. They don't see the day-to-day changes that we have made in our lives, and they likely assume that we haven't changed much (if at all) since we made our last major mistake.

For this type of situation, we should consider a slow but sincere process of reestablishing contact. I sometimes suggest that using the opportunity of a birthday or holiday to send a card can be a nice way to reestablish contact, with a simple "Been thinking about you, hope things are going well. Love..." You might be amazed at what happens when you send these out at each opportunity for a year or two, with no return address and no expectations.



I made my Eighth Step list and proceeded to making my amends – making things right – to the best of my ability, and with the guidance of my sponsor. As I made the list, she told me to consider the harms done to each person as I listed their names.

When I was entirely ready and willing to start my amends, it occurred to me that, in addition to willingness, I would need humility and a ton of courage.

Praying to God to keep fear out of my housecleaning phase, I also asked God to keep me going slow and easy, not rushing too quickly to get finished with it, and for the sensitivity not to needlessly open old wounds that would be better left unspoken.

I learned that each situation was different, so one set of words would not fit each situation. By listening to others whom I respected in the program, I learned not to make excuses, just to be honest about my part.

The line in the Big Book, "We are not Saints ... [but] we are willing to grow along

Sometime in the future, you may have to attend a wedding, a graduation, or a funeral where you will see the person again. My experience has been that the cards create curiosity, and sometimes prompt people to talk to each other. When they find out that you are trying hard to mend your ways, it tends to disarm them. That would be the time to put things to rest, keeping in mind that if we can't honestly say, "I regret what I did, and I don't do that anymore," then maybe we aren't yet ready to make that amend.

The point is to understand that most amends can be made in a positive way, with results so much better than we ever could have expected. We must do these things if we hope to experience the promises listed on pages 83 and 84 in the Big Book.

– Rick R.

spiritual lines," helped me immensely as I prepared to do the "next right thing." And yes, I did it. I did the Ninth Step without hurting anyone anew or causing undo emotional pain. Steps Six and Seven were important to me in helping me to be able to move on to Eight and Nine.

I learned that the AA program is a process of repetition with improvement, through the steps. It is said that repetition is what got us here, and repetition is what will keep us here – by God's grace.

After completing the "housecleaning" phase, I was totally ready to receive the Twelve Promises that I had heard read at so many meetings and had seen on the walls of many meeting rooms. At the end, it asks, "Are these extravagant promises?"

As the Big Book says, "We think not. They are being fulfilled among us, sometimes quickly, sometimes slowly. They will always materialize if we work for them."

– Danette G.

A Simple Program for Complicated People

The beauty of Alcoholics Anonymous is in its simplicity. I was told, “If you want what we have, do what we do. We don’t drink, a day at a time. Get a sponsor, be of service, work steps, and find a Higher Power.”

Recognizing that it could quickly become overly complicated, Dr. Bob’s famous last words to Bill W. were, “Remember Bill, let’s not louse this thing up. Let’s keep it simple.”

Like everything in AA, the balance between our two founders was perfectly imperfect. I once heard it described like this: If Dr. Bob had his way, AA would never have made it out of Akron. If Bill had his way, AA would have been franchised.

Also attributed to Dr. Bob, and an excellent summary of our Twelve Steps, is the adage, “Trust God, clean house, help others.” Steps One, Two, and Three are about learning to trust in God; Steps Four through Eleven are how to identify and clear our wreckage of the past (clean house); and Step Twelve gives us the opportunity to practice the principles we’ve learned and to help others.

It makes perfect sense that Tradition Nine, in its simplest form, suggests “the least possible organization” and that “rotating leadership is the best”:

“True leaders in AA are but trusted and experienced servants of the whole. They derive no real authority from their titles; they do not govern. Universal respect is the key to their usefulness.”

For people who generally like to overcomplicate things, the simplicity of AA, the steps (simple, not easy), the traditions, concepts, and service help to keep us on the “road of happy destiny.”

But how does an organization, with members numbering in the millions, run meetings, create literature, put on conferences, and stay current without being organized? The simple answer is that it’s member-driven.

It’s the members who show up to set up chairs and brew coffee for the meeting. It’s the members who staff the Divorcer and answer calls from frightened newcomers.

It’s the members who gather in service to determine how we can do the most good for more alcoholics. It’s the members who transmit information about what we need to our service bodies and subsequently to our offices in New York. All of this is based on what the members – you and me – believe

we need so we can better carry the message to the still-suffering alcoholic.

Unlike a typical corporation, which has a leader or CEO who directs everything the company does, our members decide what we want our trusted servants in New York to do for our fellowship.

“Our leaders are but trusted servants” is also a key part of Tradition Two. The members of AA tell our leaders what we believe we need to better help current and new members. Is there a new pamphlet needed to carry the message into prisons? Are there new stories needed in the next



edition of the big book that better reflect our current membership?

All of these things are constantly being discussed, locally at Intergroup and regionally at General Service. These groups of people are made up of members who are willing to spend their time traveling and working side-by-side with other like-minded members. We do the serious business of making AA a little better, a day at a time.

The principle of rotation is another key piece of both Tradition Two and Tradition Nine. “To step out of an AA office you love can be hard. But it can be a real step forward in growth – a step into humility that is, for some people, the spiritual essence of anonymity” (anonymity being the crux of Tradition Twelve).

Of course, some organization is needed. Otherwise, nothing would get done. That’s why “the least amount” of organization is ideal. Just like some money is necessary to

do our business – to rent our meeting rooms, create literature, run an office to help us help the newcomer – some organization is also required. The key is to keep it to a minimum, the essence of simplicity!

People often talk about the triangle of unity, recovery, and service – the three key components of our beloved fellowship. They are so important that they appear on nearly every single chip we hand out in celebration of another day or year without having to pick up a drink. Most of us carry our latest chip around with us, in pockets and purses, on key chains and in book covers. Pull yours out and look at it – consider what it represents. Ask yourself how you can better help another person receive this amazing program that has transformed so many of our lives.

