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"Lord when I am wrong  
make me willing to change.  
When I'm right make me  
easy to live with!"  
Peter M.

## NEW YORK REPORT

**DELEGATE'S MESSAGE.....**  
The Conference Plan defined in our Service Manual (Page 19) reads: It is a method by which A.A.'s collective group conscience can speak forcefully and put its desires for world wide service into effect. It is the structure that takes the place of government in A.A. It insures that the full voice of A.A. will be heard whether it represents the great majority or a minority. The Conference Plan was established as a guarantee that our movement-wide services would continue to function under all conditions. The Plan provides a practical successor to the founders of A.A."

Bill describes the final session of the 1st Conference in 1951. "We knew that the impossible had happened, that A.A. could never break down in the middle, that Alcoholics Anonymous was at last safe from any storm the future might bring. And, as Delegates returned home they carried the same conviction with them. Realizing our need for funds and better literature circulation, some did place a little too much emphasis on this necessity; others were a little discouraged, wondering why fellow members in their areas did not take fire as they had. They forgot that they themselves had been eye-witnesses to the Conference and that their brother alcoholics had not. But both here and at home, they made an impression much greater than they knew." Bill went on to say: "As I watched all this grow I became entirely sure Alcoholics Anonymous was at last safe---even from me."

The second and last Conference that I will ever attend is extremely difficult to describe. You're not as unsure of yourself,

you have gotten to know the Staff, Trustees, the Board and the other Delegates, many of them that you have grown close to. You shared the common bond of long days and nights of presentations, workshops, committee work, and share your area's progress and its lack of progress. You listen to ideas that have been successful in other areas, and bring them to your area.

The last day of the Conference, the outgoing Trustees make presentations, give farewells and express their deep gratitude for the privilege of being able to serve. It is an extremely emotional and moving experience. There was a feeling of sadness and then an overwhelming sense of gratitude of having participated in a General Service Conference.

Then as Bill described "wanting to somehow relate your experience to your fellow members everything you were witness to". To describe our tremendous growth and just how much G.S.O. contributes to all of us. 24,000 letters answered individually last year, 300 group changes everyday, and over 5,000,000 individual pieces of literature distributed--the activity of the General Service Office is mind boggling. Then to have someone tell me we don't need G.S.O... We're not going to contribute anything!!! I have a hard time understanding that. Then I remember what Bill said " they were not eye-witnesses to the Conference."

Now I understand why some of our past Delegates are still very active and willing to share in anyway they can. I hope I never lose the gratitude I feel right now for the privilege of serving as a Delegate from the Mid-Southern California Area.

Copies of Conference presentations, workshops advisory actions are available upon request from your Delegate.

..... Jerry F., Delegate  
Mid-Southern California Area

P.S. For your information the 1976 Group Contributions to G.S.O. are shown on page 11.

### GROUPS & MEMBERS Spring 1977

|                   | Groups | Members |
|-------------------|--------|---------|
| United States     | 16,557 | 320,913 |
| Canada            | 2,683  | 47,843  |
| Overseas          | 7,597  | 134,537 |
| Hospitals         | 1,285  | 30,792  |
| Prisons           | 1,230  | 39,323  |
| Lone Members      |        | 300     |
| Internationalists |        | 610     |
| Totals            | 29,352 | 574,318 |

( Including nonreported groups & members it is estimated that there are nearly 30,000 groups and more than 1,000,000 members in 92 countries.)

### MEDIA INTERESTED IN A.A.....

**STAFF REPORT:** In 1976 we answered 9,809 requests for information about AA from newspapers, magazines, radio, and TV, processed 5,484 press clippings, distributed 98 radio and 265 TV spots, sent 43 "AA- a Community Resource" displays to health fairs and county and state meetings, and learned of 96 anonymity breaks. We now list 232 P.I. Committees and 306 P.I. contacts. They receive the P.I.-C.P.C. Bulletin and much other material. When the "Brief Guide" pamphlet is re-run, it will be revised to avoid the exclusive use of masculin pronouns.

..... June R.  
Box 4-5-9, New York City, N.Y. '77



YOUR ORANGE COUNTY INTERGROUP  
ASSOCIATION OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS  
PRESENTS

THE INTERGROUP HOLIDAY MARATHON

"SHARING"

FRIDAY - JULY 1ST - 8 P.M. THRU MONDAY- JULY 4TH - 5 P.M.

ORANGE COUNTY AA CENTRAL OFFICE  
2712 SOUTH GRAND AVE., SANTA ANA

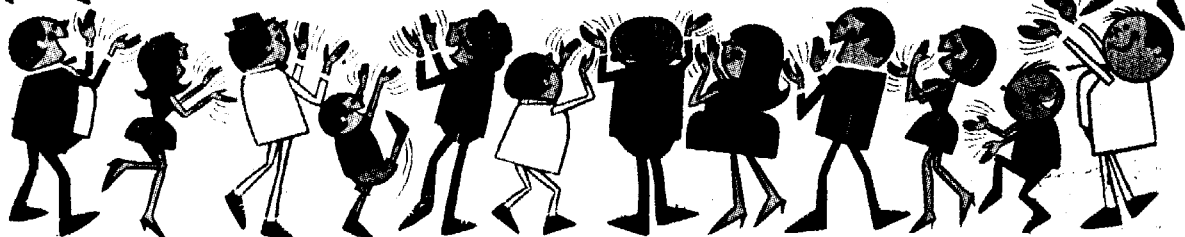
ALL INTERGROUP REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO  
BRING 6 TO 12 MEMBERS OF THEIR GROUPS TO SHARE.  
IF YOUR GROUP HAS NO INTERGROUP REPRESENTATIVE,  
NOW IS THE TIME TO ELECT ONE, REMEMBERING THAT  
A SIX MONTH PERIOD OF SOBRIETY IS SUGGESTED.

CALL YOUR CENTRAL OFFICE - 556-4555 FOR  
INFORMATION AND YOUR TIME ALLOTTMENT.

TIME SLOTS ARE RUNNING OUT SO CALL NOW!  
FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED!

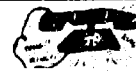
Each Group is also asked to bring  
Each Group is also asked to bring:  
1 lb. of coffee or decaffienated  
1 plate of sandwiches  
1 plate of cookies

GET INVOLVED!!!!!!!!!!!!





# ORANGE COUNTY A.A. CENTRAL OFFICE



## ORANGE COUNTY INTERGROUP ASSOCIATION OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

FINANCIAL STATEMENT THRU 4/25/77

| INCOME:                       | APRIL              | YEAR TO DATE     |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS           | \$ 3,940.43        | 13,694.18        |
| INDIVIDUAL                    | 183.00             | 392.00           |
| LIFELINE                      | 630.00             | 1,842.80         |
| LITERATURE SALES              | 6,364.31           | 27,637.46        |
| SPECIAL EVENTS                | 351.67             | 351.67           |
| INTEREST INCOME               | 15.61              | 15.61            |
| MISCELLANEOUS INCOME          | 67.51              | 602.84           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                  | <b>11,552.53</b>   | <b>44,536.56</b> |
| <b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>         |                    |                  |
| INSURANCE                     | 88.65              | 472.74           |
| GROUP INFORMATION             | 84.75              | 358.54           |
| LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS        | -0-                | 23.42            |
| MAINTENANCE-REPAIR & SUPPLIES | 48.38              | 398.06           |
| MISCELLANEOUS                 | -0-                | 77.90            |
| OFFICE SUPPLIES               | 22.34              | 286.72           |
| OPEN HOUSE EXPENSE            | -0-                | 277.50           |
| POSTAGE & PERMIT MAILING      | 56.32              | 319.75           |
| PUBLIC INFORMATION            | 159.50             | 388.00           |
| RENT                          | 415.00             | 1,444.40         |
| SALARIES                      | 2,376.50           | 10,501.92        |
| TAXES, PAYROLL                | 111.70             | 493.59           |
| TELEPHONE, OFFICE             | 363.40             | 1,557.38         |
| TELEPHONE, T.A.B.             | 130.19             | 538.35           |
| UTILITIES                     | 48.92              | 371.98           |
| LIFELINE EXPENSE              | 552.22             | 2,086.26         |
| COST OF LITERATURE SOLD       | 5,568.77           | 24,203.43        |
| SPECIAL EVENT EXPENSES        | 195.89             | 195.89           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                  | <b>10,222.53</b>   | <b>43,995.83</b> |
| <b>NET GAIN OR (LOSS)</b>     | <b>\$ 1,330.00</b> | <b>540.73</b>    |

