



the Desert Lifeline

November 2026

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.
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
35325 Date Palm Dr.
Suite 107
Cathedral City, CA 92234

Zoom Meeting I.D. 928 8170 4093
Password: 642408

Mailing Address: P O Box 3684
Palm Desert, CA 92261-3684

Hospitals & Institutions

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

Mid-Southern California Area (MSCA)

PO Box, 51446, Irvine CA 92619-1446
Web site: www.msca09aa.org

General Service Office New York

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

DCYPAA

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

General Service, District 30

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

Step

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

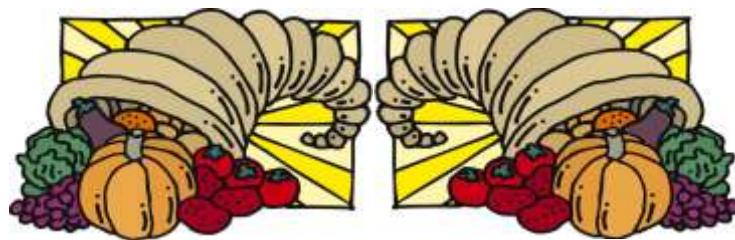
Tradition

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Concept

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possible committees, corporate service
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Composition, qualifications,
induction procedures, and rights and duties
will always be matters of serious concern.



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Principle Eleven

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

September Office Statistics

Meeting Info	24
12 Step Calls	3
Visitors	52
Literature Sales	197
Al-Anon	1
Other 12 Step	0
Miscellaneous	29
Business	65
Zoom Attendance	68

Central Intergroup Office of the Desert Board of Directors

Chairman: Jessica P.
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Jett T.

Office Manager: David M.
Newsletter Editor: Anonymous

September 2026


Sean G. 12 yr.




Jackie D 17 yr.



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

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

11/07 - *Speaker Information*
11/14 - *not available at*
11/21 - *time of printing*
11/28 -

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

Friday Night, 8 p.m.

11/06 - Tom P. - Dana Point
11/13 - David M. - Whitewater
11/20 - Reese M. - Coronado
11/27 - Joe P. - Coachella



November Speakers



September Volunteers at Central Office

Adam W.
Allan G.
Amelia F.

Thank You !!

Bob B.

Hope I.
Jean K.
Jessica C.
Jim B.
John B.

Thank You !!

Kathy M.
Pavithra S.
Rob H.
Rob R.

Sam D.
Stephen St. L.
Ted St. L.
Teri P.
Terry A.
Victoria A.
William S.

Dear Child of Mine;

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

Love God

(words from the Big Book Chapter 5)

Book of the month

\$3.00

AA for the Older Alcoholic (Large Print)

\$3.00

Eight alcoholics share their stories of finding recovery in Alcoholics Anonymous after the age of 60. Far from feeling that their lives are over, these men and women express that, having come to A.A., it is time to start living. Large-print format suitable for those with low vision.

General Service Conference-approved.

