THE GRAPE-SCCIN

Back to the Ol' Coffee Pot

I was about three months sober when my sponsor called me to let me know there was a new meeting starting up the following Monday in our fellowship. She informed me that they needed a literature person and volunteered me to take the job.

I just said, "OK, sure."

That's the way it was for me in early sobriety. I usually didn't have to volunteer for anything. My sponsor did it for me.

Fast forward about 30 years when I hit an unusually low bottom. I was at the Roxas meeting with my sponsor and they were looking for a coffee monitor. My sponsor nudged me.

"Don't you think you could handle this?"

Being pretty big for my britches, my first reaction was one of annoyance. I felt I was being treated unfairly. After all, wasn't this a job for a newcomer? (I'm glad I didn't actually say this to my sponsor.) Instead I followed her advice. I volunteered.

To my surprise, it turned out to be the most rewarding commitment I've ever had. Everyone comes to the coffeepot. I met newcomers and oldtimers alike. And most, but not all, were grateful that someone was there to make coffee. To the ones who grumbled, I simply said that my commitment was up in three or four months and they would be free to volunteer for the position.

It it now my belief that everyone with 30 years of sobriety should take a turn as the coffee monitor for six months.

—Kathy C.

When I first said Yes to service

The Phone Guy Rings

I didn't get a chance to volunteer for my first service position my first time. My sponsor came to me and told me that I was going to be the secretary of this meeting, the Tuesday night men's meeting at the Circle Church on the Westside.

I said, "Uh, well, don't we have to vote me in or anything?"

He said, "Don't worry about that. You're the new secretary."

So that's how I got started. I've done everything from meetings to General Service to Intergroup and it keeps me involved. That's why I'm still sober. Plus, I've learned a lot. I've learned how to work with people, to be part of different committees as chair, how not to influence a group of people with my opinion. Just a lot of good stuff.

My favorite service position though was being The Phone Guy at General Service. It was kind of fun calling people. Once a month I got on the phone to remind them about the meeting. It took about an hour and a half to go through my list of people to call. Most of them were answering machines. I could leave whatever message I want. Then it was over.

Some people told me that I didn't need to call them—without any thought to what *I* need. "You don't need to call me!" they'd say.

But I thought, "Well, how do you know I don't need to?"

—Bob S.

Jen P.

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Memorial Day Fellowship Happenings

We don't have info here for alcathons or gatherings at all of the fellowships in the county, but they often have things going on. So, call Central Office later in the month or stop by your local fellowship. Don't be alone on the holiday—unless you really want to be!

KEEP THE LOCAL HOTLINE RINGING

Volunteer for a once-a-month phone diverter shift

Have a few hours a month? The AA hotline can be diverted to your phone wherever you are for just a few hours on a regular weekly or monthly basis or as a back-up when someone needs a sub. Volunteers, with six months or more of sobriety, can help people find the next meeting or event or, if needed, connect them with a 12-step volunteer. **SPANISH SPEAKING MEMBERS** are especially welcome. **FOR INFO:** Central Office at (831) 475-5782 or info@aasantacruz.org.

- **3rd Tuesday 11pm – 7am**
- **4th Tuesday 11pm – 7am**
- **5th Tuesday 11pm – 7am**
- **2nd Wednesday 11pm – 7am**
- **3rd Wednesday 11pm – 7am**
- **1st Thursday 7am – 9am**
- **1st Thursday 11pm – 7am**
- **2nd Thursday 11pm – 7am**
- **3rd Thursday 7am – 9am**
- **4th Sunday 1– 5pm**
- **5th Sunday 1– 5pm**

Updated 5/2/18

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- **Taking A Trip (Things We Tried)**
- **Rule 62**
- **SC Fellowship Turns 50**
- **Watsonville Fellowship Stories**
- **The Ben Lomond Fellowship**
- **CRUZYPAA—Young At Heart**
- **Meetings at the Edge of Town**

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Central Office Backup Shifts

Updated 5/3/18

The fellowship has filled all the regular open desk shifts at the Central Office in Soquel. Yay! And, we can always use volunteers to step in as substitutes when someone can't make it. Help keep the doors open. Responsibilities: Be the AA 12-stepper behind the desk, answer phones, sell literature, help out the office manager. One year sobriety preferred. More info: Central Office at (831) 475-5782, or visit 5732 Soquel Dr., Soquel.

I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF OUR MAY SOBRIETY BIRTHDAY PEOPLE!

Looking for a Little Celebratory Service?

The Birthday Speaker Meeting Ad Hoc Committee meets the 4th Thursday, 6 PM to plan upcoming birthday speaker meetings. They'd really like to have a new coffee person for the BSM on the first Saturday of the month.

If your group is interested in hosting the Birthday Speaker Meeting some time, contact your Intergroup Rep or Area Rep. Groups are selected according to their area. If you're in Area 7, you could be host in July; A group from Area 8 will host the August meeting.

bsmadhoccommittee@gmail.com

Thanks

to the **Thursday Night Felton Donut Group**

for hosting the April Birthday Speaker Meeting!

And for that: I am responsible.