|                                      |           |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| CASH ON HAND.....                    | 50.00     |
| CASH IN CHECKING ACCOUNT.....        | 4,895.84  |
| CASH IN SAVINGS ACCOUNT.....         | 1,196.87  |
| ACCOUNTS/ RECEIVABLE LITERATURE..... | 2,856.69  |
| INVENTORY AT COST.....               | 13,452.32 |
| PRE-PAID EXPENSES.....               | 676.03    |

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## MURIEL K. RESIGNS.....

Last month we regretfully accepted Muriel K.'s resignation. Muriel was a good worker, and was a great asset to our Central Office. We shall miss her, not only as a co-worker but as a good friend.

However, we do wish her the best and express our deep affection and gratitude for her efforts while with us and for AA. We welcome Ed B., Laguna Niguel, as the new Night Manager of our office, and a great addition to our evening staff.

Jack M.

## LIFELINE

In this issue you will notice that the Directories are in numbered sequence with the rest of Lifeline. Postal Regulations require that all pages be numbered as part of the newspaper in order to retain our second class permit.

Please continue to send in your experiences or viewpoints. We will print them as space permits.

Lifeline presents the experiences of AAs and others interested in alcoholism.

Opinions expressed herein are not to be attributed to Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole, nor does publication of any article imply endorsement, either by AA or the Lifeline.

DEADLINE FOR JULY ISSUE IS JUNE 12TH!!!!!!!

Be sure to place your name on the new updated 12th Step list at your Central Office. "The life you save may be your own!"

# Lifeline

## Subscription Blank

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MAIL TO: LIFELINE, 2712 S. GRAND AVE., SANTA ANA, CA.92705

May 1, 1977

Dear A.A. of Orange County,  
 A simple "thank you" to all who answered the phone at 556-4555 and welcomed me to AA on my arrival at Huntington Beach.

Especially warm feelings for Ellen and Arno and their hospitality. And to the 12 & 12 Study Group on Mondays at 8PM-6662 Heil St. which I attended. Hi!  
 And to the women whose numbers Ellen gave me and whom I called. Ruth, Betty. And to Sue and Lois and Annie whom I never met but who extended the hand of AA. Thank you all.

Joan, Long Island, N. Y.

# GROUP NEWS

ALL MEETINGS BEGIN AT 8:30 P.M.  
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.

## ANAHEIM TUES. Q&A SPKRS.

Alana Club, 202 W. Broadway.

Speakers:

- June 7- Paula J. (Orange)
- June 14- John McA. (Fountain Valley)
- June 21- Pat C. (Anaheim)
- June 28- Dave D. (Laguna Niguel)
- .....Joan F.

## ANAHEIM WED. SPEAKERS

Alana Club, 202 W. Broadway.

Speakers:

- June 1- Lee & Chuck C. (Bev. Hills)
- June 8- Ray B. (San Diego)
- June 15- Don C. (Riverside)
- June 22- Carl B. (Bakersfield)
- June 29- John N. (Santa Monica)
- .....Armand T.

## ANAHEIM FRIDAY SPEAKERS

Hospital, 1111 La Palma.

Speakers:

- June 3- Manuel C. (Riverside)
- June 10- Bob H. (Tustin)
- June 17- Art C. (Perris)
- June 24- Hal C. (San Diego)
- .....Walt S.

## ANAHEIM THURSDAY SPEAKER

Alana Club, 202 W. Broadway.

Speakers:

- June 2- Hearn (Orange)
- June 9- Chuck D. (Santa Ana)
- June 16- Walt & Shirley S. (Anaheim)
- June 23- Phil & Pat H. (Garden Grve.)
- June 30- Caroline O'R. (Santa Ana)
- .....Dottie S.

## BUENA PARK SUNDAY SPEAKERS

Teen Center, 8150 Knott Ave.

Speakers:

- June 5- Leonard R. (Downey)
- June 12- James A. (W. Covina)
- June 19- Tommy C. (Highland)
- June 26- Helen L. (L.A.)
- .....George D.

## COSTA MESA FRIDAY SPEAKERS

Alana Club, 2040 Placentia.

Speakers:

- June 3- Inmates from Chino
- June 10- Don C. (Orange)
- June 17- Chuck D. (Santa Ana)
- June 24- Fred J. (Irvine)
- .....Karl Mc.

## COSTA MESA SUNDAY SPEAKERS

Oddfellow's Hall, 2476 Newport 8 PM.

Speakers:

- June 5- Herb K. (L.A.)
- June 12- Bob L. (Anaheim)
- June 19- Tony P. (Orange)
- June 26- Bob B. (Avalon)
- .....Ken L.

## FOUNTAIN VALLEY SUN. SPKRS.

Community Center, 10200 Slater, 8 PM.

Speakers:

- June 5- Burt K. (Fountain Valley)
- June 12- Mike C. (Pasadena)
- June 19- Matt C. (L.A.)
- June 26- Les A. (Baldwin Park)
- .....Chris M.

## FULLERTON MONDAY SPEAKERS

Hospital, 101 E. Valencia Mesa Dr.

Speakers:

- June 6- Pat A. (San Francisco)
- June 13- Chuck H. (Fullerton)
- June 20- Walter O'K. (Rolling Hills)
- June 27- John B. (Fullerton)
- .....Fran S.

## FULLERTON WEDNESDAY SPKR.

Alana Center, 705 N. Harbor Blvd.

Speakers:

- June 1- Ron S. (Orange)
- June 8- Dawn R. (Garden Grove)
- June 15- Clint P. (Laguna Beach)
- June 22- Joe R. (Garden Grove)
- June 29- Barbara C. (Fullerton)
- .....Frank E.

## FULLERTON SAT. SPEAKERS

Oddfellow's Hall, Lemon & Amerige

Speakers:

- June 4- Marion S. (Laguna Beach)
- June 11- Gene S. (Orange)
- June 18- Art H. (Tustin)
- June 25- Bob L. & Al W. (Fullerton)
- .....Gene K.

## FULLERTON SUNDAY SPEAKER

Alana Center, 705 Harbor, 10:30 AM.

Speakers:

- June 5- Mel A. (N. Hollywood)
- June 12- Betty P. (Newport Beach)
- June 19- Jim A. (S. El Monte)
- June 26- Chuck H. (Fullerton)
- .....Richard P.

## GARDEN GROVE THURS. SPEAKERS

Alana Club, 9636 Garden Grove Blvd.

Speakers:

- June 2- Dick D. (Garden Grove)
- June 9- Norm A. (Monrovia)
- June 16- Helen O. (Azusa)
- June 23- Betty J. (Azusa)
- June 30- Judy W. (Covina)
- .....Jerry R.