Soft Cover Booklet

Normally \$4.50

This Month \$3.00

\$3.00



\$3.00

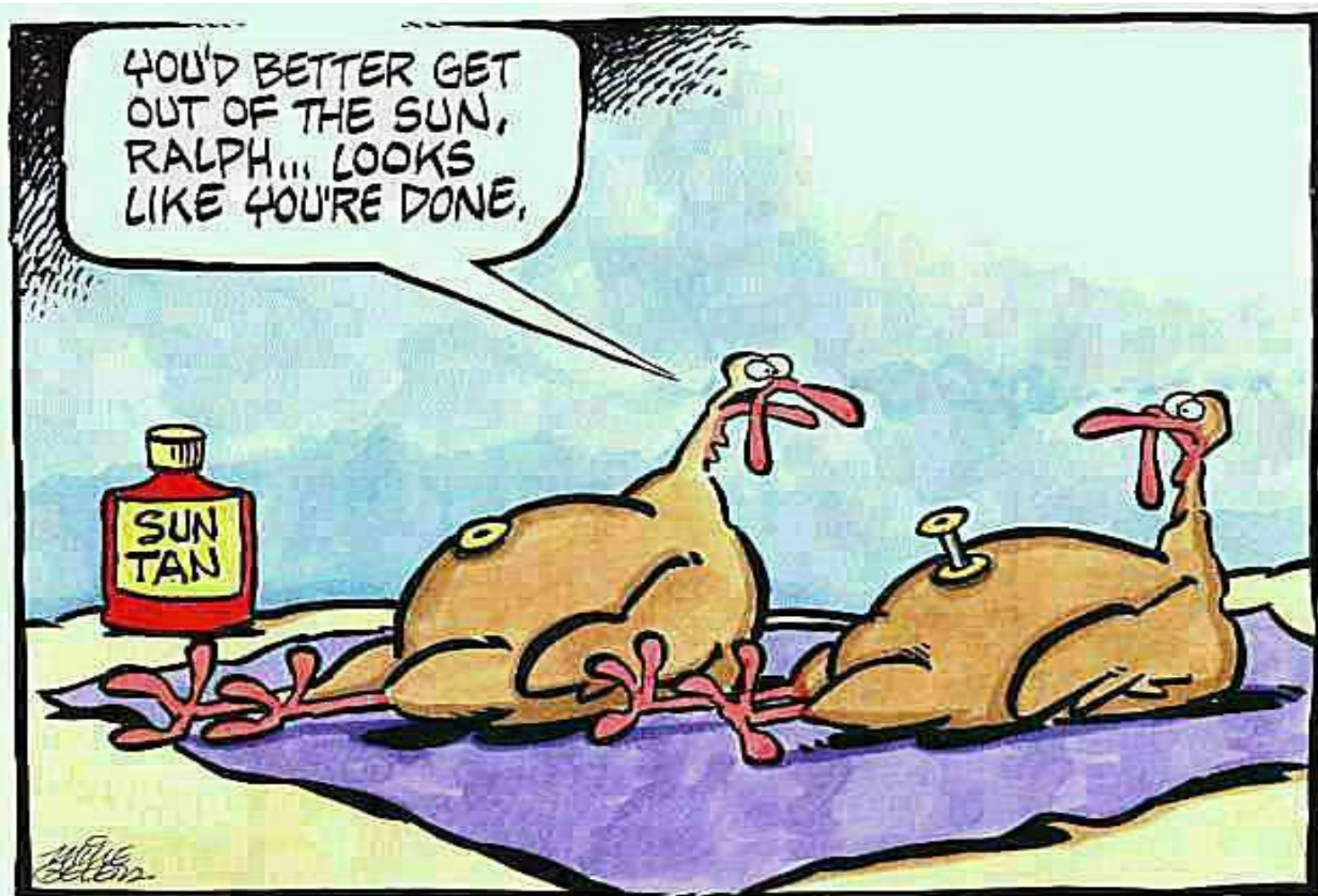
Concept Eleven

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

In this concept, Bill stresses to us the importance of leadership both in Trustee's and non-Trustee committee members. It breaks down, in detail, the mix of Trustees, non-trustee committee members and professional workers employed by General Services Office. The cooperation, commitment and skills of all these components are vital to the survival of AA on a global level.

In this Concept, we are reminded of the importance of leaders and how they are chosen. If we choose someone for a job, for example, who is slightly less competent than ourselves to make us look good we have harmed the whole operation. Prudence and patience are stressed, and it is far better to let things take a little longer than to rush ahead with someone at the helm who is not the best person for the job. Also discussed are the reasons for each Standing Committee and the exact components of each. One of the compelling examples he uses (and still very timely) is the reason that the Grapevine should never be run by World Services. The main reason is that WSO's primary interest is in maintaining and/or updating literature which already exists, and the Grapevine needs always to have a fresh eye in an ever changing world.

Brian C
Sunny Dunes Fifth Tradition Group, Palm Springs



Serenity Prayer by definition

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

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

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

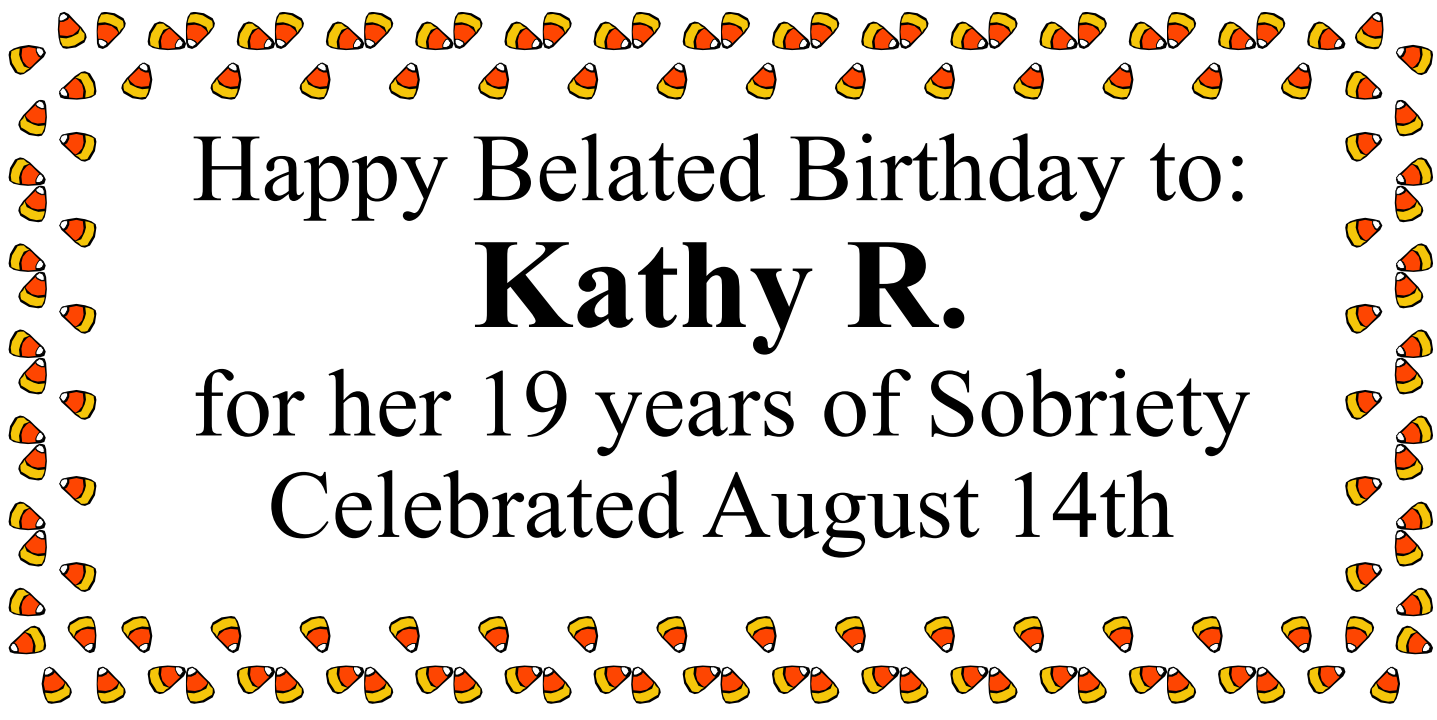
Thy will be done, not mine.

