



# the Desert Lifeline

January 2014

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**  
Third Sunday of the month, 4: 00 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall  
45940 Portola Ave.  
Palm Desert  
Mailing Address: P O Box 3684  
Palm Desert, CA 92261-3684

**Hospitals & Institutions**  
Third Wednesday of the month, 6:00 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall  
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Palm Desert  
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PO Box, 51446, Irvine CA 92619-1446  
Web site: [www.msca09aa.org](http://www.msca09aa.org)

The **General Service Office**, PO Box 459,  
Grand Central Station NY 10163  
Web site: [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org)

## Step

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## Principle One

**Surrender** - to give up, abandon, or  
relinquish

### November Office Statistics

Meeting Info	80
12 Step Calls	2
Visitors	91
Literature Sales	144
Al-Anon	3
Other 12 Step	2
Miscellaneous	42
Business	28

### Answering Service

12 Step	2
Meeting Info	7
Other	4
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>405</b>

**Thanks to all who are of service.  
You make a difference!**

### Central Intergroup Office of the Desert Board of Directors

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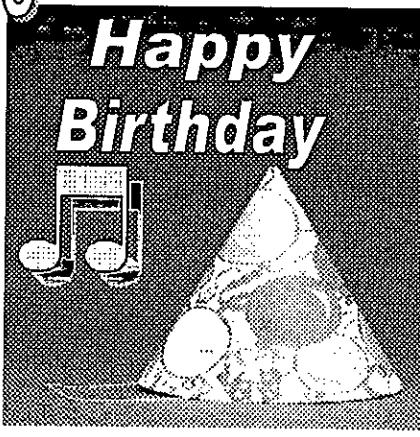
**Desert Lifeline Editors: Joan C & David M  
Interim Office Manager: David M**

**Letters to the Editor or Articles for the Desert Lifeline  
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publication in the following month's issue.**

Please submit your material for *The Desert Lifeline* to:  
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## November 2013

Patrick H.	1
Kristen T.	1
Brian B.	4
Tim H.	4
Enrique S.	7



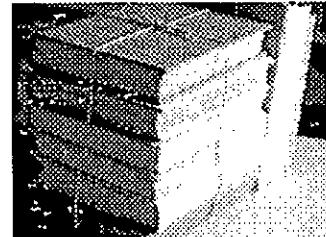
Mike B.	16
Tommy A. Jr.	21
Jana S.	29



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

## Want to save some money??

Check out our book "bundles" - **ONLY** available via our online store. What are bundles? Just what they sound like—a grouping of books, packaged together, for a reduced price.

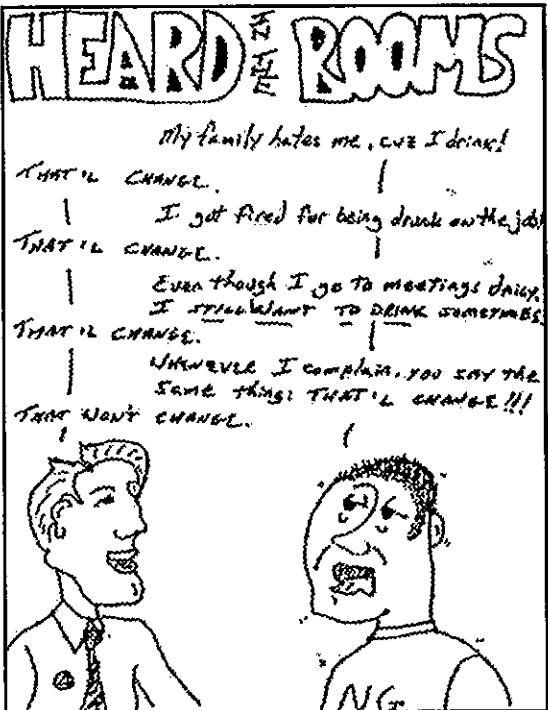


## COACHELLA VALLEY HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS

As we hear in the AA Preamble at the start of every AA meeting, "Our primary purpose is to stay sober **and to help other alcoholics achieve sobriety.**" It is listed as a single purpose: to stay sober, **AND** to help other alcoholics achieve sobriety. It was helping other alcoholics to achieve sobriety that kept Bill W. and Dr. Bob sober in the early days of Alcoholics Anonymous. The two are inextricably linked; carrying the AA message to those that are still suffering helps us stay sober.

The purpose of Alcoholics Anonymous Hospitals & Institutions groups is to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous to the alcoholic who is confined. The Coachella Valley H&I Committee offers a wide variety of opportunities to be of service. There are panels for men and for women in jails and prisons, recovery facilities, a homeless shelter and mental health facilities from Desert Hot Springs to Indio.

If you are interested in enriching your sobriety and serving on an H&I Panel, call the contact listed for the panel of your choice. To find out more about all the panels, come to the monthly H&I meeting on the last Wednesday of the month at Fellowship Hall in Palm Desert at 6 pm. All are welcome!



## Volunteers!

Your Central Office is in need of office volunteers to keep our doors open, answer phones, assist with stocking and inventory and generally create an atmosphere consistent with the thought:  
"We absolutely insist on enjoying life" for anyone calling or walking in our door.

There are currently openings on:

**Mondays & Wednesdays from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm**  
**Thursdays & Fridays from 1:00 pm to 5:00pm**

Please consider these time slots and join us for this opportunity to be of service to our AA community.

