November 2023

the Desert Lifeline

A publication of the Central Intergroup Office
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.
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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.
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
4th Sunday of the month, 2:15PM
Joshua Tree Fellowship Hall
6430 Park Blvd.
Joshua Tree, CA 92252
Mailing Address: P O Box 1692
Yucca Valley, CA 92286-1692

ELEVEN

Step

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

Tradition

Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.

Concept

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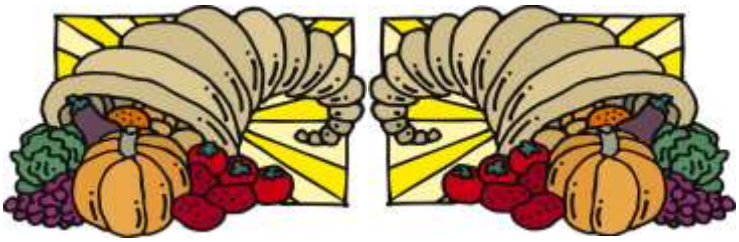

Principle Eleven

Spirituality - predominantly spiritual character as shown in thought, life, etc.; incorporeal or immaterial nature.

September Office Statistics

Meeting Info	32
12 Step Calls	4
Visitors	21
Literature Sales	244
Al-Anon	0
Other 12 Step	10
Miscellaneous	31
Business	5
Zoom Attendance	53

Central Intergroup Office of the Desert
Board of Directors

Chairman: Alyssa C.
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Blake H.
Bill T.
Bruce K.
Ginny P.
Alex K.

Office Manager: David M.
Desert Lifeline editing: Nikki J.

September 2023

Sean G. 9 yr.

Jackie D 14 yr.

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

Palm Desert Group -
Fellowship Hall, 45940 Portola Ave.
Palm Desert Saturday Night, 8 p.m.

11/04 - Janis C. - Thousand Palms
11/11 - Bill T. - Palm Desert
11/18 - Perry M. - Palm Desert
11/25 - Nanette A. - Palm Desert

Sobriety Capital of the World Group
ABC Recovery 44374 Palm St. Indio

Friday Night, 8 p.m.

11/03 - David M. - Whitewater,
11/10 - Alan C. - Los Angeles
11/17 - Tim A. - Laguna Hills
11/24 - Mickey B. – Palm Desert

November Speakers

Traditions Checklist

Tradition Eleven: Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.

1. Do I sometimes promote AA so fanatically that I make it seem *un*attractive?
2. Am I always careful to keep the confidences reposed in me as an AA member?
3. Am I careful about throwing AA names around—even within the Fellowship?
4. Am I ashamed of being a recovered, or recovering, alcoholic?
5. What would AA be like if we were not guided by the ideas in Tradition Eleven? Where would I be?
6. Is my AA sobriety attractive enough that a sick drunk would want such a quality for himself?

Dear Child of Mine;

You said you were willing to go to any length. The first requirement is that you be convinced that your life run on self-will can hardly be a success. You will always be in collision with someone or something, even though your motives are good. There is no way to entirely rid yourself without My help. You have to have My help. I am your director, I am your Father and you are My child. This is the keystone of the new and triumphant arch through which your will passed to freedom/ you need to rid the things in your life which have been blocking you. Ask Me to save you from being angry. I will show you how to take a kindly and tolerant view of each and everyone. Resolutely look for your own mistakes, where were you are to blame? Fear somehow touches every aspect of your life. You once had great self-*confidence, but it didn't solve your fear problem or* anything else. When it made you cocky, it was worse. Perhaps there is a better way. Ask Me to remove your fear and direct your attention to what I would have you be. Make a list of the people you have hurt by your conduct, and are willing to straighten out that past; I will remove whatever self-will that has blocked you off from Me.

Love God (words from the Big Book Chapter 5)

