



the Desert Lifeline

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of the Desert, serving the Coachella Valley.

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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

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Palm Desert, CA 92261-3684

Hospitals & Institutions

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

Fellowship Hall
45940 Portola Ave.
Palm Desert

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Palm Desert, CA 92261

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PO Box, 51446, Irvine CA 92619-1446
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Grand Central Station NY 10163
Web site: www.aa.org

DCYPAA

Every Sunday 6:00 P.M.
Fellowship Hall
45940 Portola Ave.
Palm Desert
Email:
webmaster@dcypaa.com

Step

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Tradition

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Concept

The General Service Conference of
A.A. has become, for nearly every
practical purpose, the active voice
and the effective conscience of our
whole society in its world affairs.

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Principle TWO

Hope - The feeling that what is wanted can be had
or that events will turn out for the best; to believe,
desire, or trust.

December Office Statistics

Meeting Info	29
12 Step Calls	2
Visitors	35
Literature Sales	85
Al-Anon	1
Other 12 Step	5
Miscellaneous	28
Business	5

Central Intergroup Office of the Desert Board of Directors

**Chairman: Russell J.
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**Duane H.
Dennis B.
Allan G.
Joe A.**

**Desert Lifeline Editors: Joan C. & David M.
Office Manager: David M.**

Message from the Manager: The day to day activities here at your Central Office have been and continue to be a cherished experience for me. Not only from the responsibilities of running a business with approximately \$75,000.00 annual sales from an ongoing and maintained \$50,000.00 inventory, keeping the shifts filled with 25 monthly office volunteers and 30 Teleservice volunteers, being of service to the more than 400 meetings we support in our directory, and coordinating with the 4 other arms of service here in the Coachella Valley. Beyond these important duties, it has been my privilege to support the decisions that the Board of Directors make each month to fulfill the primary purpose of Alcoholics Anonymous in the ways they see fit. The disclosure last year of the national downturn in group contributions, and the 7th Tradition Challenge brought to this Fellowship from the Central Office in Victorville was received with positive response by a few of our local groups which enhanced the contributions to our local arms of service, including this office. Others responded with questions about current budgetary expenditures here at Central Office. It was my honor to provide the Board with reports answering these specific questions that arose from a few at the Intergroup meetings. As a result, a seminar was proposed at the December Board Meeting. The January 20th Budget Seminar then provided these answers, and was attended by 26 members of our local Fellowship. In the spirit of transparency, and in order to go sufficiently beyond the monthly financial reports to answer all questions of expenditures last and this current fiscal year, all were confident that each question were answered and or addressed to the satisfaction of all members in attendance.

December 2017

Jim 1 yr.
Josh 2 yr.
A.J. 4 yr.
A.C. M. 9 yr.
Juan 10 yr.
Lesa A. 11 yr.



John M. 18 yr.
Jerry H. 20 yr.
Tony S. 23 yr.
V.J. 34 yr.
Jean D. 41 yr.
Madeleine R. 45 yr.



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

Don't Eat the Seed Plant the Seeds and Enjoy the Harvest

By Rick R

Step two doesn't seem to get a lot of attention but coming from a way of life that was riddled with fear and insecurity; I wanted all of the good things to happening right now. In the beginning, I was drawn towards the men who talked about character building and living by principles but, as we all come to terms with the idea that wellness takes time and there are no shortcuts when it comes to rejecting our old habits and replacing them with unselfish principles that have been around for centuries. These ideas were the seeds of my recovery in the program. I was reintroduced to these principles in the beginning of my A.A. journey and have been putting them to good use ever since and the results have turned out to be better than I ever could have expected. I believe that every person that surrenders to the A.A. program and attends meetings on a regular basis starts getting results immediately simply because he/she has stopped drinking and making many of the mistakes that are the result of their alcoholic behavior. Understanding the recovery process is more than just changing our behavior as the result of abstaining from the use of alcohol but without that abstinence, the rest of the process cannot be accomplished. Most of our behavior is the direct result of our thinking and as alcoholics; we have done a terrible job of getting it right. A life driven by fear and insecurity (thoughts) drove us to be takers (actions) just to try to get equal with the world around us but our faulty perception of that was never enough and this would go on forever had we not surrendered and accepted new ideas on how to correct our thinking. Being willing to take the risk and test out the principles we learn in A.A. sets us on a path of revisiting all of our motives for the decisions we've made in the past and put a principle in place to govern our behavior. In time, the newly discovered solutions simplify the decision making process and relieve us the responsibility to form our own principles or to modify existing principles. We often try to illustrate these concepts using analogies or comparisons and the way I try to describe the principle of unselfishness is as follows: I was talking to a young man in his early twenties about economics and the need to keep up with the Jones's and suggest that he hold off on spending any money on things that he wanted unless those were things he absolutely needed and get in the habit of spending less than he earned. (A simple principle)I then suggested that he get ahead of the curve so that he always had money left over and put it into a savings account. Soon he could purchase a home. The equity in the home would grow and would increase and increase his net worth without any effort on his part, and that economic cushion would be the beginning of what leads to financial peace of mind. To simplify that process I said to him: *Don't eat the seeds, plant the seeds and enjoy the harvest.* In A.A. we have to look at the principles, as we understand them, and plant them in our minds today if we want to enjoy their results later down the road. If, however we postpone planting these spiritual seeds we will continue to be saddled with the insecurities that caused the need to drink in the first place. If we can get ahead of the curve and be persistent, and every time we find an unselfish principle that makes sense to us, plant that seed in our consciousness, the results will overcome our fears and insecurities and we will sleep well when our head hits the pillow at night. The time it takes to achieve this peace of mind varies depending on how dedicated we practice these principles but it will not begin until we plant the seed and then patiently prune the plants until they reach maturity. The more seeds we plant, the bigger the harvest. As a friend of mine once said," If you are praying for potatoes, you better grab a hoe".

