



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,
Fellowship Hall 45940 Portola Ave.
Palm Desert 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

1st Monday 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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over alcohol - that our lives had
become unmanageable.

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Tradition

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come first; personal recovery
depends upon A.A. unity.

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Concept

Final responsibility and ultimate
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collective conscience of our
whole Fellowship.

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Principle One

Surrender - to give up, abandon, or
relinquish

November Office Statistics

Meeting Info	30
12 Step Calls	2
Visitors	61
Literature Sales	249
Al-Anon	0
Other 12 Step	0
Miscellaneous	72
Business	21
Zoom Attendance	39

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November 2024

Samantha W. 5 yr.
Angela S. 12 yr.
Ed L. 29 yr.
Karen 31 yr.
Jenne 38 yr.



Denise H. 39 yr.
Jana P. 40 yr.
Faith R. 46 yr.
Paulette Q 47 yr.



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."**

“Life Gets Lifey”

I have no more excuses to drink. Life is full of a range of emotions and feelings. I choose to endure my emotions and deal with them in a healthy way rather than numbing them. I am grateful to be able to feel and feel for those around me now. Self –pity and selfishness is something I try to avoid. It kept me sick. I now try to practice gratitude.

Mind of an alcoholic.

In the mind of an alcoholic my thoughts at times are skewed. My disease progresses as each day passes, my brain begins to romanticize the gruesome past. That is why I need to stay in Recovery and practice the steps every day. I am grateful to know that it's my disease talking to me and I am able to fight back. I am beyond grateful to be sober

Raquel 12/29/22

November Volunteers at Central Office

Amelia F.

Thank You !!

**Bill T.
Bob B.
Forrest P.**

**Jean K.
Jim B.
John B.
John C.
John R.**

Thank You !!

**Kiki T.
Kathy M.
Megan L.
Nikki J.**

**Pavithra S.
Rob H.
Shannan K.
Shay T.
Shelby C.
Shoshanna S.
Stephen St. L.**

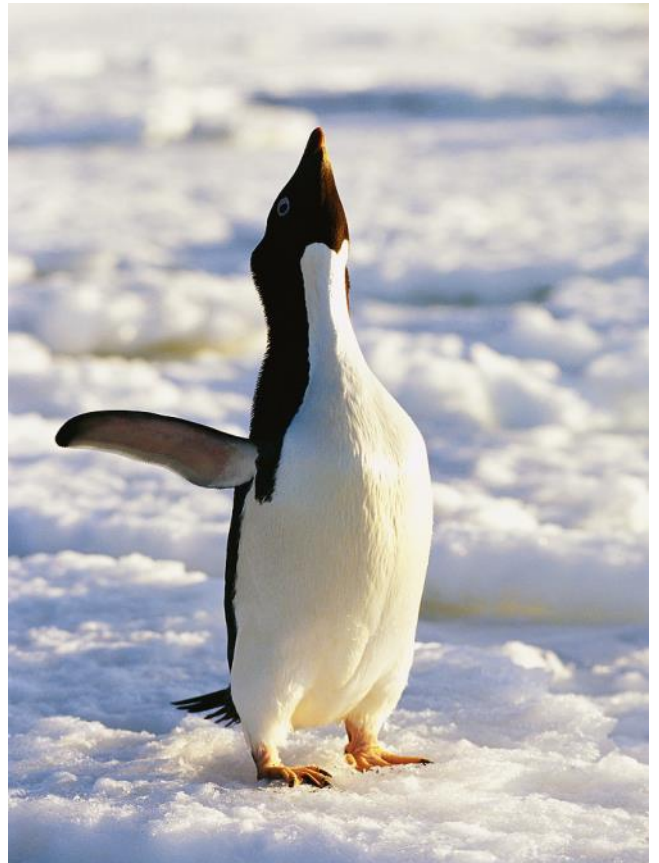
It's true that life is unfair. I have noticed, however, that it somehow does not bother me as much when life is unfair in MY favor!

My level of pain is often defined by the difference between how I want things to be and how they really are.

