



# the Desert Lifeline

May 2017

A publication of the Central Intergroup Office  
of the Desert serving the Coachella Valley.

## Central Intergroup Office of the Desert

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### Intergroup Meeting

1st Thursday of the month, 7 p.m.

### Board of Directors Meeting

3rd Thursday of the month,  
6:30 p.m.

**General Service**, District 9  
3rd Sunday of the month, 4PM  
Fellowship Hall  
45940 Portola Ave.  
Palm Desert

Mailing Address: P O Box 3684  
Palm Desert, CA 92261-3684

### Hospitals & Institutions

2nd Wednesday of the month, 6:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall  
45940 Portola Ave.

Palm Desert

Mailing Address: PO Box 1843  
Palm Desert, CA 92261

### Mid-Southern California Area (MSCA)

PO Box, 51446, Irvine CA 92619-1446

Web site: [www.msca09aa.org](http://www.msca09aa.org)

The **General Service Office**, PO Box 459,  
Grand Central Station NY 10163  
Web site: [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org)

### DCYPAA

Every Sunday 6:00 P.M.

Fellowship Hall  
45940 Portola Ave.

Palm Desert

Email:

[webmaster@dcypaa.com](mailto:webmaster@dcypaa.com)

## Step

Admitted to God, to ourselves,  
and to another human being the  
exact nature of our wrongs.

## Tradition

Each group has but one primary  
purpose—to carry its message to  
the alcoholic who still suffers.

## Concept

Throughout our structure, a  
Traditional "Right of Appeal"  
ought to prevail, so that minority  
opinion will be heard and  
personal grievances receive  
careful consideration.

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# Principle Five

**Integrity** - the state or character of being true;  
living in honesty; being truthful.

**March Office Statistics**

Meeting Info	58
12 Step Calls	6
Visitors	52
Literature Sales	148
Al-Anon	3
Other 12 Step	4
Miscellaneous	54
Business	16

**TeleService Report**

Our TeleService calendar is being kept current by Central Office volunteers. Your new Board member, Russell J., has diligently coordinated scheduling for new members willing to be of service, enhancing our ability to be responsible to any alcoholic who calls after office hours. Please think about either yourself or a willing sponsee taking a shift to keep this vital service available to the Fellowship and any alcoholic in need of support in recovery. **Paul A. continues to be available to train new members who sign up. Thanks, Paul, for continuing to help make this a functioning project for us all!**

**Central Intergroup Office of the Desert Board of Directors**

**Chairman: Russell J.  
Vice Chairman: Geoff M.  
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Secretary: OPEN**

**Directors**

**Lobo Mc G.  
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**Desert Lifeline Editors: Joan C. & David M.**

**Office Manager: David M.**

**Letters to the Editor or Articles for The Desert Lifeline must be received by the 15th of the month for consideration of publication in the following month's issue.**

Please submit your material for *The Desert Lifeline* to:  
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35-325 Date Palm Drive, Suite 134,  
Cathedral City, CA 92234.  
E-mail: [manager@AAinthedesert.org](mailto:manager@AAinthedesert.org)

**March 2017**

Angelina	1 yr.
Damon M.	1 yr.
Cynthia G.	2 yr.
Michael S.	3 yr.
Karen B.	7 yr.
Suzanne J.	8 yr.
D.J. R.	8 yr.

**Happy Birthday**



Jason C.	12 yr.
Zenny H.	18 yr.
Paul	19 yr.
Eddie R.	27 yr.
John E.	33 yr.
Tony C.	34 yr.
Glenda	34 yr.
Harvey	42 yr.



**We thank all of the birthday celebrants for their contributions to the Central Office Birthday Club.**



# Speaker Meetings

## Santa Rosa Messengers - Coachella

Saturday Night, 7 p.m.

- 5/6 - Terry N.
- 5/13 - Norma or Scott U.
- 5/20 - Greg.
- 5/27 - Debbie A.

## Sobriety Capital of the World - Indio

Friday Night, 8 p.m.

- 5/5 - Lauren B. - San Diego
- 5/12 - Julie S.. - Upland
- 5/19 - Larry T.. - Lakewood
- 5/26 - Tommy Hurricane.



## Palm Desert Group - Fellowship Hall, Palm Desert

Saturday Night, 8:00 p.m.

- 5/6 - Nick D. - Palm Desert
- 5/13 - Genna A.. - Palm Desert
- 5/20 - Greg A. - La Quinta
- 5/27 - Lydia W. - Woodland Hills

Please check the web site ([www.AAintheDesert.org](http://www.AAintheDesert.org)) for any changes since the printing of the newsletter.