Twelve ways to tell the difference between your sponsor and your therapist

1. Your sponsor is not at all interested in the "reasons" why you drank.
2. Your therapist thinks your root problem is your lack of self-esteem and negative self image. Your sponsor thinks your problem is SELF.
3. Your therapist wants you to pamper your inner child. Your sponsor thinks it ought to be spanked.
4. Your sponsor thinks your inventory should be about you, and not your parents.
5. Speaking of parents, your sponsor tells you not to confront them but to make amends to them.
6. The only time your sponsor uses the word "closure" is before the word "mouth".
7. Your sponsor thinks "boundaries" are things you need to take down, not build up.
8. Your therapist wants you to love yourself first; your sponsor wants you to care about others first.
9. Your therapist prescribes care-taking and medication. Your sponsor prescribes prayer and meditation.
10. Your sponsor thinks "anger management skills" are numbered 1 through 12.
11. Once you haven't had a drink in six months, your therapist thinks you should make a list of your goals and objectives for the next five years, starting with finishing up that college degree. Your sponsor thinks you should start today by cleaning the coffee pots and help her carry a heavy box of literature to the jail.
12. Your sponsor won't lose his or her license to practice if s/he talks about God.

December Volunteers at Central Office

Aaron C.
Brad L.
Darren P.

Jay A.
Jim B.
John K.

Thank You !!

Thank You !!

Eileen C.
Emil M.
Gregg C.
Hugh W.

Kristin V.
Kathie P.
Lobo Mc G.
Mary Anne C.

Michael K.
Patti N.
Shawna M.
Steve C.
Steve P.

Steve S.
Terry S.
Tracy M.
Tonia B.
Vickie G.
Zebra Mark

Service opportunities! If you want to give back to the fellowship...keep reading!

District 9 General Service

WHEN WE MEET? We hold a regular meeting every third Sunday of the month at 4pm.

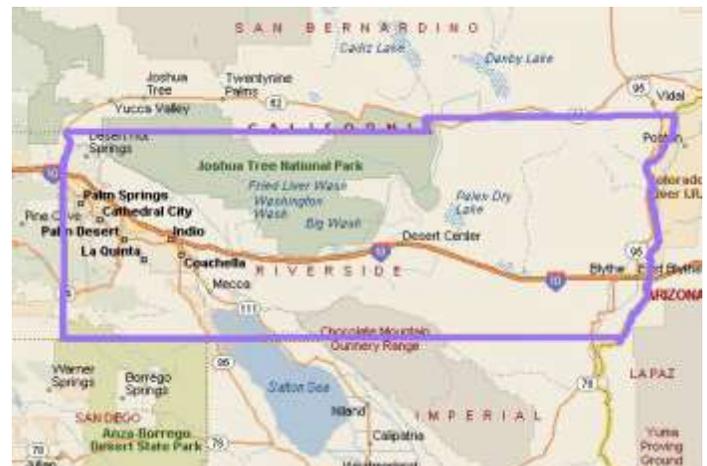
WHERE WE MEET? Regular meetings are held at Fellowship Hall- 45940 Portola Ave. Palm Desert

WHO WE SERVE? Serving the communities of Bermuda Dunes, Blythe, Cathedral City, Coachella, Desert Center, Desert Hot Springs, Eagle Mountain, Indian Wells, Indio, La Quinta, North Palm Springs, Palm Desert, Palm Springs, Rancho Mirage, and Whitewater.

