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 Wednesday, February 13th at 7:00 PM
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HAPPY NEW YEAR, ONE DAY AT A TIME

We enter a New Year. As we do, many will have the inclination to review the old. To the extent of crystallizing the wisdom of its experience, that is good. To go beyond that is bad, for it may lead to pride over good things, or worse yet, self-pity and resentment over adverse things.

At the end of the year we must simply realize that the great Moving Finger has written another page in our copy-book of life. If a page is a year, then perhaps we might regard a paragraph as a month, a sentence as a week, a word as a day, and a comma or letter as a moment. We must accept with grace the fact that not one word or letter or comma in that page of life can be changed. It is deposited forever in eternity. Today is our time. This is the reality we face, it is all here now in this present instant. We live one day at a time, for "Now is reality." The future holds nothing for us but fear or scheming. If we would do today that which may be helpful tomorrow, it is the doing right as of now, which is our sole concern.

The future is the area in which we must have faith, must surrender completely to our Higher Power, not knowing what it holds, or whether in fact it will come to be. This is in His hands. But we know that whatever it may be, a merciful God, as we understand Him, will never change the sobriety we have had or the good we have done today.

Our situation in terms of the future is beautifully expressed in this quotation from an essay of Minnie Louise Haskins, which concluded the remarks of George VI in the last New Year broadcast he made to the British Commonwealth of Nations:

"I said to the man at the gate of the New Year, 'Give me a light that I may find my way through the unknown. And he replied, 'Go out into the darkness of the New Year and place your hand firmly into the hand of God. That shall be better for you than any light or any known way'".

Anonymous, Tucson, Arizona
 From *The Grapevine*, January, 1961

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The Doctor's Opinion

Number 1 of 12 articles on the Big Book



I remember vividly, reading the Doctor's Opinion in the Big Book® as a still-drinking alcoholic who was only going to A.A. meetings to get my attendance card signed. I was outraged, (and I thought "you", [meaning YOU ALCOHOLICS] should be too) that a "civilian" would try to describe the life YOU people had had to live. It was a few months later, now sober and attending a Big Book Study to see how I could do this without YOUR help, that I started to understand the truly profound nature of the kindly Doctor's writings.



I had done some investigation of this thing called Alcoholics Anonymous® by reading the book "Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age". In this book I learned that Dr. Silkworth was considered sort of a nut by most of his peers in the medical and psychiatric professions

because of his theory "*that the body of the alcoholic is quite as abnormal as his mind.*" Up to this point in medical history, alcoholism, (alcoholism as a name for the disease was just starting to be used by a few medical professionals, in preference to the term that was more popular at the time – alcohol addiction) had been generally classified as a moral problem, or a form of mental illness. Dr. Silkworth had risked his reputation, (35 years treating alcoholics and drug addicts, Princeton Medical School graduate) in theorizing that alcoholism was a two-fold disease, affecting the body, as well as the mind. He was also humble enough to realize that there was little he, with his "synthetic knowledge", could do to help most chronic alcoholics.

In his second letter for inclusion in the Big Book, Dr. Silkworth made the statement that "*Frothy emotional appeal seldom suffices. The message which can interest and hold these alcoholic people must have depth and weight. In nearly all cases, their ideals must be grounded in a power greater than themselves, if they are to re-create their lives*". In these three simple sentences, the Doctor, wittingly or unwittingly, describes the principles which have allowed Alcoholics Anonymous to work so successfully with the chronic alcoholic. If frothy emotional appeal from our families and other loved ones had worked, we would have quit long ago. When Bob went to talk with Bill the day after Mother's Day in 1935, the message that got Bob's attention had depth and weight – it was from another man who had walked in Bob's shoes – who drank like him and experienced mental and physical torture just like Bob had experienced. Bill was a peer, not a care-

giver. And finally, the way out was through a spiritual experience that would expel the obsession to drink, thereby never setting off the phenomenon of craving. It has worked just that way since 1935.

There is so much more in the Doctor's Opinion that I would need to take up all 12 pages of the Lifeline to describe the rest. If this article has been interesting to you, I recommend that you locate and commit to a small Big Book Study that takes the time to study and dissect the principles outlined in the Doctor's Opinion and the first 11 chapters of the Big Book. For those in Anaheim, you might try out the Gratitude Is An Action Group, 6:30PM on Friday in the church at the corner of Magnolia and Orange. There are many wonderful Big Book Studies in Orange County each week.

Next month, "*Bill's Story*".

A member of A.A. in Orange County

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ANNOUNCING THE NEW.....



ORANGE COUNTY INTERGROUP SERVICE BOARD

Chair, Frank M.
Vice Chair, John P.
Treasurer, Ken S.
Secretary, Beth E.
Central Office, Dave M.

Public Relations Committee, Nick N.

Meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm

Group Relations Committee, Carlos T.

Meets the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm

Lifeline Committee, Bill W.

Meets the 1st Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm

Special Events Committee, Debbie M..

Meetings scheduled as needed

H & I Committee, Nick M.

Meets the 2nd Sunday of the month at the Garden Grove Alano Club. Institutions meet at 4:00 pm; Hospitals meet at 6:00 pm. South Orange County H & I meets at the Laguna Beach Canyon Club the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm.

With the exception of H & I, the above committees meet at Central Office, 1526 Brookhollow, Suite 75, Santa Ana, CA 92705. If you are interested in serving on a committee or would like more information please contact the above or Central Office at 714-556-4555.

Congratulations and welcome!
Your service is appreciated.

Tradition 1

*Our common welfare should come first;
personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity.*

Why We Must Hang Together

Every month my home group, a Big Book study called Hill Street Blues, uses the last Friday of the month to concentrate on A.A. birthdays and a Step or Tradition.

Last November, the subject was Tradition 11, the so-called anonymity tradition. Gauged by the reaction of the group, you might have believed it was the so-called promotion tradition.

In the Big Book, we were reading Chapter 8 – “To Wives” – but we agreed to set it aside while we dealt with Tradition 11. Here are some of the observations made by nearly two score alcoholics in attendance:

Jim L. said “the Traditions are the glue that holds us all together.”

“In the long form of this Tradition, it tells me that sometimes we must silence ourselves for the good of the group,” said Patti M.

Dale C. noted “it’s just what Dr. Bob said it was – “love and service.” And that “hasn’t changed much since the Four Absolutes of the Oxford Group.”

Diane T. said she was “grateful for the life you’ve given me. Today it’s my joy to go on H&I panels and take the A.A. program to people who can’t come to our meetings.”

David W. noted his arrival in A.A. when “Chapter 5 and the rest of the stuff you guys were pushing was too boring for me. I relapsed. Then I decided that you weren’t lying to me and it all made sense. Years later I’m grateful it did.”

“I learned how to do A.A. by coming to meetings,” observed Dicie P.

Gary S. found it “amazing that two drunks meeting in Akron seventy-some years ago gave us our lives back – but they did.” Virginia A. and Ardis B. held a similar view.

Jose M. said he found that he had to stop putting other things before A.A. and, as a consequence “I have a life I really want to live.”

Dena S. said “something happened when those two guys got together in Akron a long time ago. Now it’s working for me.”

Dave J., fairly new to the program, said that the Continental Congress had the best advice for aspiring Americans in 1776 when one of the revolutionaries explained that “we must all hang together or we shall all hang separately.” That suited Alcoholics Anonymous in 1935 “and it still does,” said Dave.