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

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

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

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



Happy Belated Birthday to:

Kathy R.

for her 19 years of Sobriety
Celebrated August 14th

● NEW FROM GSO

Our Primary Purpose Podcast

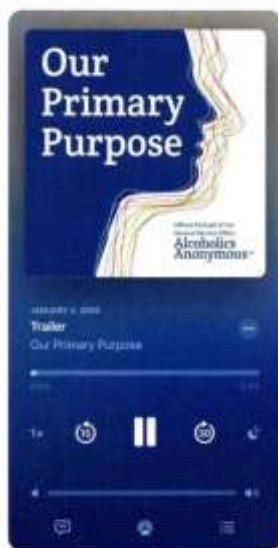
“Featuring interviews with GSO staff and voices from A.A. history and the Fellowship today — learn how GSO supports A.A. groups and members to carry the message of hope and recovery.”

*Available in English only

Season 1 streaming now and available on podcast platforms



Questions? Contact us at gsopodcast@aa.org or visit the [webpage](#).



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AA call to Service

Sign up as a Temporary Contact

Volunteer to be a temporary Contact and when a contact request is received, our committee will contact you if you meet the criterion for that specific request.

Bridges are matched by Age, sex and location.

if you are a match, we contact you and provide you with the information we have on file. i.e. phone # and Email and you (the AA member) will take it from there.

A Temporary contact is Committing to:

- Attend approx. 6 meetings of various types. introduce the newcomer to people and getting phone #s.
- you dont have to give them rides if you dont want to.
- Explain what AA is. and is not
- Do not provide any monetary assistance.
- Emphasize importance of Steps, Sponsorship, & Literature especially Big Book.
- Do not provide any legal or medical reports or advice.
- Explain importance of a homegroup and our singleness of purpose. (P-16)
- Meeting etiquette
- Differences between the fellowship and the program, between a meeting and a group and Open & Closed meetings.
- Do not tolerate any mistreatment. Remember Universal respect is the key to our usefulness.



21st ANNUAL JOE BENITEZ DESERT MEN'S BANQUET
"INTO ACTION"

Sunday, November 1st, 2026

Fantasy Springs Resort-Casino

Indio, CA

Exit Golf Center Parkway, Off I-10 FWY

4PM – Meet & Greet

5PM – Dinner / 6:30PM -Speaker

\$65.00 per person / \$650.00 per table

For more information, please contact:

Al S. 310-344-1210

David H. 719-859-3200



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Your Birthday Club Invite

Welcome, this is your invitation to join the Birthday Gratitude Club of AA, Coachella Valley where we honor and celebrate each sober year with gratitude, purpose and financial responsibility. Also, your Birthday contribution to Central Office, is helping sustain the vital work of our Central Office in Cathedral City-carrying the message and serving those who still suffer.

You will receive your 2026 Certificate of Appreciation, as a small token of our gratitude, in a responding email from Central Office.

Together, let us grow this monthly opportunity for giving and gratitude to reach many more members. Our goal is to extend this important monthly fundraising opportunity to many more members this year and in the years ahead.

AA Birthday milestones

- Birthday celebrations and contributions serve to inspire others, reinforce the importance of continued sobriety, build fellowship, and help fund the important work of our Central Office.
- It is common for other members to offer support, cards, or gifts to the person celebrating. Please help us make it a common practice for celebrants to mark their milestone with contributions to Central Office along with contributions from their AA friends and Sponsees.