WHAT DO WE DO? It's our mission to provide A.A. Service information and resources to the community. All lengths of sobriety are welcome at our monthly meetings. There is no need for any previous service experience, just a willingness to be part of and give back.

Open positions:

- DCMC (District Committee Member Chair)
- Alt. District committee member chair
- DCM's (Multiple Positions available)
- Registrar
- Archivist
- Grapevine
- Literature
- PI (Public Information)
- Webmaster



"We are the General Service Representatives. We are the link in the chain of communication for our groups with the General Service Conference and the world of A.A."

January Puzzle Solution



Accountability Tools

January 20, 2018

Today I attended a Budget Seminar at Central Office in Cathedral City, CA. The fellowship in attendance offered good questions about how Central Office handles their budget. And the Board responded with gratitude for the opportunity to share information. The majority of the discussion had to do with the systems of accounting, inventory and running the retail store.

We all want our leaders and trusted servants to be accountable for their actions and decisions.

Having volunteered for 2+ years at Central Office, I've witnessed archaic (hand written scraps of paper) systems transformed into an integrated mobile friendly website and efficient state of the art systems designed to save man hours, increase cost efficiencies and make Central Office systems more transparent and accountable to the fellowship. This was no small task. It required 8 months of research by David M. and Jody K., untold volunteer man hours, and a determined Board of Directors to make it happen.

Yes, as some of the attendees suggested, we could examine other systems. We might save a little money. But at what cost? Let's continue to give our leaders and trusted servants the tools they need to be accountable when the fellowship inquires.

In the spirit of love and service,
Mark A.

Tradition Two

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

When I was introduced to AA, I had a frightful time understanding the totality of Alcoholics Anonymous. When I was in my young 20's, my next older sister committed suicide. All three of us siblings had a profound church affiliation that we all took very seriously. My sister's funeral was held in the High Episcopal Church we had grown up in. Her body lay in its casket - in the nave of the church. HER NAME WAS NOT SPOKEN BECAUSE SHE HAD TAKEN HER OWN LIFE.

That was the end of organized religion for me.

I continued the next few decades as an atheist, ultimately mellowing out into an agnostic.

Then I entered AA and had to face an issue - how could I believe in God when I could not understand how such a power even existed.

I had numerous ongoing exchanges with my AA friends. Because I am always in awe of natural forces, I was able to believe in the sun, the wind, raindrops, the stars, as they advised me.

I finally understood that there surely was a God, an unspeaking, invisible Force that created this world -- and me.

Tradition Two, it says in "The 12 and 12," "there is but one ultimate authority, a loving God as He may express Himself in our lives, in our group conscience."

We are all servants. "In no sense whatever can (our) members govern or direct the (AA) group....Ours is sometimes the thankless privilege of doing the group's chores."

Connie Z

Attitude Adjustment, Mondays, Eisenhower Hospital, Rancho Mirage

2018

COME AND BE PART OF THE COMMITTEE!!!

4th Sunday of Each Month

All meetings are held at fellowship hall unless otherwise noted
Fellowship Hall- 45940 Portola Ave, Palm Desert, CA 92260



4:00pm

Committee Meetings Will Be Held:

2/25, 3/25, 4/29, 5/27, 6/24,

Final Meeting at the Hotel 7/22/18

Convention August 3– 5th, 2018

Double Tree Hotel 67967 Vista Chino Cathedral City, CA 92234



NEW MEETINGS & MEETING CHANGES

New Meetings:

Rancho Mirage "Living Sober "(Closed, Book Study) meets on Saturday 10:30 AM @ The Colony (Upstairs in the Library)70377 Gerald Ford Dr.

Palm Springs, The "Tag Team Reflections" meeting meets at the LGBT Community Center new location 1301 N. Palm Canyon.7:00 PM Friday

Meeting Change of Location

Palm Desert, the meeting "Playing with a Full Deck" women's meeting has moved to Fellowship Hall on Thursdays at 6:00 PM

Palm Springs, the 7:00 PM Friday night Cornfield Meeting that has been meeting at the Palm Springs Chamber is now meeting at the Demuth Community Center 3601 E. Mesquite Ave.

Rancho Mirage, "Solid Solutions" Tuesday nights @ 7:00 PM (Discussion, Young People) now meets a the Sovereign Health Restaurant 69-640 Highway 111

Meeting Change of Name or Time

Indio, the Women's Candlelight meeting at the ABC Recovery Center 44359 Palm Dr. has been changed to "Open Candlelight" and is now an LGBTQ Discussion meeting.

