

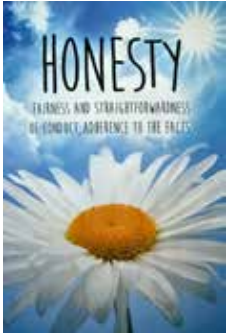


VICTOR VALLEY INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE

Newsletter for the Fellowship

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The Spiritual Principle of Step One is *Honesty*

We admitted we were powerless over alcohol – that our lives had become unmanageable. The Spiritual Principle of step 1 is Honesty: The 12-step program requires that we practice basic honesty with others and ourselves. We accept our flawed spiritual states and are honest about our powerlessness.

HONESTY: *Fairness and straight forwardness of conduct: adherence to the facts.*

STEP ONE

WE ADMITTED WE
WERE POWERLESS OVER
ALCOHOL
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UNMANAGEABLE.

The Philosophy Behind The 1st Step

The 1st step is an incredibly powerful one. As our problems with addiction grew, we hid them from others and ourselves. We pretended that we had the answers and could control our behavior. When we hurt others, we often blamed them. As we did so, our instincts and judgement led us astray over and over. Our addiction has bled us dry. Many of us lost marriages, careers, friends, and ourselves as we succumbed. Part of the problem is that we are taught to always remain in control and to win at all costs. Admitting you are a powerless addict seems like a form of defeat and something inside our very being rebels against that notion. Don't worry. This is only a partial admission of defeat. What you are admitting is that the means you have used so far to control your life have failed. But you are also getting ready to walk on a new path of recovery,

one which will ultimately see you overcome and defeat addiction. It may seem like the last thing you want to do when your life is in chaos is let go and invite even less control. But remember, this process is a productive one. You are letting go of your old habits in order to build different and healthy ones. All forms of renewal and rebirth are painful at first. It is a healthy pain. How do we let go? The most important part is to admit the depth of our addiction and that we have lost our ability to control it. The 1st step is where we let go of this pathology. Our attempts to control our own lives have fallen short. When we fail to gain control, our instinct is to try to hold on to control even tighter. However, in this step we act counterintuitively and let go instead.

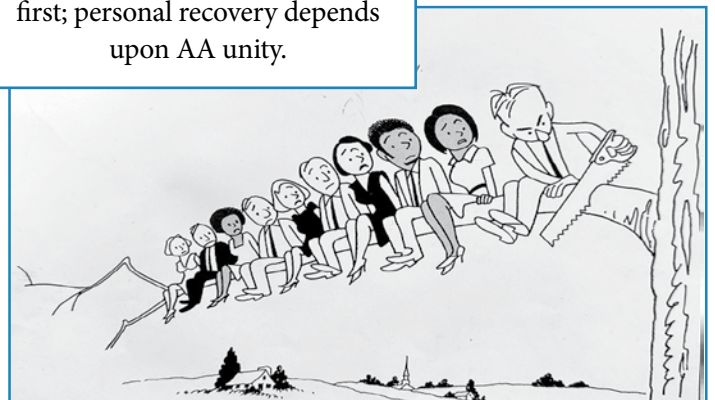
CONCEPT ONE:

Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.

There are a number of things you can do to be a better and more trusted servant of your group and A.A. as a whole.

TRADITION ONE

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



Victor Valley Intergroup of Alcoholics Anonymous

Meeting Minutes 11/15/25

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 am by Kara K. Introductions around the room were made with positions if one was held. Group prayed in with the serenity prayer.

Present: Melissa S, Shelly J, Shannon W, Kim W, Kara K, Christina B, Marlene C, Courtney Q, Sandy B, Julia J, Joy S, John D.

Call Outs: Scott C

Sandy B read minutes from 10/18/25. Shannon motioned to accept the amended minutes, Courtney seconded, AIF.

2. Intergroup Reports

- Chair – Kara K – No report.
- Co-Chair – Shannon W – No report.
- Secretary – Sandy B – No report.
- Treasurer – Shelly J – Shelly reported the following:

October 2025 Financial Summary (details attached). Shelly reported the following:

Account Balances:

Savings:\$4,505.20
Checking:\$6,148.27

Donations:

Group:\$756.00
Individual:\$141.00
Zelle:\$ 45.00
Total Donations:\$942.00

She also noted that the total income for October was \$1,713.21. Shannon motioned to accept the Treasurer's report, Kim seconded, AIF.