Historical Context of Birthdays in AA

The practice of giving a "birthday contribution" (often a dollar per year of sobriety to support AA services) grew organically within AA culture, reflecting Bill Wilson's belief that:

- AA must remain self-supporting (Tradition Seven).
- Gratitude is best shown through service and financial responsibility.

1. Gratitude for Sobriety

Bill wrote that gratitude should express itself in action:

"Gratitude should go forward, rather than backward."

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Name: _____
Sobriety Date: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____
Contribution: _____
Your Cake Meeting: _____

For further information: Ira Meltzer 760.808.1444

Please Join our Private FaceBook Group: Sobriety Birthday Coachella Valley

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.
- Reprinted from *The Language of the Heart* with

Faithful Fiver Contributors 2026

We had a total of 8 people contribute to Faithful Fivers in July, donating \$175!! Adding to the year-to-date total of \$950.00

THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!!!

Yes! Please enroll me as a Faithful Fiver!

I agree to pledge!

Here is my contribution of

\$ _____ for _____ months

Description

Faithful Fivers are members who choose to support the continuing word of Central Office with recurring monthly contributions. The suggested monthly contribution is \$5.00, but a greater amount is always appreciated.

In keeping with our A.A. 7th Tradition of self support, we accept contributions only from A. A. members.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Please make your checks payable to:

Central Office

And mail to:

35-325 Date Palm Drive

Suite 107

Cathedral City, CA 92234



venmo



For Zelle contribution use
(442) 352-3913 from your
bank app

zelle®

Given the current financial options of our lives, although checks and cash still work, using digital transfer is preferred by many. Venmo and Zelle options are here for you to send individual contributions. A regular monthly contribution using “Bill Pay” from your bank is also a modern option.

Your Central Office not only keeps a current inventory of the chips, books and pamphlets your local meetings can conveniently find here in Cathedral City, but our phone volunteers also support any who need information on their court ordered signature requirements. We provide hourly signatures using the Zoom Meeting available each day during business hours. The 18 volunteers here each week also handle 12 Step calls for those needing to directly connect with members one-on-one to help with their drinking.

The Teleservice Volunteers who answer the phones one evening a month to support any local Alcoholics when the office is closed increases out office’s ability to support the “Responsibility Pledge” where the hand of A.A. is available to those in need.

Our website that synchronizes daily with the “Meeting Guide” app provides locally updated meeting information that synchronizes directly to this hand-held meeting directory be “geo-located “ to the Coachella Valley. Without this office’s website, our local meetings would be compromised from another area.

Your continued and regular support of our office, giving honor to, not only the Gift of Sobriety you have received can be personally recognized with this regular contribution here at Central Office.

David M. Office Manager

Step Eleven

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

Our Daily opportunity is to be alone with God. For me it is my opportunity to ask God to reorganize my brain, my heart, my mind, and my soul so I can go on to do his work and to be of service to others. Then to relax and allow this to take place. Sometimes it is not the easiest thing to do but when I do it, I achieve the feelings of peace and serenity. My body and soul fill with love and warmth from God. This is my experience from our eleventh step.

