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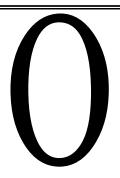
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Step

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Tradition

Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity.



Concept

Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. World Services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.



Principle One

Surrender - to give up, abandon, or relinquish

November Office Statistics

Meeting Info	85
12 Step Calls	1
Visitors	72
Literature Sales	129
Al-Anon	0
Other 12 Step	3
Miscellaneous	25
Business	17

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Central Office would like to thank the following outgoing Board Members for their dedication and service throughout their terms:

Jim B., Kathleen A., Mark D., and Kim B.

And we welcome the following new elected Board Members:

Alex K., Bill T., Blake H., and Daphne F.

And , of course, we welcome our returning Board Members:

Allan G., Kenneth J., Joe A., Kathy F. and Alyssa C.



November 2020

Samantha W. 1 yr.

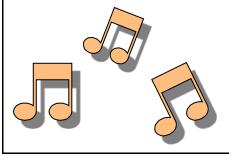
Jana P. 36 yr.

Faith R. 42 yr.

Paulette Q 43 yr.



Please note: The temporary closure of local meeting halls and normal channels of communication in our Fellowship has reduced the number of Celebrants we are made aware of.



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

Ten Alcoholics

- 10 Alcoholics, all in a line.
 One got to thinking
 --then there were Nine.
- 9 Alcoholics, one said, "Wait! A near beer can't hurt!" then there were Eight.
- 8 Alcoholics, lookin' up to heaven.
 One cut out meetings
 --then there were Seven.
- 7 Alcoholics, doing service for kicks.
 One started grumbling
 --then there were Six.
 - 6 Alcoholics, glad to be alive.
 'Til one smoked pot
 --then there were Five.

- 5 Alcoholics, greeters at the door.
 One played the Big Shot
 --then there were Four.
- 4 Alcoholics, for fun and for free.
 One's case was "different"
 --then there were Three.
- 3 Alcoholics, knowing what to do.
 One rewrote the Big Book
 --then there were Two.
 - 2 Alcoholics, having some fun.
 One started lying
 --then there was One.
 - 1 Alcoholic, talking to HP, "If only one is sober --then I'm glad it's me."

Just when I got used to yesterday, along came TODAY!

Having a resentment is like peeing your pants --- everyone can see it, but you are the only one that can feel it.

I couldn't quit shaking as I detoxed in the rooms of Alcoholics Anonymous . . . but I'm grateful for the shaking, since it was the only exercise I was getting!

Maintaining sobriety is like feeding a parking meter . . . It's all about change.

My story can be summed up this way ---

'I went to a party when I was 17, and the next thing I knew, I was forty-one!'

The Delusion Had to be Smashed

Like Men Who Had Lost Their Legs By Rick R.

As a kid approaching adolescence, I had my first encounter with alcohol, and it did something for me that I had never experienced before. It brought about a degree of peace and serenity in those first few minutes that I could not dismiss as just another good time. It started me on that road to fantasy land and thank God it only lasted fourteen years. I was quick to burn through those years starting off as lampshade drunkenness, and then the tolerance started to develop to the point that I was pretty good at drinking and that only lasted for a short time, then I enter into the black-out phase and that wasn't a pretty sight. My first wife left me and for the next two years I went through the self pity phase when I hung out in bars and got into fights, got locked up, and cried in my beer a lot. I spent much of those last few years thinking that one day I would evolve into a responsible adult and put all if it behind me, but that never happened. Then one day I woke up from a black-out drunk and somehow realized that if I didn't do something about my drinking, I was going to die a young and horrible death, I threw in the towel, called A.A., and started this wonderful journey.

As I look back on it now, I can understand why alcohol had the effect on me that it didn't have on, nine out of ten, of the others that I drank with in those early days. We were all partying and the alcohol masked the differences between them and me. They enjoyed it all right but they went home and went to work the next morning. I went right back to the bar again and in search of that euphoria I experienced that first time I drank and every time there after.

