



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

Now Meeting at Central Office
35325 Date Palm Dr.
Suite 107
Cathedral City, CA 92234

Zoom Meeting I.D. 928 8170 4093
Password: 642408
Mailing Address: P O Box 3684
Palm Desert, CA 92261-3684

Hospitals & Institutions

2nd Wednesday of the month,
5:30 p.m.
Fellowship Hall 45940 Portola Ave.
Palm Desert
Mailing Address: PO Box 1843
Palm Desert, CA 92261
www.coachellavalleyhandi.org

Mid-Southern California Area (MSCA)
PO Box, 51446, Irvine CA 92619-1446
Web site: www.msca09aa.org

General Service Office New York

Contribution Mailing address
Post Office Box 2407
James A Farley Station
New York, NY 10116-2407
Web site: www.aa.org

DCYPAA

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

General Service, District 30
3rd Sunday of the month, 2:00 PM
Yucca Valley Alano Club
57637 Yucca Trail
Yucca Valley, CA 92284
Mailing Address: P O Box 1692
Yucca Valley, CA 92286-1692

Step

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restore us to sanity.

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Tradition

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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	74
12 Step Calls	1
Visitors	35
Literature Sales	267
Al-Anon	0
Other 12 Step	1
Miscellaneous	34
Business	18
Zoom Attendance	41

Central Intergroup Office of the Desert Board of Directors

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Thank You !!

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Thank You !!

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Katy Z.
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Shannon K.
Shoshanna S.
Steven St. L.
Vicky P.

December 2023

Susan 1 yr.
Chauncey 2 yr.
Juan 16 yr.
Lesa A. 17 yr.
Kathy F. 25 yr.
Loretta 29 yr.
Pricilla C. 36 yr.



Valya K. 36 yr.
Loren A. 37 yr.
Paulette Q. 46 yr.
Char A. 41 yr.
Madeleine R. 51 yr.



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

Concept Two

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.

Ever wonder how AA business gets addressed for AA as a whole? Or how does our little group in our town participate in those decisions? I know that if the groups in our desert were to get together and participate in that business, we would not get much accomplished with the resources we have, and it would most likely not be in the best interest of AA as a whole.

That's why the actual voice of our fellowship and effective conscience for our whole society is delegated to the General Service Conference. As delegated by our groups to districts, by districts to area assemblies, and area assemblies to the conference. We have to delegate to ensure our business at the AA level gets taken care of. And delegate we do every year, to ensure the active maintenance of our world services through the actions taken at the General Service Conference. Thank you Delegates for your dedication and continued service to Alcoholics Anonymous!

Jeff M
Thursday Big Book Study, Yucca Valley



February Speaker Meetings



Sobriety Capital of the World 44359 Palm St. - Indio

Friday Night, 8 p.m.

2/02 Dana G. - Mission Viejo

2/09 Anya H. - San Pedro

2/16 Danny L. - Fullerton

2/23 Topher J. - Orange County

Palm Desert Group - Fellowship Hall, Palm Desert

Saturday Night, 8:30 p.m.

02/03

02/10

02/17

02/24

Speaker Information

not available at

time of printing

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.

Because "in no sense whatever can its members govern or direct the group...", elections are held to either reinstate or vote in new committee members. These groups are so-called rotating committees. Committees, among other duties, oversee that AA meetings have secretaries, treasurers, and other members of service that enable meetings to take place. Committee members give no advice on spiritual matters or opinions on anyone's conduct, and issue no orders. Any member of the committee can be eliminated at the next election. "Thus throughout AA does the group conscience decree the terms upon which its leaders shall serve".

The majority rules in or out committee members. When anxiety or worry about what to do about a situation or who to vote in to a trusted position, the group turns to the oldtimers to be educated on tradition. Oldtimers are divided into two classes. In AA slang, they are known as bleeding deacons and elder statesmen. The bleeding deacon strives for reelection, attempts to "railroad" business meetings (asks his/her friends to attend business meetings to sway the vote in their favor). He is convinced that the meeting cannot get along without him. Sometimes, so consumed with self-pity they are, they get drunk. Those bleeding deacons, if they survive, live to become elder statesmen. An elder statesman is quiet of opinion, is sure knowledge and a humble example that resolve a crisis. They do not mandate; they lead by example. "The group conscience, well advised by its elders, will be in the long run wiser than any single leader".