MAY SOBRIETY

Don O. May 5, 1970
Henry C. May 16, 1983
Bart B. May 12, 1985
Sharon M. May 2, 1986
Sue F. May 28, 1986
Mary C. May 31, 1987
M'Liss K. May 6, 1988
Meg K. May 6, 1991
Toni S. May 21, 1991
Doug D. May 5, 1993
Tina S. May 13, 1993
Mark R May 3, 1994
April R May 9, 1996
Steve L May 30, 1997
Lisa A. May 23, 2000
Lucie H. May 13, 2002
Linda B. May 14, 2002
Ian L. May 16, 2002
Judy C. May 17, 2007
Gina N. May 24, 2009
Natalie F. May 14, 2011
Nikki W. May 5 2013
Matt B. May 15, 2014
Kira K. May 17, 2014
Susan V. May 27, 2014
PJ F. May 8, 2015
Michael B. May 15, 2015
Sam C. May 15, 2015
Marilyn H. May 4, 2016

In Memorium

George R. May 2, 1966
Jim D. May 29, 1979 - 37 yrs
Julia H. - May 5, 2008 - 2 yrs

To list your AA birthday here, please email your name & sobriety date to:
grapesccin@gmail.com

The First Yes to Service

The Service Switch

I had been sober a couple years. My habit at all meetings was just to bring food. I didn't know how to talk to people but I knew how to bring food. But it was time to sign up for service so I volunteered for literature for Twisted Sisters. I thought, *Yea, that would be a good beginning.* All the other positions at the meeting were taken that night.

I came back the following week and the woman who had signed up to be secretary said, "Well I can't be secretary. I have to feed my chickens. I can't get here in time. So, I really, really, want to be literature person and I want Sandy to be secretary."

And, that's how I ended up being secretary of Twisted Sisters. It was my first time being secretary.

—Sandy R.

From Tears to Teaching

So, I don't actually remember my very first service commitment, but I do remember once when I chaired a meeting and I was really new. I cried the entire time. Basically I chaired for six minutes, looked one of my friends in the eye, and I just bawled the rest of the meeting.

Later I became secretary for that meeting. It was pretty nerve-racking. I shook every time I served as secretary for the meeting.

Then skip forward… I started working with the YPAA in the San Luis Obispo area. I got put in charge of the Bid Skit a few times in a row—twice for SLOPYAA and once for SCCYPAA. The Bid Skit is basically putting on this little mini theatrical production. I got to do the sound, the directing, the writing. (We actually won the bid for SCCYPAA.) It was something that really helped me in life. I found out that I really love theater. Now I direct an afterschool program that's helping elementary school kids learn all about theater.

—Maddie

Committing to Tuesday

I was about 90 days sober when a small women's group asked me to be secretary. I didn't volunteer. I told them, *Thanks so much, but I really didn't know if I would be able to be there every Tuesday because I was going to get a job soon and also I'd just graduated and I tended to move a lot and I didn't know if I'd still be living here in six months and...* They laughed right out loud. At me! One of them gently suggested I give it a try—one Tuesday at a time. I agreed against my worst judgment.

If it was up to me, I wouldn't have ever committed to anything beyond an hour in advance. The idea of committing to something so far advance made me panic. And, six months of it! Who knows how I'd be feeling two days from now? Maybe I'd change my mind, be depressed, have a better offer. I only committed to weekly meetings with my first sponsor because she looked at me straight in the eye and told me when we'd meet next. For the first year of sobriety—maybe longer—I kept a sleeping bag in the trunk of my car in case I needed to get away, be alone.

It's not that committing is always easy now. It's just now I know it's not all about me. Most times, it's a wonderful thing in a way I don't expect. Always it's good for me.

— Jen P.

Serenity Prayer puzzle on the wall of the Downtown Group meeting hall in Rockford, IL.

When I first said Yes to service

Being the Big Book Guy on the Corner

My sponsor said, "Go grab your book. Come here." So I did. He told me to go stand beside the road and point people to the meeting. So there I was with a shiny new book standing by the road in front of a church with my book in hand. So I did that for my first six months of sobriety. I didn't drink the whole time. I just looked silly holding a book by the side of the road pointing the whole time.

One of the most important things I learned as a roadside pointer is that it's hard to hold a drink in your hand when the *Big Book* is in one and you're pointing to a meeting with the other.

— Terry

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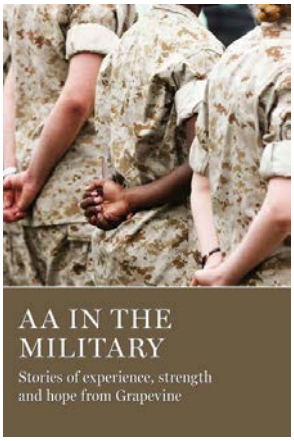

New AA Book:

AA in the Military

A collection of stories previously published in Grapevine by A.A. members of who have served in the military.

AA ***In the Military*** begins with letters from the troops during World War II, when Grapevine first became a vital tool in keeping soldiers sober. Personal accounts illustrate challenges alcoholics in uniform encounter, often far from loved ones. The collection concludes with "Coming Home," a powerful selection of stories by our sober veteran members.