Trust God, clean house, help others – simple.

– Anonymous

AA Traditions Checklist

These questions were originally published in the Grapevine in conjunction with a series of articles on the Twelve Traditions that ran from November 1969 to September 1971. The complete “Traditions Checklist” is available at our Central Office. We will continue to publish a tradition each month for the rest of 2017.

Tradition Nine

AA, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.

1. Do I still try to boss things in AA?
2. Do I resist formal aspects of AA because I fear them as authoritative?
3. Am I mature enough to understand and use all elements of the AA program—even if no one makes me do so—with a sense of personal responsibility?
4. Do I exercise patience and humility in any AA job I take?
5. Am I aware of all those to whom I am responsible in any AA job?
6. Why doesn’t every AA group need a constitution and bylaws?
7. Have I learned to step out of an AA job gracefully—and profit thereby—when the time comes?
8. What has rotation to do with anonymity? With humility?

Concept Nine: Leadership Matters

Concept 9: Leadership Matters Concept Nine supplies the General Service structure with leaders. We already know about “servant leadership” from Traditions Two and Nine, and Concepts Three and Five. Concept Nine is about the need to continuously find good leaders at all levels, and about the leadership role of the Board of Trustees. It ends with a popular Grapevine article by Bill W. on leadership, which applies to all AA leaders including sponsors.

“Weak leadership can hardly function at

all, even in the best of structures,” Bill wrote. “Furnishing our service structure with able and willing workers has to be a continuous activity.” First he stressed the importance of the GSRs, who elect District and Area workers, and Delegates. “These are the direct agents of the AA groups; these are the indispensable linkage between our Fellowship and its world service; these are the primary representatives of AA’s group conscience. ...Hence great care needs to be taken by the groups as they choose these Representatives.”

The GSRs, in turn, also need to show care. “Personal ambitions will have to be cast aside, feuds and controversy forgotten. ‘Who are the best qualified people that we can name?’ This should be the thought of all.” As in Concept Five, Bill emphasized the value of the Third Legacy voting procedure described in the Service Manual. “This system of choosing has greatly reduced political friction; it has made each Delegate feel that he or she is truly a world servant rather than just the winner of a contest. In committee members and delegates alike, our Third Legacy methods have generally produced people of a high level of dedication and competence.”

In Concept Nine, the 66-year-old Bill discussed the inevitable passing of his remaining leadership duties to the General Service Board. He hoped the composition of the Board would change in order to strengthen and better suit it for that leadership role. In those days, two-thirds of the Board was Class A (non-alcoholic) Trustees, and some of them served for decades. Three years later, in 1965, the ratio was changed to one-third Class As, and much later the Board also agreed to term limits for all trustees. In keeping with Concept Nine, we continue to consider

*They lead us
by example.
They don't
boss!*



changes to the Board. For instance, we recently dropped the old rule that the Chair of the Board must be a Class A.

The third and longest part of the chapter on Concept Nine is a reprint of Bill's 1959 Grapevine article, "Leadership in AA: Ever a Vital Need." This is some of Bill's best writing, but it can require multiple readings, since he was trying to thread a very fine needle. Remember that the Traditions remove most forms of power from AA – personal authority, membership requirements, money, property, prestige, politics, fame, and even seniority. How is it possible to lead in that "benign anarchy?"

The answer is something like attraction. "Our leaders do not drive by mandate, they lead by example. ...A leader in AA service is therefore someone who can personally put principles, plans, and policies into such dedicated and effective action that the rest of us want to back him up and help him with his job."

This takes balance, as Bill showed in numerous examples of the "careful discrimination and soul-searching that true leadership must always try to exercise." For instance: "Good leadership originates plans, policies, and ideas... But in new and important matters, it will nevertheless consult widely before taking decisions and actions... [and] often discard its own cherished plans for others that are better." Leaders must know when to yield, since "progress is nearly always characterized by a series of improving compromises. We cannot, however, compromise always. Now and then it is truly necessary to stick flat-footed to one's conviction about an issue until it is settled." It may seem contradictory, but Bill is really saying, "These are situations for keen timing and careful discrimination as to which course to take."

Another key trait is the ability to listen openly to criticism, discern whatever truth may be in it, and engage or move on appropriately. Then there's "the all-important attribute of vision. ...As individuals and as a fellowship, we shall surely suffer if we cast the whole job of planning for tomorrow onto a fatuous idea of Providence. God's real Providence has endowed us human beings with a considerable capacity for foresight, and He evidently expects us to use it." This is true at all levels, but Bill wrote that it's essential for Trustees. "Most of them, in my view, should be chosen on the basis that they have already demonstrated an aptness for foresight in their own business or professional careers."

In the end, Bill brought it home to where we all live: "We shall be in continual need of these same attributes – tolerance, responsibility, flexibility, and vision – among our leaders of AA services at all levels." This includes sponsors, he wrote. "Every sponsor is necessarily a leader. What the sponsor does and says, how well he estimates the reactions of his prospects, how well he times and makes his presentation, how well he handles criticisms, and how well he leads his prospect on by personal spiritual example – these qualities of leadership can make all the difference."

Here's Concept Nine: "Good service leaders, together with sound and appropriate methods of choosing them, are at all levels indispensable for our future functioning and safety. The primary world service leadership once exercised by the founders of AA must necessarily be assumed by the Trustees of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous."