Rancho Mirage, the Thursday Cigar Meeting at the River now meets at 8:00 P.M.

Bermuda Dunes, the name of the church that the Alkies Only meeting has been meeting has changed it's name from Pathfinder Church of the Risen Christ to St. Clare of Assisi.

Bermuda Dunes, the Wednesday Night Women's Meeting that met at Washington St. Apts. Rec. Room 42800 Washington St. will be meeting at the Administration Building 44291 S. Heritage Palms Dr. (south gate-of of Fred Waring Dr.) starting March 7th 2018

Meeting no Longer in Existence

Palm Springs, The 2:00 PM Wednesday Meeting at Sunny Dunes 5th Tradition Hall no longer meets
Desert Hot Springs, The 7:30 PM Sunday meeting is no longer there.

Speaker Meetings



**Palm Desert Group -
Fellowship Hall, Palm Desert**

Saturday Night, 8:30 p.m.

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|-------|--------------|--------------------|
| 02/03 | - Ira R. | Desert Hot Springs |
| 02/10 | - Sue D. | Cathedral City |
| 02/17 | - Barrett C. | Indio |
| 02/28 | - Deirdre P. | Palm Desert |

Sobriety Capital of the World - Indio

Friday Night, 8 p.m.

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|------|-----------|------------------|
| 2/02 | Mika A. | Indian Wells, CA |
| 2/09 | Anya S. | Long Beach, CA |
| 2/16 | Jerome S. | Corona, CA |
| 2/23 | Bill C. | Torrance, CA |

**Santa Rosa Messengers -
CV Christian Church 50100 Jackson St**

Saturday Night, 7:00 p.m.

- | | | |
|------|----------|-------------|
| 2/03 | Vicki L. | Palm Desert |
| 2/10 | John S. | La Quinta |
| 2/17 | Flip L. | Indio |
| 2/28 | Nick S. | Palm Desert |

Please check the web site (www.AAintheDesert.org) for any changes since the printing of the newsletter.

Step Two

Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.

Did you ever question that you were insane? Did you ever think that if you admitted the fact that you were insane that a power greater than yourself could restore you to a state of mind that we not savage

The insanity that we address in the second step includes 2 points:

that we admit we are insane

2 – that we need help from a power so great that we become insignificant and that our selfishness is no longer a way of life.

Let's examine the question of insanity. Is it possible that our behavior became so outrageous when we drank alcohol that we could not distinguish the true from the false and that in spite of all of our effort to make sense of our lives, we failed. What did we do then?

We found that we needed to have a power greater than ourselves that would accept our surrender. And where did we find this power? "HOW" became our mantra. Honesty, open-mindedness and willingness to admit that we were lost without this spiritual power.

This plan did not just occur. As we attended AA meetings, we found the assurance that God would restore us to sanity.

Mary C
Stepping Stones, Fellowship Hall, Palm Desert

\$9.50

\$9.50

Book of the month

Dr. Bob & the Good Old Timers

Normally \$10.50 — This month \$9.50

\$9.50

\$9.50

Concept Two

When in 1955, the AA groups confirmed the permanent charter for their General Service Conference, they thereby delegated to the Conference complete authority for the active maintenance of our world services and thereby made the Conference – excepting for any change in the Twelve Traditions or in Article 12 of the Conference Charter – the actual voice and the effective conscience for our whole Society.

Concept I establishes the “final responsibility and ultimate authority” of the A.A. groups; but, in actual practice, how are they to manage A.A.’s service affairs? By delegation, Concept II declares.

Bill and Dr. Bob, entrusted by the early groups to get the program going to spread the message, found nonalcoholic friends to help them. They formed a trusteeship and delegated to it the responsibility for finances, the Big Book and other literature, public information, the service office and the A.A. Grapevine. However, as the trustees constantly looked to the co-founders for advice and guidance and the groups also continued to hold them accountable, it was evident that the leadership should be transferred to the A.A. groups as a whole. But if the groups were to carry on their primary purpose, they would have to delegate their leadership role to a General Service Conference. They do this by electing a General Service Representative for each group. These G.S.R.s meet regularly in area assemblies and every two years elect a delegate from among their number. Every April, the delegates from the 91 areas in the U.S. and Canada meet for six days with the trustees of the General Service Board, the staffs of the General Service Office and the AA Grapevine and certain other service workers. Thus, this General Service Conference of A.A. is “the actual voice and effective conscience of our whole Society in its world affairs.”