“I find it strange that it works so well, but it does,” Taffy J. declared.

“I get to watch this miracle in action,” said Kathy D.

The Traditions are “important to me,” said Stan S., “since they tell me I’m not the only person in the world. I must consider my fellows.” A visitor to this open A.A. meeting, Denise, identified herself as a member of Al-Anon. She said that embracing the Al-Anon program had made her life “more enjoyable.”

Another recent arrival to the rooms of A.A., Gladys B., seemed to say it best for all the others in the room. “I’m very grateful that I have this meeting to come to,” she said. “Tonight I feel very much at home in this room.”

One of the program’s most popular speakers, Clancy I., put this Tradition into sharp perspective when he addressed the Harbor

Area Traditions Banquet about six or seven years ago.

“If I don’t do the Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous,” said Clancy, “I’m liable to get drunk. Big loss. But if we don’t do the Traditions, there isn’t going to be any Alcoholics Anonymous.”

George L., Westminster

Step One

“We admitted we were powerless over alcohol --that our lives had become unmanageable.”

The value of this Step in the A.A. Program of Recovery was made self-evident when it was placed first in numerical relation to the other 11 Steps. The logic in placing it first is readily apparent. Unless a man is convinced he has a serious problem he feels no need to seek a solution.

Logically, it might even be said that no one can consistently come into A.A. until he has at least arrived at the conviction that he is powerless over alcohol. But, much that seems illogical is happening all of the time in A.A. The record is filled with apparent paradoxes. In fact, the essence of the story of A.A. is that of people who have recovered who weren’t supposed to have a chance.

Inconsistent or not, many do come into A.A. while they are still debating within themselves whether or not they are alcoholic. Any suggestion that the door should be opened only to people who have already concluded they are alcoholics collides with the fact that some have made the discovery only through the enlightenment gained in A.A.



Again, as in virtually all phases of A.A. and of alcoholism, no stern and inflexible rules can be laid down.

Experience indicates, however, that the Program of Recovery does not really begin, no matter how long “in” A.A., until one has rid himself of doubts about his inability to control alcohol. Experience also warns that as long as the individual continues the debate over whether he is or he isn’t an alcoholic, he remains in a very vulnerable and precarious position.

Some are fortunate enough to gain conviction on the 1st Step as soon as they acquire a definition of alcoholism that fits them. They immediately feel the relief that comes with the finding of an explanation for behavior, which up to then has shamed and worried them to despair.

For many, however, the admission of alcoholism is a fearful step. It is as though they were being asked to go down to the public square and confess all of the crimes of mankind. They feel a great stigma is about to be attached to them and that they will have to go about branded forever after.

Egotism and stubborn pride combine to generate an acute aversion to admitting helplessness over anything. Social custom and

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MEETING CHANGES SINCE

JULY 8, 2007

SUNDAY

GARDEN GROVE

10:00 AM (C) MEN'S RECOVERY 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

12:00 PM PARTICIPATION 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

5:30 PM PART. CUTTING LOOSE 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

6:00 PM 2 THROUGH 7 BIG BOOK STUDY 1221 Magnolia @ Chapman (GG Friends Church) New meeting

8:00 PM SPEAKER MEETING 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

LAKE FOREST

6:00 AM ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

7:30 AM (C) 11TH STEP DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

12:00 PM 11TH STEP DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

1:45 PM BEGINNER'S BIG BOOK 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

5:30 PM DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

7:30 PM STEP STUDY 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

9:30 PM PRAYER & MEDITATION DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

LOS ALAMITOS

7:00 AM SURRENDER IS FREEDOM DISCUSSION 4376 Katella Av @ Lexington (2nd Floor) Address change

ORANGE

4:30 PM JOE & CHARLIE BIG BOOK STUDY 2191 Orange-Olive Rd. New meeting

7:00 PM SUNDAY NIGHT CHAPTER 9 OPEN BOOK STUDY 250 S Prospect @ Chapman (River 47 Church)(Child Care) New location

SAN CLEMENTE

7:30 AM WHAT'S GOOD ABOUT TODAY 929 Calle Negocio, Ste H @ Calle Amanecer Time change

SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO

6:00 AM MEN'S BIG BOOK STUDY 27174 Ortega Hwy @ I-5 (Best Western board room) New meeting

MONDAY

BUENA PARK

7:30 PM JUST 4 TODAY DISCUSSION 5600 Crescent Ave @ Los Altos Change address

COSTA MESA

12:00 PM MONDAY NOONERS BOOK STUDY 2040 Placentia Ave. Name change

12:00 PM CLEAN & SERENE BIG BOOK STUDY 183 E Bay Street c/s Orange (St John's Church) New Location

GARDEN GROVE

6:00 AM ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

12:00 PM PARTICIPATION 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

5:30 PM THE ANSWER IS IN THE CAN 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

8:00 PM PARTICIPATION 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

8:00 PM (C) SERENITY GIRLS 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

LAKE FOREST

6:00 AM ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

7:30 AM (C) STEP STUDY 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

12:00 PM DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

5:30 PM AS BILL SEES IT DISC. 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

6:00 PM SADDLEBACK VALLEY WOMEN'S BB STUDY 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

7:30 PM STEP STUDY 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

9:30 PM LIVING SOBER 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

LOS ALAMITOS

7:00 AM SURRENDER IS FREEDOM DISCUSSION 4376 Katella Av @ Lexington (2nd Floor) Address change

SAN CLEMENTE

6:30 AM WHAT'S GOOD ABOUT TODAY 929 Calle Negocio, Ste H @ Calle Amanecer New time

SANTA ANA

7:00 PM (C) MEN'S DISCUSSION 212 S Elk Ln @ c/s 1st & Lyon (Elks Lodge) enter west side of building Address clarification

YORBA LINDA

12:00 PM (C) STEP STUDY MEETING 19771 Yorba Linda Blvd. @ Fairmont (St. Martin's Church) Name Change

TUESDAY

ANAHEIM

6:30 PM (C) WOMEN'S 6TH & 7TH STEP STUDY 701 W. Broadway @ Harbor (Broadway Christian Cnt rm#4) Name correction

7:00 PM WOMEN ONLY - BIG BOOK STUDY 2749 E Diana @ S Rio Vista off of E Lincoln New meeting

7:30 PM MEN'S STAG 2715 E Diana @ S Rio Vista off of E Lincoln New meeting

CORONA DEL MAR

12:00 PM NOONATICS 611 Heliotrope @ PCH & 3rd (Corona Del Mar Community Church) Old location

7:00 PM (C) CDM MEN'S STAG TUES NIGHT 611 Heliotrope @ PCH & 3rd (Corona Del Mar Community Church) Old location

COSTA MESA

7:30 PM (C) MEN'S LAST GASPER'S BOOK STUDY 695 W 19 Street @ Pomona New meeting

GARDEN GROVE

6:00 AM ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

12:00 PM NO WHINING GROUP 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

5:30 PM DISCUSSION 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

8:00 PM PARTICIPATION 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

HUNTINGTON BEACH

8:00 PM TUESDAY NIGHT ZEIDER LANE @ DILDAY MORTUARY 17911 Beach Blvd @ Talbert New Location

LAGUNA BEACH

6:30 PM WOMEN'S DISCUSSION 31872 Pacific Coast Hwy (Hospital) New meeting

LAGUNA NIGUEL

6:00 PM (C) CHICKS ON THE RUN 27802 El Lazo (Faith Episcopal Church) Changed to closed