Santa Cruz County Intergroup presents

Spring Fling 2018

Saturday, June 9

11 AM–3 PM

Friendship Garden, Harvey West Park
326 Evergreen Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Schedule of Fellowship & Fun

11AM **Spring Fling Begins**
11:15AM **Music**
12PM **Lunch**
12:45PM **Delish Dessert Auction & Auction of Items Donated by Members and Groups**
1:15PM **AA Speaker**
2:30PM **Music**
3PM **50/50 Raffle & Close**

Volunteers Make it Happen!

Help with Planning Committee • Set-up / Clean up • Cook up Lunch • Sell Raffle Tickets • Donate items for the Raffle • Bake up something yummy for the Dessert Auction
To volunteer or donate items, contact Maddie: (619) 244-4230.or Central Office:**(831) 475-5782** or **info@aasantacruz.org**.

Lunch Tickets (Barbecue, Salads, & More) on Sale Online!

Pre-sale $8 — Available online at **SCAASpringFling2018.bpt.me**
At the Event $10 — Cash only at the event.

The Spring Fling is Free to Attend.

Reprinted from the June 2009 magazine

AA GRAPEVINE

As long as I stay willing

STEP Six is about having the willingness to hand over my defects to God. After working Step Five with my sponsor, I asked myself if I was really ready for things to change. I had spent my entire life in a world of selfishness, dishonesty and fear. I had no idea how often I had been self-seeking and dishonest. I played the victim, blaming my environment, my childhood and other people--anything except the real problem, my self-centeredness. This insanity landed me in the hospital after trying to end my life. It was eye-opening to find the root of my troubles. I was miserable but I found comfort in the pain and it was all I could relate to. For me, drinking was a great validation for my self-hatred. It was the only answer I had.

Step Six represents to me the beginning of a drastic change in myself and a new perspective. Change is scary, even if it promises a better life. Yet in the beginning, I said I would go to any lengths, and my idea of living almost killed me.

I do not have the option of holding on to any of my defects. I must be willing to get rid of everything.

Taking these leaps of faith and trusting God has brought me much relief. I know that everything will fall into place as long as I stay willing.

—Dawn M.
Watsonville

Hospitals & Institutions Service Opportunities

The H&I Committee, the group that puts your pink can donations to use, invites you to share your experience, strength and hope with people who are confined in hospitals, institutions, and recovery homes. Some of the service opportunities below require just an hour-long commitment once a month, or helping coordinate secretaries. Others involve clearance by the local jail or prison. Each of them will help keep you sober. The list below was last updated March 2018.

Behavioral Health Unit
Needs: Coordinator & Secretaries
When: 5th Tuesday @ 7PM
Requirements: Male/Female, 6 mo. sober.
Contact: Ben H.

Ben Lomond Fire Camp
Needs: Coordinator & Secretaries
When: All Wednesdays @ 7PM
Requirements: Male/female, 2 years sobriety, needs clearance.
Contact: info@handisc.org

The Camp - Adolescent Unit
Needs: Secretary
When: 1st Friday @ 6PM
Requirements: Male/Female, 6 mo. sobriety
Coordinator: Sabrina

Casa Pacific
Needs: Coordinator & Secretaries
When: All Thursdays @ 6:30PM
Requirements: Male/Female, 6 mo. sobriety
Coordinator: Mark B.

El Dorado Center
Needs: Secretary
When: Sundays (1st, 3d, 4th, 5th) @ 6:30PM
Requirements: Male/Female, 6 mo sober
Coordinator: Ben H.

Juvenile Hall
Needs: Secretary
When: Monday @ 6:30PM
Requirements: Male/Female, 1 year sobriety, 5 years since felony, no probation
Coordinator: Mike W.

Paget Center
Needs: Coordinator
Requirements: Male/Female, 3 years sobriety
Contact: info@handisc.org

River Street Shelter
Needs: Secretaries
When: 1st Sunday @ 7 PM
Requirements: Male/female, 1 year sobriety
Coordinator: Robert

Si Se Puede
Needs: Secretaries
When: 2nd, 4th & 5th Thursdays @ 7PM
Requirements: Male/female, 6 mo. sobriety
Coordinator: Marianne N.

Telos—NEW MEETING
Needs: Coordinator & Secretaries
When: 1st, 2d, 3d & 4th Sunday @ 7PM
Requirements: Male/Female, 6 mo. sober.
Contact: info@handisc.org

Tyler House
Needs: Secretary
When: 1st & 3d Sundays @ 7PM
Requirements: Male/Female, 6 mo. sober.
Contact: Marianne - info@handisc.org

Santa Cruz Co. Corrections

Requirements: 1 year sober, 5 years since last felony, 3 years since last misdemeanor, 2 years since parole or probation. See schedule at: **http://handisc.org/jail-facility-schedule**
Contact: jail-coordinator@handisc.org

Men's Water Street Jail
When: 1st, 4th Sunday @ 10 AM and 1st, 3d, 4th Thursday @ 5:45 PM and 1st, 2nd 4th Friday @ 5:45 PM

Women's Water Street Jail
When: 2d, 3d & 4th Sunday @ 3PM and 1st & 2d Tuesday @ 5:45 PM

Rountree Facility
When: 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th Sunday @ 5:30 PM and 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th Saturday at 5:45 PM

Blaine Street Women's Facility ?