**\$9.00**

Book of the month

**\$9.00**

## Dr. Bob & The Good Old Timers

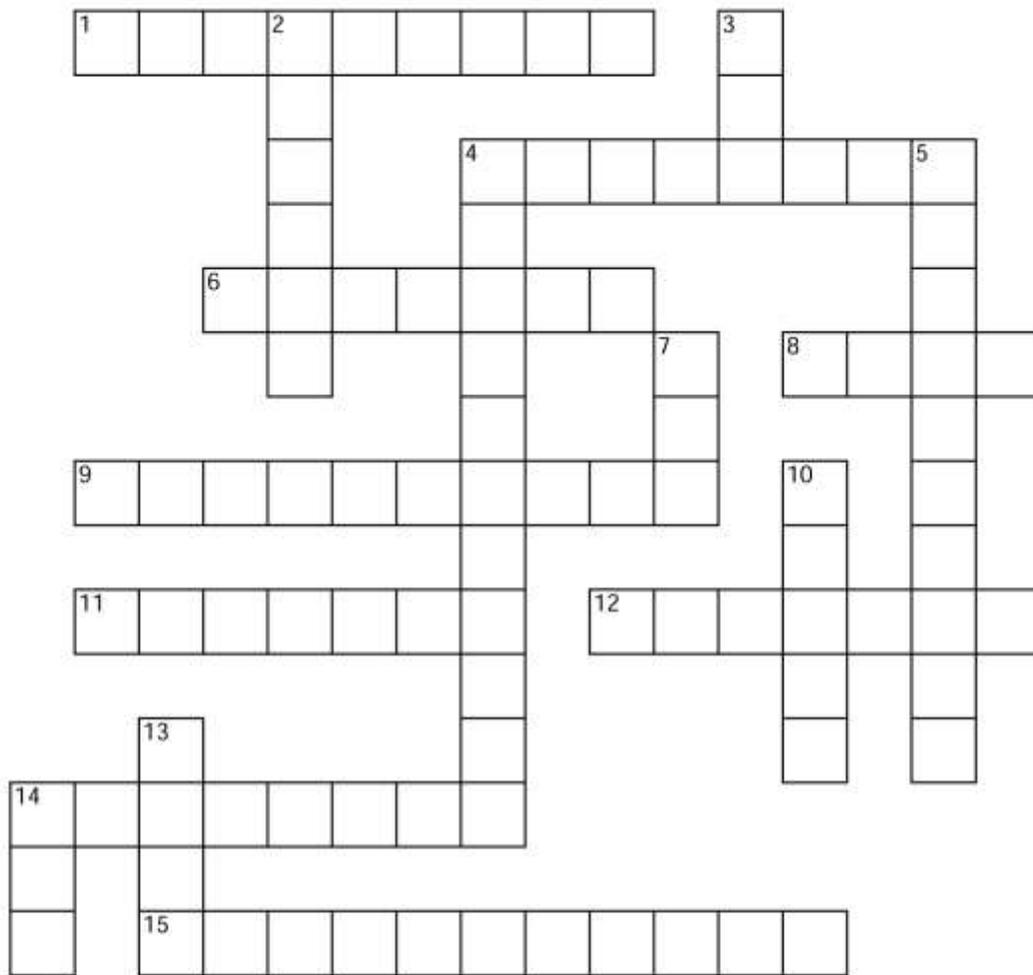
The life story of the Fellowship's co-founder interwoven with recollections of early A.A. in the Midwest. 26 photographs.

**\$9.00**

Normally \$10.50 - this month \$9.00

**\$9.00**

# May Puzzle



www.CrosswordWeaver.com

## ACROSS

- 1 meeting in print
- 4 A \_\_\_\_\_ View of Alcoholics Anonymous
- 6 This month's principle
- 8 Akron
- 9 International Convention 2010 location
- 11 In the last AA survey, most alcoholics were this
- 12 Most common occupation amongst AA members
- 14 Circle and \_\_\_\_\_
- 15 AA received this in 1951 from the American Public Health Association

## DOWN

- 2 June conference (2 words)
- 3 What Happened to \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 August conference (3 words)
- 5 the name of the April Central Office fundraiser (2 words)
- 7 In the last survey, most AAs attended an average of this many meetings per week
- 10 It Happened to \_\_\_\_\_
- 13 As \_\_\_\_\_ Sees It
- 14 36% of AA members are sober over \_\_\_\_ years

## **Concept V**

*Throughout our world service structure, a traditional “Right of Appeal” ought to prevail, thus assuring us that the minority opinion will be heard and that petitions for the redress of personal grievances will be carefully considered.”*

When the Group conscience has voted according to Tradition Two that’s the end of the discussion, right? Not in Alcoholics Anonymous if your Group is using the 12 Concepts. According to Bill Wilson’s writings about our 12 Concepts “... it is also true that during a time of great disturbance the Group Conscience is not always the best possible guide, because temporarily, such an upset may prevent it from functioning efficiently or wisely.” (Quoted from the 12 Concepts for World Service, page 23). So, we continue to listen.

Just last evening in my own Home Group’s business meeting there was a vote on our latest “issue”. (Bill Wilson’s writings also suggest that Groups that have differences of opinion are some of our healthiest Groups as long as mutual respect is paramount.) The vote was overwhelming, yet our Chair asked the small minority if they wanted to further address the entire Group. It doesn’t matter if the minority opinion is held by 49% or just one person. Their opinions matter. They may have new information to present that would change the opinions of a majority of the voting members. This simple act can remind us that our Group unity is more important than any decision we may make affecting only our Group. The spirit of this Concept allows the minority to bring up the subject again, and again, and again, as long as they have new information to present to the Group.