Melissa reported Seventh Tradition brought in: **\$24.00**

- **Newsletter** – John presented the new format of the newsletter to the group from his iPad and shared his thoughts on format and purpose of newsletter promoting Central Office, advertising upcoming events, encouraging sobriety and placing other literature in addition to the minutes and financial reports from Central Office monthly meetings. John asked to exchange information with Sandy B and Shelly J. so he can get the VVIG information timely. Discussion was held regarding organization and distribution of newsletter given recent changes and group decided to provide a new email for the newsletter which John already has. It is Vvfnl2025@gmail.com. Shannon asked if we can place the H&I flyer in the newsletter. Shannon will send what she has to John. Kim suggested placing a call for meeting directory changes from groups and have them send to the email so he can update. Courtney will also place call for changes on the website. John suggested that we have only 1 master list we work from on all changes to avoid confusion and the group agreed.

- Webmaster – Courtney Q – No report.
- GSR – Open. No report.

- **Office Manager** – Melissa S – Melissa discussed the Central Office schedule and some recent volunteers who backed out of commitments. She has been taking phones over more to cover them and said she needs more help. She provided days of week she needs assistance and noted that John has stepped in to help volunteer at Central Office and has picked up a few shifts. Joy said she will volunteer too for phones, just needs some material as reference guides.

Office visits: 34
Information calls: .. 27
Call Forwarding:.... 24
12 Step Calls:..... 0

- Associate Member – Kim W – No report.

3. Old Business

- IGR Packets – complete.
- Directories Need Updating – discussed above.
- Audit Committee – it was noted that per the Bylaws Kara needs to appoint 2 individuals to review financials semi-annually designated as the audit committee. Kara will need to have the two individuals selected by January 2026.
 - **Bylaws Amendment** – Courtney motioned for the audit to only take place once per year in January, Kim seconded, AIF. Discussion was held and opinions were shared with respect to 1 or 2 audits per year. Group conscious was to take 1 time per year forward. Kim motioned to combined the two items on the table now with respect to Bylaw changes (Board committee position additions/required sobriety time requirement and audit committee frequency), Courtney seconded, AIF. These will be voted on and solidified in January 2026.

4. New Business

Melissa requested a raise since she has been Central Office Manager for 14 months. Discussion was held regarding the salary she was brought in at, plus the increase she received a few months ago in addition to the backpay when Central Office was closed during time the committee worked on getting it in good standing with respect to non-profit status. Courtney made a motion to reevaluate at the 2 year mark, which was noted as September 2026, Julia seconded, AIF. Shelly asked if she could purchase a new notebook and materials to re-organize the financials for the next person. Courtney made a motion to support this, Marlene seconded, AIF. Discussion was held regarding the printer and Kim suggested that John and Melissa go to get the one they need as she does not have time and they agreed. Melissa also brought up Big Book covers and selling them with an upcharge. Group was ok with continuing to sell them and other items such as stickers.

5. Close of Meeting

Shannon motioned to adjourn the meeting, Courtney seconded, AIF. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 am. Group prayed out with serenity prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Sandy B.