A Note About Serving in Jail

Orientation and clearance is required for service at both men's and women's county jail facilities.

Orientation

6PM, Last Wednesday/mo.

Water Street Jail, 259 Water St., Santa Cruz.

You must fill out an application. You cannot show up without a reservation from the facility coordinator.

Call Central Office to contact the coordinator of the facility to schedule an orientation or visit www.handisc.org.

From Going to Get to Going to Add To

..."(W)hen (you go) to a meeting (of) Alcoholics Anonymous, shift your motivation from going to get, to going to add to."

— Chuck C., *A New Pair of Glasses,* p. 181

What can I do for a man or woman who still suffers? What can I bring to this meeting that might just help that one alcoholic? You know that alcoholic at the jumping off place who has lost everything worth living for, that alcoholic who hasn't come to terms with his or her disease but needs someone to relate to? What abut the experienced AA on the verge of a relapse, but is too frightened to ask for help? (What might we think of him or her?) These are some of the questions I must ask myself upon entering a meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous if I wish to be useful in Fellowship.

What am I to gain from such an attitude? Well, according to Chuck C., I can "come out with a full [spiritual] cup." I can be of service to my fellow alcoholics and leave the meeting sober, spiritual and useful. A friend once stated, "You don't need to be drunk to be useless in Alcoholics Anonymous."

Get out there and sponsor other drunks! Take commitments and participate! Chuck said, "If you go [to a meeting] hoping that somebody just seeing you might get a lift, or that it might do somebody some good just to see you there," your cup will get full fast. "Maybe somebody will ask you a question that you can answer, that you can share. You can't come away from that meeting without a full cup."

Get into action! You never know whose life may be molded by your actions, no matter how great, no matter how minute. Ebby T. got our co-founder Bill W. sober through action and a proper attitude. Bill then got Dr. Bob S., our other co-founder, sober through action. At that moment, June 10, 1935, Alcoholics Anonymous was born. I don't have to tell you the significance of that moment for alcoholics around the world.

Don't be useless in Alcoholics Anonymous. Go help someone.

—Corey F.

Article reprinted from *The Point Is,* the official newsletter of the AA fellowship in CTF Soledad Central

H&I Monthly Business Meeting

7 p.m., 4th Wednesday of the month.

Trinity Presbyterian Youth Room
420 Melrose Ave., Santa Cruz

All AA members welcome.

Send individual & group pink can donations to:
Santa Cruz H&I, Area #73, PO Box 5131, Santa Cruz, CA 95063-5131
Please put your group or meeting name on the check.

More Info:
Contact H&I Chair Mark B. & Coordinators by calling Central Office at (831) 475-5782; www.handisc.org

Intergroup Council Minutes April 4, 2018

These minutes have not been approved by Council.

Various reports and event announcements were available before the meeting began.

CALLED to ORDER 7:32 p.m.
Preamble • 12 Traditions • Kellie passed the sign-in sheet and 7th tradition • Introductions • Last month's minutes approved

BIRTHDAYS:
Mark - 20 yrs

CHAIR—Kellie
No report.

VICE CHAIR—Jesse
Welcome to all new reps present at council.

TREASURER—James
• Typo in activities income section of report, will fix and update report. Bob clarify that report given out at council is preliminary, so easy to edit before final report given to steering committee. Maddie gives some clarification on income from play. Requests that Bob send reports prior to council so they can be reviewed.

OFFICE MANAGER—Bob S.
• Just got check from online ticket sales, percentage to be sent to play organizers will be decided at steering committee. All desk positions filled at Central Office! Reminder for everyone to update sign in sheet.

BIRTHDAY SPEAKER MTG LIAISON—Michael
• Next Birthday Speaker Meeting is April 7th 7PM Mid County Senior Center, Speaker Jim P. from Monterey, hosted by Donut Meeting. Next subcommittee meeting April 26th at 6PM Ferrells Donuts on Ocean St., still need more members. May BSM will be hosted by Soquel Step Study Group, Speaker Nicole from Sunnyvale May 5.

BYLAWS COMMITTEE CHAIR—OPEN (Rick filled in)
Meetings are every 3rd Tuesday at 6 PM at Central Office.

TELEPHONE DIVERTER COMMITTEE CHAIR—Fred
• Many open shifts, great way to be of service, can do from home
See page 2

ACTIVITIES CHAIR–Madeline
• Thanks to everyone that was of service at play. Spring Fling June 9th at Harvey West Park 11AM-4PM, live band, food, baked goods! Need volunteers for planning committee for Spring Fling, meets every 3rd and 4th Tuesday at 8PM at Maddie's house (call for address). Will have volunteer sign up sheets for Spring Fling next council meeting

NEWSLETTER—Jen:
• Looking forward to doing upcoming issues focusing on different Fellowships (Santa Cruz, Ben Lomond, Watsonville) and their history, member experiences, SC Fellowship 50th Anniversary this Summer, looking to include CRUZYPAA "Young in AA" stories soon

WEBSITE COMMITTEE CHAIR—OPEN

GENERAL SERVICE LIAISON—Eric H.
• Pre-conference assembly April 7th and 8th, GSR will share their groups' conscious with area delegate. Discussing if AA should have full-face PSA, should literature on meditation be made available, along with several other topics

H&I LIAISON—Dave
•fliers available on table, Telos facility and Blaine St. Jail need lots of volunteers (new/reopening facilities.