After years of sobriety, it occurred to me that the drink quelled all of those fears and inhibitions that we alcoholics face each morning upon awakening that the normal drinker never has to face. That is what makes us different. Once our tolerance for alcohol is depleted, it never returns. That is the hardest fact for the alcoholic to face. In Ch. 3 of the Big Book it states: (The delusion that we are like other people, or presently may be, has to be smashed. We know that no real alcoholic ever recovers control.) In my early days of sobriety at the meetings in Los Angeles, most of the meetings that I attended read a portion of chapter 3 as well as the portion of chapter five that we do here. That portion of the book drives home the true nature of this disease but they stopped reading at the words: ad infinitum. I suggest that a person read one more paragraph after that. That always brought home the fact that I was responsible for my own recovery if I had a desire to stop drinking A.A. could help me accomplish that but by no means will it work for me until I except that devastating fact.

The abnormal fears and inhibitions that I faced in the beginning of my A.A. journey are no longer a problem now that I have embraced the program in the spirit that is suggested. All I would need to do to have them return would be to rest on my laurels and ignore the wisdom of those who came before me and that is not going to happen here. I may be sick but I'm not foolish. We get a daily reprieve based upon the maintenance of our spiritual condition and as long as I have days left, I am not finished.



Book of the month Best of Bill



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Why We Do the Things We Do

One issue at a time By Rick R.

Alcoholism is an incurable disease contracted by-you might say- 10% of the population. It is an incurable disease, but it can be arrested. It is no respecter of age, gender, intelligence, religion, or economic status. Why, you might say, 90% of the population can drink with impunity is hard to understand, but we who have been in the A.A. program for a while, know that you can adopt a way of life that removes the obsession to drink without the white knuckling side effects and you will be comfortable in your own skin without the use of medicine. The symptoms of alcoholism are a combination of mental, physical, emotional, and spiritual in nature. The alcoholic awakes every morning to face, "The hideous four horsemen, Terror, Bewilderment, Frustration, Despair." (pg. 151 BB.) Doctors, Counselors, Priests, and Ministers, when afflicted, come to A.A. to get relief from this horrible disease. When our desperation out-weighs our denial we show up at the doors of Alcoholics Anonymous and discover a road map to a life of peace and happiness that we believed did not exist. Alcoholism is a progressive disease and Alcoholics Anonymous is a progressive solution and not a quick fix. These desperate alcoholics find a degree of hope and comfort when first exposed to the A.A. group and the laughter and lighthearted banter going on between the members before the meeting even starts. They hear members sharing about Guilt, Shame, Fear and Insecurity and they identified with these symptoms. They hear laughter when a person describes a horrible incident in their life and they think they are laughing at the horror but, in fact, they discover that the laughter was focused on the absurdity of our alcoholic thinking, at the time, and they all identify with it. If they are fortunate the long, slow process has just begun and each day becomes better than the last. They begin to understand why they did the things they did while under the influence of alcoholism and in the grip of alcoholic thinking. They begin to understand how their irrational fears influenced their decision-making and discover that the solution to that problem is too Live by unselfish and proven principles. They begin to understand that guilt, shame, fear, and insecurity were the core issues that could quickly be put to rest by alcohol and halfway through their second drink everything seemed right with the world. The world had not changed but their perception of it had. To compensate for the fears and insecurities they had to protect their turf, so they learned how to rationalize those established behavioral patterns they were not proud of. Family responsibilities took a backseat to the boozing and their family let them know about it so, back to the bar they went. The guilt and shame weighed heavy on their mind and to drink would take care of that temporarily. In the program they come to learn how to admit their mistakes and make restitution for all those faulty behaviors and get on the positive side of the ledger. "---Selfishness---Self-Centeredness! That we think is the root of our troubles. Driven by a hundred forms of fear, self-delusion self-seeking and selfpity we step on the toes of our fellows and they retaliate". (BB pg.62) Can you blame them? There are 12 steps in the program of Alcoholics Anonymous and each step is preparatory to the next. If we give due diligence to every one of those 12 Steps, we evolved into the person we always wished we could become. We can't stop drinking if we can't stop the alcoholic thinking. Again, In the program, each day seems better than the day before. One day at a time. One issue at a time. One solution at a time. I can't explain My A.A. experience any better than that.

