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No one is too discredited or has sunk too low to be welcomed cordially-if he means business. Social distinctions, petty rivalries and jealousies-these are laughed out of countenance.

Alcoholics Anonymous (the "Big Book", page 161

Step 11 Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.

Tradition 11 (*Short Form*) Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films. (*Long Form*) Our relations with the general public should be characterized by personal anonymity. We think A.A. ought to avoid sensational advertising. Our names and pictures as A.A. members ought not be broadcast, filmed, or publicly printed. Our public relations should be guided by the principle of attraction rather than promotion. There is never need to praise ourselves. We feel it better to let our friends recommend us.

Concept 11 (*Short Form*) The trustees should always have the best possible committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs, and consultants. Composition, qualifications, induction procedures, and rights and duties will always be matters of serious concern (*Long Form*) While the Trustees hold final responsibility for A.A.'s world service administration, they should always have the assistance of the best possible standing committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs, and consultants. Therefore the composition of these underlying committees and service boards, the personal qualifications of their members, the manner of their induction into service, the systems of their rotation, the way in which they are related to each other, the special rights and duties of our executives, staffs, and consultants, together with a proper basis for the financial compensation of these special workers, will always be matters for serious care and concern.

2014 WOMEN'S SOBRIETY FEST

On September 27th over 200 women gathered at Nativity for the 27th annual Women's Sobriety Fest, an open women's AA meeting that meets once a year. Twenty-seven women led morning panel discussions describing their experience with the AA slogans found on page 133 of the Big Book: First Things First, Live and Let Live, Easy Does It. Panelists discussed the slogans within the context of the spiritual principles of humility, open-mindedness and responsibility. The afternoon speaker meetings brought solid messages of recovery and faith in a higher power to the group. Following the sobriety countdown and the Fabulous Raffle, we enjoyed a simple supper and fellowship. "The Play, the Play," an original play was performed that evening to much laughter and applause. Not a glum lot, for sure. In the spirit of Tradition nine, the service committee responsible to the 2015 Women's Sobriety Fest is now forming. Call Central Office to volunteer. Let's carry the message. - Anon

FROM THE EDITOR

Sobriety Birthday submissions down. Please - when submitting sobriety birthdays, do so in chronological order. Also submit only birthdays for your homegroup...and not for a whole club. Some groups make a decision not to have their s-b days published, and to submit for a whole club impinges on one of our traditions: their right to group autonomy.

On the months when quarterly group contributions are published (February, May, August and November), no locally-written long articles (not that there's an overabundance of such) will be published, but flyers will still be published (space-permitting). Please submit flyers in PDF format and articles/text in MS Word format - this makes for much easier editing and higher quality reproduction.

NOTES

District 11 Business Meeting now takes place at Grace Methodist Church - same time (9 am, 2nd Saturday), same address (420 San Lorenzo NW (at 4th)), same church building, different church name.

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Albuquerque Area Business Meetings

Intergroup Rep. Meeting
2 pm, 2nd Sunday, Brownbaggers

District 3 - 2 pm, 2nd Saturday
Call the DCM for location

District 11 - 9 am, 2nd Saturday
Grace Methodist Church
420 San Lorenzo NW (at 4th)

District 12 - 10:15 am, 2nd Saturday,
Heights Club, 8520 Marble NE in Rm
#3

District 13 - 10 am, 2nd Saturday, St
Thomas of Canterbury (2nd floor)
425 University Blvd NE (1 blk N of
MLK Blvd)

District 18 - 9am, 2nd Saturday, St.
Paul's United Church of Christ, 2701
The American Rd. SE, Rio Rancho

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**Metropolitan Group
Celebrates 65 Years!
November 25, 2015**

**6 p.m. Potluck
7 p.m. Meeting**

Do you have a November AA Anniversary?

Come celebrate with us!

318 Silver Ave SW

Albuquerque, NM 87102

Metropolitan provides main dishes

Please bring side dishes, desserts,
sodas or just yourself and a friend!