VICTOR VALLEY INTER-GROUP CENTRAL OFFICE

FINANCIAL SUMMARY AS OF October 31st, 2025			
	CURRENT		
Savings	\$4,505.20		
Transfer from Savings to Checking	\$2,000.00		
Cash in Chase Banking	\$6,148.27		
Central Office Petty Cash			
INCOME	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Group Donations (from Square)	\$756.00	\$8,936.94	\$9,692.94
Individual Donations (from Square)	\$141.00	\$1,432.86	\$1,573.86
Group Donations (from Zelle)		\$20.00	\$20.00
Individual Donations (from Zelle)	\$45.00	\$25.00	\$70.00
Chips and Medallions	\$324.61	\$2,164.00	\$2,488.61
Literature	\$442.60	\$4,995.40	\$5,438.00
Square Credit Card Fee	\$4.00	\$47.00	\$51.00
Uncategorized Items on Square printout		\$182.00	\$182.00
AA Mountain Conference		\$0.00	\$0.00
SOTS-HDC Convention		\$669.20	\$669.20
Ride for Recovery		\$0.00	\$0.00
Womens Banquet		\$1,740.00	\$1,740.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$1,713.21	\$20,212.40	\$21,925.61
EXPENSES	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Rent	\$490.86	\$4,589.36	\$5,080.22
Southern California Edison		\$445.91	\$445.91
Southwest Gas	\$11.00	\$212.43	\$223.43
Spectrum	\$140.00	\$1,259.96	\$1,399.96
High Desert Alarm		\$463.41	\$463.41
Manager Salary	\$1,200.00	\$9,425.00	\$10,625.00
Maintenance/Office		0	\$0.00
Insurance		\$495.00	\$495.00
Literature		\$3,039.64	\$3,039.64
Banking Fees		\$50.00	\$50.00
Other Expenses (Debit Card Transactions)	\$114.99	\$1,083.14	\$1,198.13
CDTFA (Sales Tax)	\$318.00	\$2,796.57	\$3,114.57
Federal Taxes		\$1,358.99	\$1,358.99
Square Fees		\$760.16	\$760.16
Printing		0	\$0.00
Fundraisers		0	\$0.00
Business License		0	\$0.00
Miscellaneous Office Expenses (paid with Checks)	\$217.57	\$755.24	\$972.81
Website		0	\$0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$2,492.42	\$26,734.81	\$29,227.23
BALANCE	-\$779.21	-\$6,522.41	-\$7,301.62

**Central Office has a new Zelle account
for all contributions and donations
going forward.**

vvigco.aa.treasurer@gmail.com

To ensure your contribution is received without delay,
please update your Zelle contact information with this
new email address and when donating, please make
sure to list your home group for group donations and
your name if donating as an individual. If you have
any questions or need assistance with the update,
feel free to reach out to
Sandy B, Treasurer at 760-475-2569.

Victor Valley Intergroup
3RD Saturday • 8:30^{AM} Central Office
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GROUP DONATIONS			
	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
APPLE VALLEY			
Big Book Study (VV Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Campfire Group (VV Alano Club)		\$337.77	\$337.77
Children of Chaos (COV)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Coffee Talk (VV Alano Club)		\$534.00	\$534.00
Friday Night Lights (VV Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Front & Center (VV Alano Club)	\$256.00	\$1,533.00	\$1,789.00
Luz Del Sur (21887 Outer Hwy 18)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Men's Stag (Serenity Hall)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Men's Stag (VV Alano Club)	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
O.L.D. AA Big Book Study (Our Lady of the Desert)		\$375.00	\$375.00
Original Big Book Study (COV)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Pride Group LGBTQ+ (VV Alano Club)		\$360.00	\$360.00
Primary Purpose (COV)	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$60.00
Primary Purpose (Online)		\$337.80	\$337.80
Question & Answer (VV Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Sisters in Serenity (COV)		\$30.00	\$30.00
Speaker Meeting (COV)	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$120.00
Step Workshop (VV Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
T.G.I.F. (COV)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Women's Big Book Study (VV Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Women's Meeting (Church of the Nazarene)		\$298.37	\$298.37
BARSTOW	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Attitude of Gratitude (Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Barstow Desert Group (Alano Club)		\$25.00	\$25.00
Desert Dogs (Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Desert Road Runners (River of Life Methodist)		\$100.00	\$100.00
Friday Night Live (Alano Club)		\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Happy Hour (River of Life Methodist Church)		\$55.00	\$55.00
Into Action Men's Stag (Alano Club)		\$570.00	\$570.00
Literature in the Parking Lot (Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Los Coyotes Men's Stag (Alano Club)		\$894.00	\$894.00
Our Primary Purpose (Alano Club)		\$400.00	\$400.00
Prayer and Meditation (Alano Club)		\$75.00	\$75.00
Sisters in Sobriety (Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Una Nueva Vida (Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Women's Rule 62 Group (River of Life Methodist)	\$20.00	\$60.00	\$80.00
BIG BEAR	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Honor The Mountain Group		\$150.00	\$150.00
FORT IRWIN	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Daily Reflection (3rd St/G Avenue)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Soldiers for Sobriety (3rd St/G Avenue)		\$50.00	\$50.00
HELENDALE	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Ladies Willing to Go to Any Lengths (Community Church)		\$0.00	\$0.00
No Valid Complaints (Lion's Club)		\$135.00	\$135.00
Serenity Group (Community Church)		\$0.00	\$0.00
HESPERIA	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Hesperia Umbrella Group (HUG)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Spanish (Main Street)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Spanish (Mariposa Road)		\$0.00	\$0.00
PHELAN	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Open Book Study (Montara Road)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Phelan Sober Group (Sunnyslope Road)		\$100.00	\$100.00
Spanish (Manos Unidas De Phelan)		\$0.00	\$0.00
VICTORVILLE	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Big Book/12 and 12 Study (Holy Innocents Church)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Latino de Victor Valley (St. Andrews)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Mojave Riverwalk (VV Lower Campus)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Tumbleweed Group		\$0.00	\$0.00
WRIGHTWOOD	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
12x12 (Old Firehouse)		\$250.00	\$250.00
12x12 Study (Hillside Community Church)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Big Book Study (Old Firehouse)		\$250.00	\$250.00
Friday Night Reflections (Old Firehouse)		\$120.00	\$120.00
LGBTQ+ (Old Firehouse)		\$120.00	\$120.00
Men's Stag Meeting (Old Firehouse)		\$90.00	\$90.00
No Frills (Old Firehouse)		\$200.00	\$200.00
Open Participation (Blessed Junipero Serra Church)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Open Participation (Old Firehouse)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Women's Meeting (Old Firehouse)		\$150.00	\$150.00
YERMO	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Open Participation (Peggy Sue's Diner)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Peggy Sue's Diner (Peggy Sue's Diner)		\$0.00	\$0.00
UNKNOWN	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Steppers		\$75.00	\$75.00
Nancy Attitude of grt -\$12.00 + Jeff Hanks -\$100.00		\$112.00	\$112.00
Individual Donations	\$186.00	\$1,457.68	\$1,643.68
TOTAL GROUP DONATIONS	\$942.00	\$10,444.62	\$11,386.62

