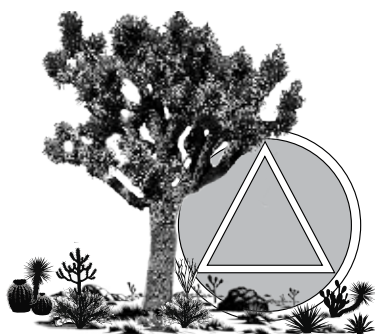




VICTOR VALLEY INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE

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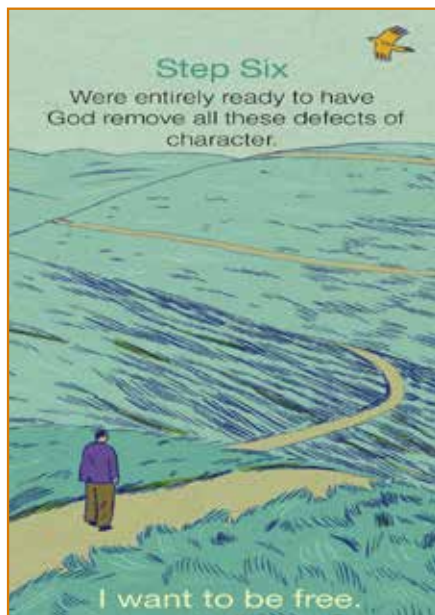
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The Spiritual Principle of step 6 is Willingness

Prompt to act or
respond; accepted
and done of
choice or without
reluctance.

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CONCEPT SIX

On behalf of A.A. as a whole, our General Service Conference has the principal responsibility for the maintenance of our world services, and it traditionally has the final decision respecting large matters of general policy and finance. But the Conference also recognizes that the chief initiative and the active responsibility in most of these matters should be exercised primarily by the Trustee members of the Conference when they act among themselves as the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous.

TRADITION SIX

An AA group ought never endorse, finance or lend the AA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.

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JUNE 2021 | DATING & RELATIONSHIPS

PRO-CRAS-TIN-A-TION BY: NICHOLAS L. | PARIS

When he does the Steps, character defects get lifted. But is today the day to be ready to look at this five-syllable word?

This morning I sat down at my desk, which is inundated with papers that have been building into heaps over the two years since my ex-wife ceased doing my paperwork. Looking at the pile, I thought about one of my pronounced defects of character—procrastination. Some people call that a five-syllable word for sloth.

Procrastination keeps me from cleaning up my desk and keeps me from doing everything I need to do to improve my little business's profitability and restore my diminished finances. Thanks to AA, this kind of thinking squirreled through my brain only for only about 15 seconds. I was then reminded that in the four years and four months I've been in the program, I've successfully used the Steps and followed the advice given in our Big Book.

Each of the four times I've worked the Steps, I have received the gift of having one of my most severe defects of character removed, notably one that hurts me, such as fear. Some of these were long-standing defects that for most of my life I had been unable to control. Each of these defects were addressed in the order that my mental and physical health—not my finances—required at the time. My addiction to alcohol and other drugs was lifted; my reliance on others to validate my sense of self-worth was lifted; problems I've had with many of my relationships were lifted; and problems related to food are in the process of being lifted.

One by one, the behaviors that hurt me most have been lifted. And each time I did the Steps, I made myself entirely willing to change and grow. And each time I received a helping hand from the loving Higher Power I've met through AA.

I remember when I received my one-month chip, I said, "I feel like this is the first time I've ever really earned something." So many things—material and

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Victor Valley Intergroup of Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting Minutes 04/18/26

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:33 am by Shannon W. Introductions around the room were made with positions, if one was held. The group prayed in with the Serenity Prayer.

Present: Celeste N., Shannon W., Sandy B., Kim W., Shelly J., Christina B., Melissa S., Joy S., Marlene C., John F., Christa S., and Sue C.

Call Outs: Courtney Q. (leave), Rosie G.

Celeste N. read minutes from 3/21/26. Sandy B. motioned to accept the minutes, Christa S. seconded, AIF.

2. Intergroup Reports

Chair - Shannon W - NR

Co-Chair -- Kim W - NR

Secretary- Rosie G - Absent, no report.