NCCAA Liaison—Katie L. Absent

AREA REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

AREA 1-Watsonville- Carol H. - Absent
AREA 2-La Selva Beach/Seascape- OPEN
AREA 3-Aptos & Corralitos-Rick A. - reviews list of meetings in area to see if any IGR are present at council, making effort to make contact with all reps in area
AREA 4-Capitola-Terry: Terry: getting tons of donuts for Donut Meeting hosting BSM, creating Google list for meetings/reps in area
AREA 5-Soquel -Sandy Absent - Kathy C giving report: Hosting May BSM, getting out to meetings in area.
AREA 6-East Santa Cruz -Darren: working on getting host for June BSM
AREA 7-Morrissey Area - Open (Dani was voted in later in the meeting.)
AREA 8-Santa Cruz Downtown - Carol M.: no report.
AREA 9-Emeline-Todd: went to a few meetings in area, getting in contact with reps in area
AREA 10-Westside Santa Cruz -OPEN
AREA 11-Scotts Valley/SLV- Matthew Absent. Mark G. filling in: Ben Lomond Fellowship hosting annual Sponsor Dinner April 28, 5pm, Felton Presbyterian church, dinner (lasagna, salad, bread roll) $10 per person. Meeting at 7PM. Speaker Mark G.

OLD BUSINESS

• Group Inventory- group discusses question 5 "Is our group attracting alcoholics from different backgrounds? Are we seeing a good cross section of our community, including those with special needs?" Inventory facilitated by Tom B. minutes recorded by Devin.
• Kellie reminds group that sobriety requirement can be waived after position is left open for two months. Please make self available if you want to be of service.
Open positions: Bylaws Committee Chair, Website Committee Chair, Area 2;La Selva, Area 10: Westside. Dani elected as new Area 7; Morrisey rep
• Group inventory: Facilitated by Tom B., recorded by Devin.
Group discussed question 5.

NEW BUSINESS NONE

Take back these items to your Group

- **Ben Lomond Annual Sponsor Dinner. 4/28, 5 PM - Felton Presbyterian church, dinner: lasagna, salad, bread roll. $10 per person Meeting at 7PM. Speaker Mark G.**
- **Spring Fling - 6/9 - 11 am-3 PM. Need many volunteers**
- **Open Intergroup Council Positions**
  Website Committee
  Bylaws Committee.
  Area 2 Rep
  Area 10 Rep

Meeting closed with the Serenity Prayer.

—Submitted by Magi R.
Recording Secretary

Consider Intergroup Service!

First Wednesday, 7:30 PM
@ Aptos Village Park

OPEN OFFICER POSITIONS:
(3 yrs sobriety requirement & 1-year term)
• Bylaws Committee Chair
• Website Committee Chair

OPEN AREA REP POSITIONS:
(1 yr sobriety requirement & 1-year term)
Area 2 La Selva Beach & Seascape
Area 10 Westside Santa Cruz

Area Rep Responsibilities:
1) Attend Council Meeting—**7:30 PM, 1st Wed**
2) Attend Steering Committee **7:30 PM, 3d Wed**
3) Visit meetings in your area **2x a year** to serve as liaison between the Groups, the Intergroup Representatives of the Groups, and other members of the Steering Committee.

Intergroup Council Treasurer Report • March

Birthday Speaker Mtg	
7th Trad	$1,172.50
Expenses	$648.32
Balances	$524.18

	MARCH	FY TOTALS
BEGINNING CASH	**$14,462.32**	
INCOME		
Group Donations	$929.09	$21,307.77
Birthday Meeting	$1,172.50	$7,481.85
Activities	$987.70	$987.70
Anonymous		$85.00
Birthday Club	$75.00	$301.00
Gen'l Service Committee		$330.00
H&I Committee		$-
Intergroup Council	$47.00	$368.00
Newsletter Subscriptions		$24.00
Refunds		$-
Spring Fling		$-
Other Donations	$9.00	$178.96
TOTAL INCOME	**$3,220.29**	**$31,064.28**
EXPENSES		
RENT:		
Central Office	$650.00	$5,850.00
Birthday Meeting	$370.00	$3,470.00
Intergroup Council		$297.00
RENT SUBTOTAL	$1,020.00	$9,617.00
SALARY EXPENSES:		
Net Salary	$915.40	$8,238.60
Payroll Taxes		$2,840.40
Workers Comp.		$790.20
SALARY SUBTOTAL	$915.40	$11,869.20
OFFICE EXPENSES:		
Office Supplies	$277.00	$941.41
PG&E	$91.48	$717.59
Telephone	$128.83	$1,132.21
C3 revival exempt app.	$2,451.65	$2,601.65
OFFICE SUBTOTAL	$2,948.96	$5,392.86
PRINTING:		
In-house Printing	$196.35	$1,806.33
PRINTING SUBTOTAL	$196.35	$1,806.33
POSTAGE:		
Newsletter	$50.00	$295.00
POSTAGE SUBTOTAL	$50.00	$295.00
OTHER EXPENSES:		
Bday Meeting Supplies	$278.00	$1,486.60
Liability Insurance		$418.00
Spring Fling		$951.00
I Am Responsible	$395.00	$781.00
OTHER EXP. SUBTOTAL	$673.00	$3,564.60
TOTAL EXPENSES =	**$5,803.71**	**$32,544.99**
ENDING CASH	**$11,878.90**	**$11,878.90**
Month's Gain or Loss =	**$(2,583.42)**	

