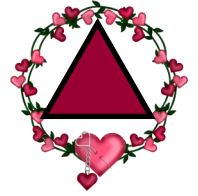




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STEP TWO

“Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.”

When we saw others solve their problems by a simple reliance upon the Spirit of the Universe, we had to stop doubting the power of God. Our ideas did not work. But the God idea did.

The Wright brother’s almost childish faith that they could build a machine which would fly was the mainspring of their accomplishment. Without that, nothing could have happened. When others showed us that “God sufficiency” worked with them, we began to feel like those who had insisted the Wrights would never fly.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS @ 4th Edition, pages 52-53
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TRADITION TWO

For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.

The group now has a so-called rotating committee, very sharply limited in its authority. In no sense whatever can its members govern or direct the group. They are servants. Theirs is the sometimes thankless privilege of doing the groups chores. Headed by the chairman, they look after public relations and arrange meetings. Their treasurer, strictly accountable, takes money from the hat that is passed, banks it, pays the rent and other bills, and makes a regular report at the business meetings. The secretary sees that literature is on the table, looks after the phone-answering service, answers the mail, and sends out notices of meetings. Such are the simple services that enable the group to function.

The committee gives no spiritual advice, judges no one’s conduct,

H OPE IS THE SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLE OF STEP TWO

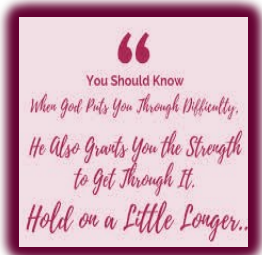
Upon attending my very first meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous (AA), I left with a real sense of hope that I could stop drinking alcohol and develop a better, more meaningful life. I sat in a room full of people who shared their various experiences of addiction to alcohol and how they had gotten sober through AA and its program of recovery.

Since that first AA meeting, I’ve listened to many other members of the Fellowship describe how they too felt hope upon encountering AA for the first time.

The AA 12-Step program of recovery offers hope and suggests faith to those seeking freedom from addiction. I think the hope AA inspires is realistic and helpful to many who seek recovery from addiction in its rooms.

Does the faith AA advocates prevent us taking personal responsibility for recovery and encourage wishful thinking and passivity? I think this depends upon how the 12 Steps are related to and is possibly true for some people. However, in my experience and understanding the AA program is one of action. We have to work for the recovery and emotional sobriety we want and desire. Faith often inspires hope, which is ok as long as we’re willing to do the foot-work of the change we want and hope for.

Excerpt from ~ Hope—A Virtue and a Double Edged Sword, By Steve K
<https://www.12stepphilosophy.org>



CONCEPT TWO

The General Service Conference of A.A. has become, for nearly every practical purpose, the active voice and the effective conscience of our whole society in its world affairs.

In order to get effective action, the groups must delegate the actual operational authority to chosen service representatives who are fully empowered to speak and to act for them. The group conscience of A.A. could not be heard unless a properly chosen Conference were fully trusted to speak for it respecting most matters of world service. Hence the principle of amply delegated authority and responsibility to “trusted servants” must be implicit from the top to the bottom of our active structure of service.

This is the clear implication of Tradition Two.

The A.A. Service Manual combined with TWELVE CONCEPTS FOR WORLD SERVICE, pg. C6, Reprinted with permission of AA@World Services, Inc.

Our Prayer for the Second Step

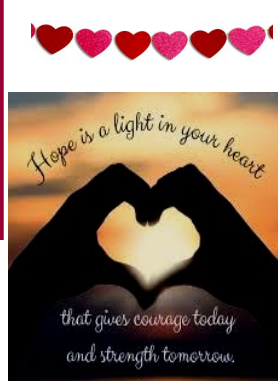
“Heavenly Father, I know in my heart that only you can restore me to sanity”

“I humbly ask that you remove all twisted thought and addictive behavior from me this day”

Heal my spirit and restore in me a clear mind”

issues no orders. Every one of them may be promptly eliminated at the next election if they try this. And so they make the belated discovery that they really are servants, not senators.