Faith

*When you have come to the edge
Of all the light you know,
And are about to step off into
The darkness of the unknown,
Faith is knowing
One of the following two things will
happen:
There will be something solid to
stand on
Or you will be taught how to fly.*

*(forever grateful for Lisa E.
carrying this in her hand to a
new life beyond the edge of her light.)*



December Puzzle Solution



Palm Desert Group -
Fellowship Hall, 45940 Portola Ave
Palm Desert
 Saturday Night, 8:00 p.m.

01/04 – Andi H. - La Quinta
 01/11 - Ty A. - Los Angeles
 01/18 – Christine E.— Santa Monica
 01/25 - Lou T. - Rancho Mirage

Sobriety Capitol of the World Group -
ABC Recovery Center, Indio
44359 Palm St.
 Friday Night, 8:00 p.m.

01/03 - Rico C. - Los Angeles
 01/10 - Ben F. - Palm Desert
 01/17 - Phillip U. - Banning
 01/24 - Danny D. - El Segundo
 01/31 - Tarzana Pacific Group

Speaker Meetings

Step One

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

This is where it all begins. For the alcoholic, it's time to get real. Our lives have been out of control, but most of us don't want to look at ourselves. At least not in this respect. We tend to point the finger and place the blame on someone or something else.

Well, my experience has been that until I was willing to focus on the discomfort I caused, things remained the same. Drinking was no longer an option; it was a way of life. And until the pain got so bad that I became willing, things never got better. The second half of this step says My life had become unmanageable. Who are we kidding? Our lives had been spinning out of control, however almost every alcoholic that I know, has plenty of people we use to "get out of this one".

I personally had used any lie, con, or whatever means necessary not to change and I found the people around me that would buy into it and get me out of the jam I had been in so many times before. Swearing this would be the last time. It will never happen again. And in hours I would be back doing the same things I just said I wouldn't do. Like I stated in the beginning, this is the start, but you have to want sobriety bad enough to admit you have caused all the problems and want the change, otherwise things may never change.

Paul G
Monday Night Men's Marauders

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 in 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 falling 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.

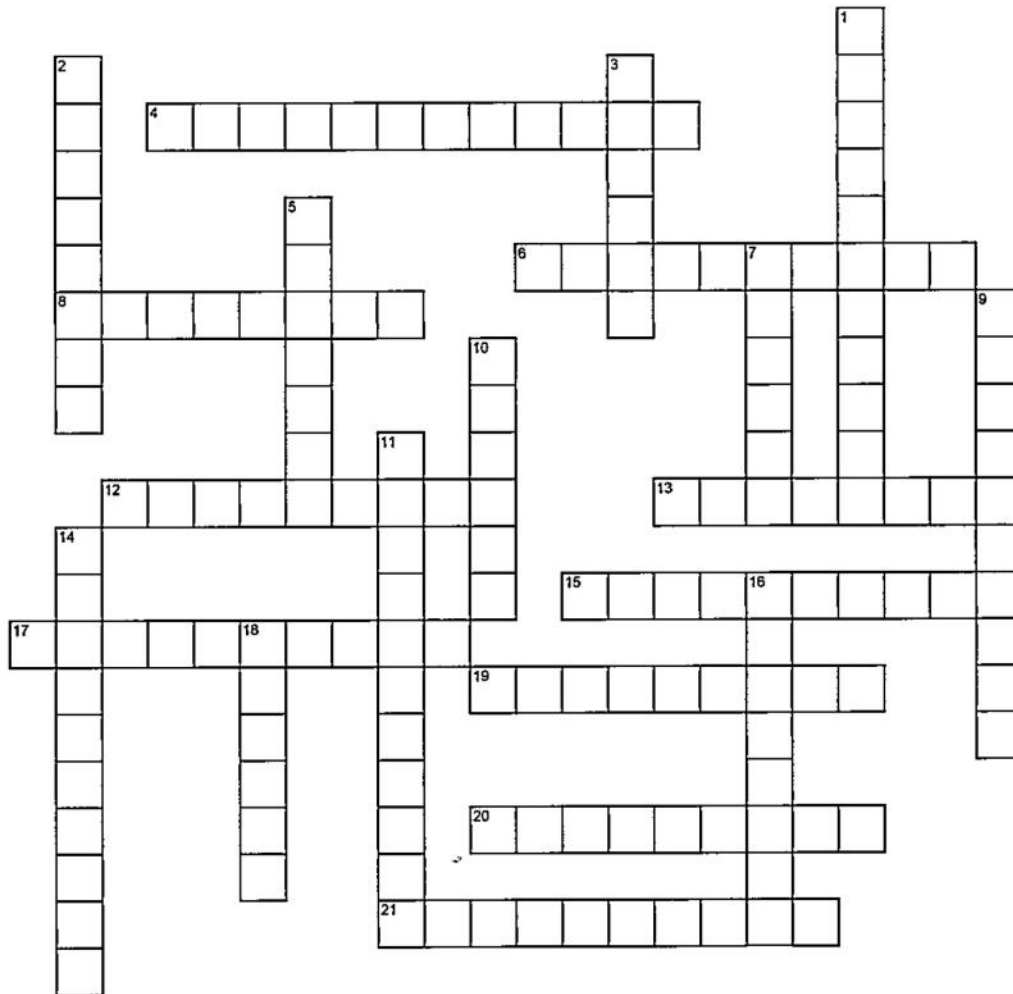
Bill says in the Twelve and Twelve that Step Six is the Step that "separates the men from the boys."