When I came back after a slip, a guy said to me: 'I have information for you that might be difficult for you to hear. You are NOT going to stay sober on the fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous. You are one of those people that is going to have to use the PROGRAM of Alcoholics Anonymous.' --- then he offered to show me the difference.

My life is like one of those Jenga puzzles . . . I don't talk to my sponsor for awhile, so it's like taking out a piece of the puzzle and putting it to the side, then I cut back on meetings so I've taken out another piece of the puzzle and put it to the side . . . then I get to a place where my foundation is shaky and I don't know what else I can take out and put to the side without the whole thing following down around my ears!

I've learned that I can't always control my thoughts but today I don't have to let my thoughts control me.

Bill says in the Twelve and Twelve that Step Six is the Step that "separates the men from the boys."

It has been my experience that Step Nine is the step that separates alcoholics who are willing to go to any lengths, from the alcoholic who is willing to risk drinking again.

Today I am grateful that I don't need to laugh at others . . . I have my own entertainment center sitting on my neck!

November Volunteers at Central Office

Alyssa C. Amelia F.

Emil M. Eileen C. Gary H.

Thank You !!

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Tradition One

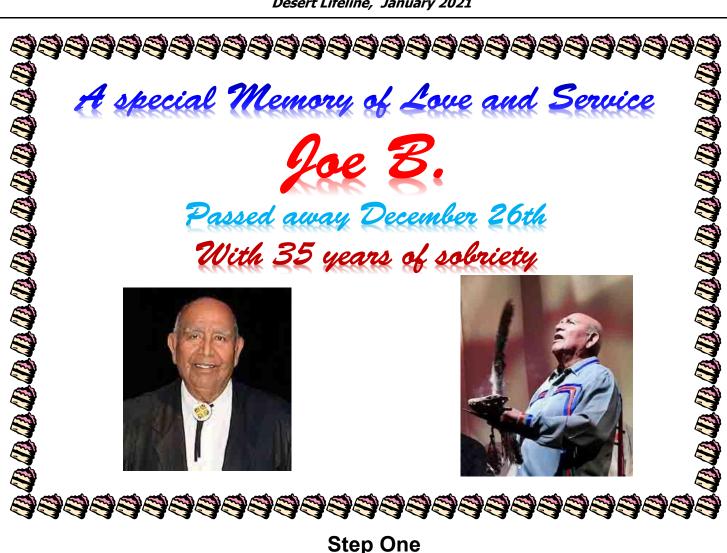
By: Alyssa C.

As a member of Alcoholics Anonymous I am familiar with our Traditions being read at every meeting and I have attended some meetings that focus on the Traditions, but recently I have questioned whether I fully understand them enough to implement them, not only within A.A. but in all of my affairs. With the help of a sponsor, I am diving deeply into as many sources as possible to enhance my understanding of our Traditions. I feel that our Traditions are what has kept A.A. alive for so long and they are not merely "to the group what the steps are to the individual". It is important for me to personalize the Traditions so I can fully implement them into my recovery. Over the next year, I will be writing about the Traditions each month for the Desert Lifeline, beginning with Tradition 1.

Tradition 1: Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends on A.A. unity. A personalized version of this Tradition simply means my welfare depends on A.A. unity. If A.A. did not exist when I received the gift of desperation to get sober, I would not be here. Groups must persist for A.A. to continue to help suffering alcoholics. During a pandemic, the unity of A.A. has been transformed. The rooms were closed but Zoom opened new doors. Groups stopped meeting, yes, others moved to virtual meetings and new groups formed. I feel that A.A. members, and the emphasis we have on unity, made us uniquely qualified to adapt to these changing times. However, A.A. is not just for the existing members. We must "give it away to keep it" and provide a space for newcomers to go. As an individual, I can promote unity by ensuring meetings are accessible to those that need it. I can make new A.A. Zoomers feel welcome and help them get to other meetings. Within the group, I can participate in virtual business meetings and participate in creative service commitments. From personal experience, I have found the Fellowship outside of meetings to be the most powerful source of unity. Even in the pandemic, I can reach out to other members, invite them to meetings and even have Zoom dinner dates!