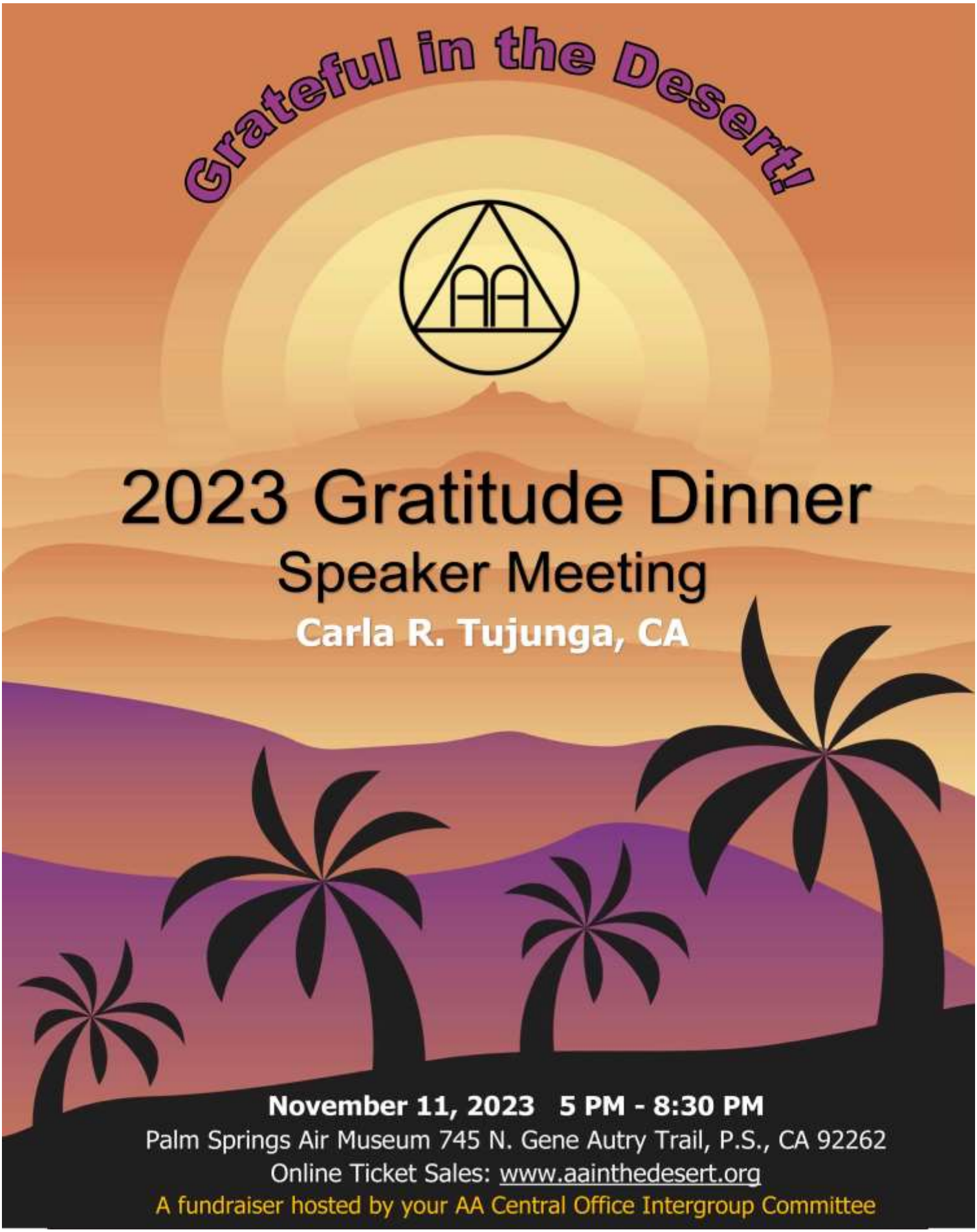
$9.00 **Book of the month** $9.00

Alcoholics Anonymous

Big Book soft cover

Normally $11.00

$9.00 This Month $9.00 $9.00


Grateful in the Desert!
AA
2023 Gratitude Dinner
Speaker Meeting
Carla R. Tujunga, CA
November 11, 2023 5 PM - 8:30 PM
Palm Springs Air Museum 745 N. Gene Autry Trail, P.S., CA 92262
Online Ticket Sales: www.aainthedesert.org
A fundraiser hosted by your AA Central Office Intergroup Committee

Concept Eleven

"***The trustees should always have the best possible committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs and consultants. Composition, qualifications, induction procedures and rights and duties will always be matters of serious concern."***

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

Concept Eleven is a "nuts and bolts" concept about the way we organize and run the General Service Office in New York. the A.A. Grapevine office, and A.A. World Services (publisher of all A.A.'s literature). It offers principles and suggestions in four areas of our service activities. An excellent summary is available in the pamphlet, *The Twelve Concepts for World Service. Illustrated.* Although the Concepts pertain directly to our General Service organizations, they also provide the basis for the G.S.O. guidelines for Intergroups and Central Offices.

1. The status of executives
2. Paid workers. how compensated
3. Rotation among paid staff workers
4. Full "participation·' of paid workers is highly important

You know how it seems that God puts people in our lives just before we have to walk through something really challenging? Well, now I am REALLY afraid! I had three women ask me to sponsor them this week --- what could God have planned that I need THREE new sponsees?????

I'm grateful that I'm learning that "my side of the street" does not include YOU!

My recovery is like trying to go up on the down escalator . . .
you can get there, but you've got to move right along!

"Honey, even GOD can't steer a parked car! Put it in gear and start
down the road . . . just try not to hit anyone or run anyone over!"

September Volunteers at Central Office

Thank You !!

Allison W.
Amelia F.

Bob B.
Dean B.

Forrest P.
Greg C.

Jennifer P.
Jim B.
John B.
John C.
John M.

Thank You !!

Kay H.
Julie H.
Megan C.
Megan L.
Nikki J.

Rob H.
Sean G.
Shoshanna S.
Steven St. L.
Tracy S.
Vicky P.