## Central Intergroup Office of the Desert Call Forwarding Program Needs Volunteers!!

GET INTO SERVICE FROM THE COMFORT OF YOUR OWN HOME - OR EVEN WHEN YOU'RE OUT TO DINNER!

*The pay may be nothing, but the return is priceless!*

**"Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics achieve sobriety."**

The Call Forwarding Program was designed so that any call for help would be answered by an actual recovering alcoholic and not an answering service. Our aim is to help as many alcoholics as possible.

**We need at least 40 volunteers to get started!!**

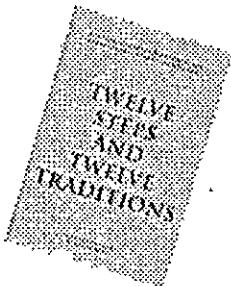
**How It Works:** After hours, you call and have the phones forwarded to any number that you want. It is as simple as that!! We average less than one call per day, so each shift should NOT be an inconvenience and most calls are inquiring about meetings!

Sign up at: <http://aainthedesert.org> and click on the **TeleService** link on the left side of the screen.

**Shift Dates/Times:**

Monday – Thursday	8pm – 9am (following morning)
Friday	8pm -10am (following morning)
Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> shift	2pm -10pm
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> shift	10pm – 10am
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> shift	2pm – 10pm
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> shift	10pm – 9am

## IT'S HERE!!!!!!



The online store is now up and running.  
Just follow the links on the web site:  
[www.aainthedesert.org](http://aainthedesert.org)

You can now order all of the literature that we sell and either have it shipped to you or prepared and waiting for you to pick up at Central Office. No more waiting at Central Office while your order is processed!

Orders to be shipped **MUST** be charged to a credit card. Orders to be picked up at Central Office can either be charged or paid for at time of pick-up.

During the week, we will attempt to complete and ship, if necessary, all orders within 24 hours of placement. On weekends, we will attempt to complete all orders by Monday afternoon.

Want to save some money?? Check out the "Bundles" in the store. They are groupings of books sold at a reduced price. They are available **ONLY** via the online store!

**November Volunteers at Central Office**

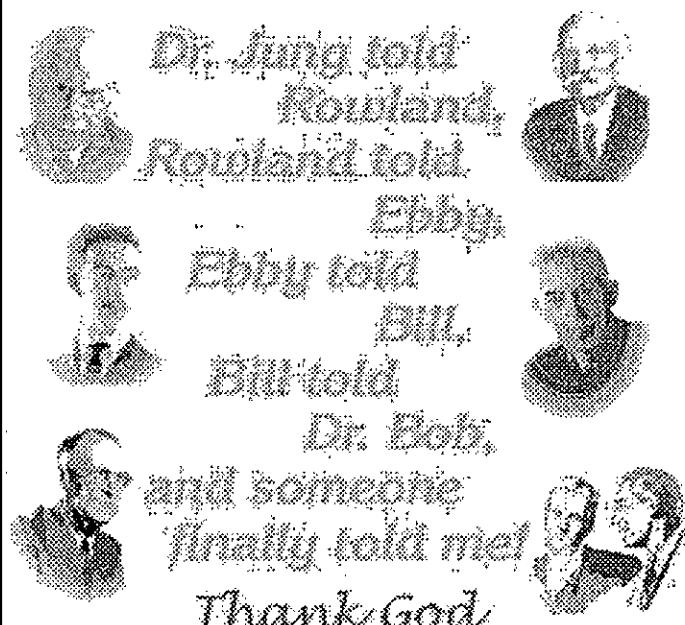
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Dallas E  
Diane D  
Dennis H  
Emil M  
Heidi A

Jeff F  
Joey W  
John G  
Lori S

Madeleine R  
Mary Ann McL  
Michael W  
Pat W

Patrick L  
Paul A  
Peggy M  
Roger F  
Steve P  
Tracy M

**Thank You !!**  
**Thank You !!**



Want to have the Desert Lifeline delivered directly to you via email each month? Well, now you can! Just go to the Central Office website, [www.aainthedesert.org](http://www.aainthedesert.org), and follow the link to sign up. It's just that easy!! And ... it's FREE!!!!!!

