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52nd District

"Passing It On"

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Step 7

"Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings."

"What is humility? What can it mean to us? The avenue to true freedom of the human spirit. Necessary aid to survival. Value of ego-puncturing. Failure and misery transformed by humility. Strength from weakness. Pain is the admission price to new life. Self-centered fear chief activator of defects. Step Seven is change in attitude which permits us to move out of ourselves toward God."

(12 Steps & 12 Traditions, p. 7)

Tradition 7

"Every A.A. ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions."

"No A.A. Tradition had the labor pains this one did. Collective poverty initially a matter of necessity. Fear of exploitation. Necessity of separating the spiritual from the material. Decision to subsist on A.A. voluntary contributions only. Placing the responsibility of supporting A.A. headquarters directly upon A.A. members. Bare running expenses plus a prudent reserve is headquarters policy." (12 Steps and 12 Traditions, p 11)

Step 8

"Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all."

"This and the next two Steps are concerned with personal relations. Learning to live with others is a fascinating adventure. Obstacles: reluctance to forgive; non-admission of wrongs to others; purposeful forgetting. Necessity of exhaustive survey of past. Deepening insight results from thoroughness. Kinds of harm done to others. Avoiding extreme judgments. Taking the objective view. Step Eight is the beginning of the end of isolation." (12 Steps & 12 Traditions, p. 7)

Tradition 8

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

"Experience proved that we could not endorse any related enterprise, no matter how good. We could not be all things to all men. We saw that we could not lend the A.A. name to any outside activity." (12 Steps & 12 Traditions, p. 11)

52nd District Central Office Happenings

Central Office Board of Directors And Volunteers

Chairperson: Tom M.
Co-Chairperson: Open
Treasurer: Open
Secretary & Newsletter: Kathy T.
Central Office Coordinator: Nancy N.
Member at Large: Rudy S.
Webmaster: Ron M.
Office Volunteers: Kathy T., Larry E.,
 Pablo L., Nancy N., Peter B.

Central Office Hours

Mon. closed Fri. closed
 Tues. 9am-12pm Sat. 11am-2pm
 Wed. 11am-2pm Sun. 1pm-4pm
 Thurs. 12pm-3pm

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Central Office Stuff

We now carry the following Grapevine books: "Emotional Sobriety, The Next Frontier," "Emotional Sobriety II," and "Voices of Women in AA – Stories of Experience, Strength, and Hope."