## GARDEN GROVE MON. WOMEN

9596 Garden Grove, Rm. #210, 8 P.M.

The speaker for the first Monday, Jun. 6, will be Louise H. from Bellflower.

.....Ellen Van T.

## GARDEN GROVE SAT. SPEAKERS

Alana Club, 9636 Garden Grove Blvd.

Speakers:

- June 4- Ben P. (Garden Grove)
- June 11- Bob C. (Long Beach)
- June 18- Dick S. (Garden Grove)
- June 25- Mary Ann K. (Santa Monica)
- .....Andy W.

## GARDEN GROVE SUN. SPEAKERS

Alana Club, 9636 Garden Grove, Noon.

Speakers:

- June 5- John F. (San Juan Cap.)
- June 12- George M. (Laguna Beach)
- June 19- JoAnne A. (Villa Park)
- June 26- Bill H. (Santa Ana)
- .....Joe D.

## LAGUNA BEACH SAT. VISIT SPKR.

Canyon Club, 1945 Lag. Canyon Rd., 8PM.

Speakers:

- June 4- Poor Boy's Roundup
- June 11- Toni C. & Her Tigers (Laguna B.)
- June 18- Fellowship Hall, Santa Barbara.
- June 25- Mon. Nite Speakers, Upland.
- .....Nancy O.

## LAGUNA NIGUEL SUN. SPKRS.

Crown Valley Sch., at Adelanto. 8 P.M.

Speakers:

- June 5- Dennis F. (L.A.)
- June 12- Patrick H. (Studio City)
- June 19- Pat O'K. (San Marcos)
- June 26- Mike R. (N. Hollywood)
- .....Jim K.

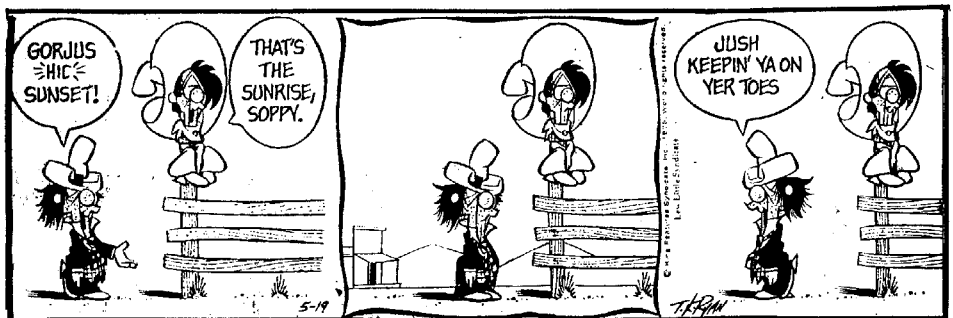
## LA HABRA MONDAY SPEAKERS

142 E. La Habra Blvd.

Speakers:

- June 6- Skip R. (Oceanside)
- June 13- Bill B. (Oceanside)
- June 20- Don L. (Woodland Hills)
- June 27- Surprise
- (Dinner each night before meeting 7PM)
- .....Dianne Van M.

"A.A. is not only something to live by,  
but is something to leave by." Chuck C.



**LA HABRA FRIDAY SPEAKERS**

631 N. Euclid.

Speakers:

- June 3- Jim R. (Malibu)
- June 10- John S. (Malibu)
- June 17- Basil Van B. (Santa Ana)
- June 24- John F. (San Juan Cap.)
- .....Don O'D.

**NEWPORT BEACH TUES. SPEAKERS**

Church, 320 Via Lido Soud.

Speakers:

- June 7- Lyn W. (Laguna Niguel)
- June 14- Ralph S. (Corona del Mar)
- June 21- Dean M. (Canoga Park)
- June 28- Participation
- .....Sandy S.

**NEWPORT BEACH THURS. SPKRS.**

Ebell Club, 515 W. Balboa.

Speakers:

- June 2- Jim G. (Newport Beach)
- June 9- Joe P. (N. Hollywood)
- June 16- Norm A. (City of Commerce)
- June 23- Dottie H. (Lakewood)
- June 30- John S. (Fallbrook)
- .....Archie B.

**NEWPORT BEACH SAT. HOAG HUT**

Hosp. Conf. Center, 301 Newport Blvd.

Speakers:

- June 4- Surprise
- June 11- Joe M. (S. Laguna)
- June 18- Norm A. (Monrovia)
- June 25- Jean V. (Pasadena)
- .....Ray S.

**ORANGE MONDAY SPEAKERS**

Friendship Club, 2191 Orange-Olive Rd.

Speakers:

- June 6- Inez G. (Anaheim)
- June 13- Eddie R. (Venice)
- June 20- Dianna G. (Huntington B.)
- June 27- Bill D. (Canoga Park)
- .....Jayne P.

**ORANGE FRIDAY SPEAKERS**

Children's Hosp., 1109 La Veta.

Speakers:

- June 3- Surprise
- June 10- Joe Q. (Laguna Beach)
- June 17- Alabam C. (N. Hollywood)
- June 24- Milton M. (L.A.)
- .....Don Y.

**SANTA ANA MONDAY SPEAKER**

Step House, 525 N. Grand Ave.

Speakers:

- June 6- Les H. (Anaheim)
- June 13- Dan E. (Santa Ana)
- June 20- George M. (La Habra)
- June 27- Dick L. (Anaheim)
- .....Darell V.

**SANTA ANA MONDAY SPEAKERS**

Atano Club, 2112 N. Main St.

Speakers:

- June 6- Ken R. (L.A.)
- June 13- Chuck C. (Laguna Beach)
- June 20- John N. (La Habra)
- June 27- Inmates from Chino
- .....John S.

**SANTA ANA SATURDAY SPKRS.**

The Villa, 1605 E. 4th St., 2 P.M.

Speakers:

- June 4- Ed McC. (Anaheim)
- June 11- Shel S. (Anaheim)
- June 18- Betty P. (Huntington B.)
- June 24- Paul K. (Tustin)
- .....grace W.

**SAN CLEMENTE FRIDAY SPEAKERS**

Church, 202 Avenida Aragon.

Speakers:

- June 3- Richard D. (Escondido)
- June 10- Angie S. (Orange)
- June 17- Al S. (Rolling Hills)
- June 24- Dave D. (Laguna Niguel)
- .....Betty J.

**TUSTIN SATURDAY SPEAKERS**

Hosp., 14662 Newport Blvd. 8 P.M.

Speakers:

- June 4- Dave K. & Friends (Orange)
- June 11- Vic S. & Friends (Laguna B.)
- June 18- Les H. & Friends (Anaheim)
- June 25- Bill R. & Friends (Glendale)
- .....Bob McC.

**TUSTIN SUNDAY SPEAKERS**

Civic Center, Main & Centennial 7:30PM

Speakers:

- June 5- Dawn R. (Garden Grove)
- June 12- Bob S. AA Espanol (Paramount)
- June 19- Claude W. (Tustin)
- June 26- Matt C. (L.A.)
- .....Dick M.

**TUSTIN SUNDAY SPEAKERS**

Hosp. 401 S. Tustin, 8 P.M.

Speakers:

- June 5- Jean S. (N. Hollywood)
- June 12- Gloria & Bob D.
- June 19- Chino Inmates
- June 26- Ralph S. (Corona del Mar)
- .....Frank P.

**IN MEMORIAM.**

Heartfelt sympathy and love to the family and friends of  
**DICK STREET**  
(Huntington Beach)

**DICK STREET. . . .**

Dick Street passed away this month at the age of 42. He would have celebrated 10 years of sobriety in AA in September.