Matt G
Jaywalkers Men's Stag, Rancho Mirage

Tradition Eleven

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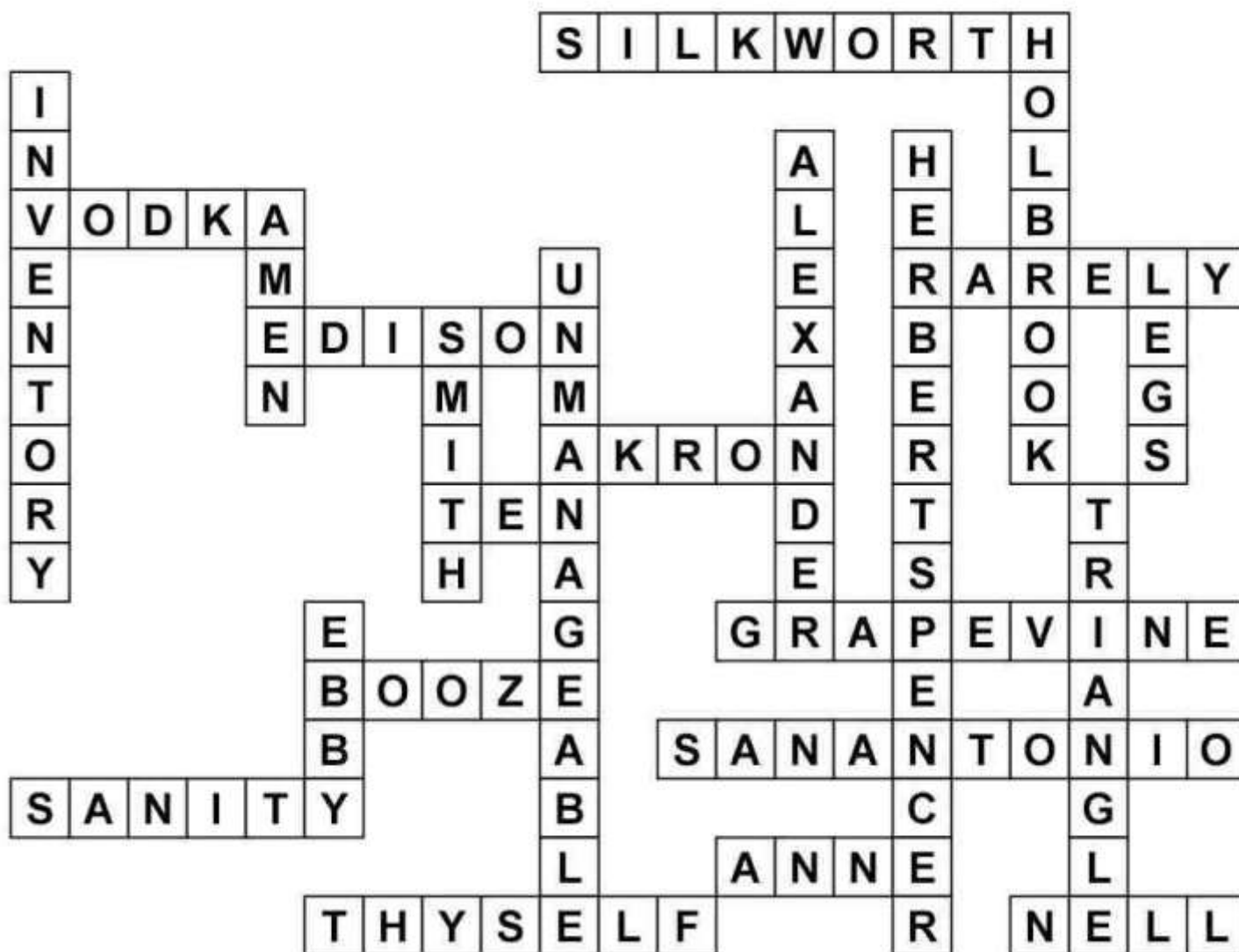
Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films. Our twelve and twelve states that this more than a denial of self-seeking. This tradition is a constant and practical reminder that personal ambition has no place in A.A. In the past when the press finally got the point about A.A.'s insistence upon anonymity, they understood that here was something rare - a society which said it wished to publicize its principles and its work, but not its individual members.

I learned about the principle of attraction rather than promotion early on in my sobriety. Not by reading or asking questions about it, but by an experience I had as a 16 year old on my very first job. I was working at a 5 and 10 cent store as a cashier a couple of weeks before Christmas. One Saturday during my lunch hour I got falling down drunk. I vaguely remember staggering back to work where I was nursed with coffee, then taken home. The remorse and shame that followed were overwhelming. I just knew that I would no longer have a job, and I feared having to explain why to my parents. Worst of all I feared having to face my boss. With immense shame, fear, and guilt I returned to work certain that I would be terminated. I felt so worthless and insignificant as I trembled and apologized for my fiasco. With my head bowed down, I stood in anticipation of "You're fired!" How stunned I was when instead my boss's hand gently patted my shoulder as he said, with a kind expression, and gentle voice, "We all make mistakes, but we try to learn from them. "Incredibly he never fired me, and never brought it up again. I could not believe that he was so forgiving. He always treated me with dignity and respect.

About twenty-three years later around my second year in AA I was at St. Margaret's listening to a speaker who had almost 30 years in the program. He seemed familiar to me and soon I realized that he was Howard B. the man who my boss when I was 16. I sat there and thought to myself "No wonder he was so understanding." After the meeting I went up to him and told him who I was. He remembered me and was thrilled to know that I had made it to the program. I knew that man had something special when I was 16. The attraction for me was the kindness, understanding, respect and dignity with which he treated people.

Priscilla C
Monday Night Women's Big Book Study, ABC Club, Indio

October Puzzle Solution



A New Holiday Perspective

Bringing Joy to the Less Fortunate

By Rick R.