This Concept’s principle protects Alcoholics Anonymous from both the “tyranny” of the majority as well as the minority.

So, go ahead bring it up in your Home Group – yours may be the voice that our Higher Power will be using to inform the Group conscience.

Anonymous

## **STEP 5**

**“Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.”**

This step was the beginning of what has become, and becoming more so, my “sweet” life. As I write this I am filled with gratitude. Thankful to have met this, my first contrary action. After disclosure and discussion with my sponsor relief and peace followed. I soon adopted a new strategy to relieve my regret and guilt. I now try to “drop the rock” and practice acceptance. I feel much better when I am here. This new strategy is not automatic yet but can be summoned. This “tool” (acceptance) is a present from Step 5.

Writing/preparing my 5<sup>th</sup> step to share with another was important to the process. The writing provided a reference to refer as I shared and it has also served me upon reflection. I feel my ability to stay sober has been increased by admitting (and writing) my wrongs and sharing them with another. By being entirely honest and forthcoming I shed many fears, lost some ego, and gained humility.

Sharing my disturbing, embarrassing, and dark secrets with another delivered me from my self-made cage. I feel safe from the need to drink. Honestly admitting my wrongs, to God, myself, and my sponsor has taken away my pain and allowed me to see my defective thinking. I was now able to “look the world in the eye and be alone at perfect peace and ease”.

This powerful step was the preface to a true kinship with God and man. A safe feeling remains. God will always forgive, accept and love me no matter what I’ve done. Because I have willingly exposed my wrongs I find I am less judgmental of others. I am more tolerant. (Another present).

I am no longer isolated. I feel forgiven and understood. I hide no more. Thank you AA and Step 5.

Kim W.

**Tradition Five**

***Each group has but one primary purpose—to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.***

A.A. came into existence because of Bill W.'s need to carry a message of recovery to Dr. Bob in order that he himself could continue to stay sober. Every alcoholic in recovery (and certainly THIS alcoholic) knows that EVERY attempt to carry the message is successful, in that it keeps the bearer of that message sober by his willingness to transmit it.

So it is with each A.A. group.

Collectively, the combined experience of us A.A.'s is that for the group to continue to survive, its main focus must be on carrying a consistent message of recovery to those looking for a solution to their disease.

Tradition 5 follows logically from the ideas of common welfare (T1) , one authority/group conscience (T2), and the sole requirement of our membership (T3).

Conversely, if the group loses the focus of Tradition 5, not only does the newcomer die, but the group dies as well. This sad fact has been borne out time and again in our history as power-driven alcoholics have fought (and died) over personalities, money, and property or over "bright ideas" to expand A.A. into enterprises or institutions. ( Anyone hear of an Oxford Group lately? ) So follows next our Tradition Six.

Tradition Five helps us each and severally "keep our eye on the ball" of simply "laying the kit of spiritual tools" at the feet of the newcomer or the returning member, so that we ourselves may continue to grow and prosper.

Tommy D.

**March Volunteers at Central Office**

**Darlene M.  
David T.  
Eileen C.**

**Jane Y.  
Jay A.  
Jim B.  
Kristin V.**

**Mary Anne C.  
Maureen K.**

**Paul A.  
Rivers V.  
Steve P.  
Steve S.**

***Thank You !!***

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**Emil M.  
Jan S.  
Jan V.**

**Kathie P.  
Lobo Mc G.**

**Mike J.**

**Tiffany M.  
Tracy M.  
Trish H.  
Vickie G.  
Zebra Mark**

**Secretary Workshop**

**Saturday May 27th 2017 2:00 to 3:30 PM**

Central Intergroup Office of the Desert  
35-325 Date Palm Drive  
Suite 134  
Cathedral City

***Come learn the ins and outs of being a secretary for a group.  
This is geared for both new and experienced secretaries.***

Please leave your contact information at Central Office to let us know you're interested  
760.324.4880 David M. Office Manager



## MEMORIAL DAY CAMPOUT

May 26, 27, 28, 29  
Friday, Saturday, Sunday & Monday

**COME JOIN US FOR A WEEKEND OF AA FELLOWSHIP AND FAMILY FUN**  
Camping, fishing, hiking, meetings, music, great campfire food.

**SITE:** BAKER CREEK CAMPSITE IN BIG PINE "The little town with the big backyard"  
Watch for Bill W. signs in campground. We may need to reserve campsites this year. O.C people, if you plan to come, please contact Melinda to reserve a site. To guarantee a spot, \$ needs to be turned in by 4/1/17. The cost for the campsite is \$14 per car, per day. Fishing license required for kids 16 and older. Please RSVP to Geri, so we can get a headcount. \$10 Donation is suggested, but not required. It goes to help pay for the meat provided on Sunday's potluck (Bacon wrapped Yellow tail Tuna)

**CONTACTS:**

Geri W. -	Bishop	760 920-1469
Heath -	Bishop	760-920-9137
Russell J. -	Palm Desert	760- 272-5506
Melinda -	Orange county	714-338-9678

**BRING:** Tent or RV, sleeping bag, chair, camping gear, food & drinks, camp stove, hiking and/or fishing gear, first aid kit, musical instruments, plus clothing for hot days and cold nights. Dogs welcome