Seeking Serenity Presents the
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**7th Annual
Newcomers
Workshop**



- When: Saturday November 22nd 2014
- Where: Nativity Church 9502 4th St NW
(4th St. & Alameda) Building on East end of parking lot, closest to 2nd st.
- Potluck Breakfast: 8:30 AM - 9 AM
- Speakers/Workshop: 9 AM - 11 AM

Topics: *What is Alcoholism, Meetings, Sponsor, Steps, Service Work, Spirituality*

Join us for fun, fellowship, food, and most of all...
COME SUPPORT THE NEWCOMER! ;)

DISTRICT 12 AND THE HEIGHTS CLUB

INVITE YOU AND YOURS TO CELEBRATE WITH US
AT A MOST FANTASTIC

THANKSGIVING

FEAST



11:00 AM TO 2:00 PM



Thursday November 27th

Donations and volunteers are welcome to help out. Sign up at the Heights Club Office or contact

the Heights Club Office at (505) 266-8952

The achievement of freedom from fear is a lifetime undertaking, one that can never be wholly completed. When under heavy attack, acute illness, or in other conditions of serious insecurity, we shall all react to this emotion - well or badly, as the case may be. only the self-deceived will claim perfect freedom from fear.

Alcoholics Anonymous (the "Big Book", page 55

Central Office encourages all groups to elect an Intergroup representative. Join us at the next Intergroup meeting the second Sunday of every month, at 2 pm, at the Brownbaggers.

Intergroup Rep. Meeting Minutes September 14, 2014

Open 14:05

Attending Elizabeth E., Westside, Member at Large; Dick K., One Day at a Time; Chris T., Brown Baggers; Nonie B., How it Works; Christy O., Promises, Media Librarian; Stacy R., Rebellion Dogs; Stephen P., Seeking Serenity; Linda E., Any Lengths, Schedule Editor; Debra K., In the Book, Alternate Coordinator Central Office; Bruce B., Lone Rangers; Alli, Singleness of Purpose; Web Guardian; Arthur M., Westside; Josh, Candlelight; Greg M. Downtown Lunch Bunch/Brown Baggers; Steve A., District 3; Michal, Happy Hour; Teri M., Foothills; Dave R., El Centro; Nance C., Any Lengths; Aaron C., Too Much For Us, Treasurer; David G., Goodfellas, Community Outreach; Carolyn, Back to Basics, Secretary; Ann, Zia Group; Mike C., Westside, Chair
Minutes Edits from Minutes from Last Month: None. Motion to accept: Bruce moved to accept Elizabeth seconded, so moved.

Treasurer's Report Total Revenues: 9,079.22; Cost of Sales: 4,555.84; Gross Income: 4,523.38; Total Expenses: 5,711.40; Income: (1,188.02). Contributions pretty much the same as this time last year. Total revenues are up. More purchases were made by those wishing to purchase literature for less before price increases. Treasurer Minutes: Approved. Motion offered by David and seconded by Debra, so moved.

Central Office Coordinator Not present. At SWRAASA presenting a workshop.

Alternate Central Office Coordinator Was in Chicago at the 29th Annual Central Office/ Intergroup/AAWS/Grapevine Seminar for 2 days. I attended five workshops. I learned at the seminar how to contend with all sorts of calls, suicidal callers, chatters, for example. For the next 2 years will be on the Policy Committee for the Southwest Region. Grapevine is actively seeking cartoons and cartoonists. The new Grapevine quote book, The Daily Quote will only have 25,000 copies printed for their 70th anniversary. The Circus Cover Big Book will only be available through next year until the annual convention. Learned at the seminar how to contend with all sorts of calls, suicidal, chatters, for e.g. Amount of regular and substitute deskworkers low. Greatest need for subs on weekday evenings and weekends. 12 shifts went uncovered by volunteers. One night shift wasn't covered. Book prices did go up, they are listed on the website and the new pricing info can be printed from there, or you can come to Central Office and Debra will print the new price list. Not all prices have gone up, but many have. Discounts on the Big Book, 12X12 and mini Big Books in sold in a case.

Member at Large Nothing to report.

Pass it On Editor Not present. Mike reported: Steve has not yet been able to access the Grapevine articles we subscribed to use. Unable to publish in the PIO without making official requests first for each article. Still low on birthday submissions, please make sure not to submit them prior to the actual sobriety date. When listing sobriety birthdays please submit from the least amount of sobriety to the highest. In the PIO, on a quarterly basis, Group Contributions are listed, leaving no room for fliers. November is one of such months. Alli suggested perhaps Steve might be able to put announcements in and take away a page of articles on the quarterly months. Mike stated that any submissions made to the PIO MUST be made by the 15th to ensure that the PIO is published on time.