As a member of a committee, a board of directors and an attendee of many business meetings, I have found that sometimes the best decisions made by the group do not align with my personal feelings of how I think things should go. By letting the group conscience speak louder than my control issues, and recognizing that, abstaining from decisions at hand in the group can be a better choice when I am struggling to place principles over personalities, especially my personality! This has been a powerful ego-deflating move in many situations for me. If the "group's welfare", and its ability to carry out the designated primary purpose is paramount, then my ability to listen becomes an asset to Spiritual growth and a dependence on the common welfare is more available. When I am able to maintain an attitude of selfless service to A.A. as a whole, less of my character defects come up at a business meeting, committee level or any group decision in A.A. that I am privileged to attend.

The unity of A.A., even during a pandemic, is impressive. We all have the primary purpose of carrying the message to the still suffering alcoholic. For us to fulfill that purpose, we must be unified under it and provide newcomers a place to go. Our very lives depend on it.



Step One

We admitted we were powerless over alcohol that our lives had become unmanageable.

Every journey begins with the first step. Recovery is a journey every active alcoholic needs to begin, should begin, wants to begin, but sometimes can't. Because he or she doesn't know what the problem is. We think it's our spouses fault, job stress or because we don't want to lose the "freedom" to drink as we wish. Our eyes need to be opened to the fact that that we are enslaved by alcoholism, that we have lost the power of choice when it comes to drinking, that we are not nearly as free as we think we are. Often some kind of "bottom" makes us humble enough to take pause and be honest with ourselves.

If we find ourselves in A.A. one of the first things we do is read the steps on the wall. WE admitted we are powerless over alcohol. We owned up, became honest with ourselves for perhaps the first time in a very long time. And we don't do it alone, either. We do it in meetings, with our fellows, with a sponsor (if we are truly willing and got one).

And our lives have become unmanageable. That part is often the only thing that is abundantly clear to the first-stepper. Lot's of people in our lives saw it a long time ago. Spouses, friends, employers or the police suggested we could not control our drinking. But when we admit it, we have begun the pathway to the only type of freedom that the alcoholic needs. Freedom from the tyranny of active alcoholism. Let the journey begin.

Rob L Serenity Group, Palm Desert

Concept One

Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.

The vision that Bill and Dr. Bob had of World Service was to insure that A.A. would be available to help Alcoholics all over the world recover using the same basic principles that had been working here. With that in mind, they knew it would be necessary to help new groups using the format of the groups that were already working so well and to translate the literature into other languages. They had already formed a trusteeship; the trustees had taken a firm hand on the finances but still relied heavily on Bill and Bob in matters of policy. If the fellowship was to thrive, it would require an organization that could handle new requests from groups all over the world, and this had been accomplished with the loving council of the older and successful groups.

There was general apprehension that if they were to bring in other sober alcoholics from different parts of the country to be involved in this process that the whole thing would be expensive and bogged down in politics. And yet they had already written and approved the Second Tradition, "For our group purpose, there is 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." But many had doubts about how this would work on a global level.

Bill talks about the beginning of this process, at A.A.'s Service Headquarters, when they would "stop, look and listen"; many worriers lacked faith and said "Why change?" When they tried this on a world level, it only took about five years to see that the principles that work so well for us on a personal/meeting level would work just fine on a much larger scale. "An even greater force for A.A.'s unity is the compelling love that we have for our fellow members and for the principles on which our new lives are founded."

