



the Desert Lifeline

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Intergroup Meeting

1st Thursday of the month, 7 p.m.
Zoom I.D. 924 237 7111
P.W. Intergroup

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

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Suite 107

Cathedral City, CA 92234

Zoom Meeting I.D. 928 8170 4093

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Palm Desert, CA 92261-3684

Hospitals & Institutions

2nd Wednesday of the month,

5:30 p.m.

Fellowship Hall 45940 Portola Ave.

Palm Desert

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Palm Desert, CA 92261

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DCYPAA

Every Sunday 6:00 P.M.

Fellowship Hall 45940 Portola Ave.

Palm Desert

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General Service, District 30

3rd Sunday of the month, 2:00 PM

Yucca Valley Alano Club

57637 Yucca Trail

Yucca Valley, CA 92284

Mailing Address: P O Box 1692

Yucca Valley, CA 92286-1692

Step

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Principle Eight

1 - Brotherly Love

June Office Statistics

Meeting Info	21
12 Step Calls	0
Visitors	42
Literature Sales	184
Al-Anon	0
Other 12 Step	2
Miscellaneous	34
Business	14
Zoom Attendance	62

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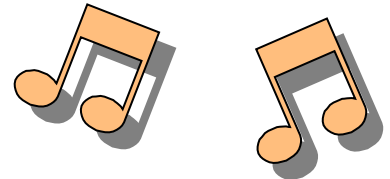
June 2026

Happy Birthday



Victor G. 6 yr.
Daphne F. 8 yr.
Devra R. 10 yr.
Dan S. 15 yr.
Mitch 35 yr.
Shay T. 36 yr.

Christina C. 38 yr.
Nikki J. 40 yr.
Forrest P. 41 yr.
Kenneth J. 45 yr.
Tom O'M 55 yr.



Palm Desert Group Fellowship Hall, Palm Desert

Saturday Night, 8:00 p.m.

8/01 - Don P. - Palm Desert
8/08 - Discussion (MAAD Dog Daze)
8/15 - Lee R. - La Quinta
8/22 - Jeannette C. - Palm Desert
8/29 - Kate - San Diego

Sobriety Capital of the World Group ABC Club 44359 Palm St. Indio

Friday Night, 8 p.m.

8/07 - Manny V. - Oxnard
8/14 - Michael R. - Valencia
8/21 - Kelly H. - Upland
8//28 - Tina J. - Laguna Hills



Local August Speaker Meetings

Concept Eight

The trustees are the principal planners and administrators of over-all policy and finance. They have custodial oversight of the separately incorporated and constantly active services, exercising this through their ability to elect all the directors of these entities.

This concept basically defines the responsibilities and influence that were outlined in the earlier concepts. It sets a boundary of the trustees in the A.A. Grapevine, Inc. and A.A. World Services, Inc. to the sort of oversight accomplished by electing the directors of these separate companies, but essentially discouraging them from assuming the daily role of executives or administrators of these entities. For me, this concept opens my mind to thinking how I should back off from trying to fix others and stay focused on what I need to accomplish in my life. I would be better off taking care of my own responsibilities than being too concerned on others affairs.

Joe A. Monday Marauders Stag , St. Margaret's Church, Palm Desert

Book of the month

As Bill Sees It (Large Print)

Normally \$14.30 - this month \$12.00

A source of comfort and inspiration, this collection of Bill W.'s writings addresses themes such as acceptance, gratitude and spirituality. Excerpted from the Big Book, the "Twelve and Twelve," Grapevine and other A.A. literature.

With a topical index to help guide reading and discussion.

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8.5" x 11"

360 pages

Large print

HOW I COMPILED STEP EIGHT HONESTLY

The Big Book infers that we are to take stock honestly. (p.64). My sponsor took this direction seriously with me because I had **almost slipped** after five months sober. I was informed that my mind was not always honest and that I must appeal to God for help while writing my Step Eight inventory. I was reminded that Bill Wilson wrote about the "*Great Reality deep within!*" (p. 55), and that this would be my source to find the unvarnished truth, rather than my selective thinking. I have now come to believe that this was the same kind of *alco-logical thinking* that so often convinced me to take that first drink!

So, I prayed to God repeatedly—like a mantra. As I wrote, with God's help, there appeared ever so many memories of people I had harmed. These included seeing my name appearing in the local newspaper, over and over, for public intoxication which had to embarrass my wonderful Christian parents. Also, my younger sister when she entered high school because of the dismal reputation I left behind. I went on a two-week drinking binge during my senior year!

Reviewing this process, I began to realize how dishonest with myself I had been through all those drunken years. It is easy to suppress unpleasant memories, thus avoiding the accompanying guilt. Of course, without guilt, nothing changes!