**MEETINGS:** FRIDAY 5:30 p.m. (OPEN MTG.) Calvary Baptist Church, 1100 W. Line Street, Bishop  
SATURDAY 2:00 p.m. (OPEN MTG.) Methodist Church, 205 N. Fowler, Bishop CA  
SATURDAY 8:00 p.m. (OPEN MTG.) St. Timothy's Angelican Church 700 Hobson Street Bishop  
SUNDAY 2:00 P.m. (OPEN MTG.) Methodist Church, 205 N. Fowler, Bishop CA  
SUNDAY 8:00 P.m. (OPEN MTG.) Baker Creek campground following 6:00 potluck

**LOCAL EVENTS:** Bishop Mule Days Celebration  
Bishop City Park; Arts & Crafts Fair, skate park, public pool, tennis courts  
Laws Railroad Museum  
Ancient Bristlecone Pine Forest



BAKER CREEK

BIG PINE MOTELS: BRISTLECONE MOTEL 866 609-3785  
BIG PINE MOTEL: 760 938-2282  
BIG PINE RESORT COTTAGES: 760 938-2922  
SATURDAY-DINNER AT GERI'S: 771 N. Main St. #121 Bishop CA  
Potluck, please bring a dish.

POTLUCK GATHERING ON SUNDAY AT 6:00 WITH THE TRADITIONAL BACON-WRAPPED YELLOWTAIL TUNA BARBEQUE AND CAMPFIRE MEETING AFTER DINNER

# A.A. was founded on the premise that it would be self-supported through member contributions.

For the past 48 years, contributing a single dollar has been almost a tradition.



1960...10¢  
1970...20¢  
1980...35¢  
1990...50¢  
2000...\$1.00  
2008...\$1.75



1960...25¢  
1970...65¢  
1980...\$1.65  
1990...\$2.00  
2000...\$3.00  
2008...\$4.90



1960...22¢  
1970...35¢  
1980...90¢  
1990...\$1.10  
2000...\$1.20  
2008...\$3.39

Today's dollar has only 16 cents of the purchasing power of a 1960's dollar.



1960...\$1.00  
1970...\$1.00  
1980...\$1.00  
1990...\$1.00  
2000...\$1.00  
2008...\$2.00

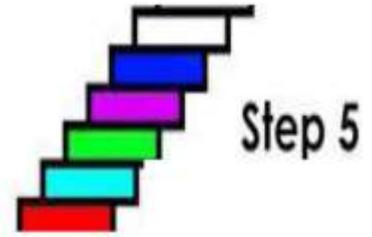
Acknowledging these economic facts, why not responsibly compensate

## BY DROPPING IN 2 BUCKS FOR 2017?

For those who can't afford it, the important thing is to keep coming back.

## Step Five Timetable

The information for Step Five began with a sincere session of spontaneous writing where I asked God to make clear my selfishness, dishonesty, resentment and fear. This awareness, plus my “official” Fourth Step inventory process (directly out of the Big Book), provided a new awareness of the lurking demons (grosser handicaps) that had kept me drunk year after year. These destructive fiends freely frolicked in my unapproachable subconscious. They were protected from the Sunlight-Of-The-Spirit of truth by a dense dark and distorted fog of falsehood and deceit. This Fourth Step awareness did not make them disappear, but, at least, I had found honest information for use in Step Five. Someone said, “The truth will set you free,” but I have come to believe there is more to it than simple awareness. I have found that continued action is needed to face and be rid of my now-obvious shortcomings and defects. This was to take place in Step Five.



The Big Book tells me to do Step Five at “first opportunity,” which turned out to be about five minutes after the Step Four session (I love the Big Book timetable!). I confided to my sponsor a detailed revelation of those little demons and devils of conceit, jealousy, carelessness, intolerance, ill temper, and all the rest of it—not only to my sponsor, but to GOD! My sponsor had not the power to relieve me of this new-found ‘bondage of self,’ but luckily the Big Book tells me that God could and would if he were sought! (p. 60) Those dangerous demons cannot survive in the sunlight of God’s Truth! The Fifth Step promises, on page 75, tell us that we now begin to have a spiritual experience. Well, the realization that God is soon-to remove the very things that blocked me from seeing and acting on the truth- in-drink indeed speaks of a radical inner transformation! I believe the main goal of this vital step is to bring realization of what dominant inner forces have blocking the truth-in-drink.

Following Step Five I knew what imperfections to ask God to remove in Steps Six and Seven. It was very important that I acted before my mind decided to remember only what it wanted to remember. I believe that the Big Book timetable is very important here! We are told to do Step Four ‘at once,’ Step Five at ‘First opportunity,’ review for a short period and ‘then’ (not later) do Step Six, go right into Step Seven ‘when ready.’ My sponsor helped me via the Big Book time-table directions. I haven’t had a drink of booze since! ~ Bob S.