Brian C Sunny Dunes Fifth Tradition Group, Palm Springs

THINGS THAT ARE DIFFICULT TO SAY WHEN DRUNK

- 1. Innovative
- 2. Preliminary
- 3. Proliferation
- 4. Cinnamon

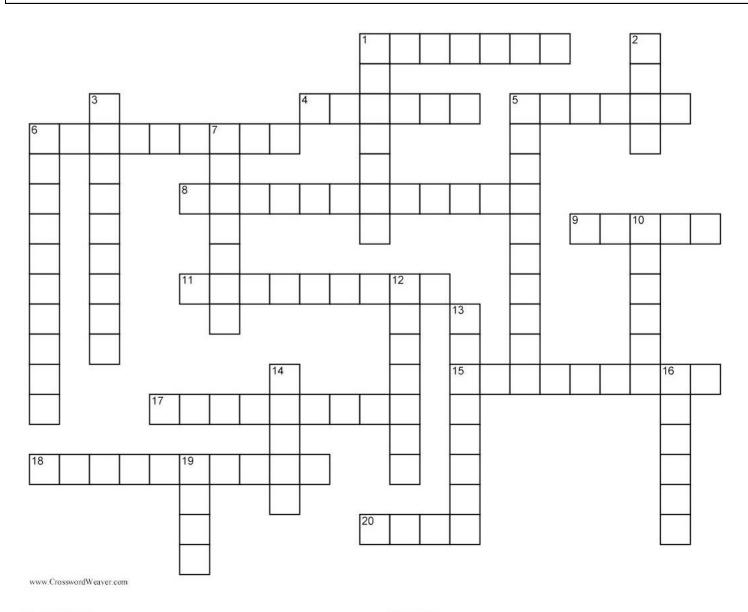
THINGS THAT ARE VERY DIFFICULT TO SAY WHEN DRUNK

- 1. Specificity
- 2. Anti-constitutionalistically
- 3. Passive-aggressive disorder
 - 4. Transubstantiate

THINGS THAT ARE DOWNRIGHT IMPOSSIBLE TO SAY WHEN DRUNK

- 1. No thanks, I'm married.
- 2. Nope, no more booze for me!
- 3. Sorry, but you're not really my type.
 - 4. No thanks, I'm not hungry.
 - 5. I'm not interested in fighting you.
- 6. Thank you, but I won't make any attempt to dance. I have no coordination and I'd hate to look like a fool!

 7. I must be going home now as I have to work in the morning.



ACROSS

- 1 Freedom From
- 4 Crossing the River of _____
- 5 chapters in the Big Book
- 6 press, radio and films
- 8 our life when we got to AA
- 9 He Sold Himself _____
- 11 Dr. William D.
- 15 Saturday Evening Post
- 17 Our magazine
- **18** He sent a telegram of good wishes A.A.'s 2nd International Convention
- 20 One of the co-founders of AA in Canada in 1944

DOWN

- 1 Freedom From
- 2 happy, joyous and _____
- 3 Step one
- 5 spiritual
- 6 Was the Answer
- 7 Little Angel of A.A.
- 10 AA predecessor
- 12 Physician, Heal _____
- 13 Started AA in Cleveland
- 14 appendices
- 16 Bill was offered a job at his lab
- 19 The Housewife Who Drank At

CONCEPTS CHECKLIST

A service piece for home groups, districts, areas

Some of these discussion points were originally developed by an A.A. group and further developed by the trustees' Literature Committee to be distributed by the General Service Office. While this checklist is intended as a starting point for discussion by groups, districts or areas, individual A.A. members may find it useful along with our cofounder Bill W.'s writings, a service sponsor if you have one and reflection on your own service experience. Additional information about the Concepts can be found in The A.A. Service Manual/Twelve Concepts for World Service and "The Twelve Concepts Illustrated" pamphlet.

(The Concepts stated here are in the short form.)