	March	*F.Yr. Totals*
OPERATING ACCOUNT		
BEGINNING CASH =	$14,462.32	
INCOME:		
Group Donations	$929.09	$21,307.77
Birthday Meeting	$1,172.50	$7,481.85
Activities	$987.70	$987.70
All Other	$131.00	$1,286.96
Total Income =	$3,220.29	$31,064.28
EXPENSES:		
Rent	$1,020.00	$9,617.00
Salary Exp.	$915.40	$11,869.20
Office	$2,948.96	$5,392.86
Printing	$196.35	$1,806.33
Postage	$50.00	$295.00
Other	$673.00	$3,636.60
TOTAL EXPENSES	$5,803.71	$32,616.99
ENDING CASH	$11,878.90	
ALLOCATED FUNDS:		
Activities ($500)	$500.00	
Liability Ins. ($200/mo)		
Payroll Taxes ($650/mo)		
Vacation Accrual		
Workers Comp. ($50/mo)		
Total Allocated	$500.00	
AVAILABLE CASH	$11,378.90	
LITERATURE ACCOUNT		
BEGINNING CASH =	$12,321.00	$3,903.72
Total Cash Receipts	$1,794.95	$2,567.95
Sales Receipts Portion	$1,642.38	$12,632.88
Sales Tax Portion	$152.57	$1,262.61
SUBTOTAL	$14,115.95	
Purchases & Costs	$652.00	
ENDING CASH	$13,463.95	$6,471.67
Sales & Use Tax Allocation:		
Carried over		
This Month's Sales Tax	$152.57	
This Month's Use Tax		
Quarter To Date	$152.57	
AVAILABLE CASH =	$13,311.38	

General Notes:
We use the cash accounting method that is used by most people in recording their checking account.
Income is reported when deposited and an expense is recorded when the check is written. Our fiscal year runs July 1 to June 30.

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Group Donations March 2018

TO MAKE DONATIONS, SEE HTTP://WWW.AASANTACRUZ.ORG/SUGGESTED-DONATIONS.ASPX

	March	F.Yr. Totals
11th Step Meditation Group (Sun.)		$159.00
12 X 12 (Tue.)		$-
12 Paces at Noon		$376.80
5:30 Group, The		$310.00
AA Sober Slugs		$-
Acceptance Group (Boulder Creek)		$99.15
Altered Attitude Group		$300.00
Alternative Group		$-
Any Lengths Group		$-
Aptos Women's Serenity Group		$263.22
Aromas Group		$-
Awareness Group		$90.00
Back to Basics Group (Fri.)		$-
Bay Group, The		$240.00
Beach Combers, The (LaSelva Discussion)		$-
Ben Lomond Fellowship (S. L. Valley)		$50.00
Big Book and Step Study Group (Fri.)		$-
Book & Step Study (Davenport)		$-
Boulder Creek Group		$214.20
Box of Chocolates		$142.80
Brown Baggers Group	$224.21	$553.05
BYOB	$50.00	$100.00
Candlelight Group (Fri.)		$-
Come As You Are Group		$-
Conscious Contact Meditation Meeting		$50.00
Courage to Change		$-
Discussion Group (LSB)		$-
Do-Nut Meeting		$-
Double Winners By Grace		$-
Early Morning Spiritual		$161.91
Early Risers	$72.10	$2,606.68
End of the Line Discussion Group		$-
Eyes on the Prize		$232.22
Felton Group		$250.00
Firehouse Group		$-
Friday Night Group (Emeline)		$120.00
Friday Nite Lights (Frederick St.)	$120.00	$120.00
From the Heart		$-
Gay Men Living Sober		$50.00
Grateful & Gay Group		$125.00
H.O.W. Group		$-
In The Woods		$-
In the Dark Group		$-
In the Hat Group		$-
Jade Street Park Groups (Consolidated)	$257.40	$2,676.40
Keep It Simple Group		$-
Kids R Welcome		$-
Lesbian Womyn's Group		$90.00
Live on Friday Night (Soquel Ave.)		$50.40

