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IT'S LATER THAN YOU THINK! LAST CALL FOR

6TH ANNUAL PALM SPRINGS

GO-GO DESERT ROUNDUP -GO!!

June 3-4-5th

HEADQUARTERS - HOLIDAY INN-(FORMERLY RIVIERA HOTEL)

FOR RESERVATIONS AND BANQUET TICKETS WRITE DESERT A.A. ROUNDUP
454 N. INDIAN AVENUE, PALM SPRINGS - OR- CALL AREA CODE 714-325 2361

ELECTION... ORANGE CO. INTER-GROUP

The Orange County Intergroup Association will select four members to the Central Service Board, at the next regular meeting Tuesday, May 24th, 8:00 P.M., at the Lincoln Savings and Loan Bldg., 17th and Bristol Sts., Santa Ana.

During the past few months three vacancies occurred due to unforeseen circumstances, and these have been filled thru appointment by the Board. Those appointed are; Bob S., Gladys B., and John A. filling the spots left vacant by Millie S., Betty A., and Jack F.

Those whose terms expire in May are: Harry M., Hank W., Bill T., and Jeanne T.

It is important to the progress of A.A. in this county to have as much representation as possible at these elections and meetings in general. It is necessary, for the good of the Unity here to have as many voices in the conduct of your A.A. business as possible.

REMEMBER., IF YOU DON'T ATTEND AND VOTE, YOU CAN'T VERY WELL CRITICIZE AND GRIPE.

ORANGE COUNTY CALENDAR

MASTER CALENDAR - 1966

- JUNE 3-4-5 PALM SPRINGS SIXTH ANNUAL DESERT ROUNDUP
- SEPT. 18 * SILVER ANNIVERSARY ORANGE COUNTY AA Brunch- Medical Center Orange, Calif.
- OCT. 14-15-16 SOUTHERN CALIF. CONVENTION Santa Monica, Calif.
- OCT. 28 HALLOWE'EN BALL Sponsored by The Villa (A related facility) Anaheim Bowl, Anaheim
- NOV. 20 * THANKSGIVING DINNER Ebell Club- Santa Ana
- DEC. 31 * NEW YEAR'S EVE "ROARING 20'S DIXIE-LAND BALL" Dinner & Celebration at Disneyland Hotel, Anaheim
- FEB. 12 * FIFTH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET FOR ORANGE COUNTY CENTRAL OFFICE Disneyland Hotel, Anaheim

*** NOTE:**

It was decided at the Intergroup Meeting in March that we have four events per year. This eliminates many lesser functions and extra cost. Much effort is being put into these four to make this the biggest year for happy and successful celebrations. It should be of great interest to you to know that AA is the only organization who can have the Disneyland Hotel on New Year's Eve. They were most pleased to give us our reservation. Talk it up to your friends here in this county and elsewhere. It could be the beginning of a tradition. THE SUCCESS OF THESE VENTURES DEPENDS ON YOU!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
As submitted by Gladie B. Ways & Means Chairman.

GROUP NEWS

SANTA ANA FRIDAY NIGHT SPEAKERS

1104 W. Eighth St.
 The Santa Ana Friday Speakers Group announce the following roster for the month of June:
 June 3- Bruce K. (Newport B)
 June 10- Howard H. (Hollywood)
 June 17- Don & Jenny G. (Hollywood)
 June 24- Dr. Hal S.
Edna G.

BELFAST STAG

Kyle H. celebrated his second birthday May 11 at the Belfast Stag Group, with a special cake and celebration. Kyle is recuperating from a recent major operation.

LOS ALAMITOS

The Los Alamitos Discussion Group wishes to announce that on the night of June 7th at 8:00 P.M. we will have as our speaker, Herb B., the cop from San Gabriel. We hope to see many new faces on that night, and we promise a warm and sincere welcome.
 The correct meeting place of this group is Bethlehem Lutheran Church, one block west of the corner of Los Alamitos and Katella Blyds.....Arlene O. Sec.

DISBANDED

ANAHEIM
 Hacienda Group, Thursdays, 515 State College Ave. Congregational Church.
TUSTIN
 Women's (C), St. Cecelia's Parish Hall, 130 S. Main.

NEW GROUPS

BREA
 Women's (C), Diamond Bar Group, 8:00 P.M. Call 529-4035 for directions. (Thursdays).
HUNTINGTON BEACH
 Young People's Discussion Group, (C), 5161 Sparrow Drive, (Thursdays).
SANTA ANA
 Take it or Leave it Group, Alano Club, 512 W. First St., Podium Participation, (Saturday).