Media Librarian Sandy B. CD rented. Renter said only half of his story was on it. I will be surrendering my position. A new librarian will need to be elected to replace me in January. It's fun and not too hard.

Web Guardian Events are up to date. The schedule Linda gave me is online. You can print it from the website if you wish. I will post the PIO as soon as I get it.

Schedule Editor New schedule updated 9/24. Right afterward, QIOF changed locations and times. The changes to QIOF can be found on a link on our website.

Community Outreach Opportunity for service City of ABQ Health Fair in November. Already have one volunteer along with the Area Chairperson for professional community. The three of us will be there.

Group Liaison POSITION VACANT

Special Needs POSITION VACANT

OLD BUSINESS We have openings for Media Librarian, Web Guardian and Treasurer, David G.

SOBRIETY BIRTHDAYS

HIGH NOON September: Mike S., Raymond B. 2 months; Jessica S. 3 months; Trevor M. 9 months; Angeline S., Sue, Jenifer S., Geoff B., Tom K. 1 year; Tanya L. 7 years; Ron 9 years; Dan S., Kris D. 11 years; Dan K. 20 years; Theresa 26 years; Steve E. 31 years; Katherine R., Diane O. 38 years

ISLETA September: Joe Q. 9 years; Hinjo 19 years; Gayle W. 31 years

PROMISES September: Katherine R. 38 years

REBELLION DOGS September: Cathy B. 1 year

SATURDAY NIGHT ALIVE November: Steve R. 8 years

SEEKING SERENITY September: Tabor, Lee 9 months; Timmy 18 months; Steve 4 years; Michael T. 6 years; Claudia 12 years

WOMEN IN PROGRESS September: Marie 37 years

Please submit your sobriety birthday(s) in chronological order (including homegroup, name, sobriety date & length of continuous sobriety) to PassItOn@albuquerqueaa.org.

Failure to properly submit s-b days may result in non-publication.

will stand for reelection as Community Outreach Coordinator, and Member at Large, Elizabeth E. will stand for reelection also. The Special Needs Coordinator position needs to be filled, it has stood vacant for a year now, and Intergroup Liaison has also. Looking at getting a committee to help with finding new officers. Members wishing to act as officers need 2 years sobriety, sponsor, homegroup, and some experience with Central Office, and each position is for 2 years. No volunteers for a chair head fora nominating committee. If no one will head this, we ask you to attempt to recruit members from your group. Aaron stated that Treasurer's job is quite intricate. Myself, and Dennis a former treasurer, are both willing to help train the new treasurer on a Wednesday. Aaron now spends about 6-8 hours on it weekly, he stated that perhaps it would take someone who is more computer literate less time. Mike suggested that if we could find someone with experience in such a field, that would be great. Alli spends about an hour a week on maintaining the website.

NEW BUSINESS Debra found a new pamphlet at the seminar in Chicago called, Ordered to Attend AA from the North Florida Brevard Intergroup. This will be good as far as informing newcomers and AA members on the subject. Steering Committee decided to borrow it with their permission Debra printed that "disclaimer" on the back. We have discussed this whole situation for a number of months. This pamphlet speaks directly to it. Proposal to print 250 copies, motion made by Debra, Dave seconded, so moved. In ten days we'll have 250 copies at Central Office. Please take them to your groups and District Meetings and such. Central Office is offering the pamphlets for free at this point. We'll see how it goes and perhaps we might charge in the future. Copies will be available at Central Office. Debra: We are still looking for a group that could sponsor the annual volunteer picnic.

GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS The Heights Club is holding an Arts and Crafts/Flea Fair. AA members or groups may sell at it. The cost is \$10 per table. Only AA members can purchase items at it, otherwise it would be a violation of the traditions.

The Heights Club is volunteering to sponsor the New Year's Alcolthon again this year. Last year Central Office gave them \$100 seed money, this year the Heights Club can cover it. Contact Scott for more information. There would be 24 hour round the clock meetings, and it would be a non-smoking event, with the one room being an exception. Thanksgiving Feast being held by District 12 and the Heights Club, being held at the club from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm on Thursday, November 27th. Looking perhaps for kids to participate as pilgrims. The Seventh Annual Newcomers Workshop being sponsored by Seeking Serenity on November 22nd is being held at Nativity Church. There will be a potluck from 8:30-9:00 am. The workshop will take place from 9:00-11:00.