6:30 PM (C) MEN'S STAG DISCUSSION & Laguna Niguel Regional Park @ La Paz & Aliso Creek Corrected address
MUNCHIES (Jul-Sept) Rd (July - September)

LAKE FOREST

6:00 AM ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

7:30 AM DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

12:00 PM STEPS & TRADITIONS 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

2:30 PM WOMEN'S LITERATURE MEETING 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

5:30 PM DISCUSSION. 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

7:30 PM BEGINNER'S DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

9:30 PM BEGINNER'S DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

LOS ALAMITOS

7:00 AM SURRENDER IS FREEDOM DISCUSSION 4376 Katella Av @ Lexington (2nd Floor) Name change

NEWPORT BEACH

7:30 PM (C) MEN'S BOOK STUDY 748 Dover Dr @ Castaways Ln New meeting

ORANGE

7:00 PM (C) WOMEN'S KEEP IT SIMPLE BIG BOOK STUDY 1310 E. Walnut Ave @ Tustin Ave (7th Day Adventist Church) New location

MEETING CHANGES SINCE JULY 8, 2007

SAN CLEMENTE

6:30 AM WHAT'S GOOD ABOUT TODAY 929 Calle Negocio, Ste H @ Calle Amanecer New time

WEDNESDAY

BREA

6:45 PM (C) DAILY REFLECTIONS FOR WOMEN 820 W. Imperial Hwy. @ Arovista (Christ Lutheran Church Rm 502) Change time & room

CORONA DEL MAR

7:30 PM LIVING SOBER DISCUSSION 611 Heliotrope @ PCH & 3rd (Corona Del Mar Community Church) Old location

COSTA MESA

12:00 PM HIGH NOON STEPPERS 183 E Bay Street c/s Orange (St John's Church) New location

FOUNTAIN VALLEY

12:00 PM BYOL (BRING YOUR

Continued...

Meeting Changes continued...

OWN LUNCH) 17233 Newhope St @ Slater (Office Building suite c) New meeting

GARDEN GROVE

6:00 AM ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

12:00 PM EASY DOES IT 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

5:30 PM JUST FOR TODAY 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

5:30 PM WOMEN'S LIFE ON LIFE'S TERMS 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

8:00 PM 12 STEP STUDY 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

8:00 PM (Y) YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

HUNTINGTON BEACH

6:00 PM YOUNG PEOPLES BIG BOOK STUDY 18582 Beach Blvd, Ste 217 c/s Ellis New meeting

IRVINE

7:30 PM (Y) WILD BUNCH BEGINNERS Q & A 10 Federation Way @ Turtle Ridge (Community Center) New time

LAKE FOREST

6:00 AM ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

7:30 AM (C) BIG BOOK STUDY 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

12:00 PM DISCUSSION. 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

5:30 PM STEPS & TRADITIONS 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

7:30 PM "GET HONEST" DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

9:30 PM BEGINNERS DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

LOS ALAMITOS

7:00 AM SURRENDER IS FREEDOM DISCUSSION 4376 Katella Av @ Lexington (2nd Floor) Address change

SAN CLEMENTE

6:30 AM WHAT'S GOOD ABOUT TODAY 929 Calle Negocio, Ste H @ Calle Amanecer New time

THURSDAY

ANAHEIM

8:00 PM THURS NIGHT PARTICIPATION 1761 Gardenaire Lane @ Katella cs Brookhurst & Katella New meeting

CORONA DEL MAR

7:00 PM CDM MEN'S HOUR BOOK STUDY 5th & Iris (Community Youth Center) New location

7:30 PM BIG BOOK STUDY 611 Heliotrope @ PCH & 3rd (Corona Del Mar Community Church) New location

GARDEN GROVE

6:00 AM ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

12:00 PM PARTICIPATION 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

5:00 PM WOMEN'S ARE YOU DONE YET 13272 Garden Grove Blvd @ Fairview (Dayle

Mcintosh Ctr) New meeting

5:30 PM UNORGANIZED MEETING OF AA 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

5:30 PM WOMEN'S COVER TO COVER 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

8:00 PM DISCUSSION 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

LAGUNA BEACH

7:00 PM (C) WOMEN'S STEP STUDY (NOVEMBER- MARCH) 31872 Pacific Coast Hwy (Hospital in Cafeteria) Location & time info
7:30 PM (C) WOMEN'S STEP STUDY (MARCH - NOVEMBER) 31872 Pacific Coast Hwy (Hospital in Cafeteria) Location & time info

LAKE FOREST

6:00 AM ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

7:30 AM DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

12:00 PM DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

5:30 PM BIG BOOK STUDY 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

7:30 PM STEP STUDY 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

9:30 PM STEP STUDY 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

LOS ALAMITOS

7:00 AM SURRENDER IS FREEDOM DISCUSSION 4376 Katella Av @ Lexington (2nd Floor) Address change

SAN CLEMENTE

6:30 AM WHAT'S GOOD ABOUT TODAY 929 Calle Negocio, Ste H @ Calle Amanecer New time

FRIDAY

ANAHEIM

6:30 PM GRATITUDE IS AN ACTION BOOK STUDY 2580 W Orange @ Magnolia (St Paul's Church) New meeting

CORONA DEL MAR

7:30 PM (C) REBELS DISCUSSION 611 Heliotrope @ PCH & 3rd (Corona Del Mar Community Church) New location

COSTA MESA

12:00 PM (C) THE BUSINESSMAN FRIDAY NOON STAG 183 E Bay Street c/s Orange (St John's Church) New location

GARDEN GROVE

6:00 AM ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

12:00 PM PARTICIPATION 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

5:30 PM HAWIIAN SHIRT MEETING 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

8:00 PM BIG BOOK STUDY/SPEAKER 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) Speaker Last Fri of Month New location

IRVINE

5:30 PM ON THE WAY HOME 15 Orange Tree @ Irvine Center Drive (Pacific Church, multipurpose room) Address change

LAKE FOREST

6:00 AM ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

7:30 AM (C) DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

7:30 AM 7:30 AM WOMEN'S DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

12:00 PM DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

5:30 PM DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

7:30 PM SPEAKER MEETING 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

9:30 PM TOPIC DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

11:20 PM DAILY REFLECTIONS 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

LOS ALAMITOS

7:00 AM SURRENDER IS FREEDOM DISCUSSION 4376 Katella Av @ Lexington (2nd Floor) Address change

SAN CLEMENTE

6:30 AM WHAT'S GOOD ABOUT TODAY 929 Calle Negocio, Ste H @ Calle Amanecer New time

SATURDAY

FULLERTON

6:30 PM SOBER TIMES GROUP 216 N. Malden Ave. Time change

GARDEN GROVE

6:00 AM ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

10:30 AM WOMEN'S MEETING 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

12:00 PM SAT. NOON SERENITY GROUP 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

5:30 PM DISCUSSION 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

8:00 PM CANDLELIGHT DISCUSSION 7212 Chapman Ave @ Knott Ave (Serenity Hall) New location

IRVINE

6:30 AM SUNRISE STEP STUDY 4400 Barranca bwn W Yale & Lake (in back of New meeting

LAGUNA BEACH

5:00 PM (C) SILENCE IS GOLDEN 11TH STEP MEETING 428 Park Ave @ Ramona (St Mary's Episcopal Church) New meeting