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

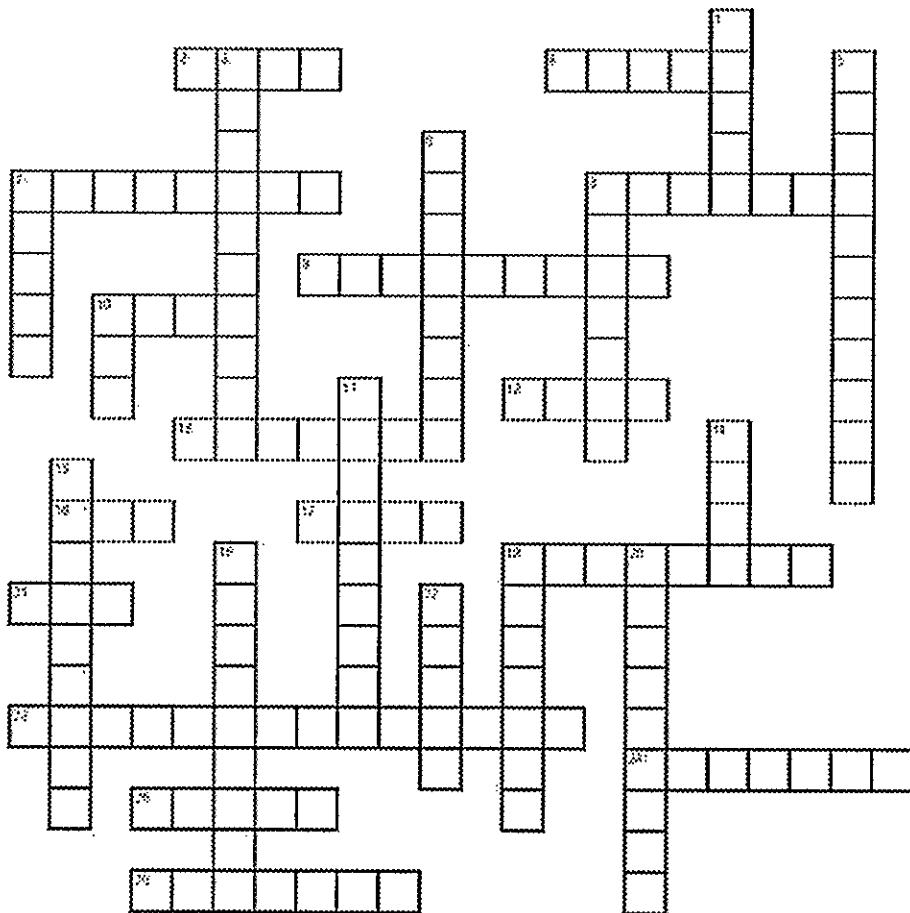
**‘Pass It On’**

The Story of Bill Wilson and how the A.A. message reached the world

**\$9.00** Normally \$10.00 - this month \$9.00 **\$9.00**

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## January Puzzle



### ACROSS

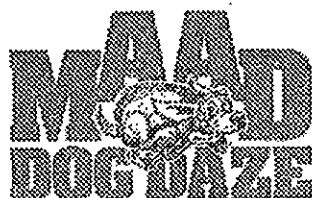
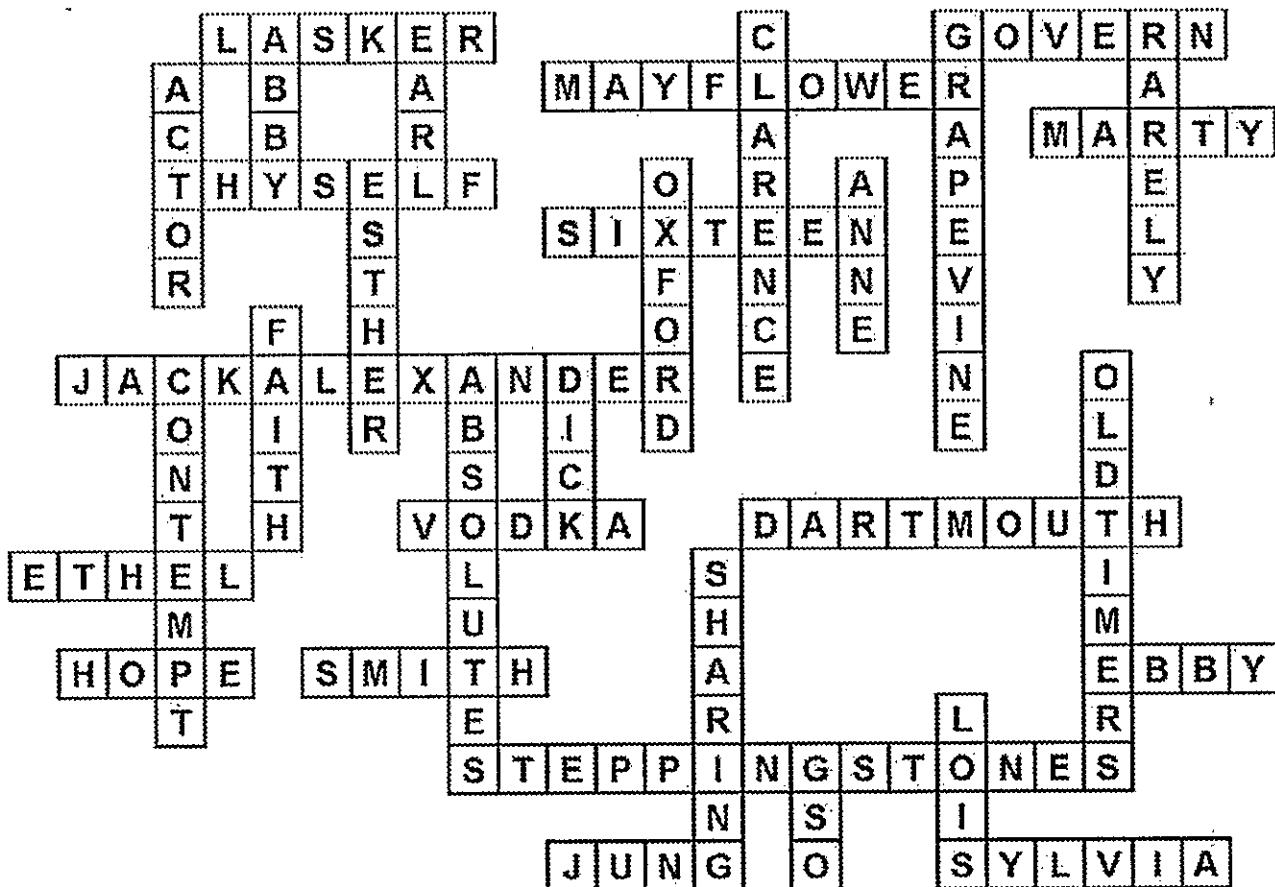
- 2 The 3rd Step prayer doesn't have it but the 7th Step prayer does
- 4 Russian potato juice
- 7 Dr. Bob's middle name
- 8 Beginner's Book: Getting and \_\_\_\_\_ Sober in AA
- 9 Where Dr. Bob went to college
- 10 Bill's sponsor
- 12 This month that AA was "born"
- 13 State where Dr. Bob was born
- 16 A Rabbit Walks Into A \_\_\_\_\_
- 17 \_\_\_\_\_ of Bill
- 19 Circle and \_\_\_\_\_
- 21 What Happened To \_\_\_\_\_
- 23 Home of Bill and his wife
- 24 Where AA World Services is located
- 25 Dr. Bob surname
- 26 Little Angel of A.A.