CALENDAR

15th Annual

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONVENTION

Alcoholics Anonymous



OCTOBER 14th - 15th - 16th

SANTA MONICA

GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING OF THE CONVENTION
COMMITTEE- SUNDAY - MAY 22 - ALANA CLUB
202 WEST BROADWAY - ANAHEIM -

SINCE WE ARE TO BE HOSTS TO THE 1967 CONVENTION - BE THERE AND SUPPORT
YOUR ' 66 CONVENTION COMMITTEE!!!!

- THIRD ANNUAL DINNER FOR A.A. WOMEN -

KNOTT'S BERRY FARM
WEDNESDAY - MAY 25TH - 7 P.M. DONATION \$3.00
(Walter Knott Room)
HOSTED BY THE GARDEN GROVE WOMEN'S GROUP

Tickets may be obtained by contacting:

Mary R. - 539-8897 Darlene O'T. - 897-1270
Lois C. - 531-2040 Ginny H. - 871-2355
Evelyn C. - 897-5110

ACCOMODATIONS ARE LIMITED. GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

The ALL-GROUPS monthly meetings have
been discontinued until further notice!
Watch your Lifeline for future schedules!

AN OPEN LETTER TO ALL ALCOHOLIC WOMEN MEMBERS ONLY!!!

We most cordially extend to you an invi-
tation to our 29th Semi-Annual A.A. Wo-
men's Dinner-Meeting which is to be held
for you on Friday, June 24th at Rodger
Young Auditorium, 936 W. Washington
Blvd., Los Angeles.
6:30 P.M. . . . Coffetails and conversation
7:00 P.M. . . . and then that always GREAT
MEETING!

For ticket information, please contact
Cleo at WH 18057, Whittier.
Hoping to see all our A.A. women friends
new or older on the program. . Fri. June 24
we are YOUR AA WOMENS DINNER
COMMITTEE

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We were saddened by the news from New
York of the passing of three of the people
without whose help A.A. might never
have been born. These are the ones who
were there in the beginning whose faith
and service sustained our Co-Founders,
Bill and Dr. Bob, in their efforts to bring
A.A. to people like you and me. You've
already met them in "A.A. Comes of Age"
Dr. Harry M. Tiebout, Sister Mary Igna-
tia, and Ebby T.
"Never have so many owed so much to so
few." We are grateful.

IN MEMORIUM HEARTFELT SYMPATHY to the FAMILIES AND FRIENDS OF

POLLY HALL (Los Angeles)

LOUISE DAY (Costa Mesa)

To Pat M. in the loss of her sister.

To Ellery S. in the loss of his mother.

PEOPLE IN A.A.

Ralph and June S., formerly of Corona del Mar, have moved to Rockford, Ill. June and Ralph will be greatly missed as they were both very active in Al-Anon and A.A. affairs.

Myrtle S. suffered a severe heart attack recently and is in the Community Hospital, 1500 W. 17th St., San Bernardino.

INDISPENSABLE

Sometime when you're feeling important,
Sometime when your ego's in bloom,
Sometime when you take it for granted,
You're the best qualified in the room.
Sometime when you feel that your going,
Would leave an unfillable hole,
Just follow this simple instruction,
And see how it humbles your soul.
Take a bucket and fill it with water,
Put your hand in it, up to the wrist;
Pull it out, and the hole that's remaining,
Is a measure of how you'll be missed.
You may splash all you please when you

enter,

You can stir up the water galore,
But stop, and you'll find in a minute,
That it looks quite the same as before.

The moral in this quaint example,
Is to do just the best that you can,
Be proud of yourself, but remember,
There's no indispensable man.

.....Anonymous
Submitted by Betty W.

ROAD TO SAINTHOOD

Why were the saints, saints? Because they were cheerful when it was difficult to be cheerful, patient when it was difficult to be patient; and because they pushed on when they wanted to stand still, and kept silent when they wanted to talk, and were agreeable when they wanted to be disagreeable. That was all. It was quite simple and always will be. (Readers Digest)

G.S.O.

EVERYTHING IN A.A.
STARTS WITH YOU!



DISTRICTS 6 & 12 WORKSHOP AND POTLUCK

I have been given the privilege- and the responsibility- of trying to tell the story of our Districts 6 and 12 Workshop and Potluck. I think I have been able to keep in step with "I am responsible"- as long as "I am punctual" doesn't go with it.