LAKE FOREST

6:00 AM ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

7:30 AM (C) DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

9:00 AM (C) STEP SISTERS 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New meeting

12:00 PM LIVING SOBER 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

5:30 PM "CUT THE MUSTARD" DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

7:30 PM DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

9:30 PM BIG BOOK STUDY 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

Happy Birthday

ORANGE COUNTY INTERGROUP ASSOCIATION OF AA

Statement of Income and Expenses for Period Ending 011/30/2007

	NOVEMBER	YTD
INCOME		
Group Donations	16,608.99	197,430.30
Individual/Fellowship	191.15	4,780.54
Literature Sales	10,140.58	118,454.37
Birthday Donations	358.00	4,962.05
In Memoriam	0.00	80.00
Intergroup Donations	75.00	805.14
Special Events	0.00	229.55
Interest Income	260.81	2,947.20
Misc. (Repaid Bounced Checks)	0.00	609.79
TOTAL INCOME:	27,634.53	330,298.94
EXPENSES		
Audits/Accounting	0.00	1,874.48
Auto (All Managers)	48.50	709.58
Bank Charge	0.00	0.00
Cash/Invoices OverShort	-0.60	-36.96
Insurances	2,547.43	27,123.08
Intergroup Expense	181.50	1,760.13
Lease Expense	389.07	4,279.77
Maintenance & Repairs	280.08	924.91
Volunteers Coffee + Water	0.00	915.57
Offices' Supplies	793.66	4,695.62
Pension Fund	166.68	1,833.48
Postage	82.00	1,078.24
P/I, Donated Literature	0.00	2,322.05
Rent Main/Satellite Offices	3,552.71	38,731.19
Salaries	10,141.71	111,447.29
Payroll Tax Expense	775.84	9,217.85
Taxes & Licenses	0.00	223.29
Telephone Expense	456.09	4,662.68
LIFELINE Expense	1,279.81	13,496.40
Cost of Literature Sold	8,896.03	103,917.41
Special Events	0.00	3,641.55
Misc. (Returned Checks)	0.00	926.79
TOTAL EXPENSES:	29,590.51	333,744.40
INCOME/(LOSS):	-1,955.98	-3,445.46

Diana M.	Aliso Viejo	2 years
Dawna M.	Huntington Beach	19 years
Anonymous	Santa Ana	20 years
Von S.	Laguna Niguel	22 years
Merle N.	Huntington Beach	30 years
Virginia L.	Irvine	40 years
Rob H	Laguna Niguel	

Birthday Contributions



Help keep the doors of AA open so that new members may receive the same help so many of us have already received. Make a donation of any amount for an AA Birthday—yours or someone else's—and we will help celebrate by publishing their name and years of sobriety in the *Lifeline*.

CENTRAL OFFICE ACTIVITY-November

Total Calls Handled by Both Offices: 2704

Main and Satellite Office Volunteers

12 Step Calls	19
Meeting Information	941
General Information	445
Walk-in Customers	297

Night Owl Volunteers

12 Step calls	14
Meeting Information	671
General Information	317

To Carry the Message of Alcoholics Anonymous to the Alcoholic who is confined in a Hospital or Institution



Orange County H & I

On the 2nd Sunday of the month

Garden Grove Alano Club, 714-534-2244
9845 Belfast Drive, Garden Grove, CA
For additional info call 714-979-8524
Or Central Office: 714-556-4555

South Orange County H & I

3rd Wednesday of the month, 7:30 pm

Laguna Canyon Club, 949-497-1823
20456 Laguna Canyon Rd., Laguna Beach

...out of every season of grief or suffering, when the hand of God seemed heavy or even unjust, new lessons for living were learned, new resources of courage were uncovered, and that finally, inescapably, the conviction came that God does "move in a mysterious way His wonders to perform."

Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, p. 105



GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS TO CENTRAL OFFICE— November