Caroline D
Fearless & Thorough Book Study, Palm Desert

St. Paddy's at Fellowship Hall

Ice Cream Social and Tie Dye Party

Saturday March 16th, 2024

Doors open at 2pm

\$5 ticket

**ice cream, toppings galore, raffle prizes
tie dye and cornhole**

**Bring Your Own Clothes
to tie dye**

or

**Purchase one of our
Fellowship Hall T-Shirts!**



Step Two

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

When I was newly sober, I heard: “Came...Came to...Came to believe”. I knew about “coming to” because I had experienced it many times, often throughout the day, and wondered, “where am I...how did I get here...how do I get out of this one?” I had looked at the insanity of my life in Step 1. In being guided through the Steps, I’ve realized it is “slowbriety” and there is a process, one that gives me an opportunity to keep learning and growing one day at a time.

In taking Step 2, my sponsor had me read this Step in the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions and highlight/underline anything that applied to me or that I had a question about. Then I was to read Chapter 4, “We Agnostics”, and to write down any barriers I had to a Higher Power. After completing these, I was to formulate/write my concept of my personal Higher Power. This was a challenge as I had been brought up in a parochial environment and “God” was an entity sitting in the heavens watching my every move and “His” judgments were endless and I was doomed!

After a time, and talking with others I began to think of “God” as a loving parent without all the human frailties: judgment, envy, anger, punishment, lack of forgiveness, resentments, inadequacy, etc. My thoughts went to my feelings toward my own child: no matter what, I LOVED her. Even if she murdered someone and was in prison, she would still be my child. Though I would not be able to change the outcome for her actions, I could maintain a connection, I could build a bridge of love and tolerance. Her happiness would make me feel good, and the consequences would make me sad, because I wanted her to be happy, joyous and free. I could respond with love to any situation with her. I then thought if I have all these human failings and my Higher Power is perfect, then He/She/It IS all-loving and forgiving and available to me. A bridge or connection will always be there for me, and if I don’t learn the first time, I will be given another opportunity to step out of the morass of self pity and self hatred to a healthier way of living. Through love, I will be provided a “design for living” that was unavailable to me when I was drinking and abusing myself and others.

My sponsor then had me write the things this new concept of a Higher Power had done for me that I couldn’t do for myself. All I needed to do was begin the list and many, many situations came to mind, results of “coincidences” and turns in the road that just seemed to crop up out of nowhere. It was then I realized that I had been led all along by some Power greater than me, a Power of the Universe. God as I understood Him became much clearer.

The principle associated with this step is “Hope”, I hadn’t had any hope for a very long time. I came to believe that what I had seen in the eyes of the Oldtimers provided hope that I could have a better life, that maybe these Steps would work for even me.

Kathy G
Sunday, 3rd & 11th Step Meeting, Palm Desert.

ACCEPTANCE GREAT FACTS **MEETING**

SATURDAY MORNING 10am

OTAS-OLD TOWN ARTISAN STUDIOS

78046 CII Barcelona, La Quinta, CA 92253

enter from Veterans courtyard at the west side of
the building at CII CADIZ street.

This meeting is to talk and cross talk about how acceptance is the answer to all our problems today and how our spiritual experiences have led us to believe that the great fact for us is that a power greater than ourselves can and would help us recover from alcoholism.

Being Honest with Myself

The Denial Within Me Was Gone

By Rick R.