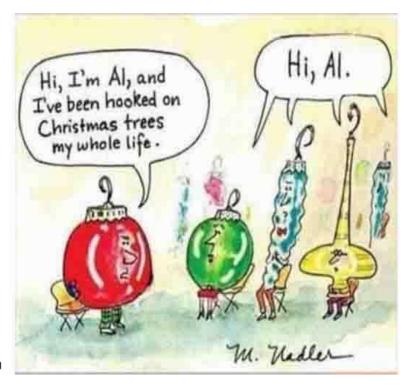
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Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole fellowship.

- Does our group have a general service representative (G.S.R.)? Do we feel that our home group is part of A.A. as a whole and do our group's decisions and actions reflect that?
- Do we hold regular group conscience meetings encouraging everyone to participate? Do we pass that conscience on to the district, area, or the local intergroup meetings?
- Is the "collective conscience" of Alcoholics Anonymous at work in my home group? In my area?
- Where do we fit in the upside-down service triangle of A.A.?
- Are we willing to do what it takes to insure that our democracy of world service will work under all conditions?



My sponsor says the good thing about procrastination is that you always have something planned for tomorrow.



CHOICE IN DRINK

Further refection on Step One brought about a different understanding of its context. The first of two parts of this step are separated by a dash—not a hyphen. A dash fulfills both segments of a sentence, e.g.:

"We admitted we were powerless over alcohol—that our lives had become unmanageable."

At first, I considered the second part "*unmanageable*" to mean; drunk tanks, getting fired again, losing friends, etc.—and it sort of does. However, much more prevalent is the word "*powerlessness*" in the first part which had caused my life to become "unmanageable." My real powerlessness was when I started drinking, I could not stop, but when I stopped drinking, I could not stop starting. (Physical Allergy and Mental Obsession).

While years of "quitting drinking" failure by use of willpower, I never knew about the allergy-obsession syndrome: I never realized that I was powerless; that I had: "no choice in the matter of drink." (p. 24 of the BB)

As alcoholic despair deepened throughout the last Twenty-four years of drinking, my efforts were not superficial: No more Lucky Strike cigarettes! High protein milkshakes! Running! Handball! Swimming! Weightlifting! Why I felt wonderful! Who needs booze? I was like the guy on page 57 of the Big Book (Fitz M): "He couldn't drink if he would." But alas, I came to believe that I had to drink whether I chose to or not—it would seem as though "quitting drinking" just got me drunk—and often in short order.

Could I have the dramatic relief as Fitz? Well, like Fitz, I asked God for help and have not had to drink alcoholically since my very first A.A. meeting. Choosing to drink alcohol has been removed from my emotional vocabulary, e.g.: Choosing "to drink" or "not to drink" no longer occurs to me. I certainly hope that "choice in drink" never returns.

Bob S

The Spiritual Spiral

I wake up I give up	I sober up
I get up	I listen up
	I open up
I clean up	l grow up
I brush up	
I make up	A day at a time,
	Dallas Ann E.
I suit up	Happy, joyous & free!
I show up	

Singleness of Purpose

I recently completed the Eighth Step and have decided that my first amends should be to Alcoholics Anonymous itself, which I believe I have harmed to some extent by violating its singleness of purpose.

I used to identify myself as an alcoholic and an addict. I do not anymore because I now believe other addictions are irrelevant at A.A. meetings. But, aside from that, I also used to insist on talking about my other addictions beyond what was necessary to relate them to alcohol. I justified this by saying that alcohol was just another drug and so it was unfair to expect me not to talk about all my addictions. And refused to attend any other fellowship because I claimed to prefer the wisdom and sobriety in A.A..

I realize now how rude and self-centered this position was. It is not a question of what is fair or whether alcohol is just another drug. The Traditions and primary purpose of A.A. are what they are whether I agree with them or not.