He came on the program in Culver City where he was most active in General Service and the groups in that area. He moved to Huntington Beach 2 years ago, and was active in the groups of that area until he was stricken with the illness that cost him his life.

He was a quiet reserved man. Instead of talking AA, he actively participated in AA.

He will be greatly missed by those who knew him and loved him.

**LONG BEACH TO HOST 26TH A.A. SO. CALIF. CONVENTION**

The Queen Mary Hotel, Long Beach will be the Headquarters for the 26th Annual So. Calif. AA Convention, Oct. 14, 15, & 16th, 1977. The Convention Meetings will be held either on the Queen Mary or across the bay in the Long Beach Arena. Registration, this year, is \$2.00 per person and registration forms will be available soon at all So. Cal. Central Offices, most clubs, many meetings, or from any member of the Convention Committee.

Last year's Convention in Anaheim was most successful. The Convention met all expenses in accordance with the 7th Tradition and also donated significant funds to the central offices in So. Cal., the General Service Office in New York and Al-Anon. It is anticipated that this

year's convention will be equally successful.

Bob R. of Canoga Park is Chairman for the Long Beach Convention and is assisted by Frank A. of Orange as Co-Chairman along with a committee of 30 other AA volunteers. Many more volunteers are needed as ushers, hostesses, hospitality suite hosts, booth volunteers, meeting leaders and readers, etc. Anyone wishing to help with this year's convention is urged to attend the new open committee meeting, Sunday, June 26th, 1977, 1:00 to 4:00 P.M. at the edge-water Hyatt Hotel in Long Beach.

.....Karl B. 26th Convention Committee



**I ONLY DRINK  
TO BE SOCIABLE.  
LET ME KNOW  
WHEN I GET  
THERE.**

THAMES 4-77

## INTERGROUP COUNTY CALENDAR

|                        |                |                     |              |
|------------------------|----------------|---------------------|--------------|
| HOLIDAY MARATHON       | July 1,2,3,4   | Southern California |              |
| Orange Co. Anniversary | August 21st.   | Convention          | Oct.14,15,16 |
| Annual Picnic          | September 11th | Alk-A-Thon          | Nov. 19,20   |

### 52 GROUPS REPRESENTED AT MAY INTERGROUP MEETING!!!!

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Anaheim:- (Club)Wed. 1PM Women   | Laguna Beach:- (Club) Sun. 2PM- Thurs.   |
| Buena Park:- Tues. Study   | Beginners- Sat. Visit Spkr.  |
| Costa Mesa:- Sun. Spkr. - Mon. Disc. - (Club)Mon. Beginners-Thurs. Disc. -Fri. Noon-Fri. Spkr. -Sat. 1:30 PM                   | Los Alamitos:- Wed. Study  |
| Fountain Valley:- Sun. Spkr.   | Newport Beach:- Wed. Oakwood- Sat. HoagHut Spkr.-  |
| Fullerton:- Tues. Part. - Thurs. Stag-Sat. Spkr.(Club) Tues. Disc. -Fri. Topic Disc.   | Orange:- Sun. 8PM Spkr. -Tues. Disc. - Fri. Spkr.(Club) Mon. Noon- Thurs. Beginners- Fri. Disc. - Sat. Part. |
| Garden Grove:- Thurs. Beginners- Thurs. Part. -(Club)Thurs. Study- Thurs.Spkr. - Fri. 10:30AM Women-Sat. Spkr.                 | Placentia:- Mon. Part.   |
| Huntington Beach:- Tues. 1PM Women- Tues. We Care- Tues. Chapel-Wed. Part. -Thurs. Noon- Fri. Downtown-Fri.Rebos- Fri. Lennox. | San Juan Capistrano:- Thurs. Men- Santa Ana:- (Club) Tues. Disc.   |
|  | Tustin:- Sun. Spkr. -Mon. Mens Stag- Tues. 4th Step- Tues. Disc. - Wed.8PM Women.                            |
|  | Wandering Groups:- Fri. Sat.   |

### ORANGE COUNTY CENTRAL OFFICE STATISTICAL REPORT - APRIL 1977

| CENTRAL OFFICE                                 | APRIL        | YEAR TO DATE  |
|--|--------------|---------------|
| REQUEST FOR SPEAKERS(SCHOOLS, COLLEGES)        | 19           | 74            |
| INFORMATION ON AL-ANON                         | 92           | 326           |
| MAIL LITERATURE & INFORMATION                  | 133          | 485           |
| PUBLIC INFORMATION                             | 720          | 2,662         |
| REQUESTS FOR MEETING: TIME & PLACE             | 1,004        | 3,386         |
| A.A. MEMBERS CALLING C.O.                      | 866          | 3,467         |
| NEW INQUIRY ABOUT SELF                         | 203          | 630           |
| NEW INQUIRY ABOUT ANOTHER                      | 197          | 956           |
| 12 STEP CALLS: MALE                            | 191          | 699           |
| 12 STEP CALLS: FEMALE                          | 176          | 608           |
| <b>TOTAL CALLS CENTRAL OFFICE</b>              | <b>3,601</b> | <b>13,293</b> |
| TELEPHONE ANSWERING SERVICE ( T.A.B.)          |              |               |
| PUBLIC INFORMATION CALLS                       | 308          | 917           |
| AL-ANON INFORMATION                            | 47           | 278           |
| REQUEST FOR MEETING: TIME & PLACE              | 589          | 2,081         |
| CROSS CONNECT: MALE                            | 102          | 405           |
| CROSS CONNECT: FEMALE                          | 83           | 352           |
| <b>TOTAL CALLS TO T.A.B.</b>                   | <b>1,129</b> | <b>4,033</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL CALLS CENTRAL OFFICE &amp; T.A.B.</b> | <b>4,730</b> | <b>17,326</b> |
| VISITORS TO CENTRAL OFFICE                     | 907          | 3,820         |
| <b>TOTAL CONTACTS</b>                          | <b>5,637</b> | <b>21,146</b> |

### INTERGROUP HILITES.....

The May Intergroup meeting held an election for five members of the Central Service Board to fill the expired terms of the board. Those elected were: Roberta B., Tustin; John C., El Toro. The other three were reelected to another term: Frank A., Orange, Dick W., Yorba Linda, and Joe F., Brea.

The membership approved a special 4th of July weekend Marathon with Intergroup Representatives bringing their own groups to participate, with the Rep as the leader. Any group interested call JoAnne A. at the C.O. telling time wished.

Helen S., announced that Muriel K had resigned and introduced Ed B. who will be the new Night Manager. Toni C. will handle the day shift.

Rush H. announced a Public Information meeting for members who would like to speak before groups in schools & colleges to be oriented in the manner in which they should be given. Time: June 20th- 7 P.M. - Central Office, 2712 S. Grand. The Bloodmobile will be at C.O. May 27. If you care to donate blood for the A.A. Blood bank call C.O. 556-4555 for information and time.

## FRESH

Highlights of the April 25th meeting. Frank A., Orange, led the meeting at which approximately 20 were in attendance. The subjects of discussion were as follows:

1. Is there a need for zoning the Orange County Intergroup Association?

The rapid growth of the fellowship in Orange County was discussed and compared to the rapid growth previously experienced by Los Angeles County and handled in a similar manner. Frank A. explained how, as a part of his Service Board function, he was assisting the formation of zones in Orange County. It is felt that a zoning structure would help bridge the gap between many groups and the central office.