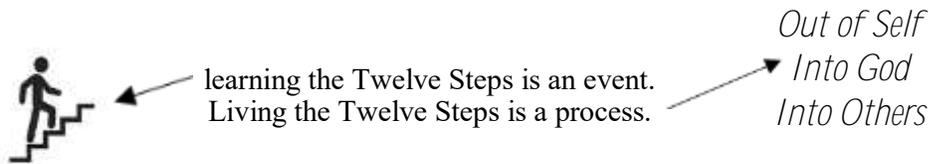
This was taken from, *The Twelve Concepts for World Service, illustrated.*

Gay H., G.S.R. liaison to Intergroup

LEARNING THE STEPS VS LIVING THE STEPS

(The event is not the process)

During his third day of treatment at Towns Hospital, Bill W ingested the essence of our Twelve Steps while being assisted by his schoolmate, Ebby T (Read p. 13). Directly thereafter, Bill experienced a radical personality change which allowed a release from his alcoholic obsession. However, this blessed happenstance would have been only temporary unless followed by putting Ebby’s “neat little formula” into action, which was, at that time, of course, the tenets of the Oxford Group.



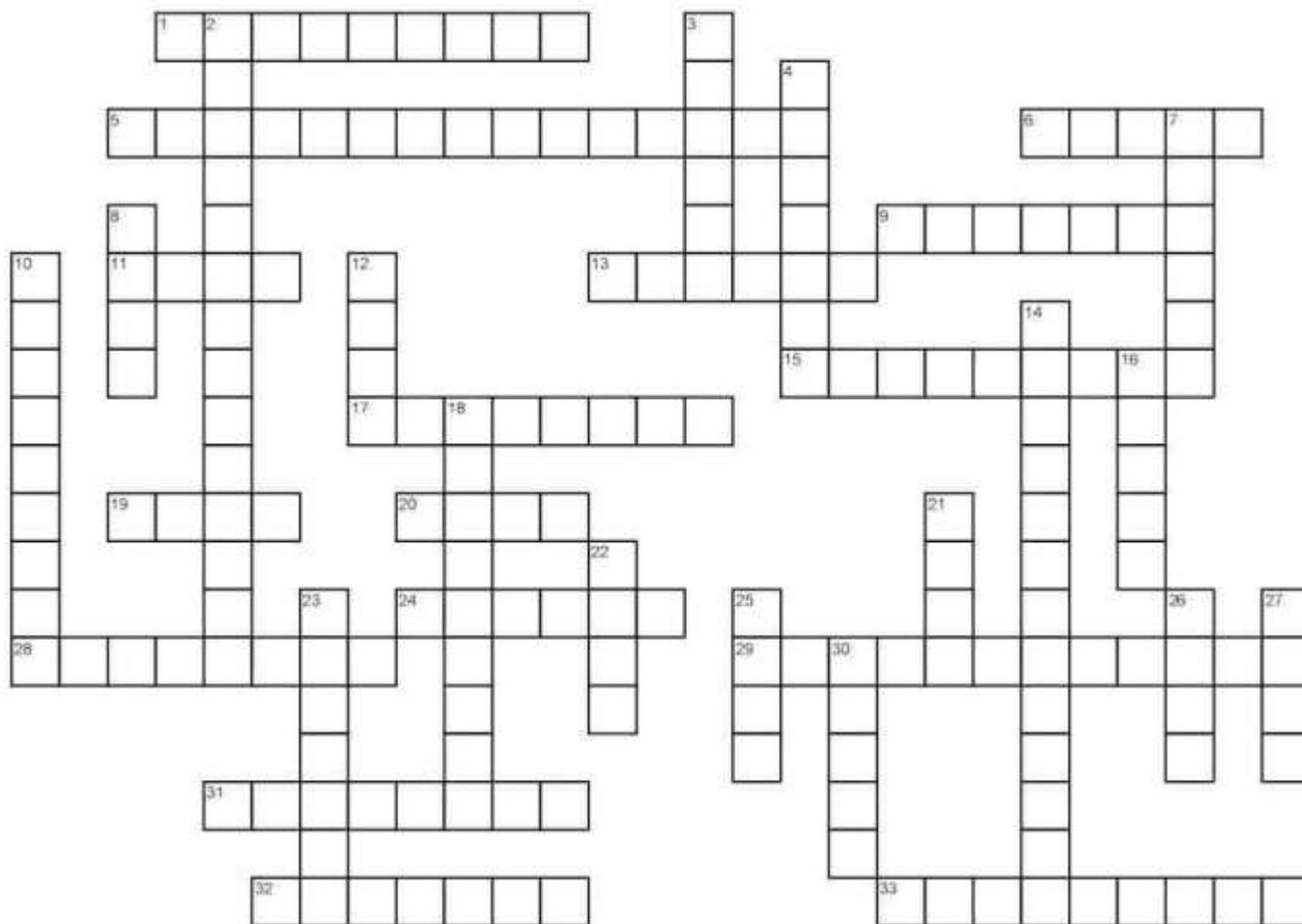
Directly after leaving Towns Hospital, Bill didn’t return to his long-standing passion of Wall Street finances, but was instead guided to Calvary Mission in attempt to carry his new-found sobriety message to drunken sots. Lucky for us this became a lifetime process which allowed him to maintain permanent sobriety. His spiritual experience event became a lifetime process.