Treasurer - Sandy B. reported the following Amended March 2026 Financial Summary at the 5/16/26 Regular Intergroup Meeting. (details attached). Amended figures were approved.

Account Balances:		Donations:	
Savings:	\$ 2,705.34	Group (Square)	\$ 871.19
Checking:	\$ 1,206.18	Individual (Square)	\$ 159.30
Group (Zelle)	\$ 0		
Total Income	\$ 3,017.43	Individual (Zelle)	\$ 0
Total Expenses	\$ 3,047.41	Total Donations:	\$ 1,030.49

Sandy report out:

Workers comp policy in place & paid 1st installment \$275. Quarterly sales taxes due 4/30/26 filed & paid \$226. Payroll taxes state & federal due 4/20/26 filed. Payroll company dispenses withholdings as appropriate. State \$109, Fed \$459. Audit - got binder back from Carol W. She is waiting on something from Laura. Initial feedback is reconciliation procedures need to be shored up. She provided a modified form for expenses and also income. Need to discuss Square cash collection procedures. Need to add Christa to the bank account & get her up to speed. Provided 2025 & 2026 info via flash drive to Christa to get her up to speed. Bingo profit pending final report. Annual taxes due 5/14/26. Melissa motioned to approve the report, Christina second. AIF.

Newsletter -. John D. - completed newsletter. Created an ad for registration for the Convention. Those who have passed away sober will be added to the newsletter. Names and number of years sober. Cost for printing to be reimbursed by the next meeting when he has his receipt. Webmaster - Courtney Q - Absent, no report

GSR - Shelly J. - NR

Office Manager - Melissa reported the following for March:

Office Visits	23
Information Calls	46
Call Forwarding	16
12 Step Calls	0

The printer is still broken. \$22 collected in 7th tradition.

- Associate Member - Celeste N. -Shannon signed the bylaws that were adapted and approved by the Members of the Victor Valley Intergroup Central office Committee and were last amended on March 21, 2026. The central office table volunteer schedule was passed around.

3. Old Business (updated with current status):

Audit Committee Update - See Treasurer's Report above

Amended Bylaws Signatures - Shannon W. signed, Rosie will provide a scanned copy to be added to the website, the original will be retained at Central Office.

High Desert Convention Volunteers- Rosie G., John D., Shelly J., Celeste N., and Veronica R.

4. New Business

Springo Bingo Results - Table for next month. NR

Treasurer's Update - Reconciling Square activity & bank statements continues to be challenging. As a 501(c)3 organization, we need to explore other solutions such as business software like Quick Books, using Quicken for cash transactions, or adopting procedural changes, such as not putting cash into the Square. Vote at the next meeting.

Kim W informed the group: The 7th tradition should not be passed because we are not AA, we are our own entity 501(c)3. We can put the donation basket out but not pass it around. Let's make this easy peasy and adapt to business corp. And included in our bylaws to be changed to president, vice president, CEO etc.. (to be able to pass it on).

Sandy will make a template for cash, debit and automatic payments etc., for Melissa to do her daily inventory.

Christina was nominated for co secretary. Sandy made a motion to accept, Christa second, AIF. Christina accepted.

Sandy to be reimbursed for \$47.73 for ink. Melissa motioned to accept, Shelly J second AIF.

5. Close of Meeting

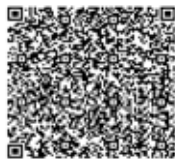
Melissa motioned to adjourn the meeting, Christina seconded, AIF. The meeting adjourned at 9:50. The group prayed out with Serenity Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Celeste N.