Currently the county is divided into 14 zones with a chairman assigned to each zone. The largest group count per zone is 27, and the smallest group count per zone is 16. As the initial step in this restructuring, the zone chairmen are becoming acquainted with the groups in their zone. Frank A. requested assistance in this effort and provided lists of the zone chairmen.

2. How does your group feel about announcing outside enterprise activities at meetings? At what time are they announced?

In general it was felt outside enterprise activities could be announced after the closing prayer. Outside AA activities (Picnics, breakfasts, etc.) are announced at the time of the secretary's report. It was also suggested that a bulletin board be used for other activities.

3. What are the methods your group uses in coping with responsibilities placed upon it by government agencies and outside commercial enterprises?

Card carriers are requested to be at the meeting promptly when the meeting starts and are advised that the cards will be signed after the meeting. It was suggested that the carrier should fill out the card for everything but the signature to expedite handling. Cooperation but not affiliation was discussed as the overall approach to the question.

.....Cindy K. Secy.

Cliff W. announced that the annual banquet and meeting at Chino State Prison will be held August 6th. Anyone caring to attend must let the Institutional Committee know before June 20, as your name has to be cleared for this event. Tickets are \$2.75, meeting from 7-9:30PM.



## 1976 Group Contributions

| U.S.                      | # Gps. reported | # Gps. contrib. | % of Gps. on R.C.P. | Amount of contrib. | Member-ship | Contrib. per capita |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| Alabama                   | 127             | 70              | 55.1%               | \$ 4,905.73        | 1,888       | \$2.59              |
| Alaska                    | 58              | 36              | 62.1                | 2,832.80           | 618         | 4.58                |
| Arizona                   | 232             | 113             | 48.7                | 10,447.69          | 3,035       | 3.44                |
| Arkansas                  | 133             | 72              | 54.1                | 4,411.39           | 1,882       | 2.34                |
| California                | 2,454           | 1,227           | 50.0                | 92,202.90          | 66,533      | 1.38                |
| Colorado                  | 291             | 158             | 54.3                | 14,306.16          | 4,104       | 3.48                |
| Connecticut               | 467             | 230             | 49.3                | 16,767.50          | 8,667       | 1.93                |
| Delaware                  | 73              | 49              | 67.1                | 3,771.60           | 1,115       | 3.38                |
| Dist. of Columbia         | 76              | 56              | 73.7                | 6,612.10           | 2,299       | 2.87                |
| Florida                   | 652             | 380             | 58.3                | 55,485.14          | 11,846      | 4.68                |
| Georgia                   | 273             | 195             | 71.4                | 14,230.69          | 4,128       | 3.44                |
| Hawaii                    | 82              | 45              | 54.8                | 4,887.06           | 1,435       | 3.40                |
| Idaho                     | 76              | 31              | 40.7                | 1,268.90           | 767         | 1.65                |
| Illinois                  | 870             | 493             | 56.6                | 31,832.09          | 21,720      | 1.46                |
| Indiana                   | 339             | 214             | 63.1                | 16,492.03          | 5,072       | 3.25                |
| Iowa                      | 200             | 122             | 61.0                | 11,040.75          | 3,606       | 3.06                |
| Kansas                    | 185             | 115             | 62.2                | 9,143.59           | 3,514       | 2.60                |
| Kentucky                  | 208             | 120             | 57.6                | 12,626.57          | 2,595       | 4.86                |
| Louisiana                 | 166             | 112             | 67.5                | 7,028.17           | 2,435       | 2.88                |
| Maine                     | 103             | 68              | 66.0                | 3,241.68           | 1,382       | 2.34                |
| Maryland                  | 441             | 258             | 58.5                | 19,062.63          | 6,204       | 3.07                |
| Massachusetts             | 589             | 292             | 49.5                | 24,965.30          | 13,672      | 1.82                |
| Michigan                  | 628             | 341             | 54.3                | 33,591.76          | 13,167      | 2.55                |
| Minnesota                 | 550             | 329             | 59.2                | 32,103.54          | 15,769      | 2.03                |
| Mississippi               | 86              | 50              | 58.1                | 3,097.87           | 1,143       | 2.71                |
| Missouri                  | 333             | 196             | 58.8                | 12,248.93          | 4,747       | 2.58                |
| Montana                   | 107             | 63              | 58.8                | 3,696.40           | 1,198       | 3.08                |
| Nebraska                  | 176             | 124             | 70.5                | 10,385.29          | 2,715       | 3.82                |
| Nevada                    | 86              | 50              | 58.1                | 2,882.52           | 1,181       | 2.44                |
| New Hampshire             | 103             | 62              | 60.2                | 3,751.96           | 1,643       | 2.28                |
| New Jersey                | 518             | 312             | 60.2                | 25,680.28          | 8,923       | 2.87                |
| New Mexico                | 86              | 58              | 67.4                | 2,823.27           | 1,046       | 2.69                |
| New York                  | 1,147           | 604             | 52.7                | 53,854.38          | 23,228      | 2.31                |
| North Carolina            | 275             | 196             | 71.3                | 14,653.71          | 4,041       | 3.62                |
| North Dakota              | 94              | 61              | 64.8                | 4,538.06           | 1,360       | 3.33                |
| Ohio                      | 725             | 349             | 48.1                | 21,173.79          | 14,065      | 1.50                |
| Oklahoma                  | 179             | 142             | 79.3                | 10,075.37          | 2,292       | 4.39                |
| Oregon                    | 188             | 108             | 57.4                | 10,937.23          | 2,292       | 4.77                |
| Pennsylvania              | 628             | 396             | 63.1                | 33,310.83          | 11,145      | 2.98                |
| Rhode Island              | 78              | 46              | 58.9                | 3,013.12           | 1,136       | 2.65                |
| South Carolina            | 115             | 70              | 60.8                | 4,861.61           | 1,743       | 2.78                |
| South Dakota              | 89              | 60              | 67.4                | 4,056.78           | 1,434       | 2.82                |
| Tennessee                 | 160             | 90              | 56.3                | 5,487.41           | 2,187       | 2.50                |
| Texas                     | 598             | 325             | 54.3                | 35,420.22          | 14,688      | 2.41                |
| Utah                      | 88              | 52              | 59.1                | 2,703.37           | 1,017       | 2.65                |
| Vermont                   | 60              | 38              | 63.3                | 2,296.65           | 683         | 3.36                |
| Virginia                  | 309             | 216             | 69.9                | 16,378.83          | 4,891       | 3.34                |
| Washington                | 390             | 220             | 56.4                | 20,744.41          | 5,645       | 3.64                |
| West Virginia             | 90              | 53              | 58.8                | 3,361.25           | 1,149       | 2.92                |
| Wisconsin                 | 440             | 251             | 57.0                | 15,321.19          | 5,982       | 2.56                |
| Wyoming                   | 46              | 28              | 60.8                | 1,353.15           | 510         | 2.65                |
| Connecticutwealth of P.R. | 72              | 46              | 63.8                | 2,515.12           | 1,174       | 2.14                |
| Canal Zone                | 3               | 2               | 66.6                | 257.00             | 70          | 3.67                |
| Bahama Islands            | 6               | 0               | -                   | -                  | 72          | 0                   |
| Virgin Islands of U.S.    | 6               | 0               | -                   | -                  | 72          | 0                   |
| TOTAL for U.S.            | 16,577          | 9,396           | 56.7%               | \$764,510.47       | 320,913     | \$2.38              |