Dr. Carl Jung explained to millionaire, Rowland H: “Ideas, emotions, and ideas which were once the guiding forces of the lives of these men are suddenly cast aside, and a new set of conceptions and motives begin to dominate them” (p. 27). Although armed with this invaluable knowledge, Roland was unable to follow the Oxford Group tenets; consequently, he maintained only spotted sobriety. Learning the Oxford Group tenets was sadly only an event, but not the necessary lifetime process.

Dr. Bob had been exposed to the Oxford Group tenets for over two years before meeting Bill W, but was not actually living in the spirit of them. And no matter how hard he would try, he would end up boiled as an owl. After a five-hour talk with Bill, he experienced a much stronger desire to stay sober. This was an exciting event, but he was unwilling to follow the process of making the required amends. He got drunk! But later, he made amends, thus began living the Twelve Steps (as they were later to be called), He never drank again!

Half measures availed us nothing (p. 59).

Bob S.



ACROSS

- 1 Bill's brother-in-law's profession
- 5 Original company that published the Big Book (2 words)
- 6 appendices
- 9 State where Dr. Bob was born
- 11 "He Sold Himself Short"
- 13 soundness of mind
- 15 Author of the March 1, 1941 article in the Saturday Evening Post
- 17 The Sermon on the Mount (2 words)
- 19 Swiss psychiatrist
- 20 happy, joyous and _____
- 24 Author of "The Keys of the Kingdom"
- 28 Dr. Bob's middle name
- 29 our life when we got to AA
- 31 "Home Brewmeister"
- 32 State where Bill W was born
- 33 press, radio and films

DOWN

- 2 He is quoted in Appendix 2 (2 words)
- 3 Bill was offered a job at his lab
- 4 Little Angel of A.A.
- 7 "A Flower of the South"
- 8 Bill's longtime secretary
- 10 Where Dr. Bob went to college
- 12 Dr. Bob's wife's name
- 14 Contempt prior to this
- 16 "From Farm to City"
- 18 First woman member (2 words)
- 21 The 3rd Step prayer doesn't have it but the 7th Step prayer does
- 22 "The Car Smasher"
- 23 Freedom From
- 25 The month that AA was "born"
- 26 "He Thought He Could Drink Like a Gentleman"
- 27 Alcoholics are like men who have lost these
- 30 "Women Suffer Too"



2018



Love and Tolerance

31st Annual

AA Desert Women's Banquet

SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 2018

Renaissance Indian Wells Resort & Spa

REGISTRATION: 4 – 5 P.M.

DINNER: 5 – 7 P.M.

SPEAKER: 7 – 8 P.M.

\$44 per person

NO tickets will be sold at the door. 10 seats per table maximum.

To sit together, registration forms and payment must be returned together.

Registration Contact: Lee R. 310-210-6192

Chair: Brooke B. 760-399-7885

To register online, please visit desertwomensbanquet.org

See reverse side for additional registration forms.

Make checks payable to: Desert Women's Banquet Mail to: PO Box 4383 Palm Desert, CA 92261	Full Name:		Amount Enclosed Dinner \$ 44.00 *Donation \$	
	Name on Badge:			
	Mailing Address:		Total \$	
	City:	Zip:		
	Email:	Phone:		
Vegetarian meal? YES / NO (Please Circle)	Table Head:		# in Party:	

To donate ticket(s) or portion of, making it possible for "women in need" to attend, please note the amount of your donation above.

Payment must be received no later than Friday, March 2, 2018.