I will be forever grateful to my sponsor for his direction and Big Book knowledge on this step. We are told not to regret the past nor wish to shut the door on it. (p. 83). I am still susceptible to guilt feelings to a certain degree, but not overwhelmingly. I have done what I can to make things right. Also, we are told about amends we cannot make: "*We don't worry about them if we can honestly say we would right them if we could.*"

Bob S.
Richmond, IN

Note:

the H& I Committee
AND
the Central Office Intergroup
will **not** meet this month.

The month of
August is too hot to
handle in this and
many other ways!

HEARD IN THE ROOMS

I knew I needed to do something
about my drinking, so I decided
to drink only when I was awake!

PROBLEM WAS....
I began STAYING
AWAKE FOR
DAYS AT
A TIME...



General Service Board of United States/Canada Pacific Regional Forum 2026

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Sharing sessions for questions, comments, and discussion

Moderated by the Pacific Regional Trustee

Sample Program: <https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/regional-forum-sample-program-en.pdf>

Interpretation:

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Registration

Registration is FREE and opens October 2, 2026. Pre-registration is encouraged; on-site registration will also be available.

<https://www.aa.org/event/2026-pacific-regional-forum>

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Wyndham San Diego

1355 N Harbor Dr., San Diego, CA 92101

Room Rate: \$219, (book by October 2, 2026)

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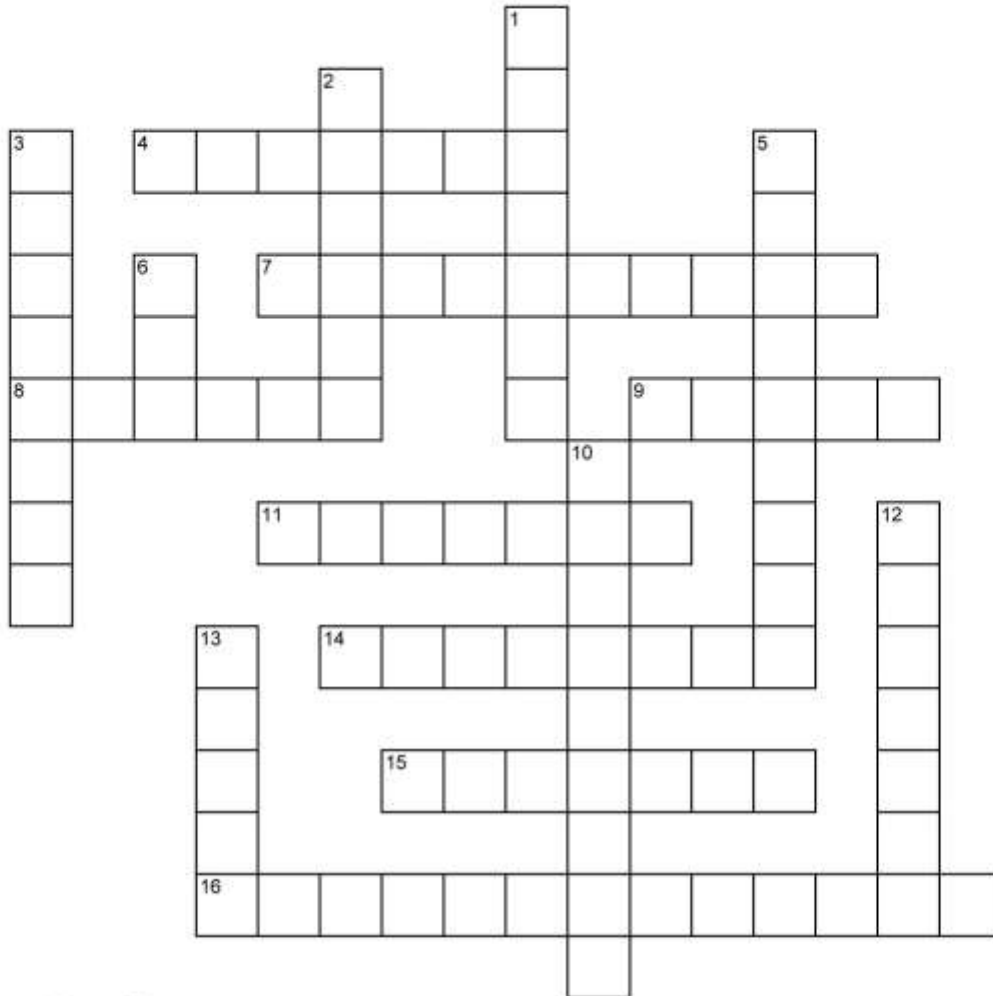
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We look forward to seeing you in San Diego!