	March	F.Yr. Totals
LSB Men's Group		$240.00
Make My Day		$569.53
Mattison Lane Group		$631.00
Men's Basic Step Study Group		$183.00
Men's Cross Talkers		$-
Mud Flats Group		$90.00
Nifty Ladies on Park Group		$250.40
No Frills Sobriety		$650.63
Ocean View Group		$439.40
On the Beach (Sat.)		$490.20
On the Beach, Too (Sun.)		$516.03
Once a Drunk W		$-
One O'clock Step Study Group		$-
Out of the Blue		$199.50
Out of the Trenches		$-
Pleasure Point Group		$121.50
Roxas Group		$360.00
Santa Cruz Fellowship		$-
Santa Cruz Speakers (Fri.)		$-
Saturday Night Live Oak	$66.90	$128.52
Saved by Grace Group	$78.48	$738.71
Scotts Valley Happy Destiny (Wed.)		$-
Share Today Group		$-
Shivering Denizens		$90.00
Sisters in Sobriety Group		$219.06
Skyland Group		$240.00
Sobriety & Gratitude		$387.60
Solutions in the Sand Group		$-
Soquel Acceptance Group (Fri.)	$60.00	$180.00
Soquel Acceptance (Wed)		$418.19
Soquel Step Study		$212.50
Sought Through Meditation		$700.00
Sought Through Prayer		$122.08
Spiritual Tools Group		$-
Stag 12:12 Group		$200.00
Stag Eleven Group		$180.00
Step and Traditions Study for Women		$136.07
Sunday Morning Spiritual		$951.00
Sunday Night Candle Light Group		$-
Sunshine Group (Sun.)		$-
T.G.I.W.		$-
There is a Solution Big Book Study		$-
Thumpers Big Book Study		$99.96
Today's Women's Step Study		$50.00
Trans and Allies Group		$-
Triple Winners By Grace		$306.00
Trudgers Women's Big Book Study		$-
Twisted Sisters Book Study		$280.00
Valley Girls 4 X a Winner		$-
Valley Sunday Group (Scotts Valley)		$-
Watsonville Fellowship		$-
We Agnostics		$-
Westside Group (Tues.)		$-
Westside Men's Big Book Study (Mon.)		$-
Westside Men's Step Study Group (Thu.)		$208.80
Women in the Woods Grop		$-
Womens 5 & 10 Group		$391.00
Young People's Big Book Study		$-
Young People's Underground Group		$-

	F.Yr. Total
	$21,082.05
MARCH	$929.09
TOTAL DONATIONS=	8
Groups Contributing this Month-	
Groups Contributing this Year-	118
Number of Listed Groups-	7%
Percent of groups contributing this month-	

Last year's new group .....MARCH .....FY Total

Bonny Doon .....$0 .....171.50
Unknown Donations.....$0 .....$387.04
CRUZYPAA.....$0 .....$112.00

GROUP DONATIONS DETAIL NOTE: Groups are named the same way as in the Meeting Schedule. New groups started during this fiscal year are added at the bottom. Our Fiscal Year (F.Yr.) starts in July and goes through the following June.

Out-Of-Town Events

Not-Too Far Away

MAY 5, 9 AM-12 PM GRASS ROOTS GROUP BREAKFAST 1st Saturday/mo only @ 9 AM & meeting @ 11 AM Pescadero Community Church, 363 Stage Road, Pescadero.
https://aa-san-mateo.org

MAY 5, 10-11 AM SECRETARY WORKSHOP. 1st Sat. 274 E Hamilton Ave., San Jose.
https://aasanjose.org

MAY 5, 8 PM DANVILLE-DIABLO SPEAKER MEETING - 1st Saturday. Danville.
https://bit.ly/2GXKq2Q

MAY 6, 10 AM SOBER RIDERS-AA ON HORSEBACK. Sonoma County. 2d Sunday Only. BYOH.
http://bit.ly/2EfwFva

MAY 13, 10 AM SOBER RIDERS-AA on Horseback. Sonoma County. 2d Sunday Only. BYOH. http://bit.ly/2EfwFva

MAY 26, 7:30–9 PM MONTEREY CO INTERGROUP BIRTHDAY SPEAKER MTG. Last Saturday/mo. Monterey High School.
https://bit.ly/2GjmRVk

JUNE 10 FOUNDERS' DAY SAN JOSE.
http://bit.ly/2FHnw1C

JULY 20–22 UNITY & SERVICE CONFERENCE. Pleasant Hill.
https://unityandserviceconference.org

Hosted by Young People

icypaa.org/ypaalinks

MAY 25–27 EACYPAA. Washington. DC. https://www.dcypaa.org

AUG. 30-SEPT.2 60TH ICYPAA Round-up. Maryland.
http://60th.icypaa.org

NCCAA
71st
Summer Conference

Northern California
Council of
Alcoholics Anonymous

Modesto, CA

Centre Plaza – 1000 L St., – Modesto, CA 95354
June 8, 9, & 10, 2018

Friday, June 8, 2018		
2:00 PM		Registration Opens
3:30 PM		Early Bird Meeting
5:30 PM	Al-Anon	**Panel "How We Grow in Service"**
8:00 PM		Open Speaker Meeting
		Fernando S. Concord, CA
Saturday, June 9, 2018		
9:30 AM		Hospital & Institution Panel
11-12:30 PM		Open Delegate's Business Meeting
1:00 PM		General Service Delegate's Report
		Joann L. CNCA 06 Panel 67 Delegate
3:30 PM		Young People's Meeting
		Sheila C. Sacramento, CA
5:30 PM	Spanish	**Teresa B. Turlock, CA**
8:00 PM		Open Speaker Meeting
		"Navy" Dan Manteca, CA
10:00 PM		Dance Following Free Drawing
Sunday, June 10, 2018		
9:00 AM		All A.A. Services Panel Meeting
10:30 AM		Open Speaker Meeting
		Theresa A. San Leandro, CA