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!

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ACROSS

- 4 Take away my _____ that victory over them
- 6 We ask our higher power, and listen for the answer when we work _____.
- 8 The persistence of this _____ is astonishing.
- 12 This famous local treatment center was founded by _____.
- 13 During the Holidays there are always _____ Meetings
- 15 _____ is the answer to all my problems today.
- 17 Wednesday night meeting upstairs at St. Margaret's Church.
- 19 This is only the first _____ on the new road
- 20 The result of the twelve steps is a _____ Experience.
- 21 recovery begins when one alcoholic talks with another alcoholic, sharing _____, strength, and hope.

DOWN

- 1 Are these _____ promises?
- 2 Discovered a common _____
- 3 He _____ the doctor to tell him the whole truth.
- 5 ...sometimes _____, sometimes slowly
- 7 Our _____ was but a symptom
- 9 true independence of the spirit is accomplished through _____ on God.
- 10 He had stepped from _____ to shore.
- 11 It has been repeatedly proven among us that upon this simple _____ a wonderfully effective spiritual structure can be built.
- 14 DCYPAA members regularly meet at P.D. Civic center to play _____
- 16 Doctors had _____ him incurable.
- 18 Frothy emotional appeal _____ suffices

Concept One

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

At the International Convention held in St. Louis in 1955, Bill W. turned over to the fellowship of alcoholics anonymous the reigns of world service responsibility to the fellowship as a whole on behalf of himself, Dr. Bob, the Trustees and old-timers of that time.

Page 7, AA concepts of the AA service manual, I quote in part:

“Not one member in a thousand could tell who our Trustees were. Not one in a hundred had the least idea what had been done for AA’s general welfare. Tens of thousands already owed their chance at sobriety to the little notice activity of our Trustees and general services.”

I almost think this remains true today. We have poor representation at the Central Office meetings on the first Thursday of the month and a poor turnout at District 9 meetings on the first Tuesday of the month. Bill W. was concerned that he and Dr. Bob would die some day as well as other old-timers in AA. The message of sobriety had to be passed on to future generations. Who was to do this? Who would help AA survive for the future?

When I entered the doors of AA, Alcohol had whipped me very badly, I was the sickest I had ever been. *I fell on my face after missing the first step into the AA room I was entering.* I was picked up off the floor, I was helped to a table, handed a partial cup of coffee and was told to listen if I wanted to feel better. I listen and did what I was told without question. I wanted to feel better. I didn’t understand a thing when I arrived here in very poor shape. Thanks to the old-timers who were here to teach me, I am still around to also pass along what I have learned and experienced since my arrival. My sobriety date is 01 April 1976.