VICTOR VALLEY INTER-GROUP CENTRAL OFFICE

FINANCIAL SUMMARY AS OF March 31, 2026 - Amended			
	CURRENT		
Ending Savings Account Balance	\$2,705.34		
Transfer from Savings to Checking	\$0.00		
Ending Checking Account Balance	\$1,206.18		
Central Office Petty Cash	\$0.00		
INCOME	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Group Donations (Square)	\$871.19	\$2,079.00	\$2,950.19
Individual Donations- Uncategorized (Square)	\$159.30	\$451.00	\$610.30
Group Donations (from Zelle)	\$0.00	\$308.40	\$308.40
Individual Donations (from Zelle)	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Chips Gifts and Medallions	\$335.22	\$545.06	\$880.28
Literature	\$438.80	\$1,258.30	\$1,697.10
Square Credit Card Fee	\$5.00	\$17.00	\$22.00
Uncategorized items on Square printout		\$0.00	\$0.00
AA Mountain Conference		\$0.00	\$0.00
SOTS-HDC Convention		\$0.00	\$0.00
Ride for Recovery		\$0.00	\$0.00
VVIG Bingo	\$1,207.90		\$1,207.90
Womens Banquet		\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$3,017.41	\$4,708.76	\$7,726.17
EXPENSES	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Rent (March & April rent)	\$1,084.94	\$1,031.28	\$2,116.22
Southern California Edison	\$42.94	\$82.04	\$124.98
Southwest Gas	\$49.58	\$45.88	\$95.46
Spectrum	\$146.08	\$280.00	\$426.08
High Desert Alarm	\$154.47	\$0.00	\$154.47
Gusto (Manager Salary) x 2	\$1,092.60	\$2,185.20	\$3,277.80
Gusto (Payroll Taxes) x 2	\$248.40	\$489.60	\$738.00
Gusto (Monthly Fee)	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$110.00
Maintenance/Office		0	\$0.00
Insurance		\$247.50	\$247.50
Amazon Prime (Monthly Fee)	\$16.30	\$32.60	\$48.90
HP Instant Ink	\$8.69	\$17.65	\$26.34
Literature		\$1,588.62	\$1,588.62
Banking Fees		\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Expenses (Debit Card Transactions)	\$99.00	\$127.90	\$226.90
CDTFA (Sales Tax)		\$671.00	\$671.00
Federal Taxes		\$0.00	\$0.00
Square Fees	\$49.41	\$0.00	\$49.41
Fundraisers (Ride for Recovery Permit)		300	\$300.00
Miscellaneous Office Expenses (paid with Checks)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Website		44.88	\$44.88
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,047.41	\$7,199.15	\$10,246.56

Central Office has a new Zelle account for all contributions and donations going forward.
Scan this code in your bank's app to pay
Victor Valley Intergroup Central Office



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

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CITIES IN THE DISTRICT

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

2026 GROUP DONATIONS			
	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
APPLE VALLEY			
Big Book Study (VV Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Campfire Group (VV Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Children of Chaos (COV)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Coffee Talk (VV Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Friday Night Lights (VV Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Front & Center (VV Alano Club)	\$260.00	\$636.00	\$896.00
Luz Del Sur (21887 Outer Hwy 18)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Men's Stag (VV Alano Club)	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$120.00
Men's Stag (Serenity Hall)		\$0.00	\$0.00
O.L.D. AA Big Book Study (Our Lady of the Desert)		\$100.00	\$100.00
Original Big Book Study (COV)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Pride Group LGBT+ (VV Alano Club)	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$120.00
Primary Purpose (COV)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Primary Purpose (Online)		\$188.40	\$188.40
Question & Answer (VV Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Sisters in Serenity (COV)		\$50.00	\$50.00
Sober LGBT (Online)		\$120.00	\$120.00
Speaker Meeting (COV)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Step Workshop (VV Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
T.G.I.F. (COV)		\$0.00	\$0.00
VVIG 7th Tradition	\$6.00	\$0.00	\$6.00
Women's Big Book Study (VV Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Women's Meeting (Church of the Nazarene)	\$175.19	\$0.00	\$175.19
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)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Friday Night Live (Alano Club)		\$400.00	\$400.00
Happy Hour (River of Life Methodist Church)		\$30.00	\$30.00
Into Action Men's Stag (Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Literature in the Parking Lot (Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Los Coyotes Men's Stag (Alano Club)		\$162.00	\$162.00
Our Primary Purpose (Alano Club)		\$200.00	\$200.00
Prayer and Meditation (Alano Club)	\$100.00	\$25.00	\$125.00
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)		\$25.00	\$25.00
BIG BEAR	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Honor The Mountain Group		\$0.00	\$0.00
FORT IRWIN	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Daily Reflection (3rd St/G Avenue)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Soldiers for Sobriety (3rd St/G Avenue)	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$30.00
HELENDALE	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Ladies Willing to Go to Any Lengths (Community Church)		\$0.00	\$0.00
No Valid Complaints (Lion's Club)		\$65.00	\$65.00
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)	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$120.00
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)		\$0.00	\$0.00
12x12 Study (Hillside Community Church)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Big Book Study (Old Firehouse)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Friday Night Reflections (Old Firehouse)		\$0.00	\$0.00
LGBTQ + (Old Firehouse)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Men's Stag Meeting (Old Firehouse)		\$90.00	\$90.00
No Frills (Old Firehouse)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Open Participation (Blessed Junipero Serra Church)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Open Participation (Old Firehouse)		\$186.00	\$186.00
Women's Meeting (Old Firehouse)		\$0.00	\$0.00
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		\$25.00	\$25.00
Individual Donations	\$159.30	\$501.00	\$660.30
TOTAL GROUP DONATIONS	\$1,030.49	\$2,888.40	\$3,918.89