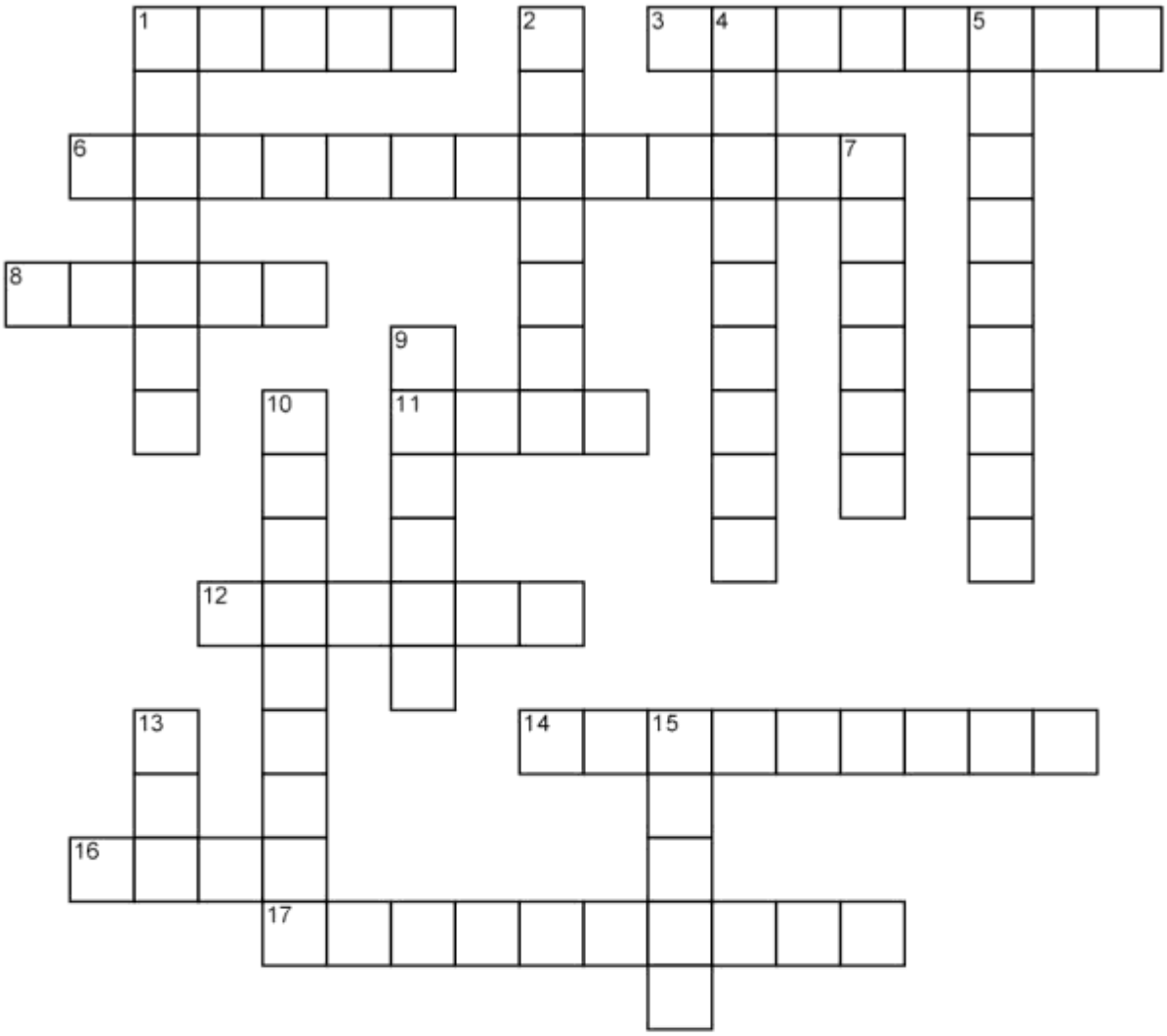
Maad Dog Daze Meeting Dates

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



ACROSS

1 Dr. Bob surname
3 prior to investigation
6 Saturday Evening Post article in March, 1941
8 Second Principle
11 Mrs. Dr. Bob
12 what trusted servants don't do
14 AA meeting in print
16 Step two
17 International Convention City (2 words)

DOWN

1 AA's very essence
2 The number of printings of the first edition of our Big Book
4 Dr. Bob and the Good
5 Akron hotel when Bill needed to talk to another drunk
7 How often we've seen them fail
9 AA got this award in 1951
10 Honesty, unselfishness, purity and love
13 General Service Office
15 Our _____ is self-centered, ego-centric .....