### DOWN

- 1 "Women Suffer Too"
- 3 mode of transportation used by Bill and Lois during his early Wall Street years
- 5 principle behind step 9
- 6 This is prior to investigation
- 7 Language of the \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 Sure Beats \_\_\_\_\_ In A Cell
- 10 A Member's \_\_\_\_\_ View of A.A.
- 11 Step one
- 14 Swiss psychiatrist
- 15 Honesty, Purity, Unselfishness and Love - the 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 18 Bill's brother-in-law's profession
- 19 Physician, Heal \_\_\_\_\_
- 20 Saturday Evening Post
- 22 In what city did Bill meet Bob?

Puzzle answers will appear in next month's Desert Lifeline.  
You can also find them on our web site — [www.aainthedesert.org](http://www.aainthedesert.org)

## December Puzzle Solution



### 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Ninth District Convention 2014 Planning Meetings

Sundays- 4:00pm at Fellowship Hall

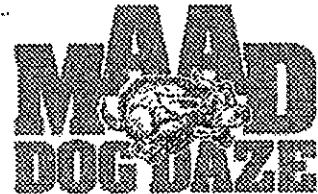
First Sunday of the month (except in July)

1/5/14, 2/2, 3/2, 4/6, 5/4, 6/1, 7/13 and 7/27/14

**Convention: August 1 – 3, 2014**

New Convention Location: Hyatt Indian Wells

Join us at the planning meetings; meet new friends and have fun in your sobriety.



## Step One

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

Hung over again. Remorse as I think, How did I get home? Is the car in the driveway? Why did I take that next drink when I was only going to have one? Hair of the dog will help with the pain and shakes. I'll stop tomorrow, and tomorrow doesn't happen. When did I cross the line and take that next drink into a blackout?

Whether it was through intervention, court, or our loved ones, we came to AA to hear and learn what we can do to get better. Alcohol had the power and control, and our lives became unmanageable, which brought FEAR, ANXIETY, REMORSE and DEPRESSION.

Admitting we had a problem is our first step to RECOVERY.

Rosemary H.

## Tradition One

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

The 12 Traditions are AA's way of keeping our groups strong and healthy as our Steps lay a path of recovery and a foundation for individual members. The first tradition is all about us sticking together and guaranteeing the unity of the fellowship. In doing my research for writing about Tradition One, I found this article by Bill. This covers it all, and I thought it would be better to reprint than anything I could have written.

**Reprinted from the Grapevine, December, 1947**

"Each member of Alcoholics Anonymous is but a small part of a great whole. A.A. must continue to live or most of us will surely die. Hence our common welfare comes first. But individual welfare follows close afterward."

Our whole A.A. program is securely founded on the principle of humility--that is to say, perspective. Which implies, among other things, that we relate ourselves rightly to God and to our fellows; that we each see ourselves as we really are--"a small part of a great whole." Seeing our fellows thus, we shall enjoy group harmony. That is why A.A. Tradition One can confidently state, "Our common welfare comes first." Does this mean, "some will ask, "that in A.A. the individual doesn't count too much? Is he to be swallowed up, dominated by the group?" No, it doesn't seem to work out that way. Perhaps there is no society on earth more solicitous of personal welfare, more careful to grant the individual the greatest possible liberty of belief and action. Alcoholics Anonymous has no "musts." Few A.A. groups impose penalties on anyone for non-conformity. We do suggest, but we don't discipline. Instead, compliance or non-compliance with any principle of A.A. is a matter for the conscience of the individual; he is the judge of his own conduct. Those words of old time, "Judge not," we observe most literally. "But," some will argue, "if A.A. has no authority to govern its individual members or groups, how shall it ever be sure that the common welfare does come first? How is it possible to be governed without a government? If everyone can do as he pleases, how can you have aught but anarchy?"

The answer seems to be that we A.A.s cannot really do as we please, though there is no constituted human authority to restrain us. Actually, our common welfare is protected by powerful safeguards. The moment any action seriously threatens the common welfare, group opinion mobilizes to remind us; our conscience begins to complain. If one persists, he may become so disturbed as to get drunk; alcohol gives him a beating. Group opinion shows him that he is off the beam, his own conscience tells him that he is dead wrong, and, if he goes too far, Barleycorn brings him real conviction. So it is we learn that in matters deeply affecting the group as a whole, "our common welfare comes first." Rebellion ceases and cooperation begins because it must; we have disciplined ourselves.