Since that time I have been of service in one way or another. I have filled many positions more than once. I was in the U. S. Navy and had to travel overseas. AA world services made sure I had names, phone numbers and listing of AA everywhere I went. As a result it was not necessary for me to drink in the ports I used to drink to oblivion in. I am still here.

In the AA service structure, everything begins and ends at the group level. In the organizational charts of the AA service manual the charts show the AA Groups as the boss, everyone else are their representatives. The conference committee and Trustees are at the bottom of the chart.

Each member and each group of AA has a voice in AA world services. In order for your voice to be heard, your groups elect representatives who carry your voice that goes all the way to the conference and trustees and world services.

I have not forgotten step one since they picked me up, nor tradition one, nor concept one.

Dave H
Primary Purpose Group, Desert Hot Springs

Tradition One

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

When I arrived at Alcoholics Anonymous, I had spent a great number of years in isolation. I seemed to prefer it that way. There was a diversified group of people and I was sure that I would not fit, even in such a varied crowd. But I stayed and I listened.

Slowly, the layers of self-imposed seclusion vanished with the working of the Steps with a sponsor and as I followed directions to get into service. And the once dreadful word "we" became attractive.

Thank goodness for those who came before us and their brilliant foresight! They realized the fact that if this simple program was to remain in tact, we would have to be unified in our efforts; that the common welfare of those in this program was to come first and that personal recovery would prosper. There may be disagreements within A.A. but I have quickly learned that I must acquiesce to keep this important program alive for all alcoholics, present and future.

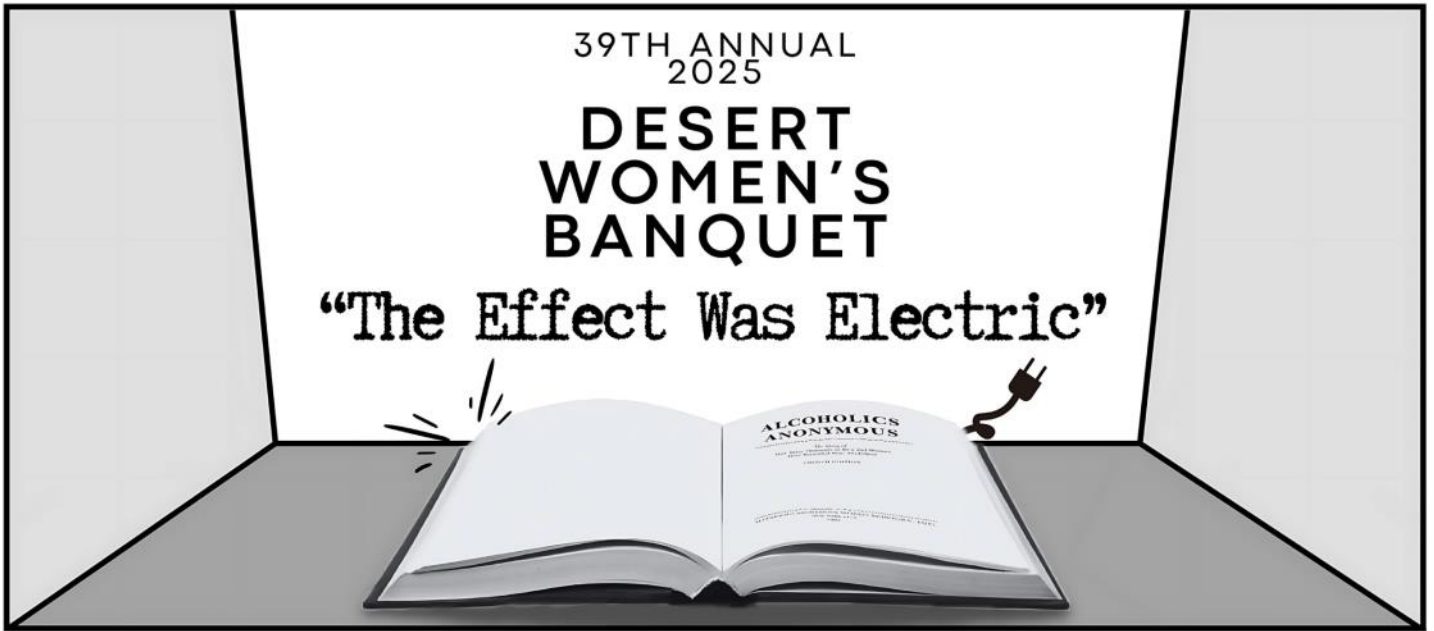
Within the opportunities of service commitments, I have found the value of connecting with others who seek the same emotional and spiritual health. My recovery has grown immensely with the practice of common welfare and unification.