– Jim F.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>3</p> <p>PI/CPC WORKSHOP: 5:30pm, PI/CPC MEETING: 6pm, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1724 N. Winchester Blvd. at Tulip, SC</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>SOUTH COUNTY GENERAL SERVICE WORKSHOP: 7pm, 1st Congregational Church, 1980 Hamilton Ave., SJ</p>	<p>6</p> <p>OUTREACH MEETING: 6:45pm INTERGROUP MEETING: 7:30pm Trinity Church, 3151 Union Ave., SJ</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> <p>SCCPAA BUSINESS MTG: 12-1pm, Calvary Church, Brick House, 16330 Los Gatos Blvd., Los Gatos</p>
<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>NORTH COUNTY GENERAL SERVICE MTG: 7:30pm St. John's Lutheran Church, 581 E. Fremont Ave., Sunnyvale</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>DIVERTEK/12TH STEEPERS WORKSHOP: 10am, Central Office, 274 E. Hamilton Ave., Suite D., Campbell</p>
<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>BRIDGING THE GAP MTG: 7pm, 1st Congregational Church, 1980 Hamilton Ave. at Leigh, SJ</p>	<p>19</p> <p>SOUTH COUNTY GENERAL SERVICE MEETING: 7pm, 1st Congregational Church, 1980 Hamilton Ave., SJ</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>SCCPAA BUSINESS MTG: 12-1pm, Calvary Church, Brick House, 16330 Los Gatos Blvd., Los Gatos</p>
<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>H&I COMMITTEE MEETING: 7pm, 1980 E. Hamilton Ave., SJ</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>

MEETING CHANGES

CLOSED MEETINGS

Open AA Meeting: Sunday, 8:30 am, Alano Club West
1555 S. 7th Street, San Jose

Open AA Chip Meeting: Wednesday, 6:00 pm,
Alano Club West, 1555 S. 7th Street, San Jose

LOCATION/TIME CHANGE

Big Book 103: Thursday 7:15 pm, Alano Club West,
1555 S. 7th Street, San Jose *now meets at Masonic Center,
2500 Masonic Drive, San Jose. at 7:30 pm*

University Beginners Meeting: Wednesday,
5:00 pm, Santa Clara University *now meets in room 237.*

Please be responsible:

If there are any changes to your meeting, location, format, or your meeting is discontinued, please contact Central Office ASAP and update your information. Don't send a newcomer to an empty room!



"I have a desire that he stop drinking!"

August 2017 Statistics

Daytime Phone Calls to Central Office.....220

Daytime 12-Step Calls.....7

(Evening 12-Step call information is not available.)

The Central Office website
receives an average of
15,000 hits each month!

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

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



Birthday Contributions

Birthday Celebrant	Years	Contributions	Birthday
Bonnie O.	32	Bonnie O.	08/09/1985
James McG	11	Judith McG	08/16/2006
Mary S.	40	Elle Mc	08/19/1977
Jim M.	40	Jan M.	08/24/1977
Mike B.	31	Anonymous	8/26/1986

154 Years of Sobriety!

If you would like to participate or to honor a friend, please use the birthday forms at your meeting or at Central Office. Birthdays are listed in recognition of contributions made to Central Office on a member's behalf for a sobriety milestone, either by themselves or for a friend, and will be listed in this section unless requested otherwise.

BIRTHDAY CONTRIBUTION

CELEBRANT:

Name _____

Address _____

Sobriety Date _____

Amount of contribution: \$ _____

CONTRIBUTOR:

Name _____

Address _____

We would like to print this information in the COIN, unless you indicate otherwise below:

Print celebrant name? Yes No

Print contributor name? Yes No

We truly appreciate this contribution and celebrating this milestone.

Thank you!

INTERGROUP MEETING MINUTES

August 2, 2017

- Robby W. Intergroup Chairperson, opened the meeting at 7:30 pm followed by a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer. Wil read the definition of Intergroup. Alex read the Twelve Traditions.
- New Intergroup reps: John M. – 4@4, San Jose; William H. – Early Tuesday Group, Mountain View; Karl R. – High Hopes, Santa Clara; Lori – Friday Living With Others; Chris A. – Monday Night Chip Meeting, San Jose; Phil W. – ODAAT, San Jose; Darlene – Gathered Together for Sobriety, Alano West, San Jose; and Louis – Monday Night, Mountain View
- Visitors – Jennifer; Linda
- Birthdays: Dan – 2 years; Ann – 16 years; Andy – 31 years; Linda – 24 years; and Julie – 16 years
- Observation of 7th Tradition – Michael H.
- Corrections or additions to the agenda – none
- Corrections or additions to the previous month's minutes – none
- Michael H. thanked the group for tonight's collection of \$87
- 37 voting members present

Reports

Intergroup Chair, Robby W.

- As a reminder, please line up three deep for the committee reports. Highlight your "take away." Big thanks to Desiree for the coffee, Joe for the treats, and Larry and Shannon for setting up our PA system.

Treasurer's Report, Michael H. (no report)

Newsletter Committee (*The COIN*), Stephanie L. (no report)

Central Service Board Chair, Darcy S.

- The Board of Directors met on July 27. The Treasurer's report covering June 2017 was as follows:
 - June 2017 group contributions were \$10,739.86. Compared to May 2017 (\$9,677.32), this was an increase in group contributions of \$1,051.54 or +11%. Year-to-year, June 2016 and June 2017 saw a decrease of \$1,483.70 (-12%).
 - Year-to-date, June 30, 2017 was \$85,497.20 versus a year ago (\$89, 808.72); we are down \$4,311.52 (-5%). Yearly group contributions went down 1% from last month, and the trend is downward.
 - The group completed the executive director's performance review.

Central Office, Julie N. for Bruce K.

- The ability to take contributions on our website would be a welcome addition. We are working on it, but we continue to run into snags. We are going to do this; your patience is appreciated.
- Overhead costs continue to rise. The prudent reserve goal increases and we remain \$15,000 short of our six months expenses goal. Not to worry – you are supporting us adequately and we seem to be on the way to making up the short fall, but we want you to understand the need. Also, want you to know that we are very grateful for your support.

Nights and Weekends Diverter Coordinator, Julie N. for Louie R.