Cities in the District

ADELANTO, APPLE VALLEY, BARSTOW, HESPERIA, LUCERNE VALLEY, NEWBERRY
SPRINGS, PHELAN, PINON HILLS, TRONA, VICTORVILLE, WRIGHTWOOD, YERMO



12th Step Opportunities!

Join us as we carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous to those who cannot attend regular meetings. Current panel opportunities include Federal Prison, High Desert Detention Center, and Phoenix House.

Come see what we do!

Join us at our monthly committee meeting. H&I meets the 3rd Monday of the month at the Alano Club at 6:30^{PM}

Contact us!

H&I Director: Shannon W.
(760) 221-5907

H&I co-Director: Scott C.
(760) 267-5907

"TO THINE OWN SELF BE TRUE"

20th Annual High Desert AA Women's Banquet

Saturday April 11, 2026

11^{AM}-4^{PM}

Courtyard Marriott
9619 Mariposa Road, Hesperia, CA

Speaker:

Deidre K.

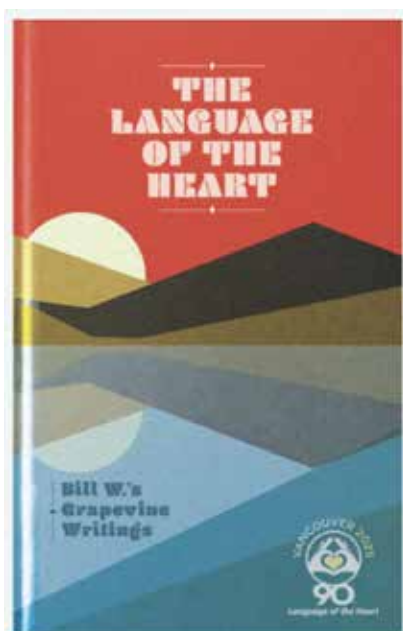
from Rancho Cucamonga

Lunch - 50/50 Raffle Drawing
Beautiful Basket Raffles

For registration, please contact:

Sandy B. (760) 475-2569

or Lindsey (760) 881 9000



The Language of the Heart

International Convention Commemorative Edition

Celebrate AA's 90th anniversary with this one-time commemorative International Convention issue of one of Grapevine's most beloved books, The Language of the Heart: Bill W's Grapevine Writings. The hard-back book comes in all three languages and features a beautiful new cover and intro page. Our cofounder Bill W. contributed more than 150 articles to Grapevine in his lifetime, which were collected in this book, first published in 1988. The essays in it lay out the basic principles of AA's Steps and Traditions and chronicle the early pioneer days as well as Bill's vision for AA. It's a great keepsake and a wonderful gift for a friend or newcomer..