LAGUNA HILLS		^ ^	We 7:00P-Steps&Trads, 2100 Mar Vista	\$46	\$46	Mo 12:00P-Noon BB Stdy, 16865 PCH	\$60
Mo 6:00P-(W)'sDisc, 23802 A D Carlota	\$210	\$675	We 7:30P-Wed Night (M)'s, 2401 Irvine	\$425		Tu 7:00A-Disc, 16865 PCH	\$72 \$252
Tu 7:00P-(M)'s Stag, 23802 A D Carlotta	\$210	\$785	We 7:30P-BB Stdy, 600 St. Andrew	\$145		Tu 12:00P-Disc, 16865 P.C.H.	\$110
Tu 7:30P-(W)'s BBStdy, 24566 Ashland		\$60	Th 7:00P-Over 40's, 414 32nd Street	\$60	\$165	Tu 6:00P-Disc, 16865 P.C.H.	\$30 \$150
We 7:00P-Get Happy 12&12 Stdy, A D C	\$18	\$224	Th 7:30P-Balboa Spkr Grp, 414 E. 32nd	\$200	\$200	We 12:00P-Promises Meet, 16865 PCH	\$30 \$60
LAGUNA NIGUEL		^ ^	Fr 12:15P-(M)'s Business Disc, 414 32nd	\$280		Th 7:00A-Disc, 16865 PCH	\$97
Su 8:00P-Crown Valy Spkr, Comm Park		\$205	Fr 7:00P-Friday Q & A, 414 32nd Street	\$150	\$310	Th 5:30P-(W)'s Meet, 16865 PCH	\$350
Mo 7:00A-Morn (M)'s Stag B2B, 30121 Nig		\$168	Sa 12:10-Our Relationship w/God, 414 32nd		\$25	Fr 7:00A-Disc, 16865 PCH	\$104
Mo 10:30A-(W)'s 12X12 Stdy, 30121 Nig	\$239	\$763	Sa 7:30P-Daily Refl's, 2100 Mar Vista	\$98		Fr 12:00P-Disc, 16865 PCH	\$50 \$120
Mo 8:00P-12&12 Stdy, 30121 Niguel Rd		\$420	Sa 7:30P-4th Edit BB Thump, 414 32nd	\$50		Fr 8:00P-Disc, 16865 PCH	\$70
Tu 6:00P-Chicks/Run SS, 2702 El Lazo		\$190	Sa 8:30P-Hoag Hut Spkr, 301 Nwprt Ave	\$2,140		Fr 8:00P-Family Afterward, 16865 PCH	\$100
Tu 6:30P-(M)'s Disc/Munch L N Reg Park		\$560	ORANGE		^ ^	Sa 7:30A-Disc, 16865 PCH	\$460
Tu 7:30P-BB Stdy, 24566 Ashland		\$129	Dly 7:00A-Early Birds, 812 Town&Cntry	\$1,457		Sa 3:00P-Step & Trad, 16865 PCH	\$60
Tu 7:30P-Book Stdy, 30121 Niguel Rd.	\$108	\$412	Su 11:00A-Sun Pumpers, 705 W LaVeta	\$140	\$840	Sa 7:00P-Rule 62 Spkrs, 16865 PCH	\$300
We 6:00P-Book Stdy, 30121 Niguel Rd.		\$130	Su 7:00P-Spkr/Orange,1800 E LaVeta	\$120	\$120	TUSTIN	
We 7:30P-Book Stdy, 30121 Niguel Rd.		\$100	Mo 7:00P-(W)'s Step Stdy, 161 Orange	\$463		Dly 6:00A-FoothillEarlyRisers, 19211Dodge	\$200 \$1,615
Fr 10:30A-(W)'s Disc., 30121 Niguel Rd.	\$190	\$817	Mo 7:30P-Beg Disc, 705 W La Veta	\$167		Dly 6:00A-Attitude Adj, 14662 Nwprt	\$1,540
Fr 7:30P-Here & Now, 24360 Yosemite		\$50	Th 6:00P-Enjoying Life, Last Th/Month	\$10		Dly 6:00A-Attitude Mod, 130 W. Main	\$256 \$2,670
Sa 6:00P-Candlelight Disc, 30121Niguel		\$240	Th 7:30P-777 (M)'s Stag, 395 N Tustin	\$300	\$800	Dly 12:00P-Brown Baggers, 130 W. Main	\$278 \$2,892
LAGUNA WOODS		^ ^	Fr 12:00P-Quality Srty, 2191 Orng/O	\$120	\$120	Dly 5:30P-Rush Hour, 130 W. Main.	\$4,953
Dly 7:30A-Do It Sober, 24442 Moulton	\$550	\$4,965	RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA		^ ^	MF 12:00P-Alkies Winners, 555 W.Main	\$108 \$1,499
Mo 6:00P-(W)'s BB Stdy, 24442 Moulton		\$140	Su 7:30P-Old Time AA 12&12, 30605 Fl	\$558		Su 6:00A-Attitude Modification, 130 W. Main	\$323
Mo 7:30P- Nite SS Grp, 24442 Moulton		\$120	Mo 7:00P-(W)'sSta/Sober, 30382VCD	\$80	\$432	Su 9:02A-Spkr, 130 W. Main	\$120 \$561
We 1:15P-(W)'s BBStdy, 24351 El Toro		\$310	Mo 7:30P-(M)'s, 30605 Ave de la Flores	\$475		Su 7:00P-Chapter 9 Book Stdy, 1201 Irvine	\$100
Fr 10:00A-Top/Hill Gang, 24252 El Toro		\$320	Tu 7:30P-Old Time BB Stdy, 30322 VCD	\$540		Su 7:00P-Sober & Crazy Spkrs, 130 W Main	\$960
LA HABRA		^ ^	We 7:30P-RSM StepStdy, 30382 VCD	\$361		Mo 7:30P-(M)'s Disc, 130 W Main	\$47 \$546
MF 6:30A-Topic Disc, 100 W. La Habra		\$80	Th 7:30P-11th Stp SpT Disc, 22521 Emp	\$358		Mo 6:16P-Tustin (W)'s 12X12, 1221 Wass	\$70
LAKE FOREST		^ ^	Fr 7:30P-Roads End Part, 30322 VCD	\$120	\$630	Tu 12:00P-(W)'s 12 & 12, 19211 Dodge A	\$228
Mo 8:00P-AA Svc in Sobr, 22471 Aspan		\$463	Sa 10:30A-(W)'s BB Stdy, VCD	\$250		Tu 7:00P-BB Stdy, 19211 Dodge	\$345
We 7:45P-Back To Basics, 23262 El Toro		\$101	SAN CLEMENTE		^ ^	Tu 8:00P-Steps 1-4, 1201 Irvine	\$240
Th 7:30P-Mustard Seed SS, 23262 El Toro		\$165	Mo 7:00P-N.O.I. (M)'s, Camino Capist	\$613		We 7:00P-Lucky Stiffs (M)'s, 18542 Vanderlip	\$212
LA MIRADA		^ ^	Tu 6:00P-(W)'s Disc, 190 Ave La Pata	\$385		We 7:00P-(W)'s Solutions, 19211 Dodge	\$435
Su 8:00P-(M)'s BB Stdy, 15700 Rosecrans		\$10	Fr 7:00P-(W)'s Book Stdy, Ave.Aragon	\$170		Th 9:00A-(W)'s12&12, 14402 Prospect	\$70
LOS ALAMITOS		^ ^	Fr 7:00P-Fri Nite Newcms, 119 N de Est	\$66		Th 12:00P-(W)'s BB, 19211 Dodge	\$119
Th-Cover to Cover		\$20	Fr 8:00P-Aragon Spkrs, 202 Ave. Aragon	\$250		Th 6:00 P-Th 12&12 SS, 19211 Dodge	\$110
MISSION VIEJO		^ ^	SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO		^ ^	Th 6:15P-(W)'s Living Sober, 1201 Irvine Bl	\$291
Mo&Th 7:30P-BB Stdy, Jeronimo & Marg.		\$962	Dly 7:00A-Eye Opener, 27514 C Arroyo	\$523	\$2,334	Th 8:00P-12&12 GV Stdy, 13922Prspct	\$60
Mo 7:00P- (W)'s SS, 26051 Marg.	\$120	\$561	Su 5:00P-1 Hr Top Disc, 27514 C Arroyo	\$60	\$540	Fr 7:30P-Turning The Corner, 1221 Wass	\$526
Mo 7:00P-(W)'s Book Stdy, 26558 Marg.		\$110	Mo 6:00P-BB Stdy, 27514 C Arroyo	\$72	\$197	Fr 8:00P-Disc, 130 W Main	\$50 \$50
Mo 7:30P-B/Ring (M)'s Stag, 27641 Aqua		\$215	Tu 7:00P- Hear Here Part, 27514 C Arroyo	\$300		Sa 8:00P-Visiting Spkrs, 1221 Wass	\$110 \$467
We 9:30A-(W)'s, 26051 Marguerite Pky		\$42	We 7:00P-11th Step Disc, 27514 C Arroyo	\$108		VILLA PARK	
We 8:30P-Missionaries Disc, 26558 Marg.		\$480	Th 6:00P-Do The Steps, 32202 Del Obispo	\$142		Dly 24 Hour Grp	\$332
Th 7:30P-12 SS, 27192 Jeronimo		\$60	Th 7:00P-Joy of Sobriety, 31495 E C Real	\$204	\$709	Fr 12:00P-(W)'s BB Stdy, 17855 Sant	\$190
Th 9:30A-(W)'s 12 x 12, 26001 Blascos		\$60	Th 7:30P-(M)'s Q & A, 32202 Del Obispo	\$268	\$1,488	WESTMINSTER	
Sa 7:15P-Mission Spkrs, 24932 Veterans	\$80	\$325	Fr 6:00A-Taking a Trip, 27174 Ortega Hwy	\$453	\$1,000	Mo 7:30P-12&12Beginners, 15750 Mag	\$205
NEWPORT BEACH		^ ^	Sa 6:00P-Around 40's Disc, 27514 C Arroyo	\$55		Th 7:30P-BB Stdy, 8152 McFadden	\$38
Dly12:15P-Old Nwprt Nomads, 414 Old Nwprt		\$883	SANTA ANA		^ ^	WHITTIER	
MS 7:00A-Round Disc, 414 E. 32nd St		\$800	Dly 12 & 8pm-Nueva Luz, 2525 N.Grand	\$122		UNLISTED GROUPS	
MF 6:30A-Balboa Round Table, 605 Balboa		\$853	Mo-Sa 7:30A-Disc Early Birds, 212 Elk	\$24		Laguna Niguel 4th Step Workshop (UL)	\$200
MF 12:15P-Shark@Aquatic, 1Whitecliffs		\$4,052	Su 5:00P-Two Or More, 721 Euclid	\$30		Tu Twelve Step Workshop (UL) SA	\$200
MF 5:30P-Fish Out'a Water, 414 E. 32nd	\$96	\$838	Mo 7:00P-(M)'s Disc, 1st & Lyon Elks L	\$70	\$140	Tu 5:30P-BB Tape Stdy (UL) IR	\$392
Su 11:30A-Here and Now, 414 E. 32nd St.		\$50	We 7:30P-Wed Nite (M)'s, 600 N Main	\$128		Tu 8:00P-Last Gaspers (UL)CM	\$100
Su 9:30A-Sandy Survivors, On/Beach	\$399	\$834	We 8:00P-Disc, 417 N. Cooper	\$100		We 6:00P-(W)'s BB St (UL) DP	\$30
Su 9:30A-Dolphins/Bch, 4000 Seashore		\$5	Fr 8:00P-51/50, 614 Bush Street	\$30	\$230	We 7:00P-(W)'s Book Stdy (UL)	\$50
Su 7:00P-Primary Purp Grp, Dover&16th	\$177	\$341	Sa 2:00P-Spkr, 910 N. French	\$100		Th 7:00P-BB Stdy (UL) LB	\$100
Su 7:30P-Spkr, 414 E. 32nd St		\$1,000	Sa 8:00P-Coop Fell Spkr, 417 N Cooper	\$20		Th 7:30P-LeisureWorld (UL) LW	\$240
Mo 12:30P-Back Bay (M)'s, 1201 Irvine		\$1,400	SEAL BEACH		^ ^	Fr 8:00P-Family Afterward (UL) Sunset B	\$60
Mo 6:45P-Beg.&Trad Grp,1400 Balboa		\$922	Mo 7:30P-Seal Bch Spkrs, 500 Marina Dr	\$320		New Lease on Life (UL)	\$350
Mo 7:00P-Over 40 Disc, 5th & Iris		\$25	We 7:30P-(M)'s SS, 8th & Central	\$155		WANDERING GROUPS	
Mo 8:00P-(M)'s Disc, 301 Nwprt Blvd		\$1,011	SILVERADO CANYON		^ ^	Tu 6:00P-Chicks On The Run-Wandering	\$231
Mo 8:00P-(W)'s Disc., 301 Nwprt Blvd		\$100	Th 7:30P-Fireside Disc, 17641 Silverado Cyn	\$198		Tu 6:00P-Step Sisters-Roaming	\$232
Tu 3:30P-Disc, 414 E. 32nd St		\$201	SUNSET BEACH		^ ^	We (W)'s Wandering Grp (UL)	\$332
Tu 6:00P-Dover (W)'s 12 & 12, 798 Dover		\$70	Su 7:15A-Sober Sunday Sunrise, 16865 PCH	\$120		Sa 8:00P-Orange County Wandering Grp	\$120
Tu 7:00P-B St Bonfire-1st Fire Ring/Ocean	\$49	\$149	Su 9:00A-SoberOnTheSand, End of 16th St.	\$82	\$152	Wandering (W)'s Unlisted	\$60
Tu 7:00P-Beachcombers (M)'s, 605 Balboa		\$105	Su 10:00A-Sunset Beach Mtg.,PCH&Warner	\$56		Buena Park Wandering Couples Meet	\$367
Tu 7:00P-(W)'s B/Stdy, 2414VistaDelOro		\$316	Su 1:00P-(W)'s12StepDisc, 16865 PCH	\$50		MISC. DONATIONS	
Tu 7:30P-(M)'s12&12Stdy, 2100 Mar Vista		\$150	Su 7:00P-11th SS, 16865 PCH	\$120	\$418	OCCHO Change Can	\$55
We 6:30A-BB Topic Disc, 5001 NP Coast		\$83	Mo 7:00A-Disc, 16865 PCH	\$213		Satellite Office Change Can	\$45