# COACHELLA VALLEY HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS



*If you have the desire to help the many men and women who still suffer, come and join us in sharing our experience, strength and hope*



<b>PANEL</b>	<b>CONTACT</b>	<b>PHONE</b>	<b>MEETING INFO</b>	<b>SOBRIETY REQUIRED</b>	<b>INFO/CITY</b>
<u>ABC Recovery Center</u>	Bill R.	422 666-4218	Tuesday 7:30-8:30 P.M. Co-Ed	2 years	Indio
<u>ABC Recovery Center</u>	Bill R.	422 666-4218	Thursday 7:30-8:30 P.M. Co-Ed	2 years	Indio
<u>Bella Monte Recovery Center</u>	Brian B.	760 660-8986	1st & 3rd Saturday 7:00 P.M. 12 & 12 Step Study	1 year	Desert Hot Springs
<u>Betty Ford Center</u>	Ginny P.	760 322-3136	Monday 7:30-8:30 P.M. Co-Ed	1 year	Clearance needed
<u>Betty Ford Center</u>	Ed L. Charlie L.	760 413-9170 714 724-1210	Wed. 7:30-8:30 P.M. Co-Ed Step Study (Steps 1,2 &3)	1 year	Clearance needed
<u>Chuckwalla Prison</u>	Louie C.	760-250-1547	2nd /4th Wed. 5:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M. Co-Ed	2 years	Blythe Clearance needed
<u>Desert Palms</u>	Skip	781-726-2536	Sundays 7:00 P.M. Co-Ed	1 year	Cathedral City (Behind Target)
<u>Hacienda Lunch Group</u>	Cari	928 254-9278	Alternate Mondays 12-1:00 P.M. Women's Panel	30 days	Desert Hot Springs
<u>Hacienda Women</u>	Sheri P.	760 413-7282	Saturday 7-8:00 P.M. Women's Panel	30 days	Please call Desert Hot Springs
<u>Indio Men's Jail</u>	Tony C.	760 774-5287	Tuesday 7-8:00 P.M. Men Only	3 years	Clearance needed Indio
<u>Indio Women's Jail</u>	Kim H.	760 250-8181	2nd & Last Monday 6:45—7:45 P.M. Women Only	3 years	Clearance needed Indio
<u>Michael's House</u>	Cameron S.	760 851-3059	4th Sunday 6:00 P.M. Men Only	30 days	Palm Springs
<u>Ranch Men's Recovery Ctr.</u>	Rob L.	203 858-5255	Saturdays 7:30-8:30 A.M. Men Only	30 days	Desert Hot Springs
<u>Ranch Men's Recovery Ctr.</u>	Dave H.	760 285-9591	Sundays 10:30-11:30 A.M. Men Only 12 & 12 Step Study	1 year	Desert Hot Springs
<u>29 Palms Marine Base</u>	Available		Saturday 6:00 P.M. 1st & 3rd Saturday Co-Ed	1 year	29 Palms

## A.A. VOLUNTEERS FOR PANELS ALWAYS NEEDED !

**Chair: Deanna (760) 636-6348**  
**Treasurer: Beth L. (760) 333-8280**  
**Literature: Jackie D. (760) 989-0772**

**Co-Chair: Sheri P. (760) 413-7282**  
**Secretary: Tony C. (760) 774-5287**

Updated 04/12/17

**MONTHLY MEETING: Second Wednesday, Fellowship Hall, 6:00—6:45 p.m.**

# Unity Day Picnic



**Advance Ticket Price  
\$10.00**

**\$12.00 Day of-At the Park**

Kids 5 & Under are FREE  
Additional Fee Per Pet Paid At Gate Upon Entry

**FOOD + FRIENDS =**

**Fun**

- Volleyball
- Pie Eating Contest
- Tug of War
- Cornhole
- Relay Race
- Horseshoes
- Raffle
- Many, Many More

Raffle Donations Appreciated  
Contact Vicki K @ 760.831.7262



**Tickets Available at  
Meetings and Central**

**Office**

Questions about Camping or the Picnic  
Contact Brian B. @ 760.660.8986 or Patrick H. @ 760.984.9116

**Saturday, July 8,  
2017**

**12PM—4PM**

LAKE HEMET  
56570 Highway 74  
Mountain Center, CA  
951-659-5461

- Picnic 12:00 PM
- Games 2:00 PM
- Meeting - 4:00PM
- Raffle - 5:00PM
- Poker Tournament - 7:00PM

## Feel Like Camping?

**A Weekend of Fun & Fellowship  
for the Whole Family**

**\$20 Per Adult for the  
weekend.**

(Unity Day Rep will Collect Upon Arrival)