Eventually, of course, we cooperate because we really wish to; we see that without substantial unity there can be no A.A., and that without A.A. there can be little lasting recovery for anyone. We gladly set aside personal ambitions whenever these might harm A.A. We humbly confess that we are but "a small part of a great whole." - Bill W.

Joe A. – Marauders Men Stag., St. Margaret's, Palm Desert

## A.A. was founded on the premise that it would be self-supported through member contributions.

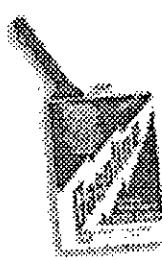
For the past 48 years, contributing a  
single dollar has been almost a tradition.



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1980..\$0.35  
1990..\$0.44  
2000..\$1.00  
2008..\$1.75

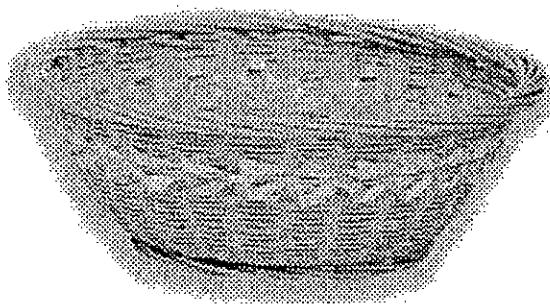


1960..\$0.18  
1970..\$0.25  
1980..\$0.35  
1990..\$1.00  
2000..\$2.00  
2008..\$4.50



1960..\$2.00  
1970..\$2.00  
1980..\$2.00  
1990..\$1.10  
2000..\$1.20  
2008..\$2.50

Today's dollar has only 16 cents of the  
purchasing power of a 1960's dollar.



1960..\$1.00  
1970..\$1.00  
1980..\$1.00  
1990..\$1.00  
2000..\$1.00  
2008..\$2.00

Acknowledging these economic facts,  
why not responsibly compensate

BY DROPPING IN

# 2 BUCKS FOR 2013??

For those who can't afford it, the important thing is to keep coming back.

## NEW MEETINGS & MEETING CHANGES

### New Meeting

Palm Springs, Came To Believe, Alano Club, 463 W Dominguez, C B/S, Wed Noon

### Cancelled meeting

Palm Desert, Young and Restless Book Study, Fellowship Hall, 45940 Portola, Sunday, 6 PM

### Location change

The Serenity Group has moved from Cinemas Palme D'Or in Palm Desert to Date Palm Country Club, 36200 Date Palm Drive, Clubhouse in Cathedral City. There is no meeting the 1st Sunday of each month

Cabazon, New Beginnings, Morongo Indian Reservation has moved to Senior Center 11580 Potrero, 7PM Tuesday

## November Website Usage

Unique visitors:	3409
Average visits/day:	205
Average hits/day:	1,581
Highest # of visits in a day:	247
Highest # of hits in one day:	2,253
Total visits:	6,151
Visits per visitor:	1.8
Total hits:	47,436

Visit: A series of hits to the website over a specific period of time by one visitor.

Hit: A successful request to your web server from a visitor's browser for any type of file, i.e. an image, HTML page, an MP3 file, or any other type. A single web page can cause many hits - one for each image included on the page, etc.

## **Palm Desert Group -**

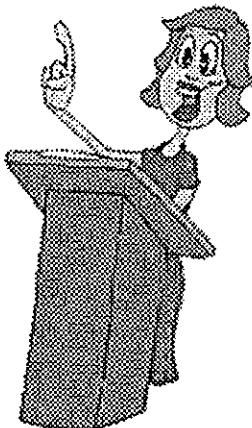
### **Fellowship Hall, Palm Desert**

Saturday Night, 8:30 p.m.

1/04 - Fernando O.	Covina CA
1/11 - Fellowship Hall 45th Annual	
Anniversary Banquet	
8:15 Speaker T.B.A.	
1/18 - Sally R.	San Bernardino, CA
1/25 - Barbie L.	Palm Desert, CA



## ***Speaker Meetings***



### **Sobriety Capital of the World**

#### **Indio**

Friday Night, 8 p.m.

1/03 - Frank P.	Palm Desert, CA
1/10 - Michelle L.	Tustin, CA
1/17 - John W.	Riverside, CA
1/24 - Pacific Group	Van Nuys, CA
1/31 - Mignon R.	Irvine, CA

Please check the web site ([www.AAintheDesert.org](http://www.AAintheDesert.org)) for any changes since the printing of the newsletter.

## Concept I

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

Alcoholics Anonymous has been called an upside-down organization because the "ultimate responsibility and final authority for...world services" resides with the groups — rather than with the trustees of the General Service Board or the General Service Office in New York.

In Concept I Bill traces how this came to be. The first step in 1938 was "the creation of the trusteeship," first called the Alcoholic Foundation, renamed in 1954 the General Services Board. Why? To perform the services the groups could not do for themselves; e.g. uniform literature, uniform public information about A.A., helping new groups get started, sharing with them the experience of established groups, handling pleas for help, publishing a national magazine, and carrying the message in other languages and in other countries. A service office was formed to carry on these functions under the board's direction. Both the board and the office looked to the co-founders Bill and Dr. Bob, for policy leadership.