Years before I came to AA, I was aware that there was something dreadfully wrong with me but not one person ever suggested that I might be an alcoholic or that I should try AA. Perhaps that was due to the denial of the people around me that drank like I did. Suggesting that I had a problem with alcohol would mean outing themselves and others. Looking back on it now, I feel fortunate that I survived those last few years of failed attempts at life and when I ran out of options, I came to AA looking for answers. The denial within me was gone. My mind was open and for the first time in my life I was *desperate*, and I was *listening*. At my first AA meeting I was moved by what I heard. It was different than anything I had experienced before. The people were *being honest and candid about things that only brought shame and guilt to me in the past. I felt safe for the first time in my life* and could discuss those things openly, that had been taboo up until then. Prior to that, everything in my life was a façade. At that moment On October 15, 1969, my *perception* of the world had changed, and I have not wanted a drink since. Call it a *Spiritual Awakening* if you like, and it was for me, but it came in the form of a *Profound Change in Perception*. In appendices 2, in the Big Book, (Alcoholics Anonymous) it describes a man who had “*undergone a profound alteration in his reaction to life*”. I began to question all the decisions I had made in the past, and how the residue of those decisions had tarnished and eroded any chance of a successful, happy life. I became aware that the *values system* that I had learned as a child, at church and at the Boy Scout meetings etc. was lost in the dust and was *replaced with guilt and shame*. I was in trouble when I violated *my own value system*. I now realize that I was not a bad kid, but I was a child that was not strong enough to do the things I knew to be right. The more I broke the rules, the easier it became, and *moral standards were meaningless*. Soon drinking was the only thing that eased my conscience. When that quit working for me, I found myself at the door of AA. Once I had that *change of perception*, I knew what to do. It may be as simple as “trying to stop doing the things that I regret” but the key to it all is “*Being honest with myself*,” and never going back to my old way of thinking. I said that I was fortunate to have survived those last few years of drinking and that I came to AA looking for answers. Being desperate enough to ask for help was the most important part of that experience. I do not believe that anyone could have convinced me to stop drinking against my will. I may have stayed dry long enough to get the heat off, but I doubt that I would have *surrendered to the degree necessary to have that change of perception and therefore no spiritual awakening*. Getting off in the right direction from the start was especially important to any success I have had in AA. I know that I only live once, and *I do not want to waste one moment of the precious life God gave me*. Today, as I continue to practice all the things I have learned in the Program, it has resulted in a peace of mind that was unimaginable when I first walked through the doors of Alcoholics Anonymous and, for that, I am extremely grateful.

Book of the month

\$4.00

75th Edition Big Book

\$4.00

Normally \$12.00 - this month \$4.00

This special edition of Alcoholics Anonymous is a reproduction of the first printing of the first edition of the Big Book as it was published in 1939. This faithful replica of the original — featuring red cloth binding, thick paper and the colorful "circus cover" —

was published to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Big Book.

General Service Conference-approved.

Hardcover 6" x 9"