District 18 Business Meeting is held the second Saturday of every month at 10:30 a.m. at the United Methodist Church at 136 West Calle Don Andres in Bernalillo.

Motion to close: David moved to end the meeting and Debra seconded, so moved.

Meeting Adjourned 15:20



Central Office

Urgently Needs

Substitute Desk Workers

(and Regular Desk Workers as well)

Requirements for this service opportunity are six months of sobriety, a sponsor and a home group. A desk shift at Central Office can enhance your sobriety. It can broaden your view of the service structure of your group, your district and your area. And it's fun!

Call Central Office today at 266-1900.

AA EVENTS CALENDAR

THIS MONTH

Saturday November 1st - Dinner, Speaker & Dance @ The Desert Club - Sponsored by Last Call, Saturday Night Alive & other groups that meet at the Desert Club. Dinner: 5:30 p, potluck, low-priced smoked sausage & burgers (including Hatch green chili cheeseburgers) available. **Speaker 7:30pm, Jen N. (Area 46 delegate)**, will share her story and have a Q & A session on being a delegate) Dance 9-midnight, 50/50 raffle, halloween costume contest. \$3 singles, \$5 couple.

Saturday November 8 - Art Craft Flea Fair 1:15pm-5:30pm. Indoor/Outdoor sale sponsored by the Synergy Group. Reserve a table for \$10 by Saturday, November 1. See the Heights Club Manager or call 266-8952 for details. Heights Club, 8520 Marble Ave NE, Albuquerque

Saturday November 8 - Blackouts Winter Review Rehearsal 7-9pm. The Blackouts first rehearsal is open to everyone interested in participating in any capacity, on or off stage. Heights Club, 8520 Marble Ave NE, Albuquerque

Saturday November 22 - 7th Annual Newcomers Workshop 8:30-11am. Potluck. Nativity Church, 9502 4th Street (Building on East end of parking lot, 2nd from the street), Albuquerque

Thursday November 27th - Thanksgiving Feast 11am-2pm. Sponsored by District 12. Donations and volunteers are welcome. Sign up at the Heights Club Office. Heights Club, 8520 Marble Ave NE, Albuquerque

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday December 13 - Blackouts Winter Review 2 shows: 3-5pm & 7-9pm. North Fourth Arts Center, 4904 4th Street NW, Albuquerque

June 5-7, 2015 - Area 46 Convention Hobbs, NM. No further info at this time.

For more and/or updated information on Albuquerque and New Mexico AA Events go to:

<http://albuquerqueaa.org> and <http://www.newmexicoaa.org/>

For other AA events nationally and worldwide visit www.aa.org.

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Monthly Service Activities Report

PHONE CALLS	SEP14	AUG14	SEP13
Information	427	436	530
12-Step	21	16	12
Al-Anon	8	5	3
Message	39	33	51
Other	75	66	112
TOTAL	570	556	708

WALK INS	SEP14	AUG14	SEP13
Information	26	14	19
12-Step	1	2	0
Al-Anon	1	3	0
Get Schedule	8	11	19
Purchase	166	156	150
Media	1	6	4
Message	5	1	2
Casual	35	27	26
Other	30	26	31
TOTAL	273	246	251

ALBUQUERQUEAA.ORG WEB STATS

	SEP14	AUG14	SEP13
Unique Visitors	4156	4332	3591
Number of Visits	7602	7721	6472
Pages	27713	26450	24075

DESK WORKERS*

	SEP14	AUG14	SEP13
Regulars	44	44	44
Substitutes	35	35	42
TOTAL	79	79	86

DESK SHIFTS*

	SEP14	AUG14	SEP13
Weekdays	132	126	126
Weekends	40	50	45
TOTAL	172	176	171

WEEKDAY SHIFTS*

	SEP14	AUG14	SEP13
Worked by Regulars	119(90.2%)	106(84.1%)	109(86.5%)
Worked by Substitutes	13(9.8%)	20(15.9%)	17(13.5%)
TOTAL	132	126	126