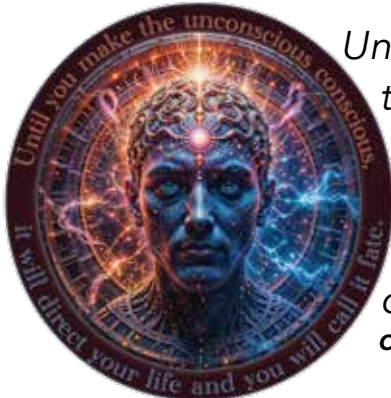
VICTOR VALLEY INTER-GROUP CENTRAL OFFICE

FINANCIAL SUMMARY AS OF April 30, 2026				
	CURRENT			
Ending Savings Account Balance	\$2,205.36			
Transfer from Savings to Checking	-\$500.00			
Ending Checking Account Balance	\$7,962.12			
Central Office Petty Cash	\$0.00			
INCOME	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD	
Group Donations (Square)	\$1,227.00	\$2,079.00	\$3,306.00	
Individual Donations- Uncategorized (Square)	\$467.00	\$451.00	\$918.00	
Group Donations (from Zelle)	\$241.08	\$308.40	\$549.48	
Individual Donations (from Zelle)	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$75.00	
Chips Gifts and Medallions	\$297.84	\$545.06	\$842.90	
Literature	\$480.65	\$1,258.30	\$1,738.95	
Square Credit Card Fee	\$9.00	\$17.00	\$26.00	
Uncategorized items on Square printout		\$0.00	\$0.00	
AA Mountain Conference		\$0.00	\$0.00	
SOTS-HDC Convention		\$0.00	\$0.00	
Ride for Recovery	\$4,577.00	\$0.00	\$4,577.00	
VVIG Bingo		\$1,207.90	\$1,207.90	
Womens Banquet	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	
TOTAL INCOME	\$9,324.57	\$5,916.66	\$15,241.23	
EXPENSES	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD	
Rent (May Rent & CAM)	\$528.97	\$2,116.22	\$2,645.19	
Southern California Edison	\$3.14	\$124.98	\$128.12	
Southwest Gas	\$53.10	\$95.46	\$148.56	
Spectrum	\$146.03	\$426.08	\$572.11	
High Desert Alarm		\$154.47	\$154.47	
Gusto (Manager Salary) x 2	\$1,092.60	\$3,277.80	\$4,370.40	
Gusto (Payroll Taxes) x 2	\$255.60	\$738.00	\$993.60	
Gusto (Monthly Fee)	\$55.00	\$110.00	\$165.00	
Maintenance/Office			\$0.00	
Insurance		\$247.50	\$247.50	
Amazon Prime (Monthly Fee)	\$16.30	\$48.90	\$65.20	
HP Instant Ink	\$8.69	\$26.34	\$35.03	
Literature	\$223.00	\$1,588.62	\$1,811.62	
Banking Fees	\$3.73	\$0.00	\$3.73	
AmTrust - Workers Comp Insurance	\$275.00	\$0.00	\$275.00	
Other Expenses (Debit Card Transactions) - printer ink	\$115.25	\$226.90	\$342.15	
CDTFA (Sales Tax)	\$226.00	\$671.00	\$897.00	
EDD State Payroll Taxes	\$144.00		\$144.00	
Federal Taxes			\$0.00	
Square Fees	\$46.44	\$49.41	\$95.85	
Fundraisers (Ride for Recovery Permit)		300	\$300.00	
Miscellaneous Office Expenses (paid with Checks)	\$47.73	\$0.00	\$47.73	
Website		44.88	\$44.88	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,240.58	\$10,246.56	\$13,487.14	