416 pages

21st International English Speaking AA Convention

Old Town Zadar, Croatia

7th -9th June 2024

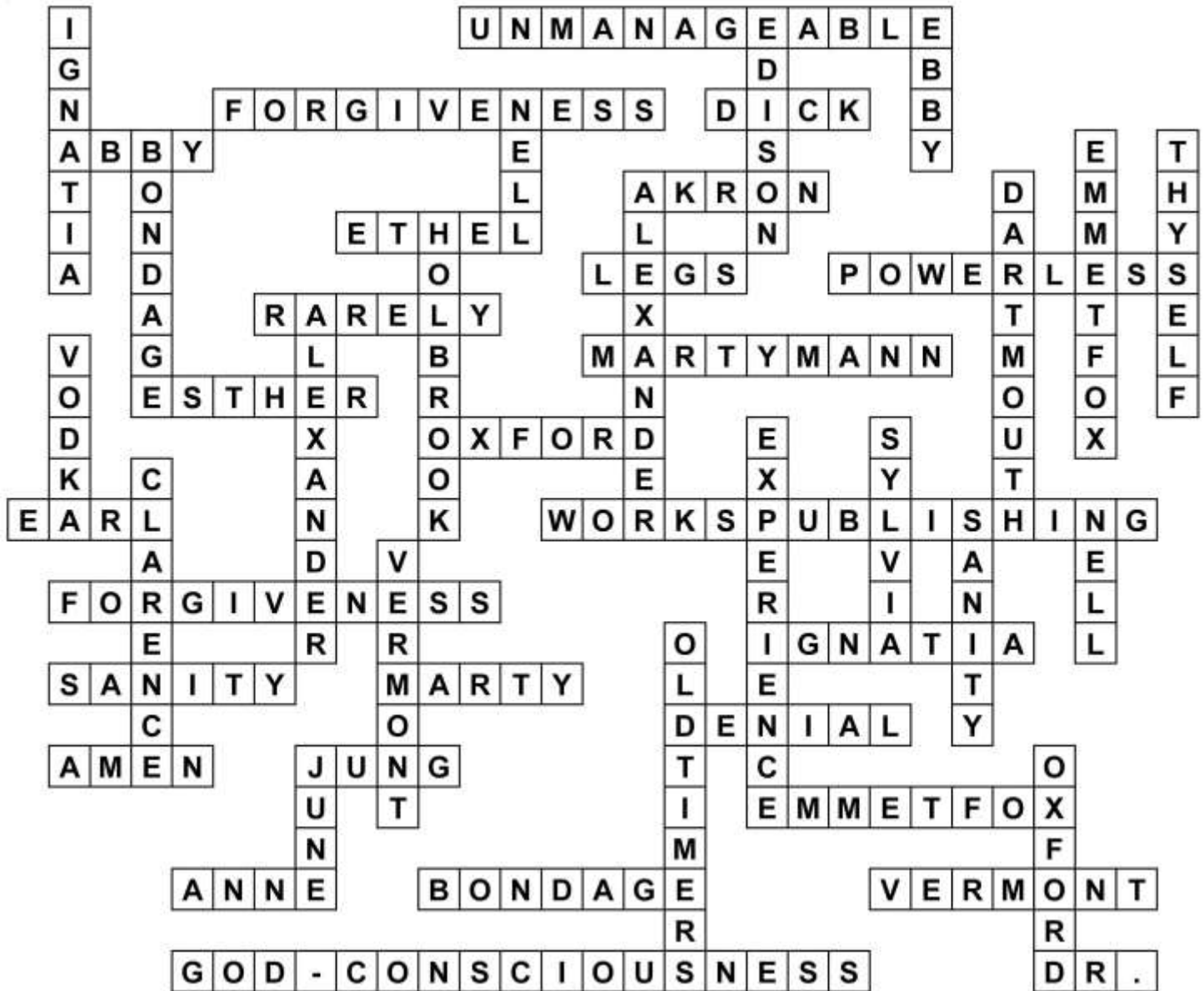


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January Puzzle Solution





A.A. DESERT ROUNDUP
WITH AL-ANON PARTICIPATION
RENAISSANCE ESMERALDA RESORT & SPA

JUNE 6, 7, 8, 9, 2024
INDIAN WELLS, CALIFORNIA



ONLINE REGISTRATION OPEN January 2nd through May 30th
TO REGISTER GO TO: www.desertroundup.com
A \$4 convenience fee is charged for all credit card purchases.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Sandy W. (760) 902-9087
Kathy R. (760) 832-2275



**TENTATIVE
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Registration Badges Required at all Meetings.

Thursday	Noon -7:30 pm	Registration/Badge Pickup
	8:00 pm	A.A. Speaker Meeting
	9:30 pm	Ice Cream Social
	9:30 pm	Sing-along/Karaoke
Friday	7:00 am	A.A. Participation Meeting
	7:00 am	Golf Tournament
	8:00 am - 8:00 pm	Registration/Badge Pickup
	9:00 am	A.A. Topic/Discussion Meeting
	1:00 pm	A.A. Topic/Discussion Meeting
	1:00 pm	Al-Anon Topic/Discussion Meeting
	2:00 pm	A.A. History Meeting
	4:00 pm	A.A. Longtimers Meeting
	6:30 pm	A.A. Young People's Meeting
	8:30 pm	A.A. Opening Meeting
	10:00 pm	Ice Cream Social
	10:00 pm	DJ Dance
Saturday	6:30 am	2 Mile Fun Run/Walk
	7:00 am	A.A. Participation Meeting
	8:00 am - 4:30 pm	Registration/Badge Pickup
	9:00 am	A.A. Topic/Speaker Meeting
	10:30 am	A.A. Mens Stag
	10:30 am	A.A. Womens Stag
	11:45 am	Al-Anon Luncheon/Meeting
	2:30 pm	A.A./Al-Anon Family Meeting
	5:30 pm	Al-Anon Topic/Discussion Meeting
	6:00 pm	A.A. Banquet/Meeting
	7:45 pm	(approx) Video Broadcast - Speaker
	8:45 pm	A.A. Topic/Discussion Meeting
	9:00 pm	DJ Dance
Sunday	7:00 am	A.A. Participation Meeting
	8:15 am	Breakfast
	9:30 am	A.A. Closing Meeting

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BOOK RESERVATIONS ONLINE
<https://book.passkey.com/go/desertroundup2024>
or
CALL 1-800-446-9875
Room Rate \$155.00 + Tax + Resort Fee of \$4.00
Note: 2 nights minimum/5 guests per room max
Special rates available until room block is filled
But no later than May 23rd
Pool facilities for registered guests only
PRE-BOOK VIP POOL CHAIRS/CABANAS
renwi.poolside.com
44-400 Indian Wells Lane, Indian Wells, CA 92210
Hotel direct line: (760) 773-4444