District 42 Speaker Meeting

Friday, November 17 @ 7pm

Christy R 👉 Al-Anon - Palm Desert

Mike R 👉 AA- Palm Desert

St. Margaret's Church
47535 Hwy. 74 in Palm Desert 92260

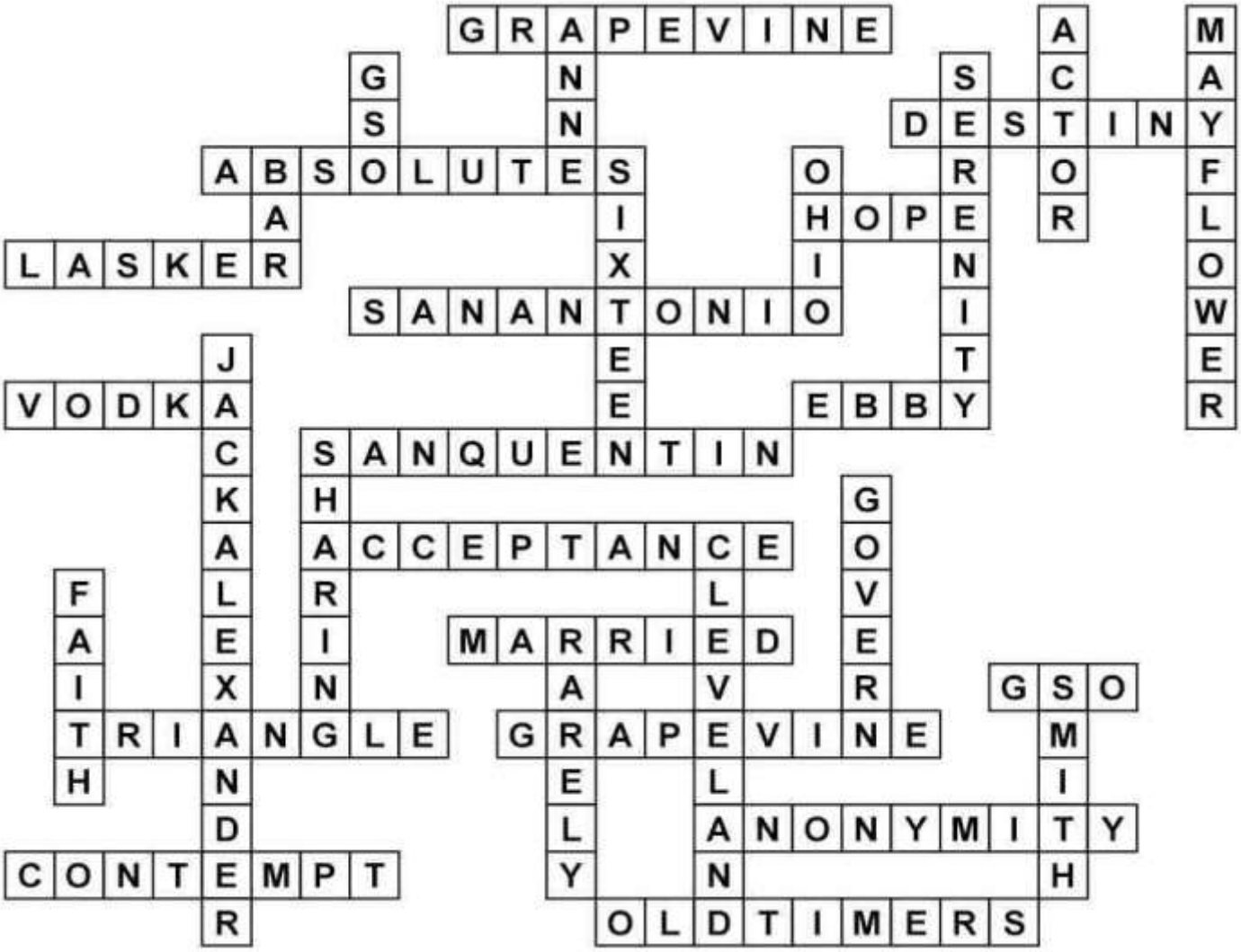
Come early for a cup of coffee, snacks and fellowship! Donated snacks are appreciated. Literature will be available for purchase.

The Twelve Rewards

1. We can all have Hope, instead of desperation;
2. Faith, instead of despair;
3. Courage, instead of fear;
4. Peace of Mind, instead of confusion;
5. Self-respect, instead of self-contempt;
6. Self-confidence, instead of helplessness;
7. The respect of others, instead of their pity and contempt;
8. A clean conscience, instead of a sense of guilt;
9. Real friendships, instead of loneliness;
10. A clean pattern of life, instead of a purposeless existence;
11. the love and understanding of our families, instead of their doubts and fears;
12 the freedom of a happy life, instead of the bondage of an alcoholic obsession.

All this and more through AA, are we grateful enough? Gratitude will continue the miracle of your sobriety, I found that out.
as written by Ann C. of Niles, Ohio - sober April 1, 1948

October Puzzle Solution



How many sponsors does it take to change a light bulb?
Only one, but the bulb has to really want to change.

He orders two shots. He proceeds to pour out the first one all over the bar, downs the second one and then orders two more. He pours out the first one on the bar, downs the second one and orders two more.
The bartender asks him why he keeps pouring out the first shot all over the bar.
The alcoholic replies with "My AA group said all I need to do is avoid that first drink."

A guy wants a divorce. He tells the judge "I can’t take it anymore she's out going from bar to bar every night way past midnight"

The judge responds "what's she doing"

The guy says "looking for me"

A New Holiday Perspective

Bringing Joy to the Less Fortunate
By Rick R.