August 2026



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ACROSS

- 4 them know you have no _____ with the
alcoholics of your
- 7 jealousy, suspicion or _____?
- 8 or New York who were _____ to form
groups in other cities.
- 9 to be fully planted on solid _____
- 11 phenomenon of the past _____ century
has been the
- 14 time we had chartered an _____ to
complete a jag!
- 15 thickened, ever becoming _____
- 16 they cannot after a time _____ the true
from the

DOWN

- 1 to believe than not to _____, why we
say our former
- 2 family, and that he is not _____ to impose
upon you
- 3 the first to say it was your _____ and care
which brought
- 5 the mental faculties with _____, for after
all God gave
- 6 He has begun to _____, with or without your
cooperation
- 10 sometimes say she is _____.
- 12 We hope this volume will inform and _____
those who are, or who are affected.
- 13 We _____ too, that we had been

THE MIDDLE STEPS IN A TIMELY MANNER

Luckily, my sponsor, Carl, allowed me almost no “*let me think it over*” time as we approached my initial middle step process. No time for fear or hesitation was available! Only minutes after praying the Third Step request for God’s help, he had me start a process I call “spontaneous writing” which provided substantive and honest Fourth Step information. I was warned not to write good things about myself because that would take too many pages. Ha!

This “Spontaneous writing” process started on a Saturday, “*at once*,” per page 64 instructions,” and we then completed the Step Four instructions the following Saturday. Carl then helped me actually “read and do” the Fourth Step process directly from the Big Book (PP 64-71). This process lasted about one hour.

The Step Five process of reporting my newly found character defects, etc., began just a few minutes after finishing Step Four (*First opportunity*, page 74), and Step Six began, “*then*,” (p. 76) and Step Seven was prayed at “*When ready*” (p. 76). Steps Four through Seven, were completed in a few hours that last Saturday. Doctor Carl Jung has written: “*People will do anything to avoid facing their own soul.*” Thankfully, my sponsor didn’t give me time to back out. He followed the Big Book timetable!

As years pass and I watch newcomers too often disappear between Steps Three and Four, I have become much more appreciative of the Big Book’s timetable for the middle steps. I believe too much in-between time allows fear and doubt to take over; then, even the sincerest Third Step decision will often deteriorate into indecision and inaction.

Sometimes I hear: “*God will show me when to start my inventory*,” or, “*I plan to take my time and do it right*” . . . and so on. I believe it is good to explain, at this point, that what is missed in Step Four can always be taken care of in Step Ten—even years later when they crop up.

Step Ten is continually redoing of the mid-steps in the “learning” process above! First of all, I had to learn how to fully accomplish the mid-steps—only then could I actually put them into action by following these clear-cut Step Ten directions on page 84:

We continue to watch for selfishness, dishonesty, resentment and fear. (Step Four)

When these crop up we ask God at once to remove them. (Steps Six and Seven)

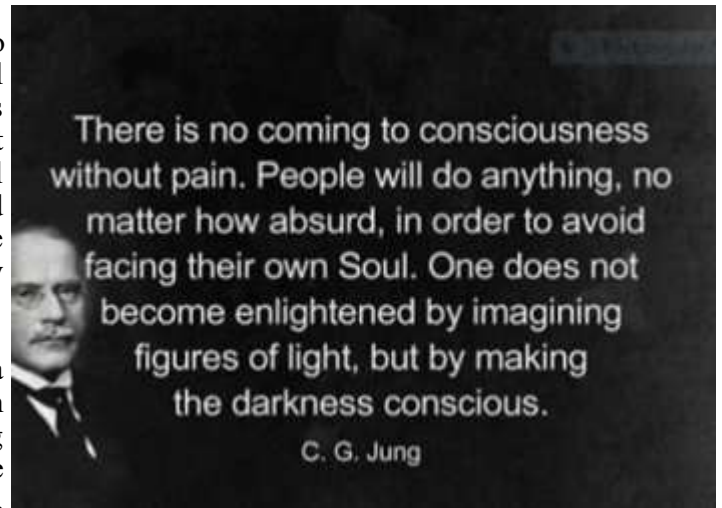
We discuss them with someone immediately. (Step Five)

Make amends quickly if we have harmed anyone. (Steps Eight and Nine)

Speaking of a “timely manner” - as in the title of this article - I believe it is important to realize that as I go through my day, to remember that the Step Ten instructions include the phrases: “*at once*,” “*immediately*” and “*quickly*.” Of course, these phrases are to be used in sensible context, for the Big Book infers that God gave me *brains to use*! For instance, not to phone my sponsor at work simply because I have some trivial concern or small problem.