Meeting Changes continued from page 5

11:20 PM DISCUSSION 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd New Location

LOS ALAMITOS

7:00 AM SURRENDER IS FREEDOM DISCUSSION 4376 Katella Av @ Lexington (2nd Floor) Address change

NEWPORT BEACH

7:30 PM (HE) BACK TO BASICS SPEAKER MEETING 414 E. 32nd St. Name change

SAN CLEMENTE

7:30 AM WHAT'S GOOD ABOUT TODAY 929 Calle Negocio, Ste H @ Calle Amanecer Time change

6:00 PM LAVA LAMP 929 Calle Negocio, Ste H @ Calle Amanecer Time change

SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO

6:30 AM EYE OPENER DISCUSSION 27514 Calle Arroyo off Rancho Viejo Rd (Community Center) New meeting

MEETING DELETIONS SINCE JULY 8, 2007

SUNDAY

BUENA PARK

10:00 AM 12 STEP STUDY 7699 9th Street, Room #106 (@Beach Blvd.)

GARDEN GROVE

7:30 PM SUNDAY NIGHT BIG BOOK/12 & 12 9845 Belfast Dr. STUDY

HUNTINGTON BEACH

5:30 PM CREATIVE SHARING 18582 Beach Blvd #2 @ Ellis

NEWPORT BEACH

2:00 PM OLD NEWPORT NOMADS 414 Old Newport Blvd @ Hospital Rd.

SUNSET BEACH

9:00 PM CANDLELIGHT DISCUSSION 16865 Pacific Coast Hwy.

WESTMINSTER

9:00 AM MAINSTREAM FELLOWSHIP 8271 20th Street

MONDAY

BUENA PARK

7:00 PM SINGLENESS OF PURPOSE Corner of Page and Thomas

SEAL BEACH

7:30 PM MARINA MONDAY DISC. 138 8th @ Central (Church) Moved to Long Beach

TUESDAY

NEWPORT BEACH

7:30 PM (C) MEN'S STEP & BOOK STUDY 2100 Mar Vista Dr

WEDNESDAY

GARDEN GROVE

12:00 PM NOON PARTICIPATION 9845 Belfast Dr.

6:30 PM BACK TO BASICS- THE BOOKS OF AA 9934 Belfast Dr.

7:30 PM BIXBY GROUP 9561 Bixby Avenue Delete

IRVINE

7:30 PM (C) WEDNESDAY NIGHT HERE & NOW 18842 Teller Avenue @ Campus

MODJESKA CANYON

7:30 PM DISCUSSION 28890 Modjeska Canyon Rd.

WHITTIER

7:00 PM FAITH 15315 Leffingwell near Scott

THURSDAY

IRVINE

7:30 PM (C) MEN'S BOOK STUDY "THE PEANUT MEETING" 18842 Teller Avenue

LAKE FOREST

6:15 PM (G) DISCUSSION MEETING 24601 Raymond Way #9 @ El Toro Rd

SUNSET BEACH

9:30 PM 3RD STEP CANDLELIGHT 16865 Pacific Coast Hwy.

FRIDAY

GARDEN GROVE

8:00 PM QUESTION & ANSWER 9842 W. 13th St. @ Brookhurst (Roque Ctr.)

SUNSET BEACH

10:00 PM CANDLELIGHT DISCUSSION 16865 Pacific Coast Hwy.

SATURDAY

NEWPORT BEACH

2:00 PM OLD NEWPORT NOMADS 414 Old Newport Blvd @ Hospital Rd.

SUNSET BEACH

9:00 PM BIG BOOK CANDLELIGHT 16865 Pacific Coast Hwy.

11:00 PM MIDNIGHT MADNESS 16865 Pacific Coast Hwy.