How appropriate it seems that there are twelve months in a year, and we have twelve steps in the program. November is often referred to as the Gratitude month, due the celebration of Thanksgiving. The joy of good living is the theme of Step Twelve, and it blends right in with the Christmas holiday season in December and ending with the New Year's Eve celebration. This time of year, does bring joy to many of us but it also brings *distress to some of the less fortunate ones* who have yet to been blessed with the gift of sobriety and peace of mind, *in and outside of A.A*.

During my drinking days I used to be extremely uncomfortable about the holidays. I never knew how to act around normal people unless I was half smashed. When invited by one of my siblings to Thanksgiving dinner, I felt like *a charity case* and would rather just hang out at the bar where I felt safe. I never got into the spirit of reaching out to others. My family always celebrated the different holidays, especially Thanksgiving and Christmas, and I would always (due to my discomfort) put a damper on it by complaining about the tacky gifts that people would buy for each other at Christmas and the mad rush to go shopping and the commercializing facade that it had become. Any excuse was better than facing *me* and the miserable wretch I had become.

After being sober for several years it occurred to me that I still had some of those same attitudes, and that I was still holding on to them to some degree largely due to the inconvenience of it all. I explained this problem to a dear friend once, and he asked**,"** *Does the rest of the family enjoy the holidays*?" I said yes. He then said, "*Why don't you just take a back seat and just watch the joy in their eyes as they experience these things.*" I did exactly what he suggested and when I started to observe my wife and two adolescent girls and *the childlike innocence and happiness it brought to them*; it gave me a whole new appreciation for this time of year. It brought *tears of Joy* to my eyes, and I no longer wanted to be the grouch, putting a damper on the joy that they were having. I have been following this line of thinking ever since and it has changed my whole perspective concerning these things.

This change of attitude has inspired me to apply the unselfish lessons that I have come to understand and now I spend the holiday season filled with Joy. *If it works like that for the holidays, then why can't I bring it with me for the rest of the year*? This has been my mission ever since my friend suggested it, and I am always looking for the opportunity to brighten the lives of people less fortunate than myself. I try to do these things *anonymously and without fanfare*. I also try to consider the discomfort that I used to feel when I was the one on the receiving end of a charitable gesture. I am careful to do these things in a way that *preserves the dignity of that other person*. I do not have to wait for the holidays to do these things. Every day is a holiday in and outside of my home, and you can believe me when I say; I reap more than my share of the joy. I hope this brings a new perspective to those who, like me, had trouble enjoying this time of year and I hope you all have a joyful Holiday Season, and many more.

March 1992

At the Expense of Others

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"I'm an alcoholic--and a drug addict." "I have to say this--for me." "I know this is a meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous but. . ."

I used to think I had to share about my drug use. After all, AA teaches us to be rigorously honest, doesn't it? And as a younger person in AA, I was different than a lot of the older, "pure" alcoholics, wasn't I? Nobody is going to tell me what to say. Nobody did, either. (A couple of old-timers took me aside after the meetings to talk about this, but I dismissed them.)

One night, I was talking in the parking lot after a meeting of my home group. As the people cleared out, I realized there were just two of us left--myself and a newcomer. He was in his sixties. We got to talking and he actually seemed to be listening to me! I really felt amazed that a man old enough to be my grandfather would listen to me about anything, and especially about AA.

The meeting that night had been on Step One and many people, including me, recalled their use of drugs (some in great detail). This man and I began to talk about the meeting and then he dropped a bombshell on me. He didn't think he qualified to be an alcoholic because he hadn't used any drugs! Here was a man who drank for more years than I have been alive (most of them, by his account, alcoholically), yet he didn't feel like he belonged in AA. And we were supposedly talking about alcoholism!

Well, I sputtered and stammered for a while and I finally convinced him that the only requirement for membership was a desire to stop drinking and that there were no requirements for drug use involved. Thank God he is still sober.

Later that night, I really began to question myself and the message I was carrying. Sure, it was important that I qualified and identified myself, but were the details worth it at the possible expense of others? I realized I should stick to alcohol and alcoholism in order to keep the door wide open, not make it more narrow. If even one person gets the wrong idea and feels they don't belong, that is one too many. Besides, I had been sober for a while and I knew what I was.