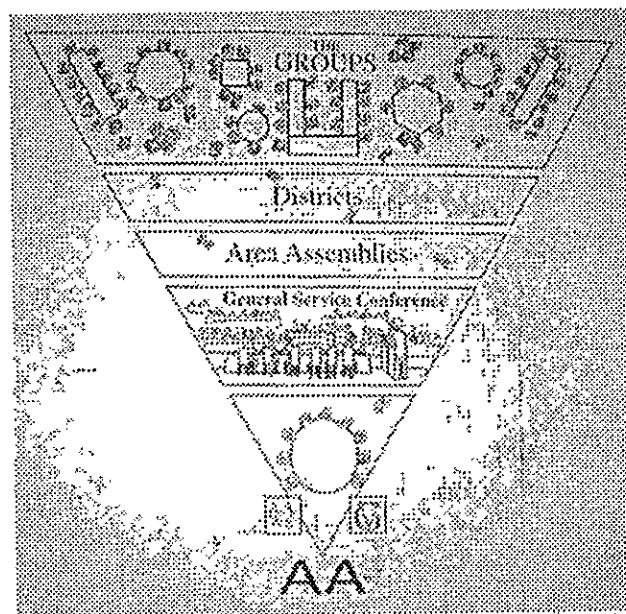
In the midst of the "exuberant success" of early A.A., Dr. Bob became fatally ill and Bill asked, "When Dr. Bob and I are gone, who would then advise the trustees and the office? The answer, Bill felt, was to be found in the collective conscience of the A.A. Groups. But how could the autonomous, widely scattered groups exercise such a responsibility?

In final, it was decided at by an A.A. General Service Conference that Concept I is rooted in Tradition Two, which states:

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

The principles of Tradition Two are crystal-clear, Bill asserts: "The A.A. groups are to be the final authority; their leaders are to be entrusted with delegated responsibilities only." The outside world cannot imagine an organization run this way but Bill calls it "a spiritualized society characterized by enough enlightenment, enough responsibility, and enough love of man and of God to insure that our democracy of world service will work..."

Look, AA is organized upside down! The World will never understand!



Ed J



**JOIN THE FAITHFUL FIVERS!**

“When we meet and defeat the temptation to take large gifts, we are only being prudent. But when we are generous with the hat, we give a token that we are grateful for our blessing and evidence that we are eager to share what we have found with all those who still suffer.”

Bill W

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**Yes! Please enroll me as a  
Faithful Fiver!**

I agree to pledge!

Here is my contribution of  
\$ \_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_ months

Name \_\_\_\_\_

### Address

Phone

Email:

Bliss and the Art of Writing

Please make your checks

## Central Office

And mail to:  
35-325 Date Palm Drive  
Suite 134  
Cathedral City, CA 92234

## Faithful Fiver Contributors for November 2013

We've had a total of 16 contributions  
to the Faithful Fivers  
so for this fiscal year -  
Fiscal year is July 1 - June 30.  
**Totaling \$2,191.00!!**

THANK YOU!!!!!!

## **What are Faithful Fivers?**

Faithful Fivers are A.A. members who graciously pledge to contribute at least five dollars each month to support Central Office in its efforts to carry the A.A. message of hope and recovery to those alcoholics who still suffer in the Coachella Valley. As a Faithful Fiver, your personal contribution can and will make our vital services possible.

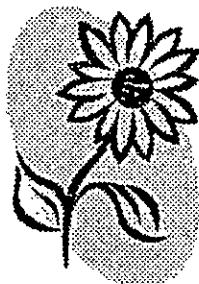
The Faithful Fiver idea came about when we remembered that we wasted much more than five dollars each month during our drinking days. Your contribution will help Central Office provide the services necessary to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Faithful Fiver members who pledge at least \$5.00 per month annually will receive, if they so choose, a subscription to our monthly newsletter, *The Desert Lifeline*.

Contributions are limited to \$3,000 per member per year\* and are tax deductible under Internal Revenue Code: § 501(c)3

\*Page 9—Self-Support Pamphlet

You can also contribute to the Faithful Fivers via credit card on the web site!



# 2014

*Sunlight Of The Spirit*  
29<sup>th</sup> Annual

## AA Desert Women's Banquet

**Purpose:**  
To provide an opportunity for alcoholic women in recovery to participate with other women in recovery in an atmosphere of friendship and harmony.

Proceeds from the 50/50 drawing will be donated to Alcoholics Anonymous Central Intergroup Office of the Desert.

**Sunday, March 9, 2014**

4:00 – 5:00 pm – Registration/Reception

5:00 – 7:00 pm – Dinner

7:00 – 8:00 pm – Speaker

### Renaissance Esmeralda Resort & Spa

Emerald Ballroom -44-400 Indian Wells Lane, Indian Wells, CA

**\$43 per person – Reservations Required**

**Appropriate dinner attire please**

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

**To sit together, registration forms & payment must be returned together.**

Free self-parking is provided in garage at rear of property.