Important Convention/Hotel Policies:

1. Register for convention prior to making hotel reservations. Special rate is only available to Roundup attendees beginning 2 days prior to and 2 days after event (June 4-11, 2024).
2. Room cancellations must be made with the hotel 3 days prior to arrival date without penalty; else 1 night plus tax will be charged.
3. All attendees must be registered and wear badges to all ticketed events (excluding dances).
4. Tickets are sold on a first come, first served basis. For best seating, purchase tickets early. Some events will sell out.
5. If you wish to sit as a group, please send in registration forms with payment together. If registering online, we request one person purchase the table(s).
6. Tickets are not mailed, please pick them up at Pre-registration table when you arrive. Receipts will be emailed, if a legible email is provided.
7. Tickets will be sold at onsite registration until closed or sold-out. Only Ice Cream Socials and Dance tickets will be sold at the door.
8. No refunds on canceled events after May 23rd; tickets are transferable or may be donated to a newcomer.
9. Registration fees are non-refundable, non-transferable.

SERVICE ANIMALS are welcome. Personal pets whose function is to provide comfort or emotional support DO NOT qualify as service animals under the Americans with Disability Act.

THANK YOU for understanding.



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CONVENTION REGISTRATION

Name _____
FIRST LAST

Address _____

City, State & Zip _____

Telephone () _____

Email _____

Name Tag to Read _____

Group or City _____

AA ☐ Al-Anon ☐ Guest ☐

Name _____
FIRST LAST

Address _____

City, State & Zip _____

Telephone () _____

Email _____

Name Tag to Read _____

Group or City _____

AA ☐ Al-Anon ☐ Guest ☐

	QTY	AMT	TOTAL
Registration	_____	@ \$ 25.00	_____
Fri. Night Dance	_____	@ \$ 5.00	_____
Sat. Al-Anon Luncheon	_____	@ \$ 35.00	_____
Tables of 10	_____	@ \$350.00	_____
Vegetarian Meals	_____		_____
Sat. Night Banquet Meeting	_____	@ \$ 50.00	_____
Tables of 10	_____	@ \$500.00	_____
Vegetarian Meals	_____		_____
Sat. Night Dance	_____	@ \$ 5.00	_____
Sun. Breakfast/Meeting	_____	@ \$ 30.00	_____
Tables of 10	_____	@ \$300.00	_____
Friday Golf Tournament	_____	@ \$ 95.00	_____
2 Mile Fun Run/Walk	_____	@ \$ 20.00	_____
Ice Cream Social	_____	@ \$ 5.00	_____

TOTAL ENCLOSED _____

Check No. _____

Cash _____

SPORTING EVENTS

GOLF TOURNAMENT
(Pre-Registration Required)

***DEADLINE: MAY 30th**
NO ON-SITE SIGN-UP

Tournament - Friday at 7:00 am Shotgun Start

Golf Course - Indian Wells Golf Resort

Sign Waiver at Check-in Table at Golf Course

Name _____
FIRST LAST

Email _____

Telephone () _____

Handicap Required _____

Paired With _____

Fees:

1 Day: **\$95**, Tournament Only, Friday (incl. cart)

2 MILE FUN RUN/WALK

(Pre-Registration Required)

Saturday at 6:30 am

Pick up T-shirt and sign waiver at the Hostess/Volunteer Table

Name _____
FIRST LAST

Telephone () _____

Fee: **\$20** / includes

Regular T-Shirt ☐ S ☐ M ☐ L ☐ XL ☐ XXL

or Tank Top ☐ S ☐ M ☐ L ☐ XL ☐ XXL

If you are paying for more than one person, please include his/her name on a separate enclosure.

For more information call Rick D. (562) 209-0113

TO VOLUNTEER

Hostess/Hospitality/Registration

Security/Onsite Ticket Sales

Please go to www.desertroundup.com

For More Information Call Donna D. (818) 497-1097

Make Checks payable to Desert Roundup.
Mail to P.O. Box 10128, Palm Desert, CA 92255.

If not mailed before May 24th,
plan to register at convention.

No refunds on canceled events after 5/23

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THANK YOU for understanding.

Like the Layers of an Onion

No One can be Turned Away

By Rick R.