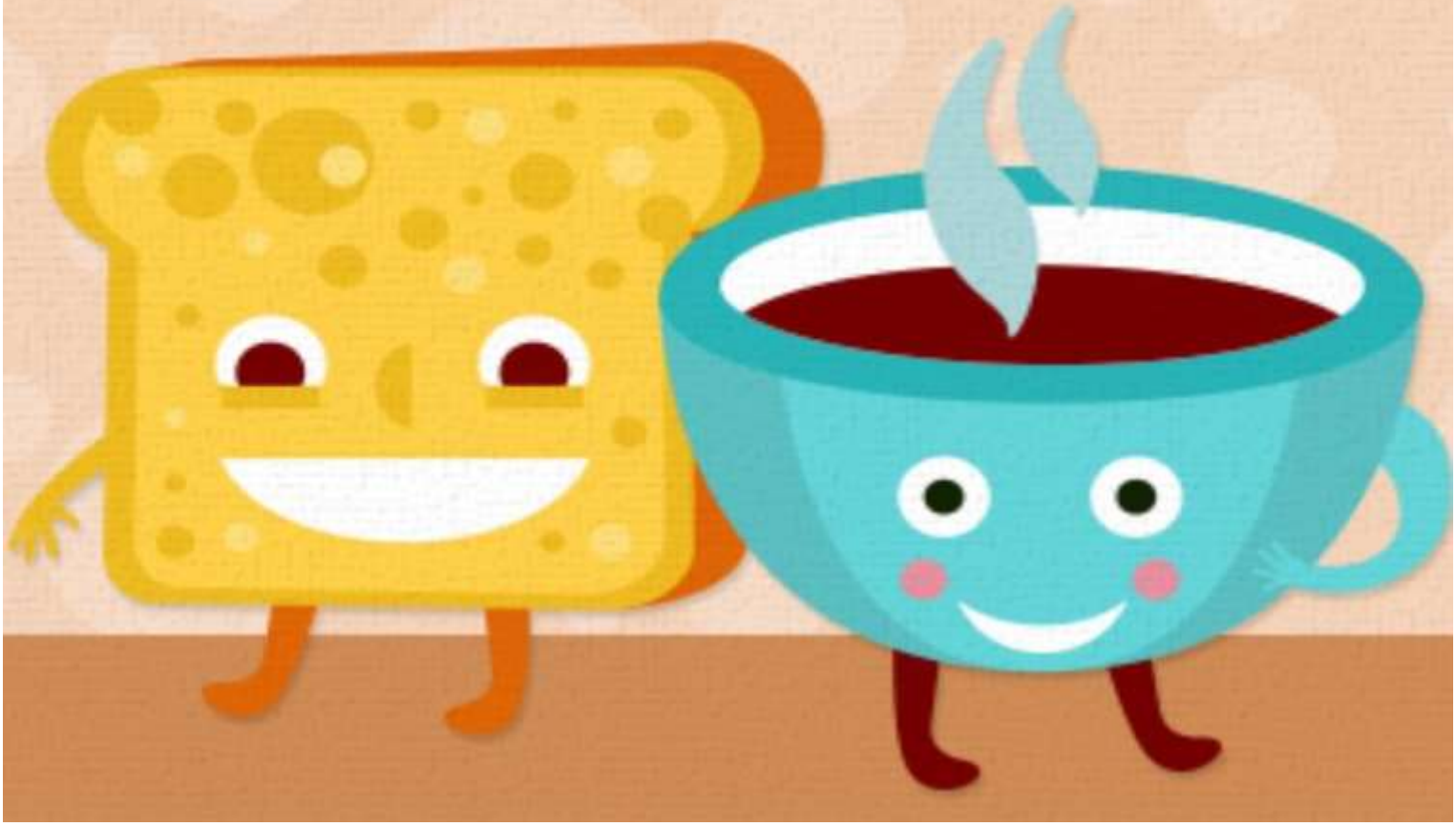
I guess I started to think just a little more about other people than I did about myself. So that's why some groups are so concerned about AA's singleness of purpose--some groups in my area even read a statement of singleness of purpose before their meetings. It isn't just to be tedious and nitpicky and to "bust chops," especially the chops of young people. It is so all alcoholics can feel that they belong once they get to AA.

J. H.
Dover, Pennsylvania

First Sunday Of Every Month Join Us For Breakfast & Speaker meeting At ABC RECOVERY CENTER hosted By ABC Alumni Committee

$10 for breakfast served 9am-11am! Meeting starts 11:30

44359 Palm St, Indio, CA 92201



Step Eleven

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Let us look now upon the sea and ponder what its mystery is..."

An outtake from Bill's AMAZING reflection on the 11th step in the 12 and 12. Yes, it is "doing step work" to sit on the beach/mountainside/desert and open myself to what I see.

I've been on the 11th step for 10 years, been sober for 13. Something happened when I gave the 11th step the priority it deserved, when it became the step I was on, after I had done (mostly) nightly written 10th steps for awhile.

In the summer of 1999, I set aside an hour in the afternoon every *other* day for meditation, following the directions laid out in the 12 and 12 for *how* to meditate (yes, they're in there). Within a few months, my life radically changed, and has never been the same. I was led to other books that laid out contemplative mediation in similar ways.

I saw - and have been unable to un-see - that I am never unhappy because of what other people or life are doing to me, or how I perceive myself to be falling short. *I am only unhappy or afraid when I am not connected to God.* Put another way: not working the 10th and 11th steps is the cause of all my discontent. A useful insight!

For when I made it a real priority, day after day, to spend TIME with God and the world (and not just using God to plan *my* day), I found peace. I found that step 11 did what I, my sponsor, you, and even the preceding steps could never *lastingly* do - made fear wash away. Made me comfortable in my own skin. Made me loving. Made me in love. Made me quiet, inside. Made the whole world change from *my* story into all of yours, then all of ours, and lately, all of God's.