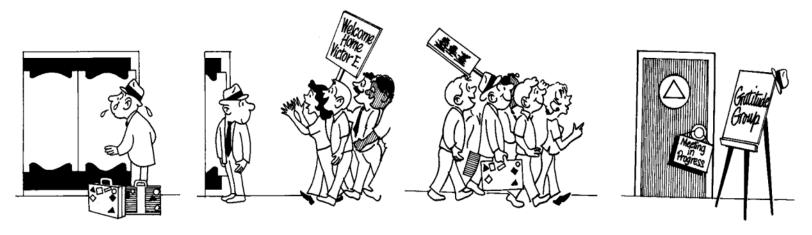
In the past, when I was active, I often had dinner at the homes of people who did not use drugs, but who did drink. I never considered insisting that I had the right to smoke a joint at their dinner table because they were drinking wine. And imagine if I had, and then added insult to injury by saying: "And not only do I have a right to use any drug I want to around here if you're going to drink, but I'm going to keep coming back and I'm going to keep using any drug I want to in your home because I like the food you serve and your company better than the food and company I find in the homes of my drug addict friends. And I have a right to do this because all drugs are the same and I don't care what the rules or customs of your home are."

Such a gross abuse of hospitality sounds preposterous, but that is essentially what I was doing by insisting that I had a right to violate A.A.'s singleness of purpose. I was abusing the hospitality of this Fellowship.

This is not an apology. I was too sick to realize how selfishly I was acting, and a mere apology is not necessarily an amends. I am hoping to amend the harm I did by stating clearly what I did, for the benefit of others, and, further, by not doing it again.

H. D. New Medford, New Jersey

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Central Intergroup of the Desert

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY November 2020



	TOTAL	
	NOV 2020	JUL - NOV, 2020 (YTD
Revenue		
Contributions - Groups & Individuals	8,889	36,800
Gratitude Dinner		(250
Interest Income	16	4
Sales	4,160	23,298
Total Revenue	\$13,066	\$59,892
Cost of Goods Sold		
Cost of Goods Sold	2,569	13,958
POS Inventory Adjustment	(11)	103
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$2,558	\$14,061
GROSS PROFIT	\$10,508	\$45,832
Expenditures		
Accounting Services	600	3,000
Bank Charges		4
Computer Expense	447	1,915
Credit Card Fees	226	878
Insurance - Health	414	2,06
Insurance - Liability		1,118
Insurance - Worker's Comp	1,053	1,053
Newsletter Expense		25
Office Expense	497	3,408
Payroll Expenses	3,981	21,896
Plant Expenditures		715
Rent	1,476	5,859
State Filing Fees		60
Storage	178	890
Utilities	489	2,771
Total Expenditures	\$9,360	\$45,652
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$1,148	\$179
NET REVENUE	\$1,148	\$179



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BUDGET VS. ACTUALS: BUDGET 2020-2021 - FY21 P&L July - November, 2020

		TOTAL		
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET	
Revenue				
Contributions - Conventions		1,600	(1,600)	
Contributions - Groups & Individuals	36,803	27,000	9,803	
Gratitude Dinner	(250)		(250)	
Interest Income	41	50	(9)	
Sales	23,298	33,200	(9,902)	
Total Revenue	\$59,892	\$61,850	\$ (1,958)	
Cost of Goods Sold				
Cost of Goods Sold	13,958	21,580	(7,622)	
POS Inventory Adjustment	103		103	
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$14,061	\$21,580	\$ (7,519)	
GROSS PROFIT	\$45,832	\$40,270	\$5,562	
Expenditures				
Accounting Services	3,000	3,000	0	
Bank Charges	4		4	
Computer Expense	1,915	1,835	80	
Credit Card Fees	878	2,340	(1,462)	
Insurance - Health	2,061	2,000	61	
Insurance - Liability	1,118	1,148	(30)	
Insurance - Worker's Comp	1,053	1,048	5	
Newsletter Expense	25	25	(0)	
Office Expense	3,408	3,000	408	
Outreach		500	(500)	
Payroll Expenses	21,896	21,000	896	
Plant Expenditures	715	1,000	(285)	
Rent	5,859	7,500	(1,641)	
State Filing Fees	60	60	0	
Storage	890	1,000	(110)	
Utilities	2,771	2,540	231	
Total Expenditures	\$45,652	\$47,996	\$ (2,344)	
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$179	\$ (7,726)	\$7,905	
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Remembering One we lost

Last week we received word of the passing of Terry Wieland



His 42 years of service were gratefully received by myself and many who were privileged to share personal time and meetings with him.