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Bob O Soldiers for Sobriety/Grapevine/Daily Reflections Ft Irwin
Bob O Big Book Barstow
Mike E Happy Hour Barstow
Anthony Into Action Men only Barstow
Courtney Q Rule 62 Women only Barstow
Jerry M Tumbleweed
John M Phelan Sober Phelan
Liz Y T.G.I.F Church of the Valley AV
OPEN Sun Eve Campfire Alano Club AV
Rita R (W) 1am Wmn Ch of the Nazarene AV
Mike M H.U.G.
Dan W H.U.G.
Tom W Wed Men's Stag Wrightwood
Michelle C (M) Women BB 12x12 Wrightwood
Daniel H (Su) m Participation Wrightwood
Leslie A (Fr) 7pm Serenity Now Wrightwood

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MEETS THE 4TH SUNDAY EACH MONTH 12:30 PM @ THE H.U.G.
15885 MAIN ST. SUITE.310 (S/W C CORNER. 8TH & MAIN) HESPERIA, CA. 92345
ZOOMID: 89040765566 PASSCODE: 254586

BUSINESS MEETING ~ GSR REPORTS

LIZY-TGIF Fri 7:30 AV-COV Chips every meeting for various lengths of sobriety. Birthdays celebrated the last Friday of the month.

RITA R WOMENS OPEN PARTICIPATION WED 11-12:30 AV Church of the Nazarene Well represented group. We honor birthdays and recovery chips. Several newcomers coming in. Looking for an alt. GSR

SHELLY J FOR COURTNEY Q RULE 62 BARSTOW WOMEN ONLY TUES 7pm The last Tuesday of the month mtg. starts @6pm to celebrate birthdays with a potluck. Children welcome/play area / without sitter. A few newcomers have come in.

MIKE E BARSTOW HAPPY HOUR MON 5-6PM River of Life Church The group donates to the 3 entities. Ther are newcomers often. The group hosts End of Month Birthday Potluck for all groups in Barstow 4:30-5:30pm on E.O.M. Saturday there Last month length of sobriety total was 325 years, 8 months, & 5 days. 1)30 yr, 1)24 yr, 1)23 yr, & 1) 1yr.

BOB O BARSTOW DESERT GROUP BB STUDY *NOW SUN 8 AM Alano Club Last week 6 attended & 1 newcomer. We are trying to get to get the newcomer paired with an experienced AA fellow to take to the back and discuss the 1st step for a better understanding about AA. This group was the very first High Desert meeting started back in 1953 there.

BOB O FT. IRWIN SOLDIERS FOR SOBRIETY TUES & THURS 6PM The soldiers have now posted the day & time for meetings on the Marquee on base. They also contribute to the 3 entities.

MIKE M H.U.G. HESPERIA. The meetings are doing well. Sunday 7am is well attended. There is a new Speaker Seeker, Yvonne K, and Saturdays 7pm Speaker Meeting is BACK ON beginning this month, Feb 1.

JOHN M TUES 7PM PHELAN SOBER, PINON HILLS Community Center At the last meeting they celebrated 19 years of sobriety, 1)10 yr, & 1) 4yr. Attendance is between 25-30. Commitments for service were just renewed, and rotation is every 6 months. We are seeing more newcomers.

DANIEL H WRIGHTWOOD OPEN PARTICIPATION SUN. 9AM Old Firehouse Birthdays are celebrated with a cake or pie and there are donuts weekly. Despite the snowy weather, there were 19 people in attendance last Sunday.

MICHELLE C WRIGHTWOOD WOMEN ONLY MON 6:30PM Old Firehouse A new secretary and treasurer were just elected. At this meeting the weather does affect the amount of people in attendance.

ED L ZOOM GLOBAL MENS DAILY MEDITATION 8:30AM +1) WED. 6:30PM Ed filled in for Russ G, the current GSR. Regular contributions are made to G.S.O., NY, AREA 09, & VVIGCO. A 5th Annual Men's Retreat will be held in Tennessee. This is a strong meeting, & supports well.

JERRY M VICTORVILLE TUMBLEWEED The group is doing well. Attendance at the noon meetings varies between 15-40 people. We are staying afloat.

Victor Valley Intergroup of Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting Minutes

12/21/2024

Call to Order Meeting was called to order at 8:30 am by Kara K. Kara K prayed in with Serenity prayer. Introductions around the room were done with positions if one held.

Present: Kara K, Melissa S, Courtney Q, Sandy B, Shelly J, Leah J, Kim W, Shannon W, Sergio V, Elaine K, Julia J, Robert V

Call Outs: Sandy D

Sandy B read minutes from 11/16/24. Shannon W motioned to accept minutes. Kim W seconded, AIF.

Intergroup Reports

Chair: Kara K – Kara K stated she is willing to fulfill her 2-year commitment, she just had two months in a row conflicts which should not interfere in the future.

Co-Chair: Open – no report.

Secretary: Sandy B – no report.