Registration information contact ~ Betsy S. 760-409-4011

Please complete one form per person – see reverse side for additional forms

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

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

**Payment must be received no later than Friday, February 28, 2014**

**Desert Lifeline, January 2014**

**Central Office of the Desert  
Profit & Loss YTD Comparison  
November 2013**

	<b>Nov 13</b>	<b>Jul - Nov 13</b>
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>		
<b>Income</b>		
Anonymous Donations	37.32	672.76
Birthday Contributions	23.03	368.29
Convention Contributions		
Desert Mart's Banquet	860.00	860.00
Desert Pow Wow	0.03	19,890.00
International Women's Corp	10.50	67.00
Unity Day Picnic	0.03	528.00
Total Convention Contributions	871.03	19,458.00
Faithful Fivers	1,015.00	2,391.03
Group Contributions	3,460.19	29,341.44
Interest	3.56	218.56
Intergroup & Service Coordin.	41.00	142.00
Sales Income		
Literature Sales		
Books	4,436.08	24,158.65
Miscellaneous	151.50	832.45
Pamphlets	286.06	836.89
Schedules	150.21	1,265.74
Total Literature Sales	4,577.73	24,061.63
Medallions		
Aluminum Medallions	176.31	1,860.00
Bronze Medallions	614.80	1,438.91
Tri-plate Medallions	873.00	3,890.00
Total Medallions	1,763.81	5,198.91
Shipping and handling	5.48	54.18
Society Card	50.53	802.80
Total Sales Income	8,530.10	33,548.24
Total Income	13,281.19	73,683.64
<b>Gross Profit</b>	13,281.19	73,683.64
<b>Expense</b>		
Answering Service	98.63	492.23
Bank Charges		
Returned Check	0.00	12.00
Bank Charges - Other	0.03	0.26
Total Bank Charges	0.03	12.26
Computer		
Dial up/DSL	30.00	150.00
Parts and supplies	0.03	-84.00
Wendie	0.03	274.93
Total Computer	30.00	815.01
Convention/Fundraising Expenses		
Gratitude Dinner		
Room Rental	0.03	1,000.00
Total Gratitude Dinner	0.03	1,000.00
Total Convention/Fundraising Expenses	0.03	1,000.00
Credit Card Fees	91.01	343.45
Depreciation		
Depreciation - Copier	78.23	391.19
Depreciation - Leasehold Improv	51.42	437.10
Total Depreciation	129.65	828.29
Manager Education	103.87	1,429.40

**Central Office of the Desert  
Profit & Loss YTD Comparison  
November 2013**

	<b>Nov 13</b>	<b>Jul - Nov 13</b>
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>		
<b>Expense</b>		
Newsletter Expenses	233.51	762.37
Office Expenses		
Cleaning	180.00	590.00
Office Supplies	0.00	1,357.45
Office Expenses - Other	0.00	19.00
Total Office Expenses	180.00	1,967.45
Payroll Expenses		
Insurance - Health Insurance	733.00	3,685.00
Insurance - Worker's Comp	731.00	731.00
Sickdays	3,120.00	15,893.00
Taxes & Payroll Accounting	352.00	1,791.00
Total Payroll Expenses	3,120.00	21,337.00
Reconciliation Discrepancies	0.00	0.00
Rent	1,237.00	8,435.00
Sales Expenses (COGS)		
Literature		
Books		
Cost	3,853.00	18,324.37
Total Books	3,853.00	18,324.37
Misc		
Cost	72.89	438.65
Inventory Adjustment	0.00	0.00
Total Misc	72.89	438.65
Pamphlets		
Cost	316.46	830.95
Total Pamphlets	316.46	830.95
Schedules		
Cost	94.51	295.00
Total Schedules	94.51	295.00
Total Literature	4,187.73	20,916.72
Medallions		
Aluminum Medallions		
Cost	266.30	1,906.85
Total Aluminum Medallions	266.30	1,906.85
Bronze Medallions		
Cost	215.00	1,218.27
Total Bronze Medallions	215.00	1,218.27
Tri-plate Medallions		
Cost	369.74	1,382.57
Total Tri-plate Medallions	369.74	1,382.57
Total Medallions	840.04	4,507.32
Shipping and handling	5.05	19.35
Society Cards		
Cost	36.67	330.67
Total Society Cards	36.67	330.67
Total Sales Expenses (COGS)	5,027.64	24,830.65
Sales/Fax Pw.	0.00	-1.00
Shipping, Transport, Storage	102.75	598.75
State Filing Fee	0.00	25.00
Tax Preparation	0.00	829.84
Utilities	317.01	2,020.03
Total Expense	12,326.05	63,336.31
Net Ordinary Income	-8,048.44	-5,502.33
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"I've been more wrong trying to be right than if I had just been wrong to begin with."

"Alcohol was to me what spinach was to Popeye."

"Maturity emerges when you can listen empathetically to someone's tale of woe and not respond with a description of your own."