- The nights and weekends portion of the 24/7 telephone outreach by our Central Office takes calls from people contacting AA to answer their questions or find a Twelfth Step volunteer to work with them. The sobriety requirement is one year, and it is a one-year service commitment.
- The team consists of 160 folks; some folks hold more than one position. There are seven coordinators.
- Long-time Monday daily coordinator Teri L. has completed training as a Diverter workshop instructor. Teri has graciously agreed to help hold monthly workshops at Intergroup Central Office. Please share with your groups that we will be happy to bring the workshop to your meeting with advanced notice.
- We strongly encourage your group members to attend a Diverter Workshop, held at 10am on the third Saturday at Central Office, or at 7pm before the Intergroup meeting.
- We held a special daily coordinators meeting in June. The enthusiasm and teamwork was amazing, and the group consensus was to do this on a quarterly basis. We agreed that the most effective way is to "shoulder tap" people who may enjoy this service. Please pass it on to your sponsees.

- We have six open shifts:

5th Sunday:	4pm - 7pm	1st Monday:	6am - 9am
3rd Wednesday:	11pm - 6am	4th Wednesday:	11pm - 6am
3rd Thursday:	10pm - 6am	4th Saturday:	6am - 9am

Secretary Workshop, Kathy R. (no report)

* The Secretary Workshop is held the first Saturday of each month at 10am at Central Office.

Outreach Committee, Susan P. (no report)

Twelfth Step Committee, Alex S.

- We are still looking for more volunteers. To make this service more accessible to members, Alex offers to come meet members to orientate them. Alex can be contacted by phone and time can be arranged. There is a six-month sobriety requirement.

Website, Josh R.

- We are still looking into the “digital basket” – 7th Tradition collections from members as well as passing the basket in meetings. We need to form a committee. Please pass this on to your meeting’s treasurer.
- The website workshop is September 9-10; go to NAATW.org for details.

Activities Committee, Ken M. (no report)

Old/Ongoing Business

- Nominations – secretary, co-secretary/website/digital basket team (Josh and Bruce are the leaders).

New Business (none)

Other Service Committee Reports

NCCAA, Dennis

- Dennis needs to step down. Someone is needed to take over this position.

Hospitals and Institutions, Tommy O. (no report)

Bridging the Gap, Jane

- Volunteers are needed. Meetings are held the third Monday of each month at 7pm at First Congregational Church, 1980 E. Hamilton Avenue, San Jose.
- We’re introducing a new position – volunteers to write letter to people incarcerated within our area. Encourage members to get involved with Bridging the Gap, including writing letters to inmates getting sober in jail to help them into recovery upon release.

North County General Service, Mary M.

- The summer assembly is on Saturday, August 5 in Petaluma. This assembly will consist of an area business meeting in the morning, then there will be breakout sessions on a range of topics pertinent to general service and AA as a whole.
- District Meeting – We heard a fascinating presentation about the AA and the law given by the visiting district officer. We approved money to help send a Bridging the Gap Representative to the national BTG workshop in Minneapolis/St. Paul. We also manage to fill one of our open Officer positions.

SCCYPAA, Gary M. (no report)

Sober and Free, Linda (no report)

Open Forum

- The meeting closed with the Responsibility Statement.

LOCAL EVENTS

- September 15-17 Breathe In Yosemite (www.breatheinyosemite.com)
- September 30 California Beach Blanket Bingo, Billy DeFrank LGBTQ Community Center, 938 The Alameda, San Jose 7-10 pm
- October 7 Take Your Sponsor to Brunch, Lincoln Glen Church, 2700 Booksin Avenue, San Jose, 11:30 am to 3 pm
- October 28 Early Bird Group presents Stayin' Alive 10, The AA Family Calvary United Methodist Church 729 Morse Street, San Jose
- October 28 Sober and Free Halloween Costume Party, Billy DeFrank LGBTQ Community Center, 938 The Alameda, San Jose
- October 28 A Nightmare to Remember Halloween Party, Alano Club West, 1555 S. 7th Street, San Jose, 6 pm to 11:59 pm

CALIFORNIA EVENTS

- September 8-10 39th Annual Ventura County AA Convention, Westlake Hyatt Resort, 880 S. Westlake Blvd., Westlake Village, California (www.vcaac.org)
- September 8-10 2017 National AA Technology Workshop, Hilton Sacramento Arden West, 2200 Harvard Street, Sacramento, CA (www.naatw2017.org)
- September 29-October 1 Woman to Woman San Diego, The Dana on Mission Bay, 1710 W. Mission Bay Drive, San Diego, CA 92109 (www.womantowomansandiego.com)
- October 6-8 Sunlight of the Spirit: Lake Tahoe Fall Festival 2017 (www.laketahoeallfestival.org)
- October 13-15 NCCAA 70th Anniversary Fall Conference, Lodi Grape Festival Grounds, 413 E. Lockeford Street, Lodi, California



Los Gatos Groups Annual Picnic Raises \$2000 for Central Office!

On Saturday, August 19, the Spiritual Progress Group of Los Gatos and the Saturday Morning Los Gatos meeting hosted the 10th Annual Los Gatos Groups Picnic at Oak Meadow Park.

115 members and their families and guests gathered to enjoy BBQ and fellowship. The groups raffled off some great donated prizes, including artwork, power tools, sports memorabilia, movie and show tickets, and more while chatting, playing Frisbee, and enjoying yummy fare from tri-tip and barbequed chicken to homemade cookies and pies.

This year's picnic raised \$2,000, which was donated to Intergroup Central Office. Since the first annual picnic was held in 2008, the event has raised more than \$20,000 for Central Office.

Next year's picnic promises to be a big one — 2018 marks the 60th anniversary of the Spiritual Progress Group and the 30th anniversary of the Saturday Morning Los Gatos meeting!

Do you have any information on the founders of either of these two groups? If so, please email *The COIN* at coin@aacanjose.org.