As the years have gone on, I've fallen into re-believing that my pain is about me and what I'm not doing or you and what you're not doing. Then I re-connect with doing 10 and 11 and re-discover that it wasn't about any of that at all. It was about me closing my eyes to the constant, moment-by-moment outpouring of love that allows us, and all of this, to live.

Douglas K.
Thursday Big Book Workshop, Yucca Valley.

I gave up all my friends when I came into Alcoholics Anonymous.

That wasn't as difficult as it may sound . . . I didn't have any more friends!

I'm always amused by all the attention folks pay to the promises in the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous (page 75, pages 83 and 84, page 164, we could increase the list ad infinitium)……..

Who else but an alcoholic would expect a reward for being given a gift?

Tradition Eleven

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Long form- Our relations with the general public should be characterized by personal anonymity. We think A.A. ought to avoid sensational advertising. Our names and pictures as A.A. members ought not be broadcast, filmed, or publicly printed. Our public relations should be guided by the principle of attraction rather than promotion. There is never need to praise ourselves. We feel it better to let our friends recommend us.

When I think of sensational advertising, it brings to mind glamorous young men or women enjoying thoroughly something decadent, outlandish or expensive. Eye-candy comes to mind. From personal experience, nothing I have ever purchased seems to live up to the advertized images I've seen. Think of the last time some drive-thru hamburger looked plump and juicy just like the commercial. Now imagine what kind of commercial we would have to make to advertize A.A. Hmmm…Would it be a glamorous movie star, a fallen down drunk, a frumpy house wife, a businessman in a suit, the boy or girl next door? No, I don't think any of those would entice me to enter the rooms. How about you?

When I asked a friend about a support group after I had quit drinking, she said I could try A.A. If I didn't like it, at least I would know and I didn't have to go back. I decide to give it a chance and go to one of the meetings. At the meeting place near my home, I was greeted at the door and it looked, to me, like a nice normal bunch of people. At the end some people came up to me who were very pleasant and said welcome, keep coming back. It wasn't so bad and I kept going back. The rooms of A.A. have become a place that I would recommend to anyone I knew that wanted to try a life without drinking.

Toni T.
Ladies Night Out, Rancho Mirage

When I pray for knowledge of God's will and how I can be of service to my fellows, I'm never quite sure what to expect. When I wound up in Omaha, Nebraska another "transplant" explained that she figured that God had brought her there to "await further instructions!"

Early in sobriety, I was talking with my sponsor about how much I disliked "religious people" -- they were so hypocritical, etc. He just kind of smiled and said, "Yeah. I bet you'd like them just fine if you were the Pope."

He shouldn't have even put that thought in my head! ME in charge! ME! Oh. I see what he did there.

21st International English Speaking AA Convention

Old Town Zadar, Croatia

7th -9th June 2024

Website: www. aaconventioncroatia.com

Email: zadaraaconvention@gmail.com

FB Group :www.facebook.com/groups/aacroatia

Central Intergroup of the Desert

Statement of Activity

September 2023

Net profit for September

$3,256

$21,228
Income

$17,972
Expenses

	TOTAL	
	SEP 2023	JUL - SEP, 2023 (YTD)
Revenue		
Contributions - Conventions		560
Contributions - Groups & Individuals	5,786	19,883
Gratitude Dinner	6,074	10,980
Interest Income	0	8
Sales	9,368	27,287
Total Revenue	**$21,228**	**$58,718**
Cost of Goods Sold		
Cost of Goods Sold	5,699	17,437
POS Inventory Adjustment	(643)	(949)
Total Cost of Goods Sold	**$5,056**	**$16,487**
GROSS PROFIT	**$16,172**	**$42,231**
Expenditures		
Accounting Services	800	2,400
Bank Charges	15	45
Computer Expense	463	1,383
Credit Card Fees	314	803
Insurance - Health	515	1,713
Insurance - Liability	282	847
Newsletter Expense	100	287
Office Expense	1,030	3,231
Payroll Expenses	6,769	15,795
Plant Expenditures	94	302
Rent	1,663	5,064
Storage	252	756
Utilities	618	1,837
Total Expenditures	**$12,916**	**$34,464**
NET OPERATING REVENUE	**$3,256**	**$7,767**
NET REVENUE	**$3,256**	**$7,767**