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Group Contributions  
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	Nov 13	Oct - Nov 13
10th Step Study-THU Palm Desert	0.00	75.00
11th Step Meditation - SUN - Palm Desert	0.00	89.63
12 X 12 Step Study - THU - Cathedral City	0.00	43.76
164 Group - WED - Palm Springs	35.00	151.00
3rd, 7th & 11th Step - SUN - Palm Desert	250.00	895.00
AA Step Study - FRI - Coachella	61.00	31.00
ABC Group-SUN Palm Desert	0.00	43.57
As Bill Sees It-SAT-DHS	0.00	30.00
Attitude Adj-ALL- Meetings Palm Springs	430.00	750.00
Attitude Adjustment-M-F Rancho Mirage AA	0.00	4,473.00
Attitude Adjustment-M-S Palm Desert	123.00	471.00
Attitude Adjustment-M-S PCCC; Palm Desert	0.00	703.00
Attitude Adjustment-MON Cathedral City	0.00	46.45
Attitude Adjustment - MON Rancho Mirage	0.00	213.00
Attitude Adjustment - THU - Rancho Mirage	0.00	120.00
Big Book Babes - MON Indio	49.34	48.34
Big Book Study - Wed - Palm Springs	105.00	350.00
Black Sheep Group - WED - Rancho Mirage	0.00	462.00
Came to Believe-WED Cathedral City	0.00	48.83
Coachella Desert Men's Group - RM	0.00	170.00
Daily Paradise-GLY Morongo Valley	0.00	152.46
Daily Reprieve-Daily Palm Desert	82.11	143.82
Dolls of Valley -WED Palm Desert	0.00	165.00
Feelings & Solutions-WED Palm Desert	0.00	55.50
Frogs Spd-THU Cathedral City	0.00	47.28
Freedom of Choice - THU - La Quinta	100.00	100.00
Goals Group	0.00	50.00
Great Events-Daily Yucca Valley	0.00	235.00
Groovy Group-TUE Palm Desert	44.00	44.00
Group '48-MON Palm Springs	0.00	68.16
HalfMeasures-TUE Cathedral City	0.00	82.14
How Is Your Now - La Quinta	0.00	184.13
How It Works-ALL Meetings Palm Springs	0.00	100.00
How It Works-WED Palm Desert	0.00	43.54
Into Action-TUE Cathedral City	0.00	44.36
Jaywalkers Men's Stag - PD	0.00	14.70
Just the Blank Print Book Study-WED - RM	0.00	380.00
Keep It Simple-SAT Palm Desert	600.00	600.00
Curious Little Oak-WED Palm Desert	0.00	465.00
Living Sober-MON Palm Springs	171.40	171.40
Living Sober Group-ALL Joshua Tree	20.00	40.00
Mediation Meeting-FRI Palm Desert	0.00	271.63
Meditation Meeting-THU-Cathedral City	0.00	53.83
Men's Stag-TUE Palm Springs	0.00	410.00
Men's Stag - MON Palm Desert	50.00	100.00
Men's Stag - THU - Palm Desert	0.00	200.00

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	Nov 13	Oct - Nov 13
Mixed Nuts - THU - Palm Springs	0.00	95.38
New Beginnings-MON Palm Desert	0.00	152.00
New Freedom - TUE - Palm Desert	100.00	203.00
No Rules - La Quinta	263.00	773.00
Or Else Group	0.00	28.11
Oxy-Moron Group-THU Palm Springs	110.00	240.00
Palm Desert Group -SAT - Palm Desert	0.00	442.00
Participation - THU - TwentyNine Palms	0.00	35.00
Playing With A Full Deck-THU -Palm Desert	100.00	225.00
Primacy Purpose - Blythe	0.00	192.00
Q & A-SUN Cathedral City	0.00	75.15
Road Runners-MON Bermuda Dunes	0.00	195.00
Rock Bottom-TUE TwentyNine Palms	26.00	125.00
RoundTable Group -THU Palm Desert	0.00	84.07
Saw Saturday-SAT Cathedral City	0.00	55.18
Santa Rosa Big Book Thumpers-WED-Coachella	0.00	83.10
Santa Rosa Messengers - Coachella	0.00	180.00
Sat. Speaker Hi-Desert -SAT Yucca Valley	0.00	45.00
Saturday's Survivors-SAT Cathedral City	0.00	111.29
Saturday Disc -SAT Palm Desert	45.00	162.00
Serenity Group -SUN Palm Desert	0.00	58.70
Serenity Seekers-FRI - Palm Desert	0.00	160.00
Serenity Sisters - THU - Yucca Valley	0.00	71.50
Serenity Sunday-SUN Cathedral City	0.00	43.89
Serenity Capitol of World-ALL Indio	78.46	538.82
Solid Solutions - TUE - Palm Desert	0.00	312.77
Solutions in Sobriety-SAT Palm Desert	0.00	74.00
Speakeasy BB/S-FRI Palm Desert	0.00	200.00
Speaker Q&A - Cathedral City	0.00	42.73
Spirited Awakening-SAT Cathedral City	0.00	50.57
Step Sisters-MON Palm Desert	0.00	162.43
Step Study-WED Cathedral City	0.00	46.64
Step Study -MON - Bermuda Dunes	0.00	29.00
Stepping Stones-TUE Palm Desert	0.00	35.57
Surey Quies 5th Tradition Group - ALL -PS:	499.50	2,081.70
Sunrise Celebrators-M-F Palm Desert	88.25	389.00
There Is Hope-FRI DHS	0.00	150.00
Turning Point-WED DHS	0.00	60.00
Vets for Vets - TUE - Palm Desert	0.00	90.00
Wed NiteWomen's Discussion-WED Palm Desert	0.00	100.00
What's Good About Today? Wed-Cat City	0.00	45.42
Winnow Meeting-WED Palm Springs	0.00	100.00
Womans Meeting-MON Yucca Valley	0.00	34.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,466.19</b>	<b>20,342.44</b>

**89 out of 238 groups contributed to Central Office so far this fiscal year.  
That represents 37.39% of the meetings in the Coachella Valley.**

"Some people are so successful in AA that they turn out to be almost as good as they used to think they were when they were drinking."

"One alcoholic talking to another.....one equals one."

"Alcoholism is the only disease that tells you you're all right."

"When people try to control their drinking, they have already lost control."