As it has evolved, our Workshop is a monthly meeting held in some member's home, starting with a potluck dinner and ending with a two hour meeting. The secretaries, Intergroup representatives and General Service representatives of all groups in our districts are specifically invited, with their spouses and guests, as well as all personnel of our Intergroup, Central Service Office and General Service Area; and we open our doors to anyone else who is interested. Possibly you may wonder how, with some 25 groups in our two districts, any home could hold all these people, but knowing people in general and AAs in particular, you probably understand

and that this has not been a problem. We have worries about it from time to time, but the worries have proved groundless so far. We have had from 9 to 40 people present in the last 2 1/2 years, and the time we had 9 and the time we had 40 we were only 4 months or so apart- both many months ago.

You might say the Workshop originated because of an AA ego, although that wouldn't be fair. Some three years ago, Warren S. came across a notice that an

LEST WE FORGET. (Continued on Page 7)
A REMINDER!
YOUR STAKE IN AA'S FUTURE IS

25¢

PER MONTH
BE RESPONSIBLE! PAY YOUR OWN WAY

TWO THEMES GUIDE 16TH CONFERENCE ACTIONS
'PRINCIPLES AND 'RESPONSIBILITY' REFLECTED

"The voice of the Fellowship"- the 16th annual meeting of the General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous at the Hotel Roosevelt, New York City, April 18- 23, 1966- expressed over and over again two A.A. sayings.

The twin ideas of "principles before personalities" (the official Conference theme, from Tradition Twelve) and "I am responsible" (from the 30th Anniversary Declaration) seemed to guide Conference members in all their sessions in behalf of the 31-year-old Fellowship.

Eighteen members of the General Service Board, G.S.O. Staff, Grapevine and A.A. World Service directors, and 88 elected Delegates (including 3 alternates 7 women, 42 Panel 15 members and 46 Panel 16) from Groups in the U.S. and Canada deliberated, listened, talked, and meditated all most around the clock to take "Advisory Actions," reach decisions, or voice the consensus of the Fellowship on---

G.S. BOARD--- Structure changes proposed by the trustees in 1965 were accepted with modification.

PREAMBLE---Wording was left unchanged.

1970 CONVENTION--- Miami, Chicago, and Seattle, in that order, were favored for a 35th anniversary international convention.

CLUBS, REHABS---Reaffirmed A.A.'s policy of "cooperation but not affiliation" with such facilities, as spelled out in Tradition Six.

INSTITUTIONS---Recommended establishment of a Conference Institutions Committee to encourage more feeling that "we are responsible for alcoholics behind walls.

AA IN SMALL COMMUNITIES--- More visits among groups, public meetings, contacts with clergy, police and physicians were suggested to help Loners become Groups.

CENTRAL OFFICES---Efforts should be increased to bring local intergroups into the Third Legacy communications network.

FINANCING---Value of the Regular Contribution Plan for Group support of world service was reaffirmed.

ATTRACTION---Growth of Public Information Committee activities within our Traditions was hailed as good Twelfth Step work.

ANONYMITY IN A.A.---Regard for others' anonymity is essential; within A.A. anonymity (but not secrecy) permits life-saving personal relationships and places principles before personalities.

GRAPEVINE---Continuing improvements in contents, appearance, and circulation were commended.

DIRECTORY--- Reaffirmed it is not for commercial use.

LITERATURE---Publication of a reader of excerpts from Bill's writings was approved.
.....Conference Digest - 1966

Next month -more on G.S.O. including the financial report and also how much your \$3 per year can do to help.

GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE
ACCEPTS BOARD CHAIN.

Wed. Apr. 20- The General Service Board of A.A. will be changed into a body of 14 A.A. (Class B) and 7 non-alcoholic (Class A) trustees, members of the 16th General Service Conference decided today by accepting a Board re-structure plan.

Putting AA's for the first time in the majority on the Board is historic, because ever since the Board (then called the Foundation) was first formed in 1938 with five members, non-alcoholics have always been in the majority by one.

The change-over from the present Board alignment (10 nonalcoholics, 9 A.A.'s) to the new one probably will not take full effect for some years, according to Dr. John L. Norris, Rochester, N.Y., non-alcoholic Chairman of the G.S. Board who presented the new plan at the 1965 meeting.

.....Conference Digest -1966 5