WEEKEND SHIFTS*

	SEP14	AUG14	SEP13
Worked by Regulars	35(87.5%)	38(76%)	40(89%)
Worked by Substitutes	5(12.5%)	12(24%)	5(11%)
TOTAL	40	50	45

SHIFTS NOT WORKED BY A VOLUNTEER:

12 7.5 4

NIGHT SHIFTS NOT COVERED — 1 (10HRS) 3(34HRS) — 0

*INCLUDES NIGHT PHONE

“Forgive the past. It is over. Learn from it and let go. People are constantly changing and growing. Do not cling to a limited, disconnected, negative image of a person in the past. See that person now. Your relationship is always alive and changing.”

- Brian L. Weiss, Messages from the Masters: Tapping Into the Power of Love



2014 3rd QTR

GROUP NAME	Jul	Aug	Sep	Q3
ANY LENGTHS WOMEN'S C		\$360.00		\$360.00
BASEMENT STEPS	\$40.00			\$40.00
BROWNBAGGERS GP	\$162.69	\$100.00	\$130.82	\$393.51
CANDLELIGHT GP	\$116.88		\$154.90	\$271.78
CHILDREN OF CHAOS	\$5.00	\$5.00		\$10.00
CORRALES MEN'S STAG			\$75.00	\$75.00
COTTONMOUTH GP.			\$139.39	\$139.39
DAWN PATROL	\$74.37	\$353.71	\$316.56	\$744.64
DISTRICT 03		\$75.00		\$75.00
DISTRICT 12		\$100.00		\$100.00
DOWN UNDER GP	\$75.00		\$75.00	\$150.00
DOWNTOWN LUNCH BUNC	\$200.00			\$200.00
DRY NOONERS	\$78.37			\$78.37
EL CENTRO GP		\$50.00		\$50.00
FOOTHILLS GP	\$341.47		\$106.18	\$447.65
FREE SPIRITS GP			\$150.00	\$150.00
GIRLS' NIGHT OUT	\$100.00			\$100.00
HAPPY DESTINY	\$75.00			\$75.00
HAPPY HOUR GP	\$87.47		\$45.35	\$132.77
HOW IT WORKS		\$260.50		\$260.50
IN THE BOOK	\$49.50			\$49.50
ISLETA GP	\$71.58		\$67.77	\$139.35
KEY OF WILLINGNESS	\$75.00			\$75.00
LIVE AND LET LIVE GP	\$35.00			\$35.00
LONE RANGERS			\$63.00	\$63.00
LOS LUNAS LADIES MEETII	\$14.10			\$14.10
ONE DAY @ A TIME	\$384.73		\$384.73	\$769.46
PENNY LANE GP.		\$533.56		\$533.56
PLACITAS BB GP		\$500.00		\$500.00
PROMISES GP	\$39.03			\$39.03
RAYMAC GROUP			\$5.00	\$5.00
RIO RANCHO BEGINNERS	\$79.46			\$79.46
ROUNDUP GROUP	\$62.50			\$62.50
SERENDIPITY GP	\$135.40			\$135.40
SERENITY GP	\$44.48			\$44.48
SINGLENESS OF PURPOSE	\$80.00			\$80.00
SOS MONDAY NIGHT			\$50.00	\$50.00
STAG		\$227.25		\$227.25
STILL SEEKING SERENITY	\$84.40			\$84.40
STRAIGHT PEPPER DIET		\$101.01		\$101.01
STRANGE MENTAL BLANK	\$61.00	\$97.10	\$45.20	\$203.30
SUNDAY NIGHT SERENITY	\$100.00		\$100.00	\$200.00
SUNDAY NIGHT STEP STUI	\$281.31			\$281.31
SUNRISE CATCHERS GP	\$30.00			\$30.00
TOO MUCH FOR US		\$67.00		\$67.00
UPON AWAKENING	\$142.20			\$142.20
WAKE UP CALL	\$96.40	\$92.25		\$188.65
WESTSIDE GP	\$125.00			\$125.00
WOMEN'S GROUP		\$1.00		\$1.00
YOUNG PEOPLE'S SUNDAY		\$16.02		\$16.02
COUNT:	July	August	September	Third Quarter
50	\$3,347.34	\$2,939.40	\$1,908.90	\$8,195.59

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