Want to see your event featured in *The COIN*? So do we! Send a story about it to coin@aasanjose.org.

Friends of Bill

A place I have grown to know as home.
 A place I know I can always fall back on.
 A place filled with people who normally would not mix.
 A place. A place that is not in one place. A place that is any place.
 A place that is notoriously filled with resentments and a pot of coffee.
 A place that I have learned to love a respect more than any church gathering.
 A place where you can feel the presence of God in the hum of the our father.
 A place where higher powers are fought for and found in the struggle of finding yourself after losing what feels like an uphill battle so many times.
 A place filled with people of God who see other people of God and see more than flesh and bones but see a story.

Feel a familiarity in struggle and are able to laugh.

These souls connect on a spiritually deeper level and although may have never formally met, can cultivate a connection through their experience, strength, and hope.

Because each has been put through God's will, come to surrender and find a new strength in his words, and leave with the hope of a new beginning, and the power to carry this energy to others.

I, myself have had the blessing of experiencing these people, this place, my whole life.

I would rather be in no other place.

I have found a family.

A place to fall back on.

People I can count on.

For they are all friends.

Friends of Bill's.

– Hunter M.



Ten Little Alcoholics

10 little alcoholics, all in a line. One just got to thinking, then there were nine.
 9 little alcoholics, one said, "Wait — just one won't hurt"; then there were eight.
 8 little alcoholics looking up to heaven. One cut out meetings, then there were seven.
 7 little alcoholics loading up bricks. One started grumbling, then there were six.
 6 little alcoholics glad to be alive. One smoked pot, then there were five.
 5 little alcoholics going out the door. One played the big shot, then there were four.
 4 little alcoholics watching TV. One got thirsty, then there were three.
 3 little alcoholics knew what to do. One rewrote the Big Book, then there were two.
 2 little alcoholics needed some fun. One started lying, then there was one.
 1 little alcoholic talking to HP. If only one is sober, I'm glad it's me!

– Anonymous

INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.

	Aug 17	Aug 16	Jan - Aug 17
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
3030 · Contributions-General	9,043.08	14,561.28	113,129.65
3050 · Group Insurance (Group premium payments)	50.00	150.00	5,551.00
8010 · Literature Sales	4,034.01	5,039.44	32,600.52
8020 · Meeting Guide Sales	480.00	735.50	3,844.67
8050 · Activities Committee			
8051 · Chili Cook-off	0.00	0.00	5,598.34
8053 · Oldtimers' Meeting	162.00	0.00	162.00
8050 · Activities Committee - Other	20.00	120.00	20.00
Total 8050 · Activities Committee	182.00	120.00	5,780.34
8055 · Central Office Events	0.00	0.00	5,513.00
8060 · Newsletter	164.00	0.00	2,090.20
Total Income	13,953.09	20,606.22	168,509.38
Cost of Goods Sold			
5000 · Cost of Goods Sold			
5100 · Cost of Inventory Sold	3,313.79	4,119.72	26,971.67
5150 · Cost of Meeting Directories	798.67	0.00	3,867.64
5000 · Cost of Goods Sold - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 5000 · Cost of Goods Sold	4,112.46	4,119.72	30,839.31
Total COGS	4,112.46	4,119.72	30,839.31
Gross Profit	9,840.63	16,486.50	137,670.07
Expense			
6010 · Alarm Service	0.00	0.00	621.00
6015 · Activities Committee Expense			
616 · Chili Cook-off Expense	0.00	0.00	2,899.34
6015 · Activities Committee Expense - Other	0.00	888.38	-75.00
Total 6015 · Activities Committee Expense	0.00	888.38	2,824.34
6025 · Central Office Events Expense	0.00	0.00	4,849.74
6030 · Accounting and Legal Fee	0.00	0.00	1,475.00
6070 · Bank Credit card charges (Credit card costs and fees)	61.09	132.23	739.85
6120 · Computer Expenses	45.00	40.00	600.11
6140 · Conferences - Exec. Dir.	0.00	714.95	1,183.27
6150 · Unity Day Expense	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
6160 · Copier Expense	178.42	0.00	1,144.45
6190 · Depreciation Expense	0.00	0.00	2,398.00
6220 · Insurance - Worker Compensation	0.00	0.00	333.77
6225 · Insurance - Emp. Health Plan	552.52	528.28	4,323.20
6230 · Insurance - General Liability	1,234.25	0.00	4,018.08
6240 · Employee HRA Plan	0.00	257.60	3,420.36
6245 · Internet Access Charges	12.50	12.50	100.00
6320 · Newsletter Expense	0.00	0.00	861.08
6330 · Office Expense	25.58	316.72	1,584.83
6360 · Archives	200.00	0.00	433.16
6370 · Office Paper Supply	320.07	0.00	421.05
6380 · Payroll Taxes	776.90	728.14	6,024.97
6410 · Postage	0.00	25.11	483.41
6480 · Rent	2,697.95	2,431.60	20,281.25
6510 · Repairs & Maintenance	59.32	0.00	59.32
6540 · Salaries - Office			
6541 · Vacation Pay	-4,236.92	-1,267.79	-5,361.45
6540 · Salaries - Office - Other	9,723.84	9,022.77	69,139.47
Total 6540 · Salaries - Office	5,486.92	7,754.98	63,778.02
6560 · Payroll Expenses	0.00	0.00	52.74
6600 · Signing Services	200.00	0.00	1,200.00
7010 · Taxes and Licenses	0.00	0.00	60.00
7050 · Telephone	231.66	246.96	2,148.53
7060 · Travel	0.00	42.77	0.00
9080 · Sales tax (Sales tax paid on purchases)	0.00	0.00	1.94
Total Expense	12,082.18	14,119.62	126,921.97
Net Ordinary Income	-2,241.55	2,366.88	10,748.10
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
8025 · Rebate	99.40	51.89	323.90
8030 · Interest Income	69.96	47.60	315.70
Total Other Income	169.36	99.49	639.60
Net Other Income	169.36	99.49	639.60
Net Income	-2,072.19	2,466.37	11,387.70

INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INC.