Desert Lifeline, February 2018

Make checks payable to: Desert Women's Banquet Mail to: PO Box 4383	Full Name:		Amount Enclosed	
	Name on Badge:		Dinner	\$ 44.00
	Mailing Address:		*Donation \$	
	City:	Zip:	Total	\$
	Email:		Phone:	
Vegetarian meal?	Table Head:		# in Party:	
Make checks payable to: Desert Women's Banquet Mail to: PO Box 4383 Palm Desert, CA 92261	Full Name:		Amount Enclosed	
	Name on Badge:		Dinner	\$ 44.00
	Mailing Address:		*Donation \$	
	City:	Zip:	Total	\$
	Email:		Phone:	
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	Email:		Phone:	
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YES / NO (Please Circle)				



Central Intergroup of the Desert

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY

December 2017

Profit and Loss

\$-57

NET INCOME FOR DECEMBER

\$13,384

INCOME

\$13,441

EXPENSES

	TOTAL	
	DEC 2017	JUL - DEC, 2017 (YTD)
Revenue		
Contributions - Conventions		6,185
Contributions - Groups & Individuals	5,459	21,795
Interest Income	1	55
Sales	7,923	43,910
Total Revenue	\$13,384	\$71,945
Cost of Goods Sold		
Cost of Goods Sold	5,133	28,216
POS Inventory Adjustment	(49)	113
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$5,084	\$28,329
GROSS PROFIT	\$8,300	\$43,616
Expenditures		
Accounting Services	500	3,000
Computer Expense	450	2,722
Credit Card Fees	139	1,071
Education & Training		1,897
Insurance - Health	363	2,169
Insurance - Liability		1,104
Insurance - Worker's Comp		1,048
Newsletter Expense	122	684
Office Expense	741	4,102
Payroll Expenses	4,165	24,990
Rent	1,431	8,586
State Filing Fee		55
Storage	134	795
Utilities	314	2,445
Total Expenditures	\$8,358	\$54,668
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$ (57)	\$ (11,052)
NET REVENUE	\$ (57)	\$ (11,052)



Central InterGroup of the Desert

BUDGET VS. ACTUALS: CIO BUDGET FYE 2018-06-30 - FY18 P&L

July - December, 2017

	TOTAL		
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET
Revenue			
Contributions - Conventions	6,185	11,700	(5,515)
Contributions - Groups & Individuals	21,795	21,804	(9)
Interest Income	55	129	(74)
Sales	43,910	41,685	2,225
Storage Rental		300	(300)
Total Revenue	\$71,945	\$75,618	\$ (3,673)
Cost of Goods Sold			
Cost of Goods Sold	28,216	28,600	(384)
POS Inventory Adjustment	113		113
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$28,329	\$28,600	\$ (271)
GROSS PROFIT	\$43,616	\$47,018	\$ (3,402)
Expenditures			
Accounting Services	3,000	3,000	0
Computer Expense	2,722	2,100	622
Credit Card Fees	1,071	1,030	41
Education & Training	1,897	2,050	(153)
Insurance - Health	2,169	2,160	9
Insurance - Liability	1,104	1,800	(696)
Insurance - Worker's Comp	1,048	1,050	(2)
Newsletter Expense	684	960	(276)
Office Expense	4,102	3,600	502
Payroll Expenses	24,990	25,500	(510)
Rent	8,586	8,580	6
State Filing Fee	55		55
Storage	795	770	25
Utilities	2,445	2,600	(155)
Total Expenditures	\$54,668	\$55,200	\$ (532)
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$ (11,052)	\$ (8,182)	\$ (2,870)
NET REVENUE	\$ (11,052)	\$ (8,182)	\$ (2,870)



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Central Intergroup of the Desert