**July 7th—9th, 2017**

Limited RV Spaces Available

So Get there Early

Additional Fee Per Pet Paid At Gate Upon Entry  
Kids 5 & Under are FREE

**Campfire & Meditation Meetings,  
Hiking, Fishing & More**

Bring Your Own Food and Drinks





## Central Intergroup of the Desert

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY

Profit and Loss

**\$686**

NET PROFIT FOR MARCH

**\$16,189**  
INCOME

**\$15,503**  
EXPENSES

March 2017

	TOTAL	
	MAR 2017	JUL 2016 - MAR 2017 (YTD)
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Contributions - Conventions		7,852
Contributions - Groups & Individuals	3,725	33,648
Gratitude Dinner	2,680	3,920
Interest Income	1	254
Sales	9,783	64,826
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$16,189</b>	<b>\$110,499</b>
	Included in Graph (above) as Total Income	
<b>COST OF GOODS SOLD</b>		
Cost of Goods Sold	6,701	44,739
<b>Total Cost of Goods Sold</b>	<b>\$6,701</b>	<b>\$44,739</b>
	Included in Expenditure Graph Total (above)	
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>\$9,488</b>	<b>\$65,761</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Accounting Services	450	4,830
Computer Expense	311	2,821
Credit Card Fees	288	1,641
Education & Training	153	296
Insurance - Health	356	3,186
Insurance - Liability		1,954
Insurance - Worker's Comp		1,050
Newsletter Expense	173	1,254
Office Expense	1,029	5,514
Payroll Expenses	4,165	36,805
Rent	1,431	12,591
State Filing Fee		60
Storage	125	1,097
Utilities	321	3,475
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$8,802</b>	<b>\$76,574</b>
	Included in Expenditure Graph Total (above)	
<b>NET OPERATING REVENUE</b>	<b>\$686</b>	<b>\$ (10,813)</b>
<b>NET REVENUE</b>	<b>\$686</b>	<b>\$ (10,813)</b>



## Central Intergroup of the Desert

## BUDGET VS ACTUALS

July 2016 - March 2017

	TOTAL		
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET
<b>REVENUE</b>			
Contributions - Conventions	7,852	8,131	(279)
Contributions - Groups & Individuals	33,648	41,100	(7,452)
Gratitude Dinner	3,920	3,900	20
Interest Income	254	18	236
Sales	64,826	67,100	(2,274)
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$110,499</b>	<b>\$120,249</b>	<b>\$ (9,750)</b>
<b>COST OF GOODS SOLD</b>			
Cost of Goods Sold	44,739	46,100	(1,361)
<b>Total Cost of Goods Sold</b>	<b>\$44,739</b>	<b>\$46,100</b>	<b>\$ (1,361)</b>
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>\$65,761</b>	<b>\$74,149</b>	<b>\$ (8,388)</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Accounting Services	4,830	4,830	0
Computer Expense	2,821	2,240	581
Credit Card Fees	1,641	1,344	297
Education & Training	296	1,550	(1,254)
Insurance - Health	3,186	3,177	9
Insurance - Liability	1,954	2,520	(566)
Insurance - Worker's Comp	1,050	1,047	3
Newsletter Expense	1,254	1,170	84
Office Expense	5,514	5,300	214
Payroll Expenses	36,805	36,536	269
Rent	12,591	12,625	(34)
State Filing Fee	60	60	0
Storage	1,097	1,097	0
Utilities	3,475	3,450	25
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$76,574</b>	<b>\$76,946</b>	<b>\$ (372)</b>
<b>NET OPERATING REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ (10,813)</b>	<b>\$ (2,797)</b>	<b>\$ (8,016)</b>
<b>NET REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ (10,813)</b>	<b>\$ (2,797)</b>	<b>\$ (8,016)</b>



## Central Intergroup of the Desert

## GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

March 2017

	TOTAL	
	MAR 2017	JUL 2016 - MAR 2017 (YTD)
'Came to Believe Group Palm Springs #123'		200.00
1 559 Meeting Hall	90.00	845.00
1 Perez Plaza Meeting Room		320.80
1 Sunny Dunes 5th Trad. Meeting Hall	654.90	5,794.83
10th Step Group Palm Desert		98.00
12 & 12 La Quinta		20.00
12 &12 Happy Hour Yucca Valley	33.00	33.00
12 &12 Step Study Perez Plaza Cathedral Cit	80.00	163.60
12 and 12 Men's Stag F.H. Monday		30.00
164 Group - WED - Palm Springs	130.00	444.52
6AM Pierson - K I S F Desert Hot Springs		153.00
Alkies Only Bermuda Dunes		100.00
Anonymous - No Group Given	260.00	2,670.82
Anonymous Cathedral City		21.00
As Bill Sees It -10AM-MON Candice Bibby	57.20	137.85
Attitude Adjustment 7 am Fellowship Hall Palm Dese	112.00	743.00
Attitude Adjustment-M-S PDCC, Palm Deser N/A	700.00	1,700.00
Attitude Adjustment-MON Cathedral City	98.80	178.80
Big Book Study Hi-Desert Noon		50.00
Big Book Workshop Yucca Valley	15.62	53.96
Black Sheep Group		487.50
Came to Believe Gp Palm Springs		150.00
Candle Light Meditation-F Palm Desert		154.00
CDM Men's Stag-TUE		388.00
Central Intergroup Cathedral City		165.88
Coachella Step Study - FRI N/A		135.00
Daily Paradise Morongo Valley		20.00
Daily Reprieve-Daily Palm Desert	57.00	323.00
DCYPAA All Valley Young People's		1,034.50
Desert Angels Indio		60.00
Desert Men's Big Book Stu Palm Desert		80.00
Desert Rats / 29 Palms MCAGCC		122.52
Dolls of Valley Palm Desert		67.84
Fellowship Hall		290.21
Great Events Yucca Valley		54.00
Groovy Group Palm Desert		40.46
Gut Level Participation Yucca Valley	45.00	45.00
Happy Hour Book Study Palm Desert		51.92