Balance Sheet

As of August 31, 2017

	Aug 31, 17
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1010 · Petty Cash	295.88
1020 · First Republic Bank (Checking account)	30,558.17
1021 · (PR) First Rep. Bank CD 0429 (12 Mo. CD @ .6%, 08/12/17)	17,859.55
1023 · (PR) First Rep. Bank CD 3228 (12 Mo. CD @ .6%, 02/05/18)	16,676.02
1027 · (PR) First Rep. Bank CD 7681 (12 Mo. CD @ .3%, 4/29/17)	15,157.21
1028 · (PR) First Rep. Bank CD 6955 (8 Mo. CD @ .6%, 01/02/18)	20,221.90
1029 · (PR) First Rep. Bank CD 8182 (10 Mo. CD @ 1.0%, 12/08/17)	15,049.39
Total Checking/Savings	115,818.12
Accounts Receivable	
1110 · Accounts Rec - Group Deposits	-1,074.10
Total Accounts Receivable	-1,074.10
Other Current Assets	
1250 · Literature Inventory	18,797.97
1310 · Prepaid Insurance	2,468.50
13700 · Payroll Service Customer Asset (Payroll Service Customer Asset)	-0.01
1499 · Undeposited Funds	1,349.84
Total Other Current Assets	22,616.30
Total Current Assets	137,360.32
Fixed Assets	
1630 · Office Equipment	29,553.31
1640 · Office Furnishings - Asset	7,757.80
1641 · Less Accumulated Depreciation	-25,493.47
1680 · Leasehold Improvements	300.00
1681 · Less Accumulated Amortization	-300.00
Total Fixed Assets	11,817.64
Other Assets	
1860 · Deposits	1,993.85
Total Other Assets	1,993.85
TOTAL ASSETS	151,171.81
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Credit Cards	
2075 · American Express	-0.40
Total Credit Cards	-0.40
Other Current Liabilities	
2240 · Sales Tax Payable (due quarterly)	653.04
2340 · Accrued Vacation	8,196.83
2600 · Unity Day	4,938.69
Total Other Current Liabilities	13,788.56
Total Current Liabilities	13,788.16
Total Liabilities	13,788.16
Equity	
3100 · Prior period adj. - vacation	-11,704.67
3900 · Unrestricted Funds	137,700.62
Net Income	11,387.70
Total Equity	137,383.65
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	151,171.81