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

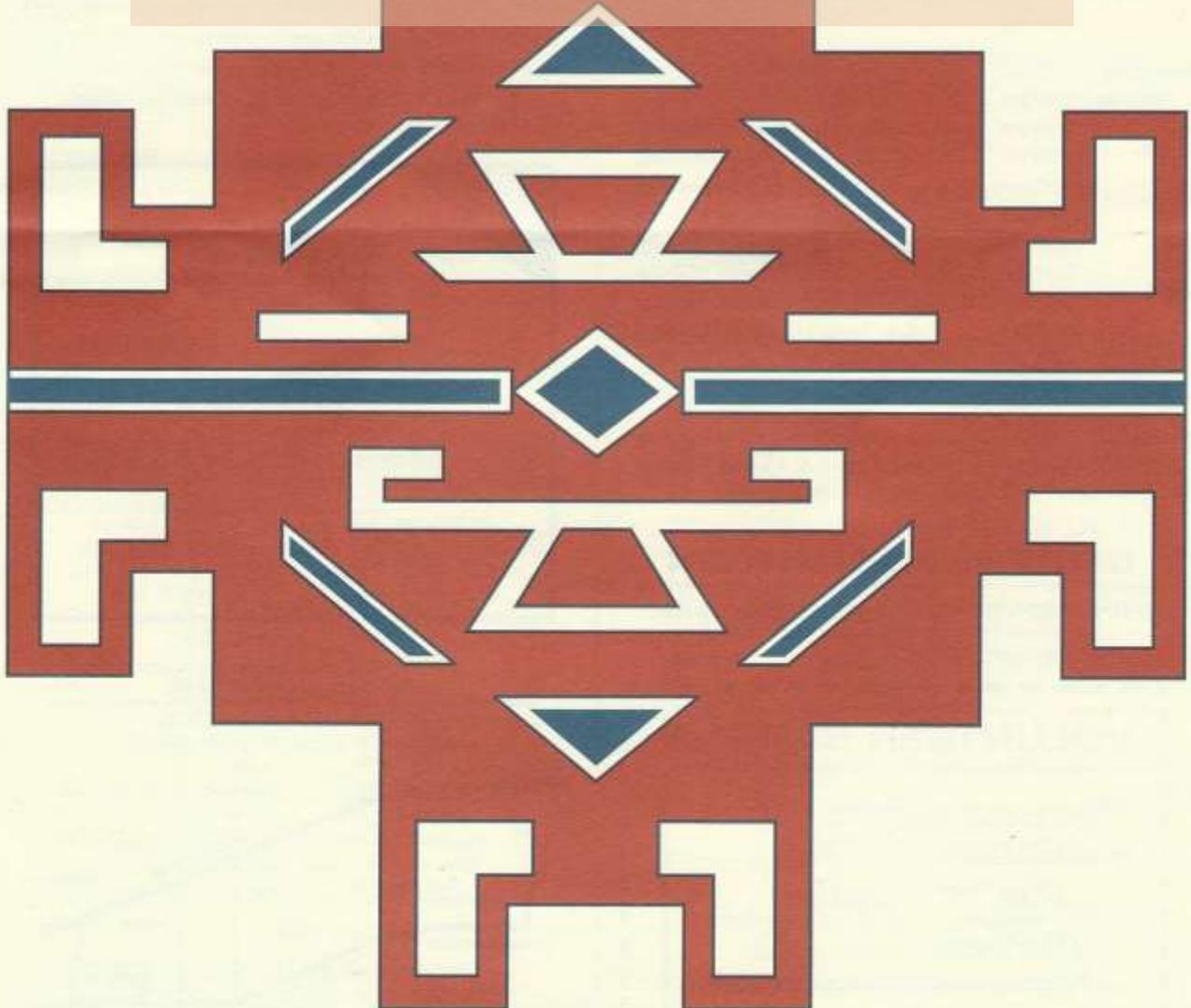
December 2017

	TOTAL	
	DEC 2017	JUL - DEC, 2017 (YTD)
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Came to Believe		106.00
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Half Measures		88.40
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Keep It Simple - THU		82.40
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Meditation Meeting-THU		81.60
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Sane Saturday		80.00
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Saturday Morning		106.80
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Saturday's Survivors		190.40
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Serenity Sunday		88.00
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Sober Out'a The Book		80.00
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Speaker Q & A-TUE	89.60	175.60
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Spiritual Awakening		80.00
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Step Study-WED		80.80
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Unorthodox Meeting		80.00
Perez Plaza Cathedral City What's Good About Today?	80.00	160.00
Q. & A. Meeting-SAT- Perez Plaza Cathedral Cit		81.60
Rule 62 THU Noon	110.00	201.50
Santa Rosa Big Book Thump Coachella	117.00	579.00
Santa Rosa Messengers Coachella		344.50
Seniors in Sobriety Palm Springs		250.00
Serenity Seekers Palm Desert	120.00	360.00
Singleness of Purpose	257.50	257.50
Sisters Under the Skin Palm Springs	100.00	100.00
Sobriety Capitol of World Indio	167.19	444.46
Solid Solutions	114.19	114.19
Solutions in Sobriety Palm Desert		60.84
Step Sisters Palm Desert	129.25	855.33
Study for Sanity Palm Desert		48.00
Sun City Palm Desert Big Group		191.00
Sunday 8am Serenity Group	80.25	453.70
Sunny Dunes 5th Tradition Group	233.86	1,511.64
Sunrise Celebrators Palm Desert	64.84	309.06
The First 164 Pages	210.00	210.00
Twilight Step Study Palm Desert		150.00
Vets for Vets Palm Desert		112.50
Wed NiteWomen's Discussio Bermunda Dunes		348.63
Wednesday Night Meeting Yucca Valley		10.00
Winners Meeting Palm Springs		170.00
Young At Heart Rancho Mirage	40.00	40.00
Yucca Valley Thursday Noon Brown Bagge		30.00
TOTAL	\$5,459.21	\$21,794.93

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