Fran G.
Desert Hot Springs

The Promises of Alcoholism

1. If we are casual with this phase of our development, we will be drunk before we are halfway through.
2. We are going to know a new imprisonment and a new misery.
3. We will relive the past and won't be able to shut the door on it.
4. We will comprehend the word CONFLICT and we will know PAIN.
5. No matter how far down the scale we have gone, we'll sink even lower.
6. That feeling of uselessness and self-pity will deepen.
7. We will gain interest in selfish things and lose interest in our fellows.
8. Self esteem will slip away.
9. Our whole attitude and outlook upon life will SUCK.
10. Fear of people, and of economic insecurity will multiply.
11. We will intuitively know how to run from situations, which never used to bother us.
12. We will suddenly realize that God would never have done to us what we are doing to ourselves.

Are these extravagant promises? We think not! They are being fulfilled among us every day -- sometimes quickly, sometimes slowly. They will ALWAYS materialize if we continue to drink.



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

\$60 per person

Registration Contact: Jordan N. (760) 218-3879
 Banquet Chair: Elise T. (310) 254-7187

SUNDAY THE 9TH OF
MARCH, 2025

Renaissance Esmeralda
 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 1 registration per person.
 See reverse side for additional registrations.



Checks payable to: DESERT WOMEN'S BANQUET	Full Name:	Amount Enclosed	
	Name on Badge:	Dinner:	\$ 60.00
Mail to: PO BOX 4383 PALM DESERT, CA 92261	Mailing Address:		Donation: <input type="checkbox"/> \$
	City:	Zip:	Total: \$
What Is Your Choice To Be? <i>Check A Meal Box Below</i>	Phone:	Email:	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Chicken <input type="checkbox"/> Fish <input type="checkbox"/> Vegan	Table Head:	# In Party: (Up to 10/Table)







Payments must be received no later than Friday, Feb 28th 2025 ←





To donate a ticket(s) **OR** contribute toward a ticket:





Please note the amount of your donation on registration form.





These donation funds provide opportunities for "women in need" to attend. We appreciate your Service!

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	Name on Badge:		Dinner:	\$ 60.00
Mail to: PO BOX 4383 PALM DESERT, CA 92261	Mailing Address:		Donation:  \$	
	City:	Zip:	Total:	\$
What Is Your Choice To Be? <i>Check A Meal Box Below</i>    Chicken Fish Vegan	Phone:		Email:	
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A Power Greater Than Myself
A Program Greater Than My Own
By Rick R.