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Group Contributions

August 2017

	Aug 17	Jan - Aug 17		Aug 17	Jan - Aug 17
1 INV Early Bird Group 70968	0.00	490.00	Gay & Lesbian Step & Trad GP 221 (Fri)	0.00	259.00
1 Inv Freedom Fellowship 70940	0.00	350.47	Gay Grab Bag Solution 41 (Sun.)	0.00	205.43
1 INV Fremont & Hollenbeck Group 70	0.00	347.05	Gay Living Sober Group 21 (Sun.)	0.00	117.06
1 INV Fremont & Manet Group 70975	0.00	1,550.00	Gay Men's Freedom 262 (Thur.)	0.00	280.39
1 INV Gilroy Groups 70906	0.00	160.00	Gay Reflections on the Solution 841(We	0.00	184.00
1 INV H & I	0.00	3,161.03	Get Up and Go (Women) 187 (Sat.)	0.00	2,785.72
1 INV Men Seeking Guidance Group	350.00	910.00	Get Well Group 17 (Sun.)	0.00	330.94
1 INV One Day at a Time 70903	1,139.00	11,056.00	Grace Group of AA 352 (Sat.)	0.00	630.00
1 INV R and B Group 70972	0.00	2,052.40	Grateful Live Group 535 (Mon.)	0.00	168.00
1 INV Serenity Discussion 210 (Wed.)	0.00	98.46	Gratitude Group 339 (Sat.)	0.00	10.26
1 INV South County Fellowship 70954	300.00	6,000.00	Happy Destiny (Women) 109 (Tues.)	0.00	1,930.00
1 INV Spiritual Progress Group 70979	0.00	1,711.50	Happy Hour WG 652 (Fri.)	0.00	70.00
1 INV Sufficient Substitute 313	0.00	1,761.00	High Hope (Men's) 239 (Sat.)	0.00	252.00
1 INV Winchester Fellowship 70960	0.00	1,778.16	Higher Power Hour (Men) 872 (Mon)	0.00	1,009.90
12 Steps at Noon 303 (Fri.)	267.40	267.40	HOW Group 71 (Mon.)	0.00	302.00
3rd Steppers Book Study (Wom) 610 (T	0.00	290.39	In the Basement 545 (Sun.)	0.00	210.00
A Vision For You 687 (Sat.)	0.00	661.00	In the Solution 647 (Sat.)	0.00	259.98
A.B.C. Women's Group 58 (Mon.)	0.00	241.50	Intergroup Council 80909	0.00	187.00
Alanon	0.00	0.00	Invaders Group 44 (Sun.)	0.00	140.00
Almaden Valley Discussion 30 (Sun.)	0.00	140.00	Joy of Living PA 464 (Wed.)	0.00	168.00
Beginners & Beyond LG 345 (Sat.)	0.00	100.00	Just For Today 238 PA (Thur.)	0.00	168.00
Berrysosa Group 527 (Wed.)	0.00	205.00	Ladies Amethyst AA Study Group 749 (0.00	339.75
Big Book Men's Group (Men) 106 (Tue	0.00	105.00	LGBT Happy Destiny Group 621 (Sat.)	0.00	231.52
Big Book Speakers Group 289 (Fri.)	0.00	357.70	LGBTQ Gay & Lesbian Topic Disc 516 (S	0.00	147.00
Big Book Step Study (Men) 325 (Fri.)	0.00	245.00	Living in the 12 & 12 851 (Mon.)	0.00	222.87
Big Book Study Mlpts 347 (Sat.)	0.00	140.00	Los Altos Big Book 860 (Thurs.)	383.35	994.76
Birthday Contribution 00951	194.00	2,592.00	Los Altos Group 225 (Thur.)	420.45	643.23
Boiled Owls (Men's) 816 (Wed)	0.00	550.00	Los Altos Men's Group 59 (Mon.)	0.00	420.00
Bowers Fellowship 46 (Sun.)	0.00	981.03	Los Gatos Big Book 664 (Mon.)	0.00	455.70
California Ave. Supper Group 715 (Thu	0.00	506.80	Men's 4th Step Group 320 (Fri.)	0.00	30.00
Cambrian Saturday Night (Chips) 376 (S	0.00	1,045.50	Men's Basic Step Study Group 891 (Tu	0.00	95.00
Campus Group 234 (Thur.)	0.00	346.90	Men's Big Book (Caveman Gp) 659 (S	0.00	873.00
Character Defect Freedom 201 (Tues	0.00	940.00	Men's Freedom from Alcohol 606 (We	0.00	360.00
Chip Winners (Chips) 168 (Wed.)	0.00	291.19	Men's Honesty Group 26 (Sat.)	0.00	580.00
Chips and Dyps (Chips) 559 (Tues.)	0.00	168.00	Men's Single Problem Study 89 (Mo	0.00	600.00
CNCA District 04	0.00	0.00	Men's Single Problem Study Gp 220 (T	0.00	2,662.84
CNCA District 40	0.00	0.00	Men's Topic Meeting 137 (Tues.)	0.00	160.00
Courage to Change (Women) 145 (W	0.00	91.49	Midday Women's Group 91 (Mon.)	0.00	535.50
Daily Reflections 432 (Thur.)	0.00	318.00	Monday at a Time 208 (Mon.)	0.00	370.17
Desi's In Recovery (723)	0.00	241.38	Monday Night Chip 405 (Mon.)	0.00	196.00
Early Tuesday Group 119 (Tues.)	0.00	979.77	Mountain Miracles 882 (Thur.)	0.00	196.00
Easier Way Group 290 (Fri.)	228.46	860.84	Mountain View Group 350 (Sat.)	0.00	457.10
East Valley Group 322 (Fri.)	0.00	252.00	New Nooners 808 (Mon.)	92.00	390.00
Eleventh Step Meditation Mtg 276 (Thu	140.00	140.00	New People's Group 3 (Sun.)	0.00	105.00
Evergreen Group 884 (Thur.)	140.00	420.00	New Steps for Beginners 439 (Sun.)	0.00	967.19
Flying Monkeys 422 (Fri)	0.00	252.00	No Bull Big Book 655 (Fri.)	0.00	305.00
Free To Be Me (Women) 658 (Tues.)	0.00	210.00	Noon Newcomers 275 (Thur.)	0.00	60.00
Friday Big Book Study 702 (Fri)	0.00	470.66	Off the Top 371 (Thur.)	0.00	100.00
G 10 10 Group 70951	0.00	1,382.32	Other Wednesday Nite, The (Men) 209 (0.00	2,065.00
G 4@4 Group 70925	0.00	325.70	Pass it On Group 418 (Sun.)	0.00	470.00
G Attitude Adjustment Hour (965)	1,300.57	1,300.57	Personal 00911	30.00	1,937.00
G Cornerstone Fellowship Group 709	180.00	2,940.00	Phoenix Group 623 (Sun.)	0.00	205.50
G Fair Avenue Fellowship 70901	0.00	1,566.89	Plaza Del Rey Group 52 (Sun.)	0.00	314.00
G Serenity at Noon (fka Agnew) 70921	280.00	840.00	Positive Outlook Group SJ 368 (Sat.)	0.00	80.00
G Sunrise Group of Palo Alto 70963	0.00	1,800.00	Queer and Sober 671 (Sat.)	85.00	236.00
G Sunrises Group/Dennys 70932	611.38	4,474.84	Rule #62 Men's Meeting 049 (Thur.)	0.00	205.00
G Third Tradition (906)	0.00	28.22	San Martin Candlelighters 378 (Sat.)	0.00	100.00
G Third Tradition Group	0.00	20.00	Saturday's Reflections 622 (Sat.)	693.00	693.00
G Third Tradition Women's Gp, The 70	300.04	1,246.89	Saturday Night Promises 847 (Sat.)	0.00	360.85
G We Care Group 70934	0.00	700.00	Saturday Night Young People (142) PA	0.00	280.00
G West Valley Fellowship 70942	0.00	1,037.98			