Central Intergroup of the Desert

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

July - September, 2023

		TOTAL	
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET
Revenue			
Contributions - Conventions	560	0	560
Contributions - Groups & Individuals	19,883	15,244	4,639
Gratitude Dinner	10,980	0	10,980
Interest Income	8	24	(16)
Sales	27,287	21,269	6,018
Total Revenue	**$58,718**	**$36,537**	**$22,181**
Cost of Goods Sold			
Cost of Goods Sold	17,437	9,402	8,035
POS Inventory Adjustment	(949)		(949)
Total Cost of Goods Sold	**$16,487**	**$9,402**	**$7,085**
GROSS PROFIT	**$42,231**	**$27,135**	**$15,096**
Expenditures			
Accounting Services	2,400	2,400	0
Bank Charges	45		45
Computer Expense	1,383	1,575	(192)
Credit Card Fees	803	574	229
Education & Training		1,800	(1,800)
Insurance - Health	1,713	1,395	318
Insurance - Liability	847	936	(89)
Newsletter Expense	287	750	(463)
Office Expense	3,231	2,850	381
Outreach		60	(60)
Payroll Expenses	15,795	17,373	(1,578)
Plant Expenditures	302	900	(598)
Rent	5,064	4,839	225
Storage	756	672	84
Utilities	1,837	2,226	(389)
Total Expenditures	**$34,464**	**$38,350**	**$ (3,886)**
NET OPERATING REVENUE	**$7,767**	**$ (11,215)**	**$18,982**
NET REVENUE	**$7,767**	**$ (11,215)**	**$18,982**

Central Intergroup of the Desert

Contributions - Groups & Individuals

September 2023

	TOTAL	
	SEP 2023	JUL - SEP, 2023 (YTD)
24 Hours a Day		82.00
3rd 7th 11th Step Meeting		177.25
5th Tradition 7AM Attitude Adjustment Group #100		214.01
5th Tradition Dinner Meet Desert Hot Springs	90.00	90.00
6AM Pierson - K I S F Desert Hot Springs		200.00
Aging Gracefully in Sobriety		74.24
Alano Club Palm Springs		100.00
Anonymous No Group Given	796.75	2,458.57
As Bill Sees It -10AM-M Fellowship Hall P.D.		200.00
Bill's Hour		85.00
Birthday Contributions	14.00	149.00
Black Sheep Group		571.15
Central Intergroup Cathedral City	20.00	55.00
Covert Men's Stag	225.00	225.00
Daily Reprieve-Daily Palm Desert	880.12	1,240.81
Desert Men's Big Book Stu Palm Desert		50.00
Design for Living Group		408.61
Dolls of Valley Palm Desert		269.00
Female Friends Yucca Valley		80.00
Friends of Bill - Anonymo Palm Desert		111.00
Groovy Group		204.00
Happy Hour Book Study Palm Desert		50.00
Happy Hour Group Sunny Dunes		845.00
Heritage Palms Wed Nite Women		250.00
IHOP Overflow Wed. Men's Stag	150.00	150.00
Jaywalkers		52.90
Just the Black Print	654.40	654.40
Keep It Simple Group Speaker Meeting	250.00	250.00
La Quinta Library Mon. Big Book Study	90.00	90.00
La Quinta Library Wed 12 & 12	202.00	202.00
Last Call Group		801.70
Last Call Group 104		251.27
Living Sober Group-Joshua Tree		10.00
Maad Dog Daze Rancho Mirage	11.00	11.00
Men's Marauders	450.00	450.00
Monday Women's 1PM Yucca Valley		30.00
No Matter What Group		60.00
No Rules La Quinta	49.00	49.00
Oxy-Moron Group		100.00
Palm Desert 7 AM Attitude Adj.	170.00	436.00
Palm Desert Saturday Speaker's		50.00
Paths to Recovery	40.00	40.00
PDCC Zoom	200.00	339.00

Central Intergroup of the Desert

Contributions - Groups & Individuals

September 2023

	TOTAL	
	SEP 2023	JUL - SEP, 2023 (YTD)
Round Table Serenity Group	121.00	121.00
Rule 62 THU Noon	150.00	150.00
Santa Rosa Big Book Thump Coachella	25.00	25.00
Saturday 12 & 12		100.00
Saturday Womens Online 11		5.00
Serenity Group Joshua Tree		198.40
Serenity Seekers Palm Desert		480.00
Serenity Sisters - Sunny Dunes		244.36
Shipwreck Men's Meeting		300.00
Sober Divas		75.00
Square Deposit		4.70
Stay Connected 9am (Zoom)	824.50	1,396.00
Stepping Stones		110.68
Sun City Ole Time Big Book Study		135.00
Sunday Serenity Group		145.77
Sunny Dunes 7am Attitude Adjustment Online Group		2,385.94
Sunrise Celebrators Palm Desert	73.46	222.63
The First 164 Pages		337.50
Third Tradition Group Landers		100.00
Vets for Vets Palm Desert		55.00
Not Specified	300.00	1,074.10
TOTAL	**$5,786.23**	**$19,882.99**

Serenity Prayer by definition

God grant me peace and calm without emotions to accept the things I cannot change.

Help me in my mind to be able to face danger, fear and difficulties so I can change.

Grant me the understanding and the ability to discern what is true and right so that I may know the difference. Amen

Thy will be done, not mine.

18TH ANNUAL JOE BENITEZ DESERT MEN'S BANQUET

"TOGETHER WE CAN"

Sunday, November 5th, 2023

Fantasy Springs Resort-Casino

Indio, CA.

Exit: Golf Center Parkway, East on I-10

4 pm – Meet & Greet

5pm – Dinner/6:30pm – Speaker

$50.00 per person / $500.00 per table

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