Never, that I can recall, have I attended a meeting where someone hasn't referred to *his or her higher power*, and as I see it, most people that stay around for any length of time come to some sort of terms with, or understanding of, a power greater than themselves that *works for them*. Once that hurdle is cleared, they seem to settle into a more comfortable way of life. There are also those that come to us with a strong religious affiliation, and they sometimes share that the AA program helps them *to enhance their faith*. Others come here that are *atheist or agnostic*, and the program works for them as well as it does for anyone else. Then there are those who, for whatever reason, have trouble clearing those hurdles and sometimes spend years *struggling with this issue of, God as we understand him*. I believe that as long as AA exists, we will witness these kinds of quandaries in new members who are conditioned by the environments from which they came, and I don't claim to have a surefire answer to what makes us different, other than what I have learned about myself, and how I have come to see things as I attempt to resolve my own mental blocks. I know that I was biased when I first entered the program probably due to my failed attempt at religion as a child. This had little to do with religion but more to do with the fact that I had not mentally evolved enough to understand it at the age of six. Fortunately for me I recognized, early in my sobriety, that I could take the steps of the program with the minimum understanding of God, or a higher power, after all, that's what it tells me in the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions (12&12). It says that even an atheist got through the hoop with room to spare. I was at a meeting recently when a member was trying to articulate how he had come to terms with his faith in a higher power and as he was poking fun at himself trying to fit it all together and make sense of it so everyone could understand, he finally threw his hands up in the air and said, with a smile, "Well, that's how it works for me". We all joined him in laughter because we have seen it so many times before. As I was listening to him, *a thought came to me* as the result of what he shared, and as we were leaving the meeting, I was following closely behind him, I offered *that thought to him*. I said, "Maybe if, instead of calling it A Power Greater Than Myself, we could just refer to it as A Program Greater Than My Own". He laughed and said, "That's what I was trying to say. It's clear to me now, that it wasn't as important to identify what or who God is, or what my concept of a power greater than myself was at the time. I found it more important at the time to proceed through the rest of the program and do the things that are suggested. The main thing that I had to do was to accept outside input, especially when it is based on sound, well-established principles. Many successful people in the program have come to understand the concept of a higher power in that way. Sometimes it's hard to grasp it all at once. Don't let that stop you. I would encourage anyone who is having trouble with this issue to consider the "Program Greater Than My Own" idea. Time and experience will help you along the road to understanding. After all, even the militant atheist cleared the hoop with room to spare.

Book of the month

"Came to Believe"

Large Print

Over 75 A.A. members from around the world share about what the terms "spiritual awakening," "Higher Power" and "God as we understood Him" mean to them. Offers a range of perspectives on what spirituality can look like in the context of Alcoholics Anonymous. Large-print format suitable for those with low vision.

General Service Conference-approved.

Softcover 8.5" x 11" 224 pages Large print

Normally \$6.00 - this month \$4.00

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.)

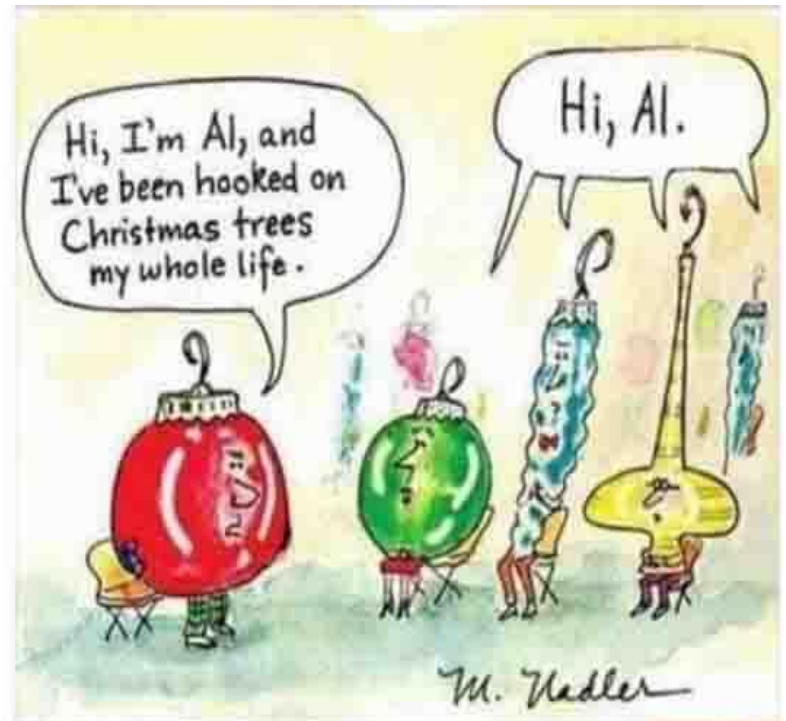
Concept One

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.