## CONTRIBUTION COMPARISON - 1976-1975

|                      | # Gps. reported | # Gps. contrib. | % of Gps. on R.C.P. | Amount of contrib. | Member-ship | Contrib. per capita |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| U.S. 1976            | 16,557          | 9,396           | 56.7%               | \$764,510.47       | 320,913     | \$2.38              |
| U.S. 1975            | 15,308          | 8,583           | 56.1                | 683,158.04         | 292,646     | 2.33                |
| Increase (Decrease)  | 1,249           | 813             | .6%                 | \$ 81,352.43       | 28,267      | \$ .05              |
| Canada 1976          | 2,683           | 1,419           | 52.9%               | \$167,579.25       | 47,843      | \$3.50              |
| Canada 1975          | 2,511           | 1,327           | 52.8                | 112,044.87         | 43,903      | 2.55                |
| Increase (Decrease)  | 172             | 92              | .1%                 | \$ 55,534.38       | 3,940       | \$ .95              |
| U.S. and Canada 1976 | 19,240          | 10,815          | 56.2%               | \$932,089.72       | 368,756     | \$2.53              |
| U.S. and Canada 1975 | 17,819          | 9,910           | 55.6                | 795,202.91         | 336,549     | 2.36                |
| Increase (Decrease)  | 1,421           | 905             | .6%                 | \$136,886.81       | 32,207      | \$ .17              |

# SHARING EXPERIENCE - STRENGTH - HOPE.....

## LETTERS OF GRATITUDE.....

As I near my one year birthday, my heart is not only filled with gratitude for Alcoholics Anonymous, but a very deep love for my mother, who, but for the grace of God, had ten years sobriety in the program. She wrote me probably the most beautiful letter a son could receive, not to mention a new member of AA. I would like very much to share with you and possibly the readers of Lifeline the letter that gave me the stepping stone of hope I needed so badly when I first came to AA.

Dear Mike, June 19, 1976

Received your letter- can't tell you how pleased I am the you are going to AA. It will open doors for you. In the Big Book read the promises-pages 83-84.

The most important thing is today. I caught a glimpse of your becoming honest for the first time-honest with Mike. I had to laugh about your saying Ray's boat and the Colorado property being yours! This built you up ( you thought ). If you will only stay with AA and learn to listen and then listen to learn. AA is a way of life- not just not drinking- that's only a small part of it. Also, be careful about the antibus and having just one drink; when they say it will make you sick, believe it- it will also make you dead.

You have been given an opportunity at a very early age to make some changes in your attitude that, if you are willing to go to any length, to achieve them, will give you PEACE, SERENITY, and HAPPINESS. Remember the "Man in the Glass"? If you are content within yourself that you are living a good, sober, honest life, then you won't have to put up a false front or facade.

Mike, you are a child of God. He loves you and forgives you daily for your mistakes. But in order for Him to help-- you have to ask Him. No fancy long prayers, just "God Show Me", and then be willing. If you don't believe that God can help you, fake it for the time being-

even that helps. Your new friends in AA will give you all the love from people that an alcoholic so desperately needs. Stick with the winners- pick out someone whose brand of AA you like or with whom you can identify, and ask him to be your sponsor. Then talk with him on a 1- to 1 basis about your living problems. Stay close to AA doors.

You know, when I was 16 and went to Austin to University of Texas, engraved in the side of the Administration building were the words, "ye shall know the truth- and the truth shall set you free". Beautiful words but I really didn't understand them until AA taught me to look at myself. When self-honesty came into my life, I found freedom- freedom from that need to please, freedom to just be me. Freedom from fear, that gnawing gut level hurt and fear of not measuring up. Dad doesn't understand all these things I am telling you about AA's way of life. He just knows I don't drink and I am easier to live with today. That used to bother me that I couldn't share my feelings with him. He and I have been married almost 20 years and yet my AA friends know more about me than he does. Wierd Huh?

Wherever you go in California, Texas or Timbuktu, Asia or Europe, you will find friends in AA. You can walk in anywhere and say Hi. My name is Mike and I'm a drunk-they love and understand you.

Tonight I am going to Winnie's 20th birthday meeting. She has asked me to speak for her. I am so grateful you wrote this week as I can share with that group your joining AA.

If you think later on you need to drink, or that you can't be alcoholic at 24, or that after such and such a period of dryness you can drink successfully- forget it! It gets nothing but worse.

You know me and making pickles? Think about this: I take a cucumber and turn it into a pickle-right? But, I can't take that same pickle and turn it back

into a cucumber! That's alcoholism. The funny thing is that today I don't want to drink. God, AA, and I got rid of the need to drink.

I could go on and on (and I have ). I want your happiness and sobriety above all. I can't give it to you. This you have to do for yourself.

Your assignment for today: Read all of Chapter Five, Big Book.

Love, Mom

P.S. One thing you said alcohol was the cause for your attitudes? That's not entirely true. Because of our alcoholic personality- the loneliness, the fear, and the insecurity- we drank to make it easier to cope, and it ( the booze ) did work for awhile. But you see, I had this type of personality as a child, ( and so did you ) long before I ever saw or drank a drop. So it is our inner feelings that must change; and they will, a day at a time.

Thank you for the opportunity to share as this meant so much to me and still does. My birthday is June 2. My mother's is June 6. This year she will fly to California to take my cake with me as well as taking her own. I owe my life to God and AA. Funny thing I did not know when her birthday was. God did. Love, Mike M. (Costa Mesa )

Dear Fellow A.A.s: Orange, Ca.

This coming June 23rd I will have 7 years sobriety, which in no way could I have attained without your help, my friends. I wish to extend my deepest thanks to each and every one of you for your ehlp and love. And as my life passes one day at a time I shall never forget any of you fantastic people.

It seems at times in life we must make changes. And in our life now a change has come which is a change of great happiness and opportunity for us. But at the same time it entails sadness, as we must move away from Orange County and leave many wonderful friends behind. We are moving to Minden, Nevada which is just South of Carson City. We do hope if any of you get up our way, you'll look us up, and the welcome mat shall surely always be out for a bunch of wonderful drunks.

May God bless each and every one of you, and be as kind to you as He has to us..... Marvin, Pat, Terry & Kathy F.

1248 Melborn, Mindon Nev.  
( formerly Orange, Calif. )





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( MEETING FOLLOWS )