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Group Contributions

August 2017

	Aug 17	Jan - Aug 17
SCCYPAA	151.72	151.72
Second Tradition Group Spkr 721 (Sat)	0.00	936.00
Serenity Speaker Meeting 533 (Sun.)	552.50	1,109.10
Shared Gift, The (Women) 61 (Mon.)	0.00	494.24
Simply AA 301 (Tues.)	0.00	291.20
Single Problem Topic (Men's) 582 (Mon.)	0.00	882.00
Sisters Seeking Serenity 858 (Wed.)	0.00	319.00
Sizzler Group 27 (Sun.)	0.00	154.70
Sober and Free Convention 70928	0.00	178.50
Sober in the Park 688 (Sun.)	0.00	100.00
Sober Mafia 204 (Sun.)	0.00	210.00
Sober Thoughts 499 (Wed.)	0.00	140.00
Society of the Second Chance 305 (Tue)	0.00	336.14
Solutions for Gay Women 870 (Thur)	0.00	75.00
South Valley Men's 845 (Thur.)	0.00	266.00
South Valley Women's Surrender 88 (Mon.)	0.00	250.00
Spiritual Awakening 813 (Tues.)	0.00	428.22
Spiritual Step Study 233 (Sun.)	0.00	1,552.40
St. Luke's Group 113 (Tues.)	0.00	375.00
Starting the Steps 753 (Fri.)	0.00	500.00
Step Study (Women) LG 820 (Wed.)	140.00	436.10
Sunday Night Recovery 23 (Sun.)	0.00	700.00
Sunshine Group noon 243 (Thur.)	0.00	350.00
T.G.J.F. Speaker/Discussion 298 (Fri.)	0.00	1,437.00
There Is a Solution (Men) MH 732 (Thu)	0.00	900.00
Think Tank (Men's) 361 (Sat.)	0.00	1,017.00
Too Early Big Book Stud 172 (Sat)	0.00	105.00
Trinity Group 370 (Sat.)	60.00	120.00
Tuesday Night Happy Hour 796	0.00	502.39
Tuesday Night Men's Mtg 525 (Tues)	286.00	1,137.00
Tuesday Noon Step Study 556 (Tues)	0.00	525.00
Unknown	0.00	648.50
Veterans of Alcohol 874 (Tues.)	0.00	140.00
Villages Group of AA, The 406 (Mon.)	126.00	532.00
Waves of Healing 526 (Mon.)	0.00	157.50
We Care Step Study 128 (Tues.)	0.00	40.00
We Have Arrived (Men's) 819 (Mon.)	0.00	143.55
Winchester Mystery Meeting 102 (Tue)	0.00	221.00
Wisdom to Know 651 (Mon.)	194.60	266.91
Women's Brunch 640 (Sat.)	397.61	1,250.21
Women's Candlelight Big Book Disc. (8)	0.00	164.03
Women on the Move 570 (Wed.)	0.00	379.75
Women Sharing the Solution 519 (Thu)	0.00	456.00
Women to Women 704 (Sat.)	0.00	140.00
TOTAL	9,043.08	113,129.65

SANTA CLARA COUNTY INTERGROUP
11TH Annual
TAKE YOUR SPONSOR TO BRUNCH

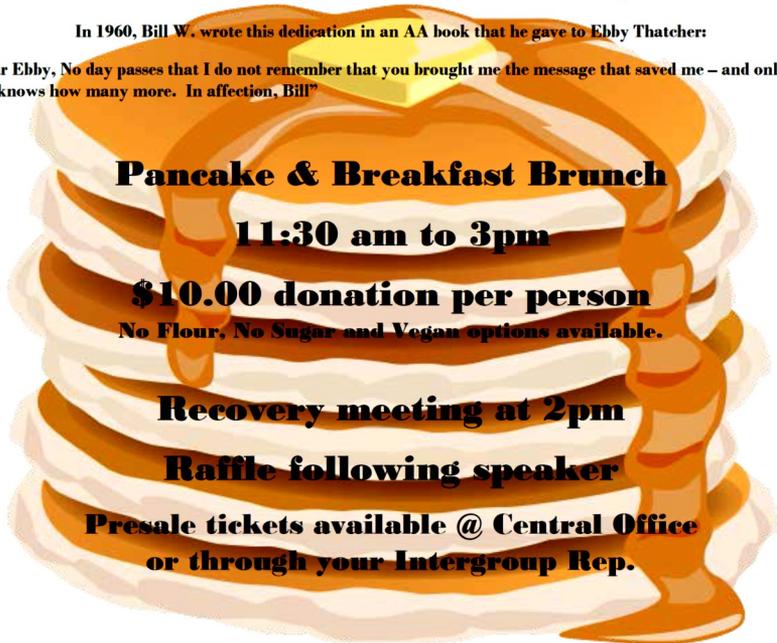
Music-Food-Friendship-Recovery

Saturday October 7th, 2017

Lincoln Glen Church, 2700 Booksin Ave., San Jose

In 1960, Bill W. wrote this dedication in an AA book that he gave to Ebby Thatcher:

“Dear Ebby, No day passes that I do not remember that you brought me the message that saved me – and only God knows how many more. In affection, Bill”



Pancake & Breakfast Brunch

11:30 am to 3pm

\$10.00 donation per person

No Flour, No Sugar and Vegan options available.

Recovery meeting at 2pm

Raffle following speaker

**Presale tickets available @ Central Office
or through your Intergroup Rep.**

**Volunteer to help at the event or donate prizes for the
raffle by contacting Intergroup Central Office:**

408-374-8511

HELP US COVER LOCAL AA EVENTS FOR *THE COIN!*

The COIN would like to start featuring some more news about AA in Santa Clara County. If you are involved in any capacity, consider contributing a story about your group or committee or event to help keep our membership informed. It's free publicity and a great way to recruit for events! Please contact coin@aasanjose.org.

California BEACH BLANKET



**Saturday, Sept. 30th
7:00-10:00 PM**

**Billy DeFrank LGBTQ
Community Center
938 The Alameda
San Jose, CA**

**\$15 Ticket includes one
BINGO card**

Advance Tickets and More Information
and Frequently Asked Questions:

www.soberandfree.org

A Fundraiser for the 2018 Sober and Free Conference

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ALL ARE WELCOME!

Saturday Nite Live Fellowship Updates!

Are you looking for service? Sponsor telling you to find a position? Wondering what the heck this "Stay in the middle of the herd" business is about? We got you covered! SNL has service positions for all lengths of sobriety. Join the business meeting Saturday, September 9 at 3:30pm and grab one for yourself!

Once you've got your service dialed in, be sure to show up on Saturday, September 30 at 8pm for our monthly birthday speaker meeting immediately followed by Open Mic Night! Open Mic Night is open to all members of AA providing a safe venue to express your inner artist! Sign up to participate or just enjoy the show. While you're there, be sure to support SCCYPAA by purchasing a refreshing beverage! \$5 suggested donation at the door.

For more information on how you can get involved please contact Yvonne

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