I'd like another drink I think
Another drink to make me pink
I think I'll drink until I stink
I'll drink until I cannot blink

Perhaps I'll have a shot of rye
The rye I spy with my own eye
Some rye to make me fly so high
I think that I can touch the sky

Or maybe I will have some rum
It's not so dumb to want some rum
I'll drink and fall upon my bum
Or maybe contemplate my thumb

Some vodka would be very nice
Or wine, or maybe scotch on ice
Perhaps Kahlua would entice
I'll drink it once, I'll drink it twice

Perhaps some gin to make me grin
It's not a sin to want some gin
A 26 will make me spin
And then I will begin again

I want some beer to make me cheer
Hurrah! Hurrah! A cheer for beer!
I will not stick it in my ear
Hurrah! Hurrah! I'm here for beer!

I'll drink with my friends Jack and Ron
I'll drink until my liver's gone
I'll invite Sam and Bud and you
And Captain Morgan can come, too

I'm loaded now, I have to go
My brain is working very slow
There's just one thing I need to know:
Where is the can? I have to go!

By Dr. Souse

CHRISTMAS GROUP THERAPY



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.



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Statement of Activity

November 2024

PROFIT & LOSS

Net profit for November

-\$21,165

↓ Down 478% from prior month

-\$1,486

Income

\$19,680

Expenses

	TOTAL	
	NOV 2024	JUL - NOV, 2024 (YTD)
Revenue		
Contributions - Conventions	5,000	5,000
Contributions - Groups & Individuals	6,569	35,133
Gratitude Dinner	(23,734)	1,184
Interest Income	461	918
Sales	10,218	46,813
Total Revenue	\$ (1,486)	\$89,049
Cost of Goods Sold		
Cost of Goods Sold	5,926	30,129
POS Inventory Adjustment	1,060	1,277
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$6,987	\$31,406
GROSS PROFIT	\$ (8,472)	\$57,643
Expenditures		
Accounting Services	1,600	4,800
Computer Expense	391	2,522
Credit Card Fees	507	2,092
Insurance - Health	609	3,035
Insurance - Liability	289	1,585
Insurance - Worker's Comp	1,080	1,080
Newsletter Expense	170	1,068
Office Expense	1,353	8,230
Payroll Expenses	4,513	24,821
Plant Expenditures		1,902
Rent	1,661	8,306
State Filing Fees	75	75
Storage		1,076
Utilities	444	3,512
Total Expenditures	\$12,693	\$64,105
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$ (21,165)	\$ (6,462)
NET REVENUE	\$ (21,165)	\$ (6,462)



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Budget vs. Actuals: Budget 2024-2025

July - November, 2024

	TOTAL		
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET
Revenue			
Contributions - Conventions	5,000	5,000	0
Contributions - Groups & Individuals	35,133	29,000	6,133
Gratitude Dinner	1,184	0	1,184
Interest Income	918	40	878
Sales	46,813	39,600	7,213
Total Revenue	\$89,049	\$73,640	\$15,409
Cost of Goods Sold			
Cost of Goods Sold	30,129	19,800	10,329
POS Inventory Adjustment	1,277		1,277
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$31,406	\$19,800	\$11,606
GROSS PROFIT	\$57,643	\$53,840	\$3,803
Expenditures			
Accounting Services	4,800	4,000	800
Computer Expense	2,522	2,591	(69)
Credit Card Fees	2,092	1,069	1,023
Insurance - Health	3,035	3,070	(35)
Insurance - Liability	1,585	1,237	348
Insurance - Worker's Comp	1,080	1,079	1
Newsletter Expense	1,068	3,000	(1,933)
Office Expense	8,230	6,300	1,930
Outreach		500	(500)
Payroll Expenses	24,821	24,821	0
Plant Expenditures	1,902	466	1,436
Rent	8,306	8,305	1
State Filing Fees	75		75
Storage	1,076	1,430	(354)
Utilities	3,512	3,474	38
Total Expenditures	\$64,105	\$61,342	\$2,763
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$ (6,462)	\$ (7,502)	\$1,040
NET REVENUE	\$ (6,462)	\$ (7,502)	\$1,040