DONATION: \$2.50 PER PERSON



From The Grapevine

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS FOR APRIL

|                        | APR. | YEAR  |
|------------------------|------|-------|
| ANAHEIM                |      |       |
| FRI. 11STEP STUDY      |      | 15    |
| FRI. SPEAKERS ( HOSP ) |      | 42    |
| TOTALS                 | -0-  | 57    |
| ANAHEIM ( CLUB )       |      |       |
| SUN. 11AM ENG. SPKR.   |      | 50    |
| MON. 12 NOON DISC.     | 30   | 60    |
| MON. MENS STAG         |      | 25    |
| TUES. Q&A SPEAKER      |      | 120   |
| WED. 1PM WOMEN         |      | 30    |
| WED. 8:30 SPANISH      |      | 5     |
| THURS. SPKR.           | 110  | 110   |
| SAT. SPEAKER           |      | 40    |
| TOTALS                 | 140  | 440   |
| BREA                   |      |       |
| MON. 8PM DISC.         | 35   | 35    |
| THURS. DISC.           |      | 78    |
| TOTALS                 | 35   | 113   |
| BUENA PARK             |      |       |
| SUN. FIRESIDE SPKRS.   | 15   | 55    |
| TUES. 8PM STUDY        |      | 30    |
| WED. PARTICIPATION     |      | 50    |
| TOTALS                 | 15   | 135   |
| CORONA DEL MAR         |      |       |
| TUES. NOON             | 25   | 85    |
| FRI. REBELS            |      | 40    |
| TOTALS                 | 25   | 125   |
| COSTA MESA             |      |       |
| MON. 8PM DISC.         |      | 24    |
| TUES. NOON COLLEGE     |      | 30    |
| TUES. 8PM GRANGE       | 6    | 11    |
| THURS. PITCAIRN MEN    | 6    | 13    |
| FRI. 1PM WOMEN         | 20   | 20    |
| TOTALS                 | 32   | 98    |
| COSTA MESA ( CLUB )    |      |       |
| SUN. 7:30 DISC.        |      | 15    |
| TUES. SPEAKER          | 40   | 40    |
| THURS. DISC.           | 16   | 16    |
| TOTALS                 | 56   | 71    |
| DANA POINT TUES.       | 30   | 100   |
| EL TORO WED. DISC.     | 40   | 40    |
| FOUNTAIN VALLEY        |      |       |
| SUN. 8PM SPEAKER       |      | 60    |
| WED. 8PM DISC.         |      | 72    |
| TOTALS                 | -0-  | 132   |
| FULLERTON              |      |       |
| SUN. 8PM DISC.         | 200  | 200   |
| MON. SPKR. HOSP.       | 293  | 960   |
| TUES. PART.            | 36   | 66    |
| THURS. WOMEN           | 18   | 18    |
| THURS. DOG ON ROOF     | 36   | 66    |
| FRI. 8PM SPANISH       | 6    | 17    |
| FRI. BOOK STUDY        |      | 70    |
| SAT. SPKRS. ODDFELLOW  | 18   | 102   |
| TOTALS                 | 607  | 1,499 |
| FULLERTON ( CLUB )     |      |       |
| SUN. 10:30 AM SPKR.    |      | 42    |
| MON. 11:30 AM DISC.    | 18   | 34    |
| WED. 11:30AM DISC.     |      | 16    |
| WED. SPEAKER           |      | 49    |
| THURS. 11:30AM STUDY   |      | 39    |
| FRI. 11:30AM PART.     |      | 37    |

| FULLERTON ( CONT. )    | APR. | YEAR  |
|------------------------|------|-------|
| FRI. TOPIC DISC.       |      | 36    |
| SAT. 11:30AM DISC.     |      | 42    |
| TOTALS                 | 18   | 295   |
| GARDEN GROVE           |      |       |
| MON. DAYLITE           | 15   | 60    |
| MON. THUR. FRI. WOMEN  |      | 20    |
| WED. SERENITY          | 40   | 95    |
| WED. MENS STAG         |      | 68    |
| THURS. BEGINNERS       |      | 10    |
| TOTALS                 | 55   | 253   |
| GARDEN GROVE ( CLUB )  |      |       |
| SUN. NOON SPEAKER      | 75   | 75    |
| SUN. 7:30PM STUDY      |      | 12    |
| TUES. 12:30 NOON DISC. |      | 100   |
| TUES. 8PM PART.        |      | 142   |
| WED. 8PM STUDY         |      | 25    |
| THURS. 12:30 STUDY     |      | 12    |
| THURS. SPEAKERS        | 60   | 210   |
| FRI. 10:30AM WOMEN     | 70   | 182   |
| SAT. 12:30 DISC.       | 63   | 63    |
| SAT. SPEAKERS          |      | 90    |
| TOTALS                 | 268  | 911   |
| HUNTINGTON BEACH       |      |       |
| MON. 8PM STUDY HEIL    |      | 44    |
| TUES. 1PM WOMEN        | 44   | 141   |
| TUES. 8PM CHAPEL       | 66   | 130   |
| TUES. 8PM WE CARE      | 26   | 264   |
| WED. 1PM WOMEN         |      | 22    |
| WED. PART.             | 40   | 80    |
| THURS. NOON DISC.      |      | 79    |
| FRI. REBOS PART.       | 81   | 221   |
| FRI. LENNOX PART.      | 55   | 169   |
| TOTALS                 | 312  | 1,150 |
| IRVINE                 |      |       |
| WED. 8PM BEGINNERS     |      | 59    |
| FRI. 8PM PART.         | 25   | 25    |
| FRI. 8PM DISC.         |      | 45    |
| TOTALS                 | 25   | 129   |
| LAGUNA BEACH           |      |       |
| MON. WOMEN             |      | 54    |
| TUES. 12:30 WOMEN      | 20   | 83    |
| WED. SO. COAST SPKR.   | 150  | 350   |
| FRI. YNG. PEOPLE       |      | 326   |
| SAT. 8PM SPKR. HOSP.   |      | 100   |
| TOTALS                 | 170  | 913   |
| LAGUNA BEACH ( CLUB )  |      |       |
| SUN. 2PM DISC.         |      | 50    |
| MON. MENS STAG         |      | 110   |
| TOTALS                 | -0-  | 160   |
| LAGUNA HILLS MON.      | 40   | 150   |
| LAGUNA NIGUEL          |      |       |
| SUN. SPEAKER           |      | 400   |

| LAG. NIGUEL CONT.        | APR. | YEAR  |
|--------------------------|------|-------|
| FRI. DISC.               |      | 180   |
| TOTALS                   | -0-  | 580   |
| LA HABRA                 |      |       |
| SUN. 8PM STUDY           | 20   | 30    |
| MON. 10:30AM WOMEN       |      | 20    |
| WED. MENS STAG           | 15   | 28    |
| FRI. SPEAKERS            | 100  | 250   |
| TOTALS                   | 135  | 328   |
| LA MIRADA WED. WOMEN     | 10   | 30    |
| LOS ALAMITOS WED.        | 10   | 20    |
| MISSION VIEJO            |      |       |
| WED. 9:30AM WOMEN        |      | 60    |
| WED. 8:30 DISC.          | 50   | 130   |
| TOTALS                   | 50   | 190   |
| NEWPORT BEACH            |      |       |
| TUES. LIDO SPKRS.        | 130  | 130   |
| TUES. MENS STAG          | 12   | 16    |
| WED. OAKWOOD DISC.       |      | 30    |
| THURS. EBELL SPKR.       | 132  | 372   |
| SAT. HOAG HUT SPKR.      | 100  | 600   |
| TOTALS                   | 374  | 1,148 |
| NEWPORT BEACH ( CLUB )   |      |       |
| SUN. 11:30AM DISC.       |      | 60    |
| MON. 10:30AM WOMEN       |      | 20    |
| MON. DISC.               |      | 86    |
| FRI. DISC.               | 90   | 90    |
| TOTALS                   | 90   | 250   |
| ORANGE                   |      |       |
| SUN. 6PM PART.           | 20   | 50    |
| SUN. 8PM SPKR (HOSP.)    | 100  | 150   |
| TUES. DISC. WALNUT       | 30   | 110   |
| WED. 8PM DISC. ( HOSP. ) | 25   | 85    |
| THURS. 8PM DISC. (HOSP.) | 50   | 100   |
| FRI. PART. LAPURISSIMA   | 10   | 20    |
| FRI. SPEAKER (C.H.O.C.)  | 180  | 390   |
| TOTALS                   | 415  | 905   |
| ORANGE ( CLUB )          |      |       |
| SUN. 7:30 DISC.          |      | 15    |
| MON. SPEAKER             | 15   | 90    |
| THURS. BEGINNERS         |      | 50    |
| FRI. 11PM DISC.          | 20   | 80    |
| SAT. 2PM DISC.           |      | 52    |
| TOTALS                   | 35   | 287   |
| PLACENTIA                |      |       |
| MON. PART.               | 60   | 120   |
| FRI. 8PM SPANISH         |      | 10    |
| TOTALS                   | 60   | 130   |
| SAN CLEMENTE             |      |       |
| FRI. SPEAKERS            | 50   | 50    |
| SAN CLEMENTE ( CLUB )    |      |       |
| SUN. 10:30 DISC.         |      | 5     |
| MON. NOON WOMEN          |      | 5     |