The only requirement for AA membership is a desire to stop drinking. (Trad. Three 12&12) After many years of sobriety and practicing the AA principles to the best of my ability, I am amazed at what I see in the meetings that I attend. It was one of the most important developments in my later years of sobriety. Removing my judgmentalism of other people in AA, that have a desire to stop drinking. I have come to understand that tradition, but it did not happen immediately. I was overwhelmed with personal problems that eventually culminated into my surrender and came to AA searching for answers. I am so grateful that they did not turn me away because I had problems. The AA Program is so much deeper than I ever could have imagined when I first entered it. Over time, I recognize the depth of each issue that we face when we come clean with ourselves and with the world around us. It is sometimes likened to the layers of an onion. The surface skin begins to fall away quickly as we address the drinking part of our disease. Each layer is preparatory to the next. As we recognize and begin to discard the negative side of our thoughts and behaviors, we begin to understand that our thinking is where the problems lie, and our behaviors are the symptoms of that faulty thinking when our natural instincts far exceed their intended purpose. In my early days of sobriety my mentors suggested that if I plan to attend a certain number of meetings per week, one of them should be a step study meeting and I have followed that suggestion ever since. One of the benefits of that decision is that we study each step four times a year and each time I repeat a previous step I notice an improvement in my understanding of that step. In the presence of that group, I may hear 20 to 30 different perspectives on how to address my faulty thinking and all those viewpoints are stored in my mind as I peel away one more layer of the onion. I learned the value of living by unselfish principles and that simple understanding takes most of my decision-making out of my hands. Principles are not flexible, and I do not create my own principles. I do, however, have the ability to follow well-established ethics and even then, sometimes things may go wrong but my motives are of an unselfish nature, and I do my best. I learn to be prudent when it comes to my decisions. I learn to decide if it was my Ego or my Conscience making that choice and today my Conscience renders my Ego irrelevant for the most part. I have always known right from wrong but with my fears and insecurities I usually made the wrong, selfish decision and my conscience suffered. If I already know when I am doing the wrong thing, why am I praying to God when I already know the answer and still make the wrong choice? It is true that the only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking but in AA I found so much more. Within the safety of my AA group, I get to test these qualities out and establish a new perspective, unselfish in nature, as I peel away layer after layer and my load gets lighter and lighter. I no longer look at this process to be ponderous. I now see it as exciting and I want to continue to look deeper into my spiritual condition, living by the dictates of my conscience, and I hope this process never ends as I trudge that road of happy destiny.

A drunk guy in Alaska decides to go ice fishing. So he packs up his stuff and goes out onto the ice.

He starts sawing a hole in the ice, and a loud booming voice says, "YOU WILL FIND NO FISH UNDER THAT ICE!"

The drunk looks up, ignores it, and continues on. The voice repeats, "YOU WILL FIND NO FISH UNDER THE ICE."

The drunk looks up and says, "God? Is this God trying to warn me?"

The voice says "NO, I'M THE MANAGER OF THIS ICE RINK."



Central Intergroup of the Desert

Statement of Activity

December 2023

Net profit for December 2023

-\$7,461**\$18,911**

Income

\$26,372

Expenses

	TOTAL	
	DEC 2023	JUL - DEC, 2023 (YTD)
Revenue		
Contributions - Conventions		560
Contributions - Groups & Individuals	7,157	46,382
Gratitude Dinner		8,877
Interest Income	0	16
Sales	11,754	56,223
Total Revenue	\$18,911	\$112,058
Cost of Goods Sold		
Cost of Goods Sold	7,736	37,176
POS Inventory Adjustment	753	(587)
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$8,489	\$36,589
GROSS PROFIT	\$10,423	\$75,469
Expenditures		
Accounting Services	1,800	5,800
Bank Charges	53	128
Computer Expense	463	2,774
Credit Card Fees	342	2,059
Insurance - Health	515	3,258
Insurance - Liability		1,107
Insurance - Worker's Comp	1,079	1,079
Newsletter Expense		473
Office Expense	1,421	6,815
Payroll Expenses	9,895	34,717
Plant Expenditures		166
Rent	1,663	10,127
State Filing Fees		75
Storage	252	1,512
Utilities	399	3,323
Total Expenditures	\$17,884	\$73,413
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$ (7,461)	\$2,056
NET REVENUE	\$ (7,461)	\$2,056



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Central Intergroup of the Desert