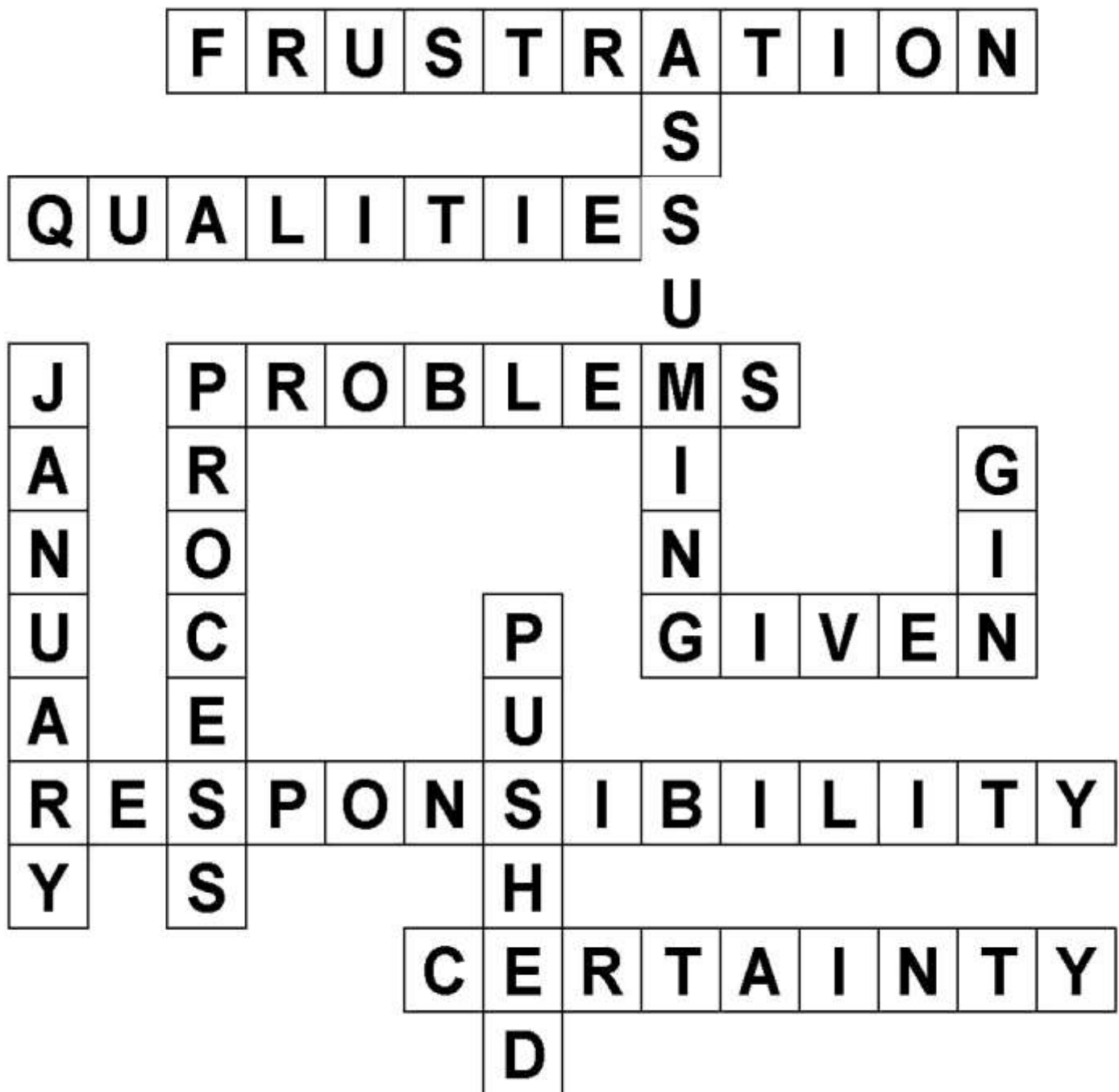
Early on, I thought the above directions were to be done only before going to bed at night. Of course, that came from a mis-reading of the first full paragraph of page 86 which is Step Eleven. I now realize that Step Ten is to be done throughout each day. Living these middle steps, via Step Ten, continually provides relief from the anxiety and fear of my drinking days. But I need to remember that AA is a program of action! ~~

Bob S., Richmond, IN





July Puzzle Solution



I asked my sponsor, "What do you do when you finish working the steps?"
He said, "You lie really still, because you're dead."

Thanks to Bill S.

MY ANSWER WAS NOT ON THE WALL

During my first sober months I was “*just surviving*” on the first three steps; the obsession to drink plagued me every day—repeating the Third Step prayer helped but provided only temporary escape while I obsessively attended AA meetings. I began to preface my prayers with the number of days I had been sober. I believe this helped keep me in focus. However, the terrifying obsession was constant. I was doing the Twelve Steps “off the wall” (Like on pages 59 & 60) which, of course is only a summary; sort of like the Table of Contents of a book—not the actual clear-cut-directions. I was surviving on the fellowship (untreated alcoholism) and a false understanding of the Twelve Steps.

I thought I was living the AA Steps, but I was not!

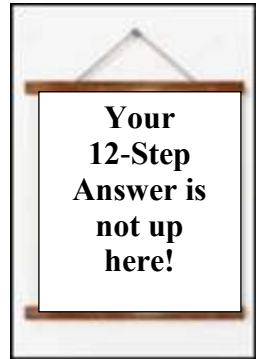
Fortunately, I remained dry for five months, but then I marched into a bar and almost ordered a drink—happily I didn’t! Terrified, I asked a new sponsor, Carl, for help and he immediately took me through the Steps *directly from the Big Book!*

At Step Three I asked God to relieve me of the bondage of self (of course, I had no idea what that was!), but Carl started me on Step Four at once before I had time to change my mind or “*think things over.*” Upon completion of Step Four I came to realize that the basic nature of my bondage of self was rooted in selfishness, dishonesty, resentment and fear. I also learned to use the Big Book tools to face *and be rid of* these destructive ingredients. After Step Five, I knew exactly what to ask God to remove in Steps Six and Seven (after all, it was on paper right in front of me). We then discussed making amends.