Victory Valley Intergroup Central Office

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Until you make
 the unconscious
 conscious, it
 will direct your
 life and you will
 call it fate.

Carl Jung

2026 GROUP DONATIONS			
APPLE VALLEY	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Big Book Study (VV Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Campfire Group (VV Alano Club)	\$241.08	\$0.00	\$241.08
Children of Chaos (COV)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Coffee Talk (VV Alano Club)	\$216.00	\$0.00	\$216.00
Friday Night Lights (VV Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Front & Center (VV Alano Club)	\$306.00	\$896.00	\$1,202.00
Luz Del Sur (21887 Outer Hwy 18)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Men's Stag (VV Alano Club)	\$200.00	\$120.00	\$320.00
Men's Stag (Serenity Hall)		\$0.00	\$0.00
O.L.D. AA Big Book Study (Our Lady of the Desert)	\$225.00	\$100.00	\$325.00
Original Big Book Study (COV)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Pride Group LGBT+ (VV Alano Club)		\$120.00	\$120.00
Primary Purpose (COV)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Primary Purpose (Online)		\$188.40	\$188.40
Question & Answer (VV Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Sisters in Serenity (COV)		\$50.00	\$50.00
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Speaker Meeting (COV)		\$0.00	\$0.00
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Desert Road Runners (River of Life Methodist)		\$0.00	\$0.00
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Happy Hour (River of Life Methodist Church)		\$30.00	\$30.00
Into Action Men's Stag (Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Literature in the Parking Lot (Alano Club)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Los Coyotes Men's Stag (Alano Club)	\$150.00	\$162.00	\$312.00
Our Primary Purpose (Alano Club)		\$200.00	\$200.00
Prayer and Meditation (Alano Club)	\$100.00	\$125.00	\$225.00
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)		\$25.00	\$25.00
BIG BEAR	CURRENT	PRIOR YTD	YTD
Honor The Mountain Group		\$0.00	\$0.00
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Big Book Study (Old Firehouse)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Friday Night Reflections (Old Firehouse)		\$0.00	\$0.00
LGBTQ + (Old Firehouse)	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$30.00
Men's Stag Meeting (Old Firehouse)		\$90.00	\$90.00
No Frills (Old Firehouse)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Open Participation (Blessed Junipero Serra Church)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Open Participation (Old Firehouse)		\$186.00	\$186.00
Women's Meeting (Old Firehouse)		\$0.00	\$0.00
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		\$25.00	\$25.00
		\$0.00	\$0.00
Individual Donations	\$492.00	\$660.30	\$1,152.30
TOTAL GROUP DONATIONS	\$1,960.08	\$3,918.89	\$5,878.97

genetic—were gifted to me by my parents, but this relief from character defects was all due to my own hard work on the Steps.

When I thought this morning about why my defect of sloth had not yet been lifted, I realized it's still with me because I'm able to function despite it. My business still plugs along; I have four or five happy employees who enjoy coming to work, who can provide for their families; I have enough to eat and a place to sleep; and I have friends.

Since I had not yet started my latest round of working the Steps to address my powerlessness over this sloth, I have faith that when I do, I'll have a very good chance of being relieved of it. I know that because the Steps have always worked for me.

I've yet to hear someone in the thousands of AA meetings I've attended complain that they tried working the program fearlessly and thoroughly only to find it didn't work.

As I said my prayers and meditated this morning, I thanked God for the defects from which I have

already been released. I thanked God for not waving a magic wand and making it all clear up at once, but allowing me to feel that I'm actually working to help effect positive change in my life through spiritual development.