Treasurer: Shelly J – report is as follows:

November Financial Report:

Shelly J reported the following: Still gathering RRF1 form information and will get it done. There was discussion regarding deficient vs. suspended notice and she needs information on one of the finance questions. Shelly J obtained additional bank statements for 2018 & 2019 from Union Bank. Shelly J will continue to reconcile bank account for accurate tracking and IRS filings. Shelly J and Courtney Q helped Melissa S set up new computers. It was noted that the office manager will track the group donations and provide to recording secretary. Shelly J provided a tracking sheet for monthly financial statement for minute book. It was also noted that someone needs to proofread the newsletter as second check, which Kim W volunteered to proofread if Sandy D sends to her. Discussion was held regarding minutes for the newsletter and it was clarified that only approved minutes that have been reviewed at the meeting by the entire committee as approved should be placed noting that they will always lag behind 1 month, meaning December newsletter will have November approved minutes.

Beginning Checking Balance:	\$5,178.35	Beginning Savings Balance:	\$3,504.89
Deposits Total:	\$3,647.20	Deposits:	\$2,088.82
	Additions	(Sales):	\$1,558.38

Expenses:	
Rent -	\$490.58
Utilities -	\$136.12
Other Charges:	\$332.71
Check Paid Out:	\$417.66
Literature Expenses -	\$427.75
Office Manager -	\$1,000.00
Total Expenses:	\$3,131.47

Net Income: \$545.73

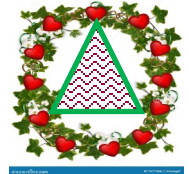
Shannon motioned to accept Treasurer's report. Leah seconded, AIF.



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No 7th Tradition was collected.

Office Manager: Melissa S needs help setting up HP ink subscription. Kim W will help. New safe is coming which Able is selling to Central Office for \$350.00 and will be installed on December 30, 2024. Melissa S said New Life Facility brought over a box that she needs to go through – may be donations. Keys rekeyed. New computers installed with MS office and antivirus. The shredder needs to be replaced. Melissa S needs a step-stool. Elaine K & Julia J may have one to donate and if not, Robert V. The copier is in need of being replaced and Leah J said she has a new copier she will look at for functionality to donate. Kim W motioned to purchase a new shredder, Shannon W seconded, AIF. Christmas Eve and Christmas Day phones will be covered by Julia J. Central Office is closed Christmas Eve and Day and New Years Eve and Day.



Office visits: 39

Information calls: 89

Donations: November 2024:

Fundraising: No events took place since last meeting.

Group Donations:

Los Coyotes Men's Group:	\$350.00
Friday Night Reflections:	\$135.00
Women's Group #454372:	\$ 85.00
Monday No Frills:	\$100.00
Tuesday 12 and 12:	\$100.00
Thursday Big Book:	\$100.00

Individual Donations:

Steven Lohmeyer:	\$25.00
John Blanc:	\$30.00
Gail Bond:	\$50.00
Donation – Left Over Change:	<u>\$18.85</u>

Total Donations (Group/Individual): \$988.85

Newsletter: Sandy D – absent. No report.

Webmaster: Courtney Q – Courtney Q has jumped in as Webmaster and has been making updates as necessary and said Sandy D reached out regarding Zoom meeting post tab and she is looking into more. Elaine K said there are three meetings listed on the meeting guide in Lucerne Valley, which is also on website, that need to be removed because the meetings are not occurring and/or not AA. If it is on the website Courtney Q will remove. Courtney Q said she is good with Melissa S giving her email out and list on website if anyone has questions and/or feedback. -

GSR: Open No report

Associate Member: Kim W – No report

Old Business

Shelly J thanked Melissa S for the great job she is doing at Central Office. Elaine K reported out that she spoke with AA Main New York offices and Central Office can sell whatever they want to. Melissa S brought up topic of board members and meeting attendance and with Kara K calling out two times in a row the need to vote in a new Chair. Melissa S also mentioned that Kara K communicated that she did not care if they found someone new. It was noted that the following positions are needed for the Board: Chair, Co-chair and Co-treasurer. Bylaws were discussed and deferred to January. Safe needs and office keying was discussed and will be explored further.