Yet, the obsession persisted.

Carl informed me that although learning the AA program of action may provide a certain **relief**, the necessary **release** from the obsession happens only when put in action with the doing of Steps Ten, Eleven and Twelve. Carl was right—I haven’t had to drink since!

Bob S.



What does Central Office Do for Me???

1. We carry the message to the still-suffering alcoholic via telephone calls and 12-step work.
2. Insure a steady supply of literature for our groups at an attractive price.
3. Provide a telephone contact service for AA meeting information and other information such as recovery places, other 12-step contact information, other Central Office numbers, verifying books available, etc.
4. Publish a monthly newsletter by and for our local fellowship with local events and articles by local AA members on the Steps, Traditions and Concepts.
5. Assist in forming new groups or help existing groups in carrying out our purpose.
6. Help in any way to carry out the sole purpose of Alcoholics Anonymous.
7. Attempt to unify our efforts to achieve this purpose.

Step Eight

*Made a list of all persons we had harmed,
and became willing to make amends to them all.*

I found that this step wasn't one to simply say, "Yes, I'm willing." Rather, I took a good look at each amend that I needed to make to see if I was ready to do what was truly necessary. Some of them, I really wasn't. Then I usually discovered that I truthfully did not believe in what my part was in "their" offense and I needed to ask for God's help to allow my heart to accept that in some way I had caused harm. My sponsor was very helpful in getting my focus off of me and how I was hurt. Finally, I did come to believe that with even my most devastating injuries I, yes I, had a part. My part, no matter how small it seemed, did cause harm to the other person. I could now be willing.

Toni T
10th Step Meeting, Fellowship Hall, Palm Desert



My favorite part is when we hear from the minority opinion.

Where else do I get to share MY opinion and YOU might change your mind -- of course, where else am I open enough to hear YOUR opinion, and maybe change MY mind!?!?"

When I took a look at why I had taken those unprincipled actions, I realized that I still had fear of financial insecurity. When I looked at why I have financial insecurity, I realized that it's because I've been trying to fill a God-sized hole with something other than God!"

There's more to taking the steps than reading that big poster on the wall. When I worked the steps off the wall, I got off the wall results. Thanks to George B.

Did you know that there is a Hispanic Intergroup office in the Coachella Valley? Their phone number is 760.625.9018. Their web site is www.aaintcoachella.org. All Spanish speaking A.A. meetings in the valley are listed only there.

Tradition Eight

***Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional,
but our service centers may employ special workers.***

This tradition cuts to the very core of A.A. To me it simply says that Alcoholics Anonymous is just one drunk talking to another to stay sober. This to me is the very essence of A.A. I have held many positions in my almost sixty years on this planet but above all I am first and foremost an Alcoholic.

Professionals in A.A. would probably destroy this program as we know it. As an Alcoholic, I need a level playing field. I need to be able to walk into a meeting (no matter where I am) and feel at home.

I went to Laughlin last weekend and attended the morning meetings at the "Bullhead City Alano Club". I only go there a couple times a year with the bowling league but the friends that I have made there remember me and I am at home there.

No professionals, just people like you and me, and of course "Whiskers", the neighborhood dog, who shows up on time and stays quietly through the whole meeting. I personally would be a lost soul without this program and the friends that I have in it. It is a gift from God and I will always try to respect that.

Alcoholics Anonymous will always be a safe haven to us as long as we respect and operate within the traditions and concepts of this program.

Randy H., Thursday Night Big Book, Yucca Valley

Foiled Plans to Freedom Found

In a haze of numbness, a friend unseen, A lurking phantom, whispering dreams, A subtle presence, a shadow's caress, with promises of solace, it seeks to impress.

But beneath the surface, a dark tale unfurls, A venomous embrace that ensnares and curls, like a serpent's bite, it pierces the heart, A clandestine enemy, tearing lives apart.

The soul, once vibrant, now dances with fate, bound to a friend, who seals their sad state, In the depths of despair, they're slowly consumed, By a companion who leaves them marooned.

Through the sorrowful nights, tears gently stream, the truth remains hidden, like a silent scream, A nameless adversary, deceptive and sly, Unveiling its face as days wander by.

In the grip of this fiend, they stumble and fall, yet in the darkest abyss, hope beckons their call, A glimmer of light, a flicker of grace, Guiding them towards a redemptive embrace.

With courage and strength, they face the unknown, reclaiming their power, they stand on their own, The enemy revealed, its name brought to light, Fentanyl, the deceiver, wrapped in the night.