Available at: <https://www.aagrapevine.org/store/language-heart-international-convention-edition>

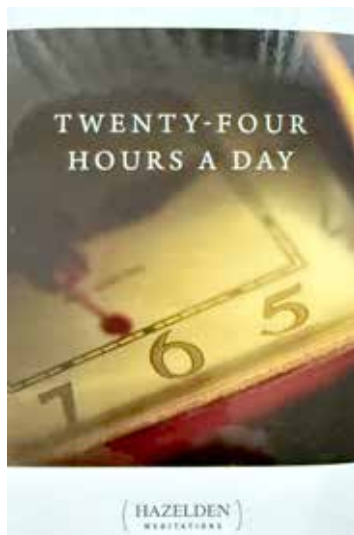
**74th****Southern
California**

AA Convention

Planning Meetings

Come Join Us and Be of Service!

February 8th, 2026,**March 8th, 2026,****April 19th, 2026,****May 17th, 2026,****June 14th, 2026,****July 12th, 2026 WALK THROUGH** at The Westin**August 9th, 2026,****September 13th, 2026...****2026****Planning Meetings
Starting at 10:30am****74th SCAAC Convention** at The Westin
on October 16-18, 2026**November 15, 2026:**
(Wrap Up Meeting)For more info: info@asocal.comvisit us at: www.asocal.com**at The 502 Club**
510 S. 2nd Ave #10, Covina, CA 91723



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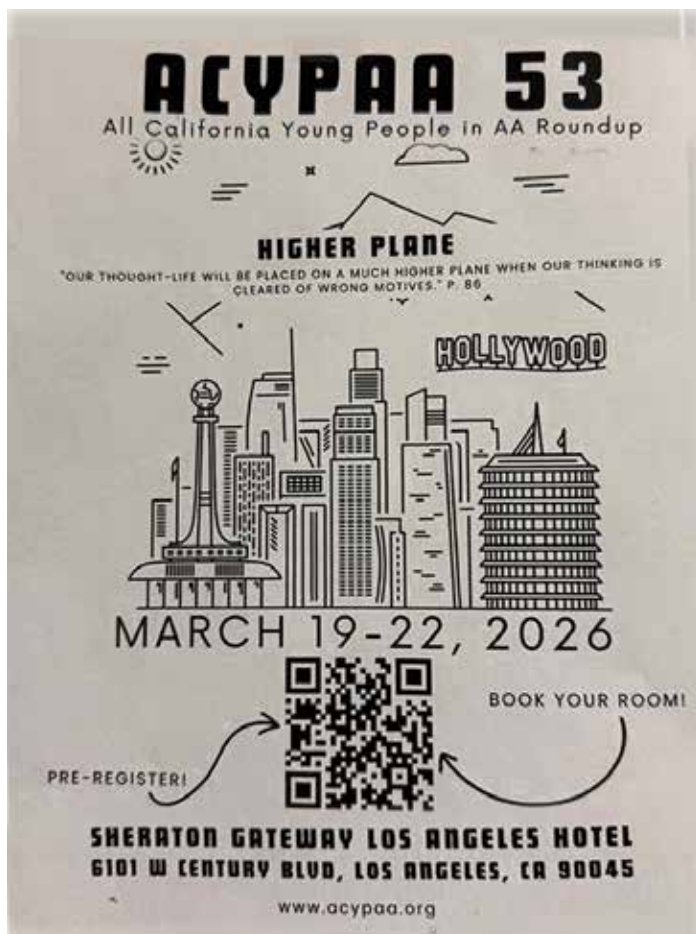
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To place our common welfare first;

To keep our fellowship united.

For on A.A. unity depend our lives,

And the lives of those to come."