Budget vs. Actuals: Budget_FY24_P&L - FY24 P&L

July - December, 2023

	TOTAL		
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET
Revenue			
Contributions - Conventions	560	2,200	(1,640)
Contributions - Groups & Individuals	46,382	37,593	8,789
Gratitude Dinner	8,877	5,000	3,877
Interest Income	16	40	(24)
Sales	56,223	43,595	12,628
Total Revenue	\$112,058	\$88,428	\$23,630
Cost of Goods Sold			
Cost of Goods Sold	37,176	22,054	15,122
POS Inventory Adjustment	(587)		(587)
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$36,589	\$22,054	\$14,535
GROSS PROFIT	\$75,469	\$66,374	\$9,095
Expenditures			
Accounting Services	5,800	4,800	1,000
Bank Charges	128		128
Computer Expense	2,774	3,150	(376)
Credit Card Fees	2,059	1,177	882
Education & Training		1,800	(1,800)
Insurance - Health	3,258	2,790	468
Insurance - Liability	1,107	1,215	(108)
Insurance - Worker's Comp	1,079	1,053	26
Newsletter Expense	473	1,500	(1,027)
Office Expense	6,815	5,700	1,115
Outreach		120	(120)
Payroll Expenses	34,717	32,265	2,452
Plant Expenditures	166	1,800	(1,634)
Rent	10,127	9,678	449
State Filing Fees	75		75
Storage	1,512	1,344	168
Utilities	3,323	4,155	(832)
Total Expenditures	\$73,413	\$72,547	\$866
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$2,056	\$ (6,173)	\$8,229
NET REVENUE	\$2,056	\$ (6,173)	\$8,229

Central Intergroup of the Desert

Contributions - Groups & Individuals

December 2023

	TOTAL	
	DEC 2023	JUL - DEC, 2023 (YTD)
1 Perez Plaza Meeting Room	2,200.00	2,200.00
164 Group - WED - Palm Springs		116.40
24 Hours a Day		82.00
3rd 7th 11th Step Meeting	354.89	532.14
5th Tradition 7AM Attitude Adjustment Group #100		2,182.81
5th Tradition Dinner Meet Desert Hot Springs		175.00
630 AM PDCC Zoom	200.00	675.00
6AM Pierson - K I S F Desert Hot Springs		200.00
Aging Gracefully in Sobriety		122.93
Alano Club Palm Springs	100.00	300.00
Anonymous No Group Given	740.50	5,481.36
As Bill Sees It -10AM-M Fellowship Hall P.D.		200.00
Attitude Adjustment-M-S , Palm Desert PDCC		710.48
Bill's Hour		85.00
Birthday Contributions	36.00	231.00
Black Sheep Group		571.15
Cash & Check Deposit		116.98
Central Intergroup Cathedral City	26.00	152.50
Covert Men's Stag		225.00
Daily Reprieve-Daily Palm Desert	445.37	2,165.07
Desert Roundup		5,000.00
Desert Men's Big Book Stu Palm Desert		350.00
Design for Living Group		408.61
Dolls of Valley Palm Desert		443.30
Double Winners	50.00	185.12
Female Friends Yucca Valley		80.00
First Things First		50.75
Fri Nite Hi-Desert Group		25.30
Friday 12&12 Step Study	5.00	69.40
Friday Noon Meeting La Quinta	190.00	190.00
Friends of Bill - Anonymo Palm Desert		111.00
Great Events Yucca Valley		400.00
Groovy Group		278.00
Group '48-MON- Palm Springs		110.00
Happy Hour Book Study Palm Desert		100.00
Happy Hour Group Sunny Dunes		1,508.00
Heritage Palms Wed Nite Women		250.00
Hi Desert Speakers Group		100.00
IHOP Overflow Wed. Men's Stag		150.00
Jaywalkers	42.00	94.90
Just the Black Print		1,435.20
Keep It Simple Group Speaker Meeting	250.00	500.00
La Quinta Library Mon. Big Book Study		90.00