They break free from its clutches, determined to rise, No longer confined, no longer disguised, In the face of adversity, they choose to fight, to reclaim their spirit, to reclaim their sight.

The path to healing, though riddled with pain, leads them to hope, like a cleansing rain, For every lost soul, there's a chance to amend, From the grips of Fentanyl, the foe, the friend.

In the arms of support, they find their release, A journey of redemption, a search for peace, Through the sorrowful echoes, a new chapter begins, A tale of resilience, where the heart finally wins.

- Chris A.

Save the Date



To Celebrate the Life

OF

Bruce Klein.

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Join us at the Spiritual Center of the Desert
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Palm Desert, CA 92260
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52nd ANNUAL | 9th DISTRICT CONVENTION

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- If registration is not received by 7/20 you may register on-site on 8/07



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Pre-Registration _____ \$30 _____

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Friday Night Ice Cream Social _____ \$8 _____

Saturday Golf Tournament + Lunch _____ \$100 _____

Saturday Salad Lunch _____ \$40 _____

Saturday Night AA Plated Banquet _____ \$75 _____

Sat. Dinner Choice: ☐ Beef ☐ Chicken ☐ Vegan/Vegetarian

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71333 Dinah Shore Drive, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270Credit card required to make reservation,
but will not be charged until arrival.
Guests may choose the option of paying with
cash or credit card at check in. Cancellation
must be made 72 hours prior to arrival date
or will be subject to 1 night charge.**Rooms as low as \$190***
plus tax (13.29%) +\$5 resort fee (Approx. \$220)**THE SPECIAL GROUP RATE IS ONLY
AVAILABLE UNTIL SEPTEMBER 8, 2026
SO, PLEASE BOOK YOUR ROOM SOON!**

Book your rooms early Telephone: (800) 524-4557

Book Your Room Online:
<https://book.passkey.com/go/SCAAC2026>
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360 acres of lush landscape, championship golf,
picturesque mountain views and a secluded location.
Lounge by the pool or unwind at the spa during
your desert retreat. The Westin Rancho Mirage Golf
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and extensive waterways. Guests enjoy elegant
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Call 877-253-0041 be sure to mention SCAAC
"Southern California AA Convention" to get the convention rate.PLEASE NOTE:
Room rates are good for October 16, 17, & 18, 2026
convention dates, based on availability.**BE OF SERVICE!!!**Help us celebrate our three legacies of "Unity," "Service," & "Recover."
By being of service! Check "Yes" to Volunteer☐ Yes E-mail: _____

Event	Quantity	Amount	Total
Registration	_____	@ \$45	_____
YPAA Pre-Registration Package includes Friday Night DJ Dance	_____	@ \$45	_____
Saturday Night Live Band (and photo booth)	_____	@ \$10	_____
Saturday Al-Anon Luncheon	_____	@ \$65	_____
Tables of 10	_____	@ \$650	_____
☐ Meat ☐ Vegetarian			
Saturday AA Banquet	_____	@ \$80	_____
Tables of 10	_____	@ \$800	_____
☐ Meat ☐ Vegetarian			
Golf Tournament	_____	@ \$120	_____
5K/10K Fun Run/Walk**	_____	@ \$35	_____
Pickleball Tournament	_____	@ \$40	_____
Poker Run	_____	@ \$25	_____
Bill W. Fund	_____	@ \$10	_____

**Specify T-shirt Size: (Only with 5K/10K Run)

☐ M ☐ L ☐ XL ☐ XXL ☐ XXXL

Total Enclosed _____

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26580 Paseo Tranquila
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17TH ANNUAL JOE BENITEZ DESERT MEN'S BANQUET

“CAME TO BELIEVE”

Sunday, November 6th, 2022

Fantasy Springs Resort-Casino

Indio, Ca.

Exit: Golf Center Parkway, East on 1-10

4 pm - Meet & Greet

5 pm - Dinner/6:30 pm - Speaker

\$50.00 per person / \$500.00 per table

Reservations must be in no later than Oct. 24th 2022

For more information, please contact:

Al S. 310-344-1210

John E. 760-272-8449

David H. 719-859-3200

For Tables, Please include at least one reservation form.