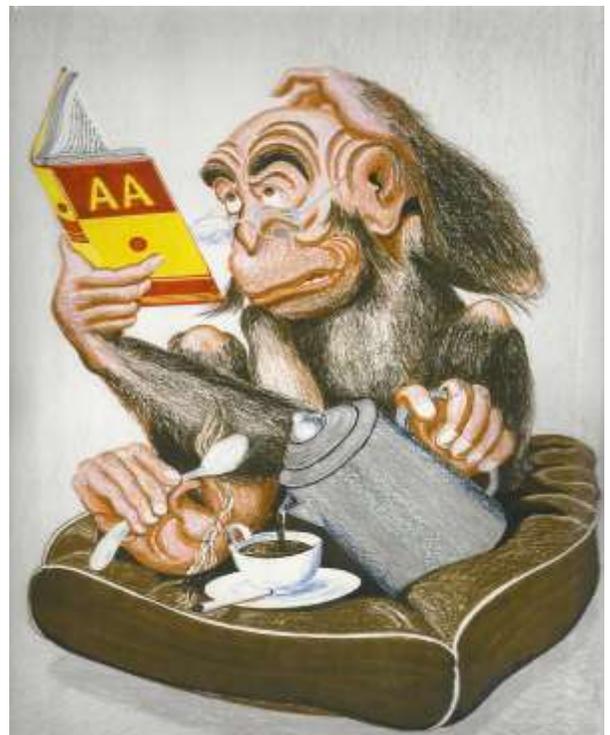
**Desert Lifeline, May 2017**

	MAR 2017	JUL 2016 - MAR 2017 (YTD)
Hi-Desert Speakers Group		90.00
How It Works Palm Springs		200.00
In memory of William Mirham		25.00
Jaywalkers Men's Stag Palm Desert		99.00
Just the Black Print Big Rancho Mirage		1,590.00
Keep It Simple - THU Cathedral City		84.00
Keep It Simple Fellowship Desert Hot Springs		177.31
Ladies Nite Out Palm Desert		246.10
Living Sober Group-Joshua Tree		120.00
Living Sober Palm Springs	206.00	589.87
Madeleine Reller N/A		44.00
Meditaion Meeting-FRI- Fellowship Hall Palm Dese		312.00
Men's Mauraders Palm Desert		320.00
Men's Stag Palm Springs		138.00
Mike Benitez Sat. Speaker's Fellowship Hall		43.34
Monday Noon Day At A Time Palm Desert		68.44
New Freedom Palm Desert	100.00	460.00
No Rules La Quinta		805.00
Over 50 12&12 Step Study		566.80
Oxy-Moron Group Palm Springs		300.00
Pathfinders Big Book Stud Bermuda Dunes		25.00
Perez Plaza Cathedral Cit Sober Out'a The Book		164.00
Perez Plaza Cathedral Cit Unorthodox Meeting		80.00
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Came to Believe		274.80
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Free Spirit		80.00
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Half Measures		184.00
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Into Action	82.40	168.00
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Meditation Meeting-THU		133.60
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Sane Saturday		82.40
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Saturday's Survivors	108.80	458.80
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Serenity Sunday	80.00	162.00
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Spiritual Awakening		204.00
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Step Study-WED		94.40
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Sunday Morning		92.40
Perez Plaza Cathedral City What's Good About Today?	82.40	82.40
Playing With A Full Deck Palm Desert		282.00
Primary Purpose La Quinta		100.00
Primary Purpose Palm Desert		100.00
Road Runners Bermuda Dunes		158.25
Rule 62 THU Noon		27.07
Santa Rosa Big Book Thump Coachella		283.50
Santa Rosa Group Palm Desert		115.00
Santa Rosa Messengers Coachella		100.00
Saturday Bare Bones	80.00	80.00
Saturday Discussion Palm Desert		31.32
Serenity Seekers Palm Desert		180.00
Sheila Young ABC Recovery Center		158.00
Singleness of Purpose		567.50
Sobriety Capitol of World Indio	94.10	668.71

	MAR 2017	JUL 2016 - MAR 2017 (YTD)
Solid Solutions		91.13
Solutions in Sobriety Palm Desert		115.29
Speakeasy Group Palm Desert		90.00
Speaker Q & A Perez Plaza Cathedral Cit		176.00
Step Sisters Palm Desert	233.40	432.00
Stepping Stones Palm Desert		85.87
Study for Sanity Palm Desert	69.75	69.75
Sun City Palm Desert Big Group		282.00
Sunday 8am Serenity Group	88.94	567.69
Sunday ABC Group Palm Desert		52.50
Sunrise Celebrators Palm Desert	70.99	695.49
Sunset Group Joshua Tree		500.00
TGIF - FRI - Perez Plaza Cathedral Cit		88.80
Thurs. 7PM Attitude Adj.		139.00
Turning Point Desert Hot Springs		48.00
Twilight Step Study Palm Desert		100.00
Vets for Vets Palm Desert		218.00
We Agnostis Perez Plaza Cathedral City		80.00
Wed NiteWomen's Discussio Bermunda Dunes		467.74
Wed Women's Sticks		27.00
Winners Meeting Palm Springs		175.00
Women of Palm Springs	94.79	94.79
Women's Meeting Yucca Valley		10.00
Women's Q & A Palm Desert		12.00
Women's Solutions-WED		136.05
Yucca Valley Thursday Noon Brown Bagge		50.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,725.09</b>	<b>\$33,648.12</b>

The drunken monkey hypothesis proposes that human attraction to ethanol may have a genetic basis due to the high dependence of the [primate](#) ancestor of Homo sapiens on fruit as a food source. Ethanol naturally occurs in ripe and overripe fruit and consequently early primates developed a genetically based attraction to the substance.