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CONTRIBUTIONS - GROUPS & INDIVIDUALS

November 2020

	TOTAL	
	NOV 2020	JUL - NOV, 2020 (YTD)
1 Perez Plaza Meeting Room	215.00	235.00
10th Step Group Palm Desert	94.00	374.00
11th Step Meditation -SUN Palm Desert		25.00
12 & 12 La Quinta		75.00
12 and 12 Men's Stag R.M Monday		30.00
164 Group - WED - Palm Springs	269.26	692.60
3-7-11 Step Meeting		147.00
559 Meeting Hall	25.00	125.00
7AM Zoom Meeting		100.00
9am Staying Connected (Zoom)	10.25	1,035.25
An AA Big Book Group - Sunday - Desert Hot Springs		42.00
Anonymous No Group Given	3,519.00	14,519.50
As Bill Sees It - Sat Nite Idyllwild		40.00
Attitude Adjustment Rancho Mirage	50.00	150.00
Attitude Adjustment-M-F P.D. Santa Fe Square		266.00
Attitude Adjustment-M-S , Palm Desert PDCC		3,497.50
Attitude Adjustment-MON		20.00
Birthday Contributions	68.00	332.00
Black Sheep Group	232.00	922.00
Brithday Contributions		11.00
Cathedral City 12 &12 Book Study-TUE		100.00
Covert IHOP Mens Stag	50.00	200.00
Cross-Country Meeting		90.46
Daily Reprieve-Daily Palm Desert	93.22	1,339.41
Desert Men's Big Book Stu Palm Desert	80.00	530.00
Fellowship Hall		270.00
Friday Q & A Felloship Hall PD	65.00	65.00
Friends of Bill - Anonymo Palm Desert		20.00
Ground Zero	425.31	621.66
How It Works Palm Desert	11.25	11.25
Just the Black Print Big Rancho Mirage	480.50	480.50
Living Sober Group-Joshua Tree		25.00
Living Sober Palm Springs	289.01	787.35
Living Sober-WED women		20.00
Loosey Goosey Tue Women	105.00	232.50
Meet & Potatoes 12 & 12	150.00	406.00
New Freedom Palm Desert	100.00	25.00
No Matter What Group	30.00	30.00
No Rules La Quinta	00.00	650.00
Old Town Coffee Shop, La Quinta, Mon Noon		76.00
	117.45	368.45
Over 50 12&12 Step Study		
Palm Desert 7 AM Attitude Adj. 122976	873.00	2,451.00
Perez Plaza Meeting Room/One Day at a Time Mon	112.00	157.00

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	NOV 2020	JUL - NOV, 2020 (YTD)
Playing With A Full Deck Palm Desert		2.00
Ring of Fire		25.00
Road Runners Bermuda Dunes		233.50
Round Table Serenity Group		251.00
Santa Rosa Big Book Thump Coachella	45.00	190.00
Santa Rosa Group Palm Desert	25.00	135.00
Seniors in Sobriety	170.00	170.00
Serenity Seekers Palm Desert	240.00	720.00
Sisters Under the Skin Palm Springs	200.00	200.00
Smoking Jackelope Men Stag		150.00
Sober Divas		25.00
Spirituality in Recovery	27.52	182.75
Step Sisters Palm Desert	118.50	479.50
Stepping Stones Palm Desert		55.00
Sunset Group Joshua Tree		975.00
Sunset Group La Quinta Park	110.00	406.15
The First 164 Pages		140.00
Thurs. 7PM Attitude Adj.		50.00
Tuesday 10AM	10.00	10.00
We're Not Really Here	504.00	504.00
Wed Nite Women's Discussion Heritage Palms	75.00	75.00
Women's Meeting Palm Desert		155.00
Yerba Santa Round Table Top Discussion		74.15
TOTAL	\$8,889.27	\$36,803.48