Make Checks Payable to: Desert Men's Banquet

Mail to: 78-138 Calle Norte, La Quinta, Ca. 92253

CENTRAL INTERGROUP OFFICE OF THE DESERT

Statement of Activity

June 2026

PROFIT & LOSS

Net profit for June

-\$276

\$21,171

Income

\$21,447

Expenses

Revenue	JUN 2026	JUL 1 2025 - JUN 30 2026 (YTD)
Contributions		
Birthday Club	334	3,026
Conventions		6,500
Faithful Fivers	215	780
Groups & Individuals	9,025	102,346
Total for Contributions	\$9,574	\$112,652
Gratitude Dinner		\$3,499
Interest Income	110	347
Sales	11,487	118,379
Total for Revenue	\$21,171	\$234,877
Cost of Goods Sold		
Cost of Goods Sold	6,812	65,960
POS Inventory Adjustment	2,150	4,033
Total for Cost of Goods Sold	\$8,962	\$69,994
Gross Profit	\$12,209	\$164,883
Expenditures		
Accounting Services	1,000	12,000
Computer Expense	532	7,879
Credit Card Fees	\$388	\$4,574
Insurance - Health	765	8,668
Insurance - Liability	332	3,869
Insurance - Worker's Comp		1,897
Newsletter Expense	271	2,605
Office Expense	1,325	14,957
Outreach	56	519
Payroll Expenses	\$4,964	\$64,648
Plant Expenditures		1,391
Rent	1,728	20,733
State Filing Fees		75
Storage	538	3,497
Utilities	586	7,037
Total for Expenditures	\$12,485	\$154,349
Net Operating Revenue	(\$276)	\$10,534
Net Revenue	(\$276)	\$10,534



Central Intergroup of the Desert

Budget Report

July 2025 - June 2026

		TOTAL	
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET
Revenue			
Contributions			
Birthday Club	3,026		3,026
Conventions	6,500	9,600	(3,100)
Faithful Fivers	780		780
Groups & Individuals	102,346	94,000	8,346
Total Contributions	112,652	103,600	9,052
Gratitude Dinner	3,499	8,000	(4,501)
Interest Income	347	900	(553)
Sales	118,379	121,000	(2,621)
Total Revenue	\$234,877	\$233,500	\$1,377
Cost of Goods Sold			
Cost of Goods Sold	65,960	78,650	(12,690)
POS Inventory Adjustment	4,033		4,033
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$69,994	\$78,650	\$ (8,656)
GROSS PROFIT	\$164,883	\$154,850	\$10,033
Expenditures			
Accounting Services	12,000	12,000	0
Computer Expense	7,879	6,904	975
Credit Card Fees	4,574	4,847	(273)
Insurance - Health	8,668	7,495	1,173
Insurance - Liability	3,869	3,038	831
Insurance - Worker's Comp	1,897	1,079	818
Newsletter Expense	2,605	2,700	(95)
Office Expense	14,957	18,000	(3,043)
Outreach	519	1,200	(681)
Payroll Expenses	64,648	64,800	(152)
Plant Expenditures	1,391	1,958	(567)
Rent	20,733	20,736	(3)
State Filing Fees	75	75	0
Storage	3,497	3,228	269
Utilities	7,037	6,790	247
Total Expenditures	\$154,349	\$154,850	\$ (501)
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$10,534	\$0	\$10,534
NET REVENUE	\$10,534	\$0	\$10,534

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Contributions Report

June 2026

	TOTAL	
	JUN 2026	JUL 2025 - JUN 2026 (YTD)
1 Perez Doug Clark	4,000.00	4,025.00
12 and 12 Men's Stag Palm Desert		250.00
164 Group - WED - Palm Springs		114.97
3 7 11 Meeting - THU - Twentynine Palms		23.00
3rd 7th 11th Step Meeting		1,219.18
5th Tradition Dinner Meet Desert Hot Springs		196.50
6AM Daily Reprieve - K I S F Desert Hot Springs		100.00
Acceptance Great Facts	50.00	50.00
Aging Gracefully in Sobriety		200.31
Alano Club Palm Springs	200.00	1,800.00
Anonymous No Group Given	236.53	23,091.35
As Bill Sees it Sunny Dunes 830AM		380.39
As Bill Sees It Women's Mon. Fellowship Hall	677.87	677.87
As She Sees It #000690557	79.80	674.70
Big Book Study L Quinta Library		372.92
Bill's Hour		307.00
Birthday Club Contributions	334.00	3,026.00
Black Sheep Group		250.00
Candle Light Meditation-F Palm Desert	100.00	450.00
CDM men's Stag Thurs.		450.00
Central Intergroup Cathedral City	116.00	442.86
Covert Men's Stag		200.00
Daily Reprieve (10086)	300.15	2,623.88
Daily Reprieve Zoom (657814)	118.51	952.49
Desert Cities AA Group		4,662.00
Desert Women's Banquet		1,166.68
Design for Living 101 Group		1,070.20
DHS 6am Daily Discussion Desert Hot Springs	100.00	100.00
DHS Noon Discussion - THU Desert Hot Springs		50.00
District 9 General Service		1,200.00
Dolls of Valley Palm Desert		281.81
Double Winners	76.00	774.95
Faithful Fivers	215.00	780.00
Female Friends 118265 Yucca Valley		238.00
First Things First		60.00
Friday 12&12 Step Study		146.00
Friday Night Big Book Study 29 Palms		300.00
Friday Noon La Quinta Library		1,604.00
Good Morning to You Book Study		100.00
Great Events Kent Stevenson 655942		100.00
Groovy Group	180.00	361.00
Gut Level Participation Yucca Valley		30.00
Happy Hour Book Study Palm Desert	70.00	362.00