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	TOTAL	
	DEC 2023	JUL - DEC, 2023 (YTD)
La Quinta Library Wed 12 & 12		202.00
Last Call Group		1,542.98
Last Call Group 104	189.60	440.87
Living Sober - SUN - Idyllwild		24.00
Living Sober Book Study Palm Desert		134.80
Living Sober Group-Joshua Tree		20.00
Maad Dog Daze Rancho Mirage		11.00
Men's Marauders		450.00
Men's Meeting Tuesday Zoom		30.00
Men's Priority Big Book VI Group.		42.80
Monday Women's 1PM Yucca Valley		30.00
No Matter What Group		223.00
No Rules La Quinta		49.00
Nooner Group D.H.S.		65.00
Oxy-Moron Group		100.00
Palm Desert 7 AM Attitude Adj.	191.00	742.00
Palm Desert Saturday Speaker's	100.00	150.00
Palm Springs Attitude Adjustment Group	70.00	140.00
Perez Plaza Cathedral City Half Measures		372.50
Recovery after Relapse		100.00
Red Cloud Productions		500.00
Road Runners		220.00
Round Table Serenity Group		121.00
Rule 62 THU Noon		150.00
Santa Rosa Big Book Thump Coachella	50.00	100.00
Santa Rosa Messengers Coachella		135.00
Saturday 12 & 12		100.00
Saturday Womens Online 11		5.00
Serenity Group Joshua Tree		468.31
Serenity Seekers Palm Desert		720.00
Serenity Sisters - Sunny Dunes		244.36
Shipwreck Men's Meeting		300.00
Sober Divas	75.00	375.00
Spiritual Awakening in A.A.		190.50
Square Deposit		4.70
St. Paul's Tuesday Night Men's Stag	401.00	401.00
Stay Connected 9am (Zoom)	309.00	2,317.00
Stepping Stones		212.40
Sun City Ole Time Big Book Study		297.00
Sunday in the Park		397.10
Sunday Serenity Group	88.67	375.17
Sunny Dunes 7am Attitude Adjustment Online Group		2,385.94
Sunrise Celebrators Palm Desert	78.08	456.64

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	TOTAL	
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Sunset Group Joshua Tree	400.00	400.00
The First 164 Pages	410.00	747.50
Third Tradition Group Landers		100.00
Thursday Night 29 Palms	100.00	100.00
Vets for Vets Palm Desert	55.00	110.00
Winners Meeting Yucca Valley		30.00
Not Specified		1,094.44
TOTAL	\$7,157.11	\$46,382.41

Maad Dog Daze Meeting Dates

2024 Convention



~~August 27th 2pm AA Central Office~~

~~September 24th 2pm AA Central Office~~

~~October 22th 2pm AA Central Office~~

~~November Meeting Dark~~

~~December 3rd 2pm AA Central Office~~

~~January 28th 2pm AA Central Office~~

February 25th 2pm AA Central Office

March 24th 2pm AA Central Office

April 28th 2pm AA Central Office-TBA

May 26th 2pm AA Central Office-TBA

June 23rd 2pm AA Central Office

July 28th 2pm AA Central Office

*We will meet at 2pm at AA Central Office (except for the last meeting in July that will be at the Hotel itself for a walk through) All Meetings are mandatory.

Convention Aug 2nd-4th, 2023

38th Annual
2024
Desert Women's
AA Banquet

"Fellowship
Of The Spirit"

join us.

4:00-5:00pm Registration/Reception
5:00-7:00pm Three Course Dinner
7:00-8:00pm Speaker + Raffle

\$56 per person

Registration Contact: Natalie T. (214) 394-0277
Banquet Chair: Erin S. (805) 300-4021

SUNDAY THE 10TH OF
MARCH, 2024

Renaissance Emerald
Resort + Spa
Emerald Ballroom
44-400 Indian Wells Ln., Indian Wells, CA

For event details & to register online visit www.DesertWomensBanquet.org
Tickets will not be sold at the door. There is a maximum of 10 seats per table.

To sit together, registration forms & payments must be returned together.

Please complete one registration per person.
See reverse side for additional registrations.



Make checks payable to: DESERT WOMEN'S BANQUET <u>Mail to:</u> PO Box 4383 Palm Desert, CA 92261	Full Name:		Amount Enclosed	
	Name on Badge:		Dinner: \$56.00	
	Mailing Address:		♥ Donation: \$	
	City:	Zip:	Total: \$	
	Email:		Phone:	
Vegan Meal ? YES PLEASE! Check The Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Table Head:		# In Party: (Up to 10/Table)	

Payments must be received no later than Friday, March 1st 2024

♥ To donate a ticket(s) **OR** contribute toward a ticket, please note the amount of your donation above.
These donation funds provide opportunities for "women in need" to attend.
We appreciate your Service!