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

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

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

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

March 1992

At the Expense of Others

Vol. 48 No. 10

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

J. H.
Dover, Pennsylvania

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

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

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

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

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

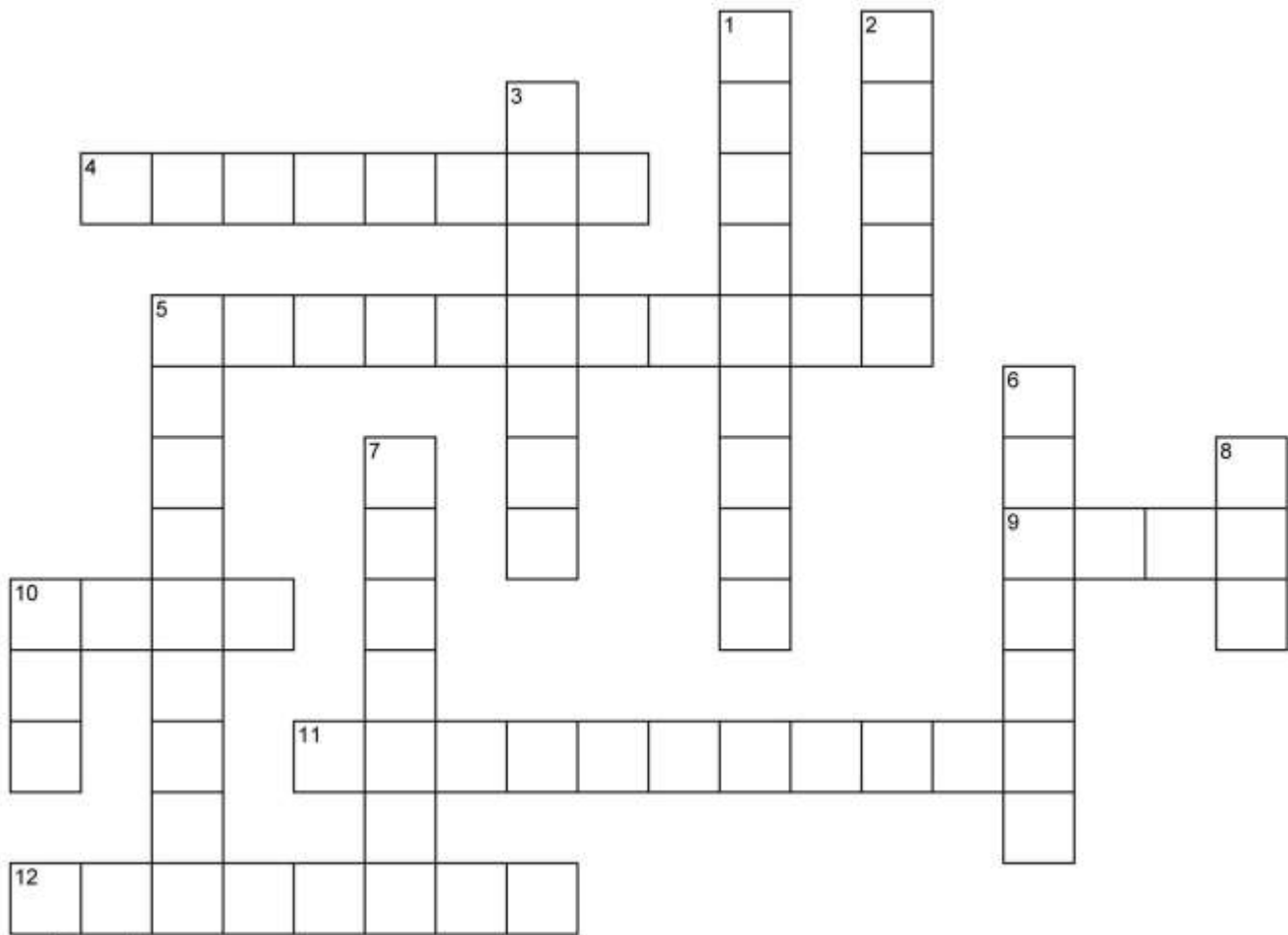
"Honey, even GOD can't steer a parked car! Put it in gear and start down the road . . . just try not to hit anyone or run anyone over!"

The Twelve Rewards

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

All this and more through AA, are we grateful enough? Gratitude will continue the miracle of your sobriety, I found that out.

as written by Ann C. of Niles, Ohio - sober April 1, 1948



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ACROSS

- 4 was a sense of victory _____ by
such a peace
- 5 such an appalling lack of
_____ seemed near being
- 9 of genius conceived their
_____ projects when drunk
- 10 "Faith without works is _____."
- 11 or both, then the
following _____ may be helpful
- 12 flattered when the
first _____ took us to their
homes,

DOWN

- 1 the care of a
celebrated _____ (the
psychiatrist, Dr. Jung)
- 2 But for the _____ of God, there
would have
- 3 how our experience can _____ others
- 5 there was found to be no _____ brain
injury
- 6 We have concluded to _____ an
anonymous volume
- 7 means a comprehensive _____ of the
true alcoholic,
- 8 of the heart _____ power and simplicity
- 10 jangle at any time of the _____ of
night.