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June 2026

	TOTAL	
	JUN 2026	JUL 2025 - JUN 2026 (YTD)
Happy Hour Group Sunny Dunes		3,060.00
Heritage Palms Wed Nite Women		228.80
Hi Desert Speakers Group 100783 Kelly Ames		10.00
Hi-Desert RoundUp Yucca Valley		5,000.00
How Is Your Now La Quinta		311.15
How It Works Palm Desert #1759302854		124.50
IHOP Overflow Wed. Men's Stag		270.00
It's A Better Deal Yucca Valley		100.00
Jaywalkers Monday Men's Stag 1000 Palms		248.71
Just the Black Print		579.32
Keep It Simple Fellowship Desert Hot Springs		200.00
Keep It Simple Group Speaker Meeting		940.81
La Quinta Library Mon. Big Book Study		1,052.00
La Quinta Library Wed 12 & 12		712.29
Last Call Group 104		666.50
Living In The Solution Yucca Valley		70.00
Living Sober 13445 Palm Springs	24.90	278.50
Living Sober Group-Joshua Tree		40.00
Living Sober Palm Desert		193.00
Living Sober Women Sat. La Quinta	105.00	587.00
Loosey Goosey Tue Women		190.00
Maad Dog Daze Rancho Mirage		1,502.00
Many Paths Meditation		59.30
Men's Marauders		453.05
Men's Stag Book Study		100.00
Mid Day Group 00419671		3,185.66
Monday Daily Reflections 29 Palms		125.00
No Matter What Women's Group		914.35
No Rules La Quinta		2,535.00
Noontimers Yucca Valley		30.00
Ojai Women's Meeting		21.35
One Day At a Time Palm Desert 000509245		696.50
Original Men's 24773 Stag		410.00
Over 50 12&12 Group		132.07
Oxy-Moron Group		100.00
Palm Desert 7 AM Attitude Adj.	151.00	2,875.00
Palm Desert Keys of the Kingdom		2.00
Palm Desert Saturday Speaker's	70.00	220.00
Palm Springs Attitude Adjustment Group Group	25.00	275.00
PDCC 131457 Attitude Adjustment-M-S		855.09
PDCC 630 AM Zoom	300.00	1,870.00
Playing With A Full Deck 49925	330.05	787.65
Primary Purpose Blythe	100.00	100.00

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	TOTAL	
	JUN 2026	JUL 2025 - JUN 2026 (YTD)
Promises		15.00
Promises Group Yucca Valley	272.00	272.00
Ray's Wed. Nite Meeting Joshua Tree		183.26
Recovery after Relapse		273.42
Road Runners		400.00
Rock Bottom-THUR Twentynine Palms		150.00
Rock Bottom-TUE Twentynine Palms		55.00
Rush Hour Group		310.00
Santa Rosa Messengers Coachella		513.00
Saturday 29 Palms 12 & 12		286.00
Serenity Seekers Palm Desert	240.00	960.00
Serenity Sisters - Sunny Dunes		277.45
Singleness of Purpose Men's Stag		1,530.00
Smoking Jackelope Men Stag		400.00
Sober Divas		675.00
Sobriety Sisters Palm Desert	50.00	150.00
Solutions in Sobriety Palm Desert		254.63
Spiritual Awakening in A.A.	100.00	325.00
Spiritual Meeting Sun. Noon Yucca Valley		30.00
Spiritual Meeting Yucca Valley		40.00
St. Paul's Tuesday Night Men's Stag		1,100.00
Stay Connected 9am (Zoom)		1,135.12
Step Sisters Palm Desert		1,166.00
Stepping Stones		513.25
Sun City Ole Time Big Book Study		459.50
Sunday Serenity Group	188.00	1,607.00
Sunny Dunes 5th Tradition 7AM Att. Adj. Group #100		5,937.59
Sunny Dunes 7am 424824 Attitude Adjustment Online Group	20.00	1,818.25
Sunrise Celebrators Palm Desert	113.29	1,223.21
Sunset Group La Quinta Park		250.00
TGIF Group 611390 Yucca Valley		25.00
The First 164 Pages		707.75
The Way Out		149.00
There is a Solution		500.00
Thursday Night Discussion 29 Palms		150.00
Tuesday Gut level		60.00
Vets for Vets Palm Desert		304.50
Wednesday 000029850 Big Book Study of A.A.	481.00	769.00
Winners Meeting Yucca Valley		50.00
Women's Gratitude Meeting	100.00	100.00
Women's Step Study Perez Plaza Cathedral Cit		100.00
Zoom Women's Big Book Study Big Book Study	50.00	50.00
TOTAL	\$9,574.10	\$112,651.59

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42nd Annual Gratitude Dinner!

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Fellowship ~ Raffles ~ Live Music

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Ticket Price \$70.00 till 08/31/26 then \$80.00 till 11/03

November 8, 2026 5 PM - 8:30 PM

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