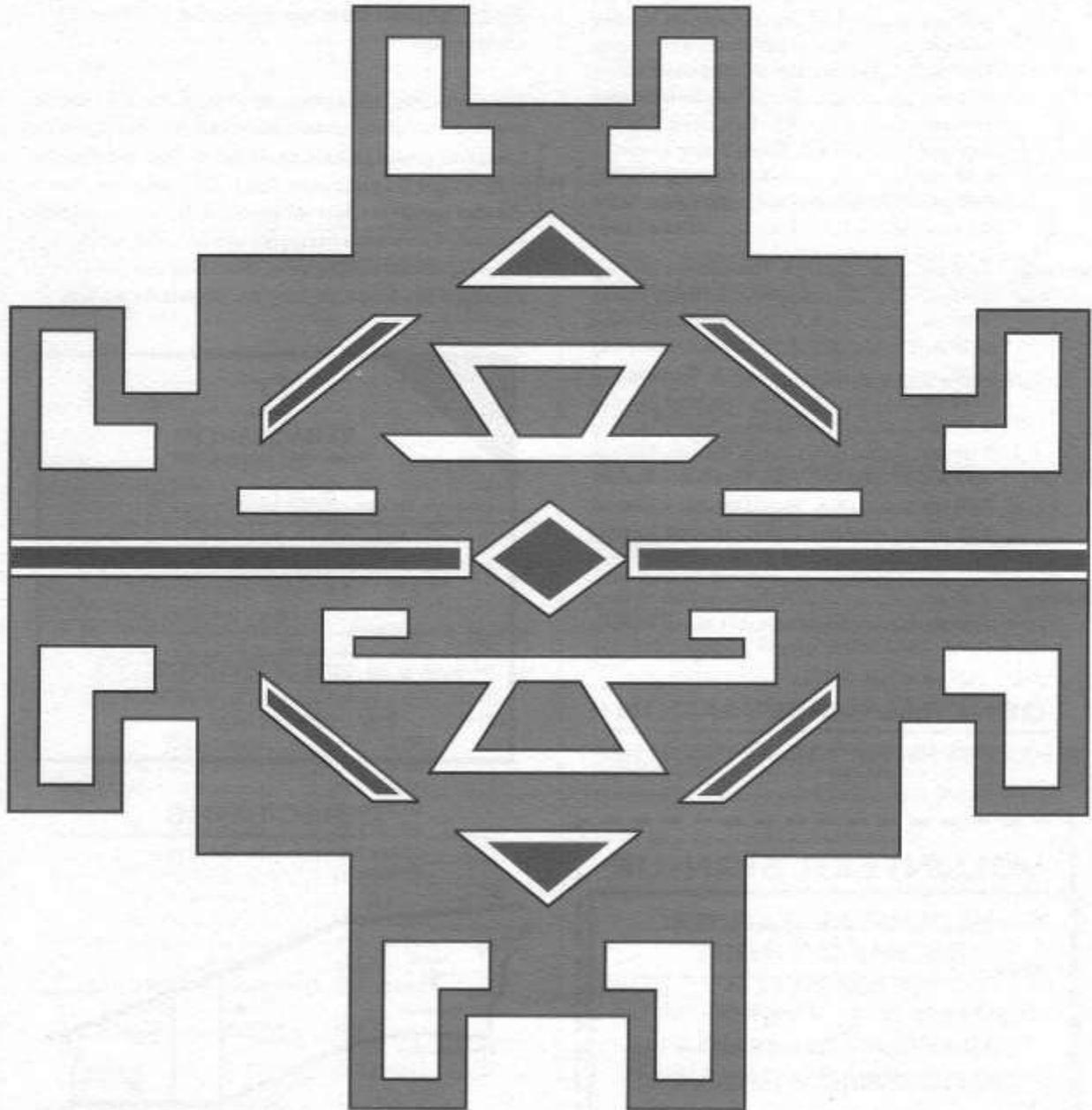
This hypothesis was originally proposed by Dr. Robert Dudley of the University of California at Berkeley and was the subject of a symposium at the meeting of the Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology. Dudley believes that while most addictive substances have a relatively short history of use, ethanol attraction may have a long evolutionarily based history. He believes that fruit ethanol may have been a significant source of energy and that the smell of the ripening fruit would help primates locate it. Ethanol is a relatively light molecule and diffuses rapidly in a natural environment. Primates are known to have a higher olfactory sensitivity to alcohol than other mammals. The once-beneficial attraction to ethanol may underlie human tendencies for alcohol use and alcohol abuse. WIKIPEDIA



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