My Higher Power has granted me the patience to savor each gift I've already obtained. I also have the serenity to hope that the rest of the Promises will materialize—sometimes quickly, sometimes slowly—if I work for them. I am incredibly lucky.

<https://www.aagrapevine.org/magazine/2021/jun/procrastination>



"I've been sober nine months, but I'm still working on a number of character defects"

JUNE 2016 | STEPS

Defects, What Defects?

BY: ANONYMOUS

***Step Six doesn't make us into robots.
It helps us get the willingness to change***

STEP SIX: Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.

I remember walking into an AA meeting at the Tri-County center almost two years ago. I told myself, I'm not like these people. I don't have a problem. I was scared and mentally and physically drained after having just been released from a detox. I quietly made my way into the meeting room.

What I now know to be the Twelve Steps were hanging near the chair where I sat. I read them and thought to myself that I had at least worked eight of the Steps already. I assumed that the

others would not be that hard. I knew I could easily knock them out in a few days, if I tried hard. I thought there would be a few Steps I could avoid or disregard. I read Step Six: "Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character."

What defects? I thought. I am perfect and could not possibly have any defects. Even if I did have flaws, to remove them all would make me boring and no fun to be around. I didn't realize that no one wanted to be around me anyway because my drinking had caused so much pain for others. My behavior caused my phone calls to go unanswered. Doors were never opened when I knocked. Life had become unbearable, not just for me, but for those I considered my friends. My defects had become my assets. Manipulation, lying and deception were just the top three picks on my long list of defects.

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DISTRICT 19

GSR COMMITTEE

MONTHLY MEETING

EVERY 4TH SUNDAY 12:30 PM

Address:
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15885 Main St.,
Hesperia, CA 92345

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Password: District19



Panel 76/MCSA09 • District 19 Hi-Desert
District - HIGH DESERT • Agenda April 26, 2026
HUG 15885 Main St suite 310, Hesperia
Zoom ID: 529 852 2733 | Password: District19
Call meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer.

4. GSR Reports:

- Sasha - Rule 62- Tuesday Night in Barstow, averages 9-10 women, 3 newcomers this month, things are going well.
- Michael- Sunday Night Phelan Acceptance Group, 13 members, group is growing. They are working on prudent reserve and then will begin to send donations to AA entities.
- Teri - Wrightwood Women's Meeting at the Old Museum from 6:30-7:30. They study the big book and 12 x 12 and they had one birthday, no business meeting this month. 5-7 people on average. All commitments filled except H&I.
- Daniel - Wrightwood Sunday morning 9am at the Old Firehouse in Wrightwood. Meeting is still going very well. Attendance has been reduced probably because there are now more meetings in town. They celebrate birthdays on the last Sunday, there was one 3 year birthday today. There are always donuts usually.
- Josh - Men's Into Action meets Wednesday Night at 7pm. There will be a business meeting at the end of this month.
- Veronica - Sister's in Serenity Apple Valley, Tuesday Nights. It will begin to be a 1 hr meeting from 6-7pm starting in May. Attendance varies from 8-20 women. Meetings are well attended, it is a strong women's meeting. They have started taking a women's meeting to the women at Phoenix house which has been a great experience. Birthdays are celebrated last Tuesday of the month with tons of food.
- Waylon - Thursday Night men's stag at AV Alano Club. 25 members in regular attendance. There were two birthdays last month and they celebrate the last Thursday of the month

GSR Preamble: Michael

Tradition: Danielle

Concept: Lesliee

April Birthdays: Veronica

Next District 19 committee meeting will be April 26th.

Next MSCA09 meeting Pre-Conference will be on April 12th 9am-3pm.

Hotspot for April meeting: Stacy

Motion to Adjourn: Lesliee

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*Before A.A. I judged myself by my intentions,
 while the world was judging me by my actions.*

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After completing my Fifth Step with my sponsor, I was instructed to make a list of my defects. I was told to arrange them in order from most used to those less frequently used. Until then, I hadn't realized that I had been using these defects against myself as well. I manipulated my thoughts to fit any circumstance in order to deceive my own brain. I lied to myself about what I thought was right.

I came to many realizations through working the Steps. For example, Step Six is not about making me into a robot. I don't have to do everything right. I just have to change my thinking and allow myself to ask my Higher Power to guide me through the day. I want this Higher Power to allow me to make the right decisions.