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false values, mixed with pleasant memories, perhaps, of earlier drinking days act as additional prods to an attitude of resistance.

All of this is quite understandable. The difficulty of taking the 1st Step is very real to the person experiencing it.

Once taken, of course, it brings a blessed release. Strangely enough, too, when one admits that he is an alcoholic, the heavens do not fall. Nor does his soul shrivel. Life goes on.

For the alcoholic, who has traveled his twisting, rocky road of unhappiness for years, this is where life really begins. Having come to the conclusion that he is powerless over alcohol and having admitted it, the conviction that he must do certain things to recover grows within. He then, and only then, has really begun his Program of Recovery.

T.Y., Manhattan

Grapevine, Nov. 1945

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Tell the newcomer how you did it.

People are lonely because they build walls instead of bridges.

Donations continued...

Intergroup Meet	\$75	\$805
AOCYPAA		\$944
OCAAC 22nd OC AA Convention		\$4,694
Open House Raffle - Central Office		\$141
Miracles Happen		\$269
PERSONAL DONATIONS ^ ^		
Anonymous		\$500
Andrea H.		\$10
Bill D	\$150	\$150
Brian Harvey		\$257
Cyndi H.		\$8
Chris K.		\$140
Donna McL, Mission Viejo		\$50
E. Douglas M, Irvine		\$400
Joe S, San Clemente		\$100
June L., Irvine	\$25	\$250
Larry E, Santa Ana		\$25
Laura D, Capo Beach		\$100
Linda L., Lake Elsinore		\$1,093
Missy B, Ladera Ranch		\$35
Mari K., Long Beach		\$70
Mark H		\$70
Mel B, Laguna Woods		\$174
Micheal V		\$150
Nanci S.		\$40
Richard B, Irvine		\$140
Toni S. Tustin		\$50
Victoria M, Laguna Niguel		\$228
Vaun I, Laguna Beach		\$396
Wanda R, Huntington Beach	\$20	\$40
IN LOVING MEMORY ^ ^		
Jerry E, Costa Mesa		\$30
Theda J, Laguna Woods		\$50
Kenneth C.		\$25
GROUP INFORMATION REQUESTED ^ ^		
Receipt # 7899		\$240
Receipt # 7891		\$60
Receipt # 7974		\$67
Receipt # 7983		\$210
Receipt # 8041		\$120
Receipt # 8067		\$50
Receipt # 8172		\$190
Receipt # 8238		\$630
Receipt # 8239		\$280
Receipt # 8259		\$40
Receipt # 8260		\$70
Receipt # 8282		\$238
Receipt # 8311		\$20
Receipt # 8334		\$98
Receipt # 8335		\$240
Receipt # 8351		\$60
Receipt # 8399		\$200
Receipt # 8407		\$30
Receipt # 8190		\$350
Receipt # 8452		\$61
Receipt # 8491		\$25
Receipt # 9070		\$50
Receipt # 9600		\$60
Receipt # 9609		\$60
Receipt # 9522		\$126
Receipt # 9129		\$106
Receipt # 9125		\$420
Receipt # 9136		\$60
Receipt # 9175		\$121
Receipt # 8523		\$40
Receipt # 8519		\$50
Receipt # 8618		\$50
Receipt # 8565		\$40

Receipt # 9628		\$6
Receipt # 9675		\$80
Receipt # 9672		\$50
Receipt # 8691		\$33
Receipt # 8681		\$60
Receipt # 8683		\$8
Receipt # 9733		\$396
Receipt # 9718		\$120
Receipt # 8785	\$93	\$93
Receipt # 9177	\$50	\$50
Receipt # 9652	\$15	\$15
TOTALS	\$16,859	\$202,539

*Thank you
for your
contributions.*

**Alcoholic beer
taster wins suit**

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
SAO PAULO, BRAZIL-A Brazilian court has ordered a brewer to pay \$49,000 to an alcoholic beer taster who said he drank more than three pints of beer a day. The employee alleged that the company, Ambev, or Companhia de Bebidas das Americas, did not provide the health measures needed to keep him from developing alcoholism, a labor court in the Rio Grande do Sul state said in a statement Friday.

The employee said in his lawsuit that for more than a decade, he drank 16 to 25 small glasses of beer during his shifts.

Judge Jose Felipe Ledur said the company was negligent because an alcoholic should never have been made a beer taster.

(Editor's Note: Was it the chicken or the egg that came first?)



SPEAKER MEETINGS

Garden Grove
Thursday Night Speaker Mtg
8:00 pm
Garden Grove Alano Club
9845 Belfast Dr
Contact: John S.

1/03 Yvonne B., Anaheim
1/10 Bobby K., Huntington Bch
1/17 Nick M., Santa Ana
1/24 Kimberly H., Garden Grove
1/31 Shane M., Garden Grove

Garden Grove
Saturday Night Speakers
8:00 pm
Garden Grove Alano Club
9845 Belfast Dr
Contact: Jon W.

Huntington Beach
Saturday Night Lite Speakers
7:00 pm
HOW Hall, 18582 Beach Blvd
Behind Flower Kiosk @ Ellis
Contact: Kevin B.

Newport Beach
Balboa Speaker Meeting
7:30 pm, Thursday
Newport Club, 414 East 32nd Ave
Contact: Jim K.

1/03 Surprise
1/10 Kimber B., Los Angeles
1/17 Larry T., Lakewood
1/24 Rosie T., Lakewood
1/31 Carl M., Covina
2/07 Betty D., Tustin
2/14 Surprise
2/21 Carol M., Orange
2/28 Bill C., Torrance
3/06 Laura A., Los Angeles
3/13 Doug R., Tijunga
3/20 Debbie M., Santa Monica
3/27 Ira T., Manhattan Beach

Orange
No Puffers Speaker Meeting
8:00 pm, Friday
Community of Christ Church
385 S. Tustin Ave
Contact: Garry B.

Tustin
Saturday Night Visiting Speaker
8:00 pm
St. Paul's Church, 1221 Waas St.
Contact: Glenn H.

1/05 Ronnie R., Tustin
1/12 Aaron F., Garden Grove
1/19 Roxie C., Santa Ana
1/26 Roxy T., La Palma
2/02 Paul H., Tustin
2/09 Robin T., Santa Ana
2/16 Christine H., Irvine
2/23 Paul M., Mission Viejo
3/01 Bob M., Westminster
3/08 Joanie V.H., Orange
3/15 Keith S., Tustin
3/22 Cinthia E., Lake Forest
3/29 Coral S., Orange

Tustin
Participation, Speaker, Q & A
9:02 am—11:00 am, Sunday
130 West Main Street (Hall)
Contact: Jack B.

1/06 Rickie H., Huntington Bch
1/13 Casey V., Anaheim
1/20 Marty R., Anaheim Hills
1/27 Gina R., Rowland Heights

Tustin
Sober & Crazy Sunday Night
Speakers 7:00 PM
130 West Main Street (Hall)
Contact: Heather V.

Dee S., (714) 832-6925
1/06 George C., Orange
1/13 Paula C., Orange
1/20 Ken C.
1/27 Cosmo M., Orange



SPEAKER INFO

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Purpose: The Orange County Lifeline Committee is a committee of volunteer A.A. members, charged with the responsibility of producing and distributing the Orange County Lifeline, (a publication of the Orange County Intergroup Association). The Lifeline is published monthly and is supported solely through contributions from the A.A. groups and members of Orange County. The Lifeline is published to meet the following needs of the Orange County A.A. membership: to inform the A.A. membership regarding A.A. service, A.A. events and A.A. announcements; also to share experience in recovery, unity and service; to keep the A.A. membership informed regarding the actions, finances and meetings of the Orange County Intergroup Association and other Central Office committees.

Lifeline Committee: We meet the 1st Thursday of each month at the Central Office. Join us @ 7PM.

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CENTRAL OFFICE CALL FORWARDING SHIFTS

Call-forwarding is the program instituted by Orange County Central Office whereby, during hours when the Central Office is closed, calls to the Central Office are forwarded to your phone and you answer the calls, just as if you were sitting in the Central Office as a volunteer. This service allows the Central Office to realize a significant cost savings because we do not need to contract to a vendor to answer the phone and forward the call on to a central Office 12th Step volunteer. Even more vital, when a call is placed to Alcoholics Anonymous, the caller will be talking to an A.A. member not a paid private worker! Many of the shifts listed below are currently filled by A.A. members. If you see a shift that you would be able to take, please call the Central Office at (714) 556-4555 to determine if that shift is currently unfilled.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Holiday
6am-9am	6am-9am	6am-9am	6am-9am	6am-9am	6am-9am	6am-10am	6am-10am
9pm-6am	9pm-6am	9pm-6am	9pm-6am	9pm-6am	1pm-4pm	10am-2pm	10am-2pm
					4pm-7pm	2pm-6pm	2pm-6pm
					7pm-10pm	6pm-10pm	6pm-10pm
					10pm-6am	10pm-6am	10pm-6am

BACKUP

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Holiday
6am-9am	6am-9am	6am-9am	6am-9am	6am-9am	6am-9am	6am-10am	6am-10am
9pm-6am	9pm-6am	9pm-6am	9pm-6am	9pm-6am	1pm-4pm	10am-2pm	10am-2pm
					4pm-7pm	2pm-6pm	2pm-6pm
					7pm-10pm	6pm-10pm	6pm-10pm
					10pm-6am	10pm-6am	10pm-6am

In order to volunteer for this service, you must first arrange with the Central Office Manager for a brief orientation session which will be held at the Central Office. This truly is "front-line" 12th Step work and we would appreciate any time you can give.



NO RESERVATIONS REQUIRED!

It was about an hour before meeting time when we arrived, but already absolutely every seat had keys, cards, books, handkerchiefs, combs, etc. on them.

A quick and easy count indicated that even if each of those present when we arrived had saved two extra seats for late-arriving friends, more than half the seats in the auditorium would have been available.

But no, someone (or several "ones") had obviously laid claim to blocks of seats.

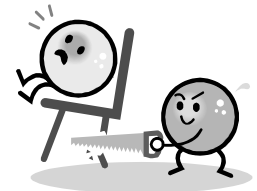
This is not new to A.A., of course, but it is getting worse, much more frequent and flagrant. And it is cause for concern.

For instance, what if a newcomer is confronted by this "reserved seats only" atmosphere? Chances are he or she would be saying "Goodbye" before we had a chance to say "Hello".

If it is the group conscience that any number of seats can be so set aside, it should be announced from the podium by the secretary. And if it's not group conscience that this be allowed, that too should be announced and those doing it told to knock it off. (Common courtesy it is not!)

Tradition 3 reads: "The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking." Are we now adding to that "... and advanced reservations for a seat at meetings"?

This is a matter that effects A.A. as a whole. What is your group's conscience on the subject?



M .M., Los Angeles.
 From the January, 1981, *Lifeline*

JOKE: THE TOWN DRUNK had died. A wonderful funeral for her was in progress and the preacher talked at length about the good traits of the deceased: what an honest woman she was, what a loving wife and kind mother. Finally, the widower leaned over and whispered to one of the children, "Go up there and take a look in the coffin and see if that's your ma."

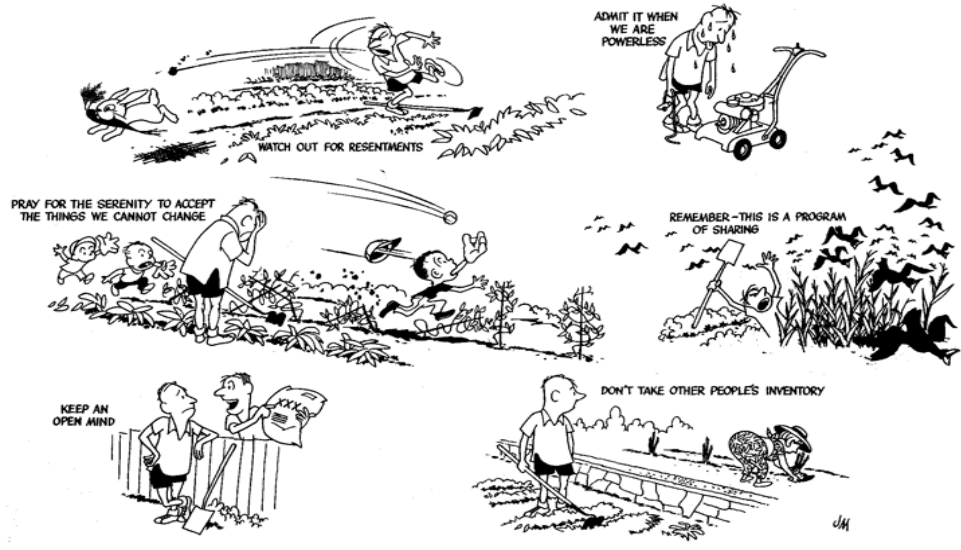
We Are Not A Glum Lot

CLASSIC CARTOONS AND JOKES FROM THE AA GRAPEVINE



A JUDGE SAID to an erring lush, "My good man, I feel lenient today. If you can guess which of my two eyes is made of glass, you'll go free." The drunk peered at the judge and said, "The left one." "Correct. How did you know?" "It was kinder." February 1970

ON NEW YEAR'S EVE Judy stood up at the local pub and said that it was time to get ready. "At the stroke of midnight," she said, "I want everybody to be standing next to the one person who made your life worth living." The bartender was nearly crushed to death. March 2000



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RECOVERY WORD SEARCH

A WORD SEARCH, like all the others you've seen: words can be up, down, across or diagonal. Have fun, and win a few minutes of free sobriety! There are also 12 'AA's. Can you find them all?

S A A Z Q E Y O R F K O B Y L T
 D M N O I T A I L A T E R L O D
 E V O L W S Y H U P S W A L L R
 B S R T M S G N O R W A E U K E
 R A X Q P V A A K T M R V F A S
 U S A R H M J T W V A K O R P O
 T C E S R T Y J A N I D G E M L
 S Q L E W B X S C D S U G E K U
 I D T K R A A E D J M A L H A T
 D R W A T V C U T E I I A C A E
 I A F T P N B L N A D O T H K L
 A C W S E Q G T A L F N U T O Y
 H Z G I A G N I R R E F E R E P
 O F T M A J T W K G T J M F A D
 E A G L T D K A A W N P C A F K
 P R Y G H O N E S T L Y T E J O

Symptoms
 Cheerfully
 Wrongs
 Disturbed
 Offended
 Resolutely
 Love
 Retaliation
 Mistakes
 Tolerance
 Argument
 Admitted
 Patience
 Referring
 Honestly