| SAN CLEMENTE (CONT.)       | APR.         | YEAR          |
|----------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| TUES. PART.                |              | 5             |
| SAT. DISC.                 |              | 5             |
| TOTALS                     | -0-          | 20            |
| <b>SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO</b> |              |               |
| 11STEP STUDY(Unlisted)     | 80           | 80            |
| WED. NOON WOMEN            | 15           | 15            |
| THURS. MENS STAG           | 100          | 100           |
| FRI. STUDY                 | 42           | 42            |
| TOTALS                     | 237          | 437           |
| <b>SANTA ANA</b>           |              |               |
| SUN. 7:30 BEGINNERS        |              | 20            |
| MON. SPEAKERS              | 20           | 40            |
| WED. LA NUEVA LUZ          | 5            | 20            |
| THURS. DISC.MCFADDEN       | 22           | 22            |
| SAT. 2PM SPEAKERS          |              | 10            |
| TOTALS                     | 47           | 112           |
| <b>SANTA ANA ( CLUB )</b>  |              |               |
| SUN. 11AM DISC.            | 5            | 15            |
| MON. SPEAKERS              | 26           | 26            |
| TUES. NOON DISC.           |              | 56            |
| THURS. NOON DISC.          | 50           | 50            |
| FRI. NOON DISC.            | 10           | 10            |
| TOTALS                     | 91           | 157           |
| <b>SEAL BEACH THURS.</b>   | 50           | 160           |
| <b>TUSTIN</b>              |              |               |
| SUN. 7:30 SPKRS.           |              | 300           |
| MON. MENS STAG             | 60           | 120           |
| TUES. 8PM DISC.            |              | 100           |
| TUES. 8PM STUDY            | 20           | 167           |
| WED. 8PM WOMEN             | 32           | 124           |
| THURS. 8PM STUDY           | 56           | 196           |
| FRI. NEWCOMERS PART.       |              | 100           |
| SAT. VISITING SPKRS.       | 75           | 321           |
| TOTALS                     | 192          | 1428          |
| <b>YORBA LINDA WED.</b>    | 20           | 60            |
| <b>WANDERING GROUPS</b>    |              |               |
| MONDAY NITE                | 45           | 135           |
| FRI. NITE                  |              | 48            |
| SAT. NITE                  | 12           | 47            |
| EVERY OTHER SAT.NITE       |              | 44            |
| TOTALS                     | 57           | 274           |
| <b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>       |              |               |
| WHITTIER WOMEN Q&A         | 10           | 40            |
| WHITTIER THURS.            | 20           | 20            |
| MISC. GROUPS               |              | 491           |
| INTERGROUP MEETING         | 72           | 151           |
| TOTALS                     | 102          | 702           |
| <b>TOTALS</b>              | <b>3,940</b> | <b>13,694</b> |

**FOURTH STEP IN PRISON....**  
The Fourth Step is rough to take. It drags from your soul all of those built-in emotions, resentments and hate that has so carefully been guarded through the years. Sometimes, when the steam builds up in my boiler I creep into a liquor store and sneak a bottle out to try and suppress those emotions, but alcohol added to the flame does just what one would expect if he poured it on a REAL flame; it makes the problem even worse until perhaps, it gets the upper hand and boils out-most of the time AGAINST someone else. This has kept me in trouble more than I would ever admit, resulting in fights, beatings, arguments with my family, and brings out a surly character from my soul who even I didn't know.

Recently, the California Department of Corrections, through our Program Administrator, made it relatively easy for a convicted person to take the Fourth Step; not easy even outside, even rougher in prison. How many would-be tough guys want to admit that some of the buried 'treasure' is FEAR? Not many, for sure. I have to admit to myself that FEAR played a large role in my life. By that I don't mean COWARDICE--no, it was a different type of fear. Each day of my life, as a practicing alcoholic, I had to have that drink in the morning just so I could face another day of REALITY, and that's what the Fourth Step is doing for me----making me face reality.

I've discovered there are two shades of color in the mind, one is all pink and rosy, bringing into focus only those strokes that are nice to feel; no pain, no suffering. All of the things I WANTED in life were important to that alcoholic, and I wasn't satisfied with having all of my needs fulfilled---no, I had to have EVERYTHING I wanted, including a foggy mind with which to accept things like a denial of a WANT.

Today its really neat to know I can face reality sober. My resentments against a neighbor who had more than me aren't

important anymore; and when a crisis arises as to a conflict of personalities, it is pretty keen to be able to smile and say, "so be it", because the Serenity Prayer enters my life every day now, and I CAN accept the things I cannot change. Having taken the Fourth Step seriously, and having dug into my very soul for answers to questions I didn't even know existed, has changes my entire outlook on life, and I find that I no longer need to have a drink because someone said 'no', or because I don't like the looks of a neighbor. These elements of my own profile have gone, and today I feel a peace of mind I have never enjoyed before.

In summation, I think the State of California did me a favor in sending me to Chino where I could have the time to take an honest look at the interior of this vehicle I'm in control of, and I really needed a good 'overhauling', which time has given me. It's a fantastic feeling to know, deep in my heart, that I've really let time serve me instead of serving time.....Gene R.

April 17, 1977

Dear Jeannie:

Another year coming to a close for me, 7 years- April 20th! I renew my Lifeline in two ways, during April, and with more wonder each year!

Have lived on Maui nearing two years and love it more than ever- truly God's country- so much beauty in the people and the land.

Will is six and as handsome as his father, and a sense of humor to match.

I am truly grateful! Thank you all for the Lifeline, as it is my link with my large A.A. family in Orange County.

Mahalo & Aloha, Jan B.

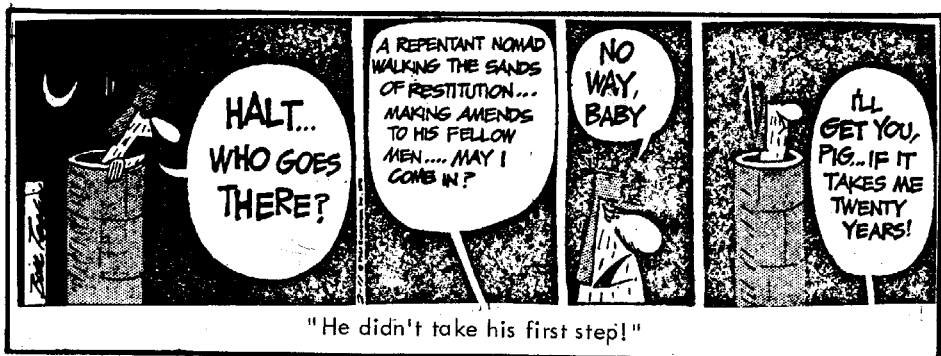
May 3, 1977.

Dear Friends:

The past 3 years have gone by in a hurry (Mostly )- I still miss my Orange County friends very much. I share my Lifeline with Dot S. who came into our Fellowship in Costa Mesa about 3 months ahead of me and now lives in Augusta. Some times I think the people tire of hearing about Orange County A.A. ( Guess that is their problem). Its still the best! Love you all and thanks for my last six years.

Dorothy T., Augusta, Ga.

" Just because a bird lands on your head you don't have to let it build a nest in your hair."



"He didn't take his first step!"

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