The smallest of tasks, I now found, those which used to puzzle me, could be done with ease if I

just asked. Step Six is not about making a blood sacrifice or announcing my defects over the mall intercom, but quietly and in a most sincere way, asking for help. I must be submissive in asking for change, rather than being a dominant, overbearing narcissist trying to control every thought and action.

When faced with obstacles that seem to baffle me, I ask for help, and those defects of character will soon be diminished—if I'm willing. Here's a prayer that helps me: "God, thank you for removing my fear and for showing me the truth about myself. Father, I need your help to become willing to let go of the things in me which continue to block me off from you. Please grant me your grace, Lord, and make me willing to have these objectionable characteristics, defects and shortcomings removed."

<https://www.aagrapevine.org/magazine/2016/jun/defects-what-defects>

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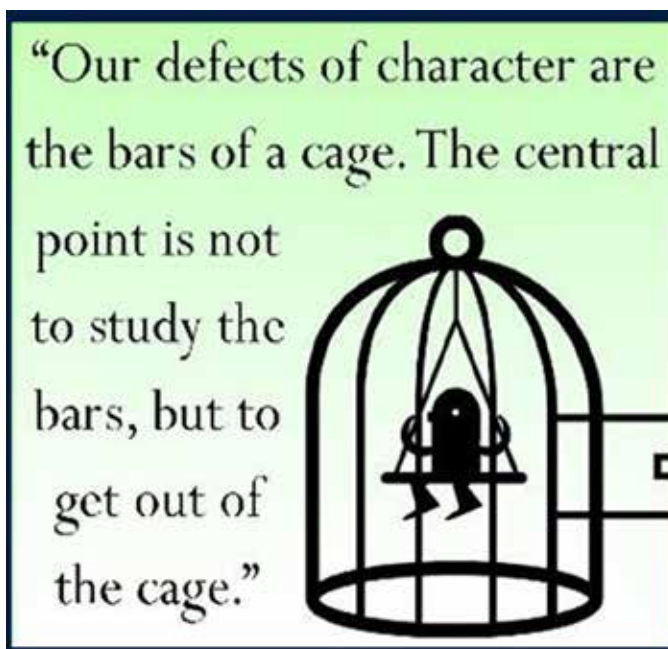
Defects

BY: F. F.

There is a direct relationship between our nature--our general makeup or character--and our alcoholism. Our defects and our necessity to start drinking are closely intermingled. When this is recognized, our need for the Twelve Steps becomes evident.

At times, these defects are identified by some people as sins. But AA has no concern with sin. Religion does, because it is involved with the next life. AA's interest is to help you enjoy this life.

<https://www.aagrapevine.org/magazine/2009/feb/releasing-your-defects>



FEBRUARY 2009

Releasing Your Defects

BY: DANNY J. |
HOMESTEAD, FLORIDA

A new me has emerged from the wreckage of the past. A new me whom I could not have selected, even if I had been given the choice. I could not have imagined which defects of character to give up, nor what they would have been replaced with, nor how. To me, this is the power of God doing

for me what I cannot do for myself. This is how recovery is working in my life.

<https://www.aagrapevine.org/magazine/1980/dec/defects>

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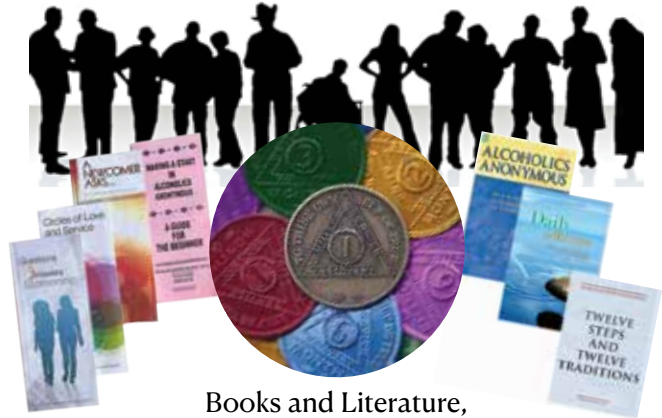
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