**Hesperia
Umbrella
Group
(H.U.G.)**

15885 Main Street Ste. 310, Hesperia, CA

HUG Speakers: January & February 2026

1/17/26 ... Sean M. With 14 yrs from Covina

1/24/26 ... Wyatt F. With 3 years from Santa Ana

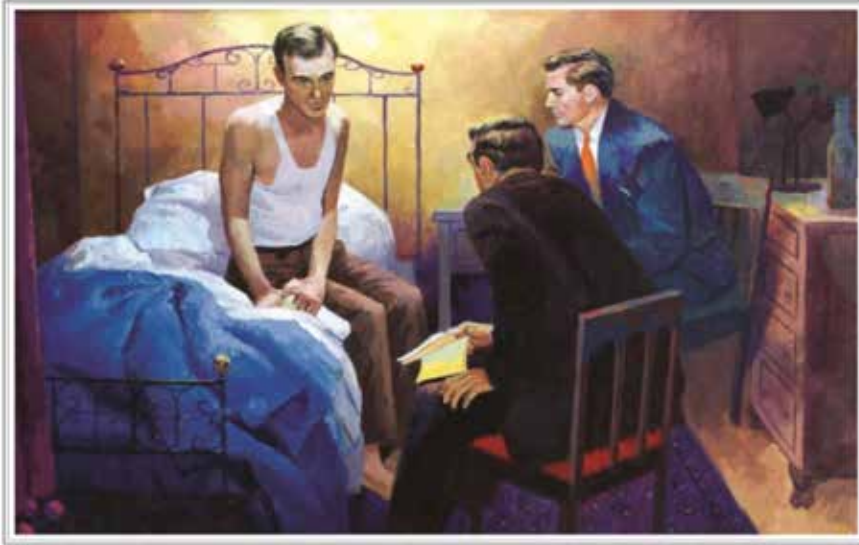
1/31/26 ... Naomi H. With 10 years from Tehachapi

2/07/26 ... Claudia V. With 10 years from Riverside

2/14/26 ... Mike M. With 17 years from Lakewood

2/21/26 ... Sam Tuckett With 7 years from Redlands

HELP US CARRY THE MESSAGE!



Victor Valley Intergroup Central Office is seeking ***Volunteers to answer phones*** in the Office.

(4 hour shifts mornings or afternoons)

Anyone interested please contact:

Office Manager Mellissa S. at: 760-220-4016

Victor Valley Central Office: 760 242-9292



Victor Valley Intergroup Central Office is seeking **individuals to be added to the "12 Step Call List"** We Need Women and Men from all Cities in the HD! • Victor Valley Central Office: 760 242-9292



Help others get to meetings!
Volunteer as a driver!

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GENERAL SERVICE BOARD

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Intergroup (Liaison) Shelly J
CEC (Chair) OPEN

GSR HOME GROUP

Bob O Soldiers for Sobriety/Grapevine/Daily Reflections Ft Irwin
Bob O BigBook Barstow
Mike E Happy Hour Barstow
Anthony Into Action Men only Barstow
Courtney Q. Rule 62 women only Barstow
Jerry M Tumbleweed Victorville
John M Phelan Sober Phelan
Liz Y.T.G.I.F Ch of the Valley AV
OPEN Sun Eve Campfire Alano Club AV
Rita R (W) 11am Wmn Ch Of the Nazarene AV
Mike M H.U.G.
Dan W H.U.G.
Tom W (W) Men's Stag Wrightwood
Michelle .. C (Mo) Wmn BB/12x12 Wrightwood
Daniel H. (Su) a m Wrightwood
Lesliee A. (Fr) 7pm Serenity Now Wrightwood

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2026 Sunshine of the Spirit • 40th High Desert Convention

June 5th – June 7th 2026

Courtyard Marriott, Hesperia, California



Join the Committee
Be a part of something big!

We meet on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30

Victor Valley Alano Club 11285 Central Rd. AV, CA

Want to join the Birthday Club?

Send a dollar (+/-) per year of sobriety to:

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AA Member's: Home Group

SOBRIETY DATE, FIRST NAME AND LAST INITIAL

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ANOTHER SOBER JANUARY 2026

KEEP COMING BACK WITHOUT A DRINK **SOBER!**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY EVERYONE!

Anyone having changes to **Meeting Directory** please contact editor at:

vvffnl2025@gmail.com

THE NEWSLETTER is on our website at: www.victorvalleyaa.org

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