Al-Anon and Spanish Participation & Speakers
Fellowship – Panels – Speakers – f Marathon Meetings
Hotel Conference Price Cut Off Date May 14th, 2018
Pre-Register on the NCCAA website: http://www.norcalaa.org
PRE-REGISTRATION CUT OFF DATE MAY 31TH, 2018
PRE-REGISTRATION – $20.00 (PER PERSON) – AT THE CONFERENCE – $25

NCCAA

www.norcalaa.org
JUNE 8-10 SUMMER CONFERENCE. Modesto
OCT. 5-7 71st FALL CONFERENCE. Fresno.

General Service

California Northern Coastal Area: www.cnca06.org

MAY 12 CNCA POST-CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY. Solano Co. Fairgrounds.

MAY 26 CNCArea Committee Meeting. Petaluma

JUNE 23 CNCArea Committee Meeting. Petaluma

JULY 28 CNCArea Committee Meeting. Petaluma

AUG. 11 CNCA SUMMER ASSEMBLY, River Lodge, Fortuna.

AA World Service presents the...

2018 Pacific Regional Forum

September 7 – 9, 2018
San Jose, California

Forums are held regularly throughout the U.S. by our AA World Service Office to provide a meeting place for members to ask questions and spark new ideas to help carry the A.A. message of hope to the still-suffering alcoholic.

Registration opens July 9th • Info Flier: **https://bit.ly/2uwwrP3**
Schedule & Preregistration Form: **https://bit.ly/2pNyEjA**

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A Month of May in Santa Cruz County 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	1	2 **7 PM -** New Intrgroup Rep Orientation **7:30PM -** Intergroup Council Meeting @ Aptos Park Clubhouse, Aptos (Kellie F.)	3	4	5 **9AM -** Pre-Conference Assembly San Jose **7PM -** Birthday Speaker Meeting @ Mid-County Senior Center, Bay Ave, Capitola
6 **9AM -** General Service Pre-Conference Assembly. San Jose **2PM -** CRUZYPAA Elections. Grant St. Park, Santa Cruz.	7 **5PM** PI/CPC meeting at Erik's DeliCafé, 1664 Soquel Drive, Santa Cruz (Mark D.)	8	9 **6:45PM -** New GSR Orientation **7:30PM -** General Service District 3 Meeting @ Aptos Park Clubhouse, Aptos (Eric H.)	10	11 GrapeSCCIN Deadline grapesccin@gmail.com (Jen P.) *Bill W. reaches out for help.*	12 **10AM -** 4th Step Workshop @ Ben Lomond Fellowship *Henrietta Silberling introduces Bill to Bob*
13	14	15 **8PM** Spring Fling Planning Committee 3d & 4th Tuesdays @ Maddie's. Call Central Office for location	16 **7:30PM -** Intergroup Council Steering Committee @ Central Office, Soquel (Kellie F.)	17	18 GrapeSCCIN Deadline (for Intergroup Council material) (Jen P.)	19
20	21	22 **8PM** Spring Fling Planning Committee 3d & 4th Tuesdays @ Maddie's. Call Central Office for location	23 **7PM -** H&I Committee @ 420 Melrose Ave, Santa Cruz–***NEW LOCATION*** (Mark B.)	24 **6PM -** Bday Spkr Mtg Ad Hoc Comm. @ Ferrels, 1403 Ocean St., Santa Cruz BSMadhoccommit-tee@gmail.com	25	26 Ca No. Coastal Area Gen. Service Comm. Meeting. Petaluma (Eric H.)
27	28 **9AM–9PM** Santa Cruz Fellowship Memorial Day Alcathon Potluck	29 GrapeSCCIN goes to print. (Jen P.)	30	31	1	2 **7PM -** Birthday Speaker Meeting @ Mid-County Senior Center, Bay Ave, Capitola

SANTACRUZCOUNTYEVENTS

MAY 28, 1 – 3 PM MEMORIAL DAY POTLUCK & ALCATHON AT THE SANTA CRUZ FELLOWSHIP. Potluck & Live Music & AA Meetings on the hour from 9 AM to 9 PM. 412 Front Street, Santa Cruz.

OTHER ALCATHONS? Call Central Office to find out if there are festivities at the other fellowships.

JUNE 9, 11 AM – 3 PM SPRING FLING. Speaker, Music, baked goods raffle. Harvey West Park. Volunteers needed!

AUGUST 4 50TH ANNIVERSARY SANTA CRUZ FELLOWSHIP CELEBRATION. Evergreen Picnic area at Harvey West Park.

Spring Fling Planning Committee

8 PM, 3d & 4th Tuesdays

@ Maddie's House

Help keep this community tradition fabulous. Sign-up to help & donate. Maybe buy your sponsor dessert at the auction!

Call Central Office for more info: (831) 475-5782

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