Central Intergroup of the Desert

Contributions - Groups & Individuals

November 2024

	TOTAL	
	NOV 2024	JUL - NOV, 2024 (YTD)
12&12 Men's Stag Monday Night		565.00
3 7 11 Meeting - THU - Twentynine Palms		116.56
3rd 7th 11th Step Meeting		405.09
5th Tradition 7AM Attitude Adjustment Group #100	1,262.96	3,009.61
5th Tradition Dinner Meet Desert Hot Springs		100.00
630 AM PDCC Zoom	100.00	690.00
7PM Mens Online Thousand Palms		50.00
Aging Gracefully in Sobriety		61.51
Alano Club Palm Springs	100.00	500.00
Anonymous No Group Given	73.18	1,962.25
As Bill Sees It -10AM-M Fellowship Hall P.D.		150.00
As She Sees It La Quinta		140.00
Attitude Adjustment-M-S , Palm Desert PDCC		713.99
Birthday Contributions		164.00
CDM Men's Stag-TUE		400.00
Central Intergroup Cathedral City	18.00	85.00
Central Office Fundraising Event Gratitude Dinner		260.00
Daily Reflections 10AM Women's Zoom		114.00
Daily Reflections SUN La Quinta Library		223.00
Daily Reprieve-Daily Palm Desert	297.44	1,325.13
Desert Cities AA Group		951.00
Design for Living 101 Group		919.22
Dolls of Valley Palm Desert		271.24
Double Winners	55.40	238.40
Female Friends Yucca Valley		80.00
First Things First		251.69
Friday Noon La Quinta Library	178.00	528.00
Great Events Yucca Valley		210.00
Groovy Group	198.00	198.00
Group '48-MON- Palm Springs		62.92
Happy Hour Book Study Palm Desert		102.00
Happy Hour Group Sunny Dunes		1,463.00
Heritage Palms Wed Nite Women		195.00
Hi Desert Speakers Group 100783 Kelly Ames	180.00	415.00
How It Works Palm Desert		120.00
Jaywalkers		90.00
JTBP Zoom Thurs Night	54.76	54.76
Just the Black Print	441.00	1,161.00
La Quinta Library Mon. Big Book Study		395.00
La Quinta Library Wed 12 & 12		354.00
Last Call Group 104	136.88	315.33
Living Sober Book Study 486898 Palm Desert		171.00
Living Sober Group-Joshua Tree	30.00	30.00

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Men's Marauders		376.00
Men's Stag Book Study	181.00	181.00
Mid Day Group	675.04	1,485.33
New Freedom Palm Desert		71.00
No Matter What Women's Group		138.36
No Rules La Quinta	357.00	1,010.00
Palm Desert 7 AM Attitude Adj.	186.00	801.00
Palm Springs Attitude Adjustment Group Group	100.00	300.00
Playing Wlth A Full Deck Palm Desert	258.16	258.16
Primary Purpose Blythe	200.00	500.00
Recovery after Relapse		100.00
Road Runners		200.00
Round Table Serenity Group		121.00
Rule 62 THU Noon100774		419.50
Saturday 12 & 12		87.00
Saturday Night Special		150.10
Serenity Group	185.00	185.00
Serenity Seekers Palm Desert	240.00	480.00
Serenity Sisters - Sunny Dunes		388.10
Shipwreck Men's Meeting	472.00	472.00
Singleness of Purpose		700.00
Smoking Jackelope Men Stag		100.00
Sober Divas	75.00	334.00
Sobriety Sisters Palm Desert		58.00
Solid Solutions 74457- TUE		78.00
Spirituality In Recovery		385.00
Stay Connected 9am (Zoom)	270.00	1,149.70
Step Sisters Palm Desert		1,145.66
Step/Tradition Study Palm Desert		303.55
Stepping Stones		93.50
Sun City Ole Time Big Book Study		141.75
Sunday in the Park		405.21
Sunday Serenity Group		588.00
Sunny Dunes 7am Attitude Adjustment Online Group		434.25
Sunrise Celebrators Palm Desert	89.30	380.34
TGIF Group 611390 Yucca Valley	25.00	55.00
The First 164 Pages		550.50
The Promises	80.00	140.00
There is a Solution		200.00
Thursday Niters Group		180.00
Tuesday Night Men's Stag Book Study		325.00
Vets for Vets Palm Desert	50.00	50.00
TOTAL	\$6,569.12	\$35,132.71

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