Okey Dokey ♥
FRIENDSGIVING

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

5:00 PM ♥ **DINNER**

6:00 PM ♥ **TALKING STICK MEETING**
BY THE BONFIRE

TURKEY AND HAM
ARE PROVIDED

BRING A SIDE DISH OR PIE ♥

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♥
PINYON PINES

CENTRAL INTERGROUP OFFICE OF THE DESERT

Statement of Activity

September 2026

PROFIT & LOSS

Net profit for September

\$8,843

\$25,946

Income

\$17,103

Expenses

	TOTAL	
	Sep 2026	Jan 1 - Sep 30 2026 (YTD)
Revenue		
Contributions		
Birthday Club	173	3,291
Faithful Fivers	5	945
Groups & Individuals	8,764	92,437
Total for Contributions	\$8,942	\$96,673
Gratitude Dinner		
I-Revenue	\$8,370	\$32,285
II-Expenses	(\$23)	(\$20,194)
Total for Gratitude Dinner	\$8,347	\$12,091
Interest Income	102	653
Sales	8,555	84,625
Total for Revenue	\$25,946	\$194,042
Cost of Goods Sold		
Cost of Goods Sold	4,313	47,265
POS Inventory Adjustment	(29)	1,040
Total for Cost of Goods Sold	\$4,285	\$48,305
Gross Profit	\$21,661	\$145,736
Expenditures		
Accounting Services	1,000	9,000
Computer Expense	614	6,160
Credit Card Fees	\$434	\$3,479
Insurance - Health	765	6,700
Insurance - Liability	332	3,004
Insurance - Worker's Comp		40
Newsletter Expense	334	2,074
Office Expense	1,495	11,056
Outreach	27	365
Payroll Expenses	\$4,964	\$49,755
Plant Expenditures		3,107
Rent	1,797	15,670
Storage	269	2,690
Utilities	788	5,473
Total for Expenditures	\$12,818	\$118,573
Net Operating Revenue	\$8,843	\$27,164
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CENTRAL INTERGROUP OFFICE OF THE DESERT

Budget Report
January-September, 2026

		TOTAL	
	Actual	Budget	Over budget by
Revenue			
Contributions			
Birthday Club	3,291	0	3,291
Faithful Fivers	945	0	945
Groups & Individuals	92,437	72,000	20,437
Conventions		0	0
Total for Contributions	\$96,673	\$72,000	\$24,673
Gratitude Dinner	\$12,091	\$8,000	\$4,091
Interest Income	653	450	203
Sales	84,625	91,500	(6,875)
Total for Revenue	\$194,042	\$171,950	\$22,092
Cost of Goods Sold			
Cost of Goods Sold	47,265	59,475	(12,210)
POS Inventory Adjustment	1,040	0	1,040
Total for Cost of Goods Sold	\$48,305	\$59,475	(\$11,170)
Gross Profit	\$145,736	\$112,475	\$33,261
Expenditures			
Accounting Services	9,000	9,000	0
Computer Expense	6,160	5,254	906
Credit Card Fees	\$3,479	\$3,490	(\$11)
Insurance - Health	6,700	5,695	1,005
Insurance - Liability	3,004	2,746	258
Insurance - Worker's Comp	40	0	40
Newsletter Expense	2,074	2,025	49
Office Expense	11,056	13,500	(2,444)
Outreach	365	900	(535)
Payroll Expenses	\$49,755	\$49,755	\$0
Plant Expenditures	3,107	1,583	1,524
Rent	15,670	15,552	118
Storage	2,690	2,421	269
Utilities	5,473	5,225	248
State Filing Fees		0	0
Total for Expenditures	\$118,573	\$117,146	\$1,427
Net Operating Revenue	\$27,164	(\$4,671)	\$31,835
Other Revenue			
Other Expenditures			
Net Other Revenue			
Net Revenue	\$27,164	(\$4,671)	\$31,835

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	TOTAL	
	SEP 2026	JAN - SEP, 2026 (YTD)
1 Perez Doug Clark		4,025.00
10th Step Group Palm Desert		215.00
12 and 12 Men's Stag Palm Desertert		250.00
164 Group - WED - Palm Springs		114.97
3 7 11 Meeting - THU - Twentynine Palms		23.00
3rd 7th 11th Step Meeting		1,145.00
5th Tradition Dinner Meet Desert Hot Springs		100.00
6AM Daily Reprieve - K I S F Desert Hot Springs		100.00
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7AM Zoom Meeting #150		675.50
Acceptance Great Facts		50.00
Aging Gracefully in Sobriety		200.57
Alano Club Palm Springs	400.00	1,800.00
Anonymous No Group Given	186.00	21,147.41
As Bill Sees It Women's Mon. Fell. Hall P.D. 000030452	143.00	820.87
As She Sees It #000690557	90.30	484.40
Beginners Meeting Wed., Fellowship Hall P.D. (deleted)	125.53	125.53
Bill's Hour		215.00
Birthday Club Contributions	173.00	3,291.00
Black Sheep Group		55.21
Came to Believe Fri. Women's St. Margaret's		35.50
Candle Light Meditation 000716455 Palm Desert	187.50	637.50
Captain's Table Morongo MenMorongo	54.50	54.50
CDM men's Stag Thurs.		673.00
Central Intergroup Cathedral City	53.00	406.50
Covert Men's Stag		200.00
Daily Reflections 10AM Women's Zoom		70.00
Daily Reprieve (10086)	363.15	2,432.70
Daily Reprieve Zoom (657814)	80.83	1,032.58
Desert Cities AA Group	1,835.00	3,765.00
Desert Women's Banquet		1,166.68
Design for Living 101 Group		1,169.56
DHS 6am Daily Discussion Desert Hot Springs		300.00
DHS Noon Discussion - THU Desert Hot Springs		50.00
Dolls of Valley Palm Desert		138.95
Double Winners	149.00	703.00
Faithful Fivers	5.00	945.00
Female Friends 118265 Yucca Valley		113.00
First Things First		60.00
Friday 12&12 Step Study	150.00	296.00
Friday Night Big Book Study 29 Palms		200.00
Friday Noon La Quinta Library	300.00	1,850.00
Good Morning to You Book Study		100.00