New Business

Kara K brought up discussion regarding finding a co-chair. Discussion was held regarding the office manager being able to be co-chair and if there is a conflict of interest. The committee discussed varying opinions. Shannon W volunteered to be co-chair. Courtney Q made a motion for Shannon W to be co-chair. Kim W seconded, AIF. Robert V volunteered to be GSR for Intergroup and discussion was held regarding number of meetings attended necessary and it was not in bylaws. Leah motioned to vote Robert V in, Kim W seconded, AIF. Kim W asked Melissa S if her hours have adjusted between 1st to 2nd month in terms of time and she said it has decreased and is able to spend is about 10 hours per week currently. Shelly J thanked all who are on committee for participating in intergroup. The following call outs are noted for January 2025 meeting: Leah J, Shelly J and Kim W.

Close of Meeting

Shannon W motioned to adjourn, Kim W seconded, AIF. Meeting adjourned at 9:37 am. Kim W prayed out with the Serenity prayer. Respectfully submitted Sandy B

THE AA RIDE FOR RECOVERY 2025 IS A RIDE THROUGH DEATH VALLEY THAT WILL TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY, MARCH 28, AND SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 2025. THE BARSTOW ALANO CLUB IS HOSTING THE EVENT.

EVENT DETAILS

The ride starts at 7 PM PDT on Friday, March 28
The event takes place in Barstow, California
Tickets start at \$35



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This years speaker is Frankie H. from Juniper Hills

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But if I were you, I would call on God and bring my problem before Him. God does wonders that cannot be understood; He does so many miracles they cannot be counted.

Isa. 65:9

Still looking for a
WILD SATURDAY NIGHT

SPEAKER MEETING

It's Back on At The
H.U.G.

TIME REMAINS AT 7PM

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QUEST SPEAKER LINE UP:

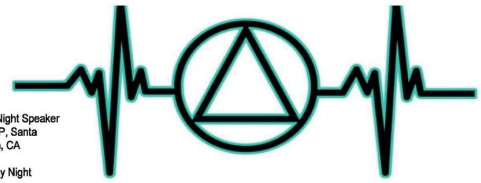
February 01	Jeff L
February 08	Deanna L
February 15	Jerry K
February 22	T.B.A.



Friday Night Speaker
Darren P. Santa
Barbara, CA

Saturday Night
Speaker
Ronald W, Los
Angeles, CA

Sunday Speaker
Sharon C, Los
Angeles, CA



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2025 Sunshine of the Spirit High Desert Convention

Friday June 6th, 2025-
Sunday June 8th, 2025

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY To all

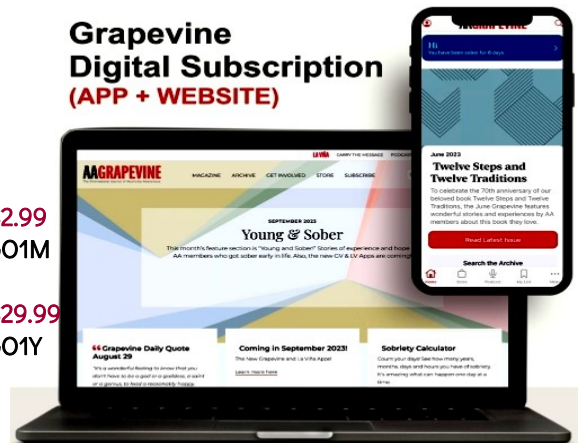


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David D	February 1, 2022	H.U.G.	Ben A	February 14, 2007	H.U.G.
Flo D	February 2, 1995	AV Church of Nazarene	Steve L	February 15, 2021	H.U.G.
Tiffany T	February 3, 2019	Barstow	Josh G	February, 17, 2021	Barstow
Lisa N	February 3, 2020	AV Church of Nazarene	Natasha M	February 18, 2022	Helendale Sat Nite Serenity
Leslie A	February 4, 1992	Wrightwood Serenity Now	Nick G	February 19, 2015	Tumbleweed
Kim T	February 4, 2006	Tumbleweed	Ronnie S	February 20, 2022	Tumbleweed
Lloyd R	February 6, 2007	Barstow	Tom W	February 22, 1999	Wrightwood Mens Stag
Wally F	February 7, 1991	H.U.G.	Eddy G	February 22, 2002	Tumbleweed
Toby G	February 8, 2019	Barstow	Darlene J	February 25, 2015	Tumbleweed
Britnn	February 8, 2021	Wrightwood	Bernie F	February 27, 2006	Tumbleweed
Annette R	February 9, 1991	Helendale	Ryan	February 27, 2022	H.U.G.
Sergio V	February 10, 2011	Tumbleweed	Anthony C	February 27, 2023	Tumbleweed/H.U.G.
Bernard	February 10, 2019	H.U.G.			



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