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Great Events Kent Stevenson 655942		100.00
Groovy Group		361.00
Gut Level Participation Yucca Valley		30.00
Happy Hour Book Study Palm Desert		208.00
Happy Hour Group 103 Sunny Dunes		2,330.00
Heritage Palms Wed Nite Women		375.60
Hi Desert Speakers Group 100783 Kelly Ames		10.00
How Is Your Now La Quinta		311.15
How It Works Palm Desert #1759302854	130.00	254.50
IHOP Overflow Wed. Men's Stag		270.00
It's A Better Deal Yucca Valley		50.00
James Miller		0.51
Jaywalkers Monday Men's Stag 1000 Palms		145.01
Keep It Simple Fellowship Desert Hot Springs		200.00
Keep It Simple Group Speaker Meeting		597.00
La Quinta Library Mon. Big Book Study		1,052.00
La Quinta Library Wed 12 & 12		850.00
Last Call Group 104		502.41
Living In The Solution Yucca Valley		70.00
Living Sober 13445 Palm Springs	31.80	382.38
Living Sober Group-Joshua Tree		36.50
Living Sober Women Sat. La Quinta		265.00
Living Sober Women's Book Study-THU		127.00
Loosey Goosey Tue Women	112.00	530.50
Maad Dog Daze Rancho Mirage		2.00
Many Paths Meditation		59.30
Men's Marauders	100.00	440.85
No Matter What Women's Group		820.84
No Rules La Quinta	393.00	2,132.00
Noontimers Yucca Valley		30.00
One Day At a Time Palm Desert 000509245		520.00
Original Men's 24773 Stag	300.00	300.00
Over 50 12&12 Group		132.07
Palm Desert 122976 7 AM Attitude Adj.	631.00	2,353.00
Palm Desert Keys of the Kingdom		2.00
Palm Desert Saturday Speaker's	122.00	292.00
Palm Springs Attitude Adjustment Group Group	25.00	339.00
PDCC 131457 Attitude Adjustment-M-S		1,293.63
PDCC 630 AM Zoom	150.00	1,350.00
Playing With A Full Deck 49925		542.05
Primary Purpose Blythe		100.00
Promises	12.00	27.00
Promises Group Yucca Valley		272.00

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Recovery after Relapse		104.00
Road Runners	200.00	600.00
Rock Bottom-THUR Twentynine Palms		150.00
Rock Bottom-TUE Twentynine Palms		55.00
Rule 62 THU Noon100774		214.50
Rush Hour Group		310.00
Santa Rosa Messengers Coachella	25.00	576.00
Serenity Seekers Palm Desert		720.00
Serenity Sisters - Sunny Dunes		325.78
Singleness of Purpose Men's Stag		650.00
Sisters Under the Skin Palm Springs		272.00
Smoking Jackelope Men Stag		300.00
Sober Divas	75.00	625.00
Sobriety Sisters Palm Desert		150.00
Solutions in Sobriety Palm Desert		208.25
Spiritual Awakening in A.A.		200.00
Spiritual Meeting Sun. Noon Yucca Valley		30.00
St. Paul's Tuesday Night Men's Stag		1,100.00
Stay Connected 9am (Zoom)		1,101.37
Step Sisters Palm Desert		1,207.00
Stepping Stones		421.02
Sun City Ole Time Big Book Study		215.00
Sunday in the Park	102.39	102.39
Sunday Serenity Group	175.00	1,474.00
Sunny Dunes 5th Tradition 7AM Att. Adj. Group #100		4,307.61
Sunny Dunes 7am 424824 Attitude Adjustment Online Group		1,178.00
Sunny Dunes Clubhouse Mid Day Group 00419671		3,416.08
Sunrise Celebrators Palm Desert	110.95	1,012.97
Sunset Group La Quinta Park		250.00
Thank God It's Saturday Palm Springs	1,407.00	1,407.00
The First 164 Pages		707.75
The Promises	290.50	317.50
The Way Out		149.00
There is a Solution		300.00
Vets for Vets Palm Desert	55.00	279.50
Wednesday 000029850 Big Book Study of A.A.		481.00
Women's Gratitude Meeting		103.00
Women's Step Study Perez Plaza Cathedral Cit		100.00
Womens AA Online La Quinta	15.00	15.00
Yucca Valley 8421 Thursday Noon Brown Bag	83.51	83.51
Zoom Women's Big Book Study Big Book Study		50.00
TOTAL	\$8,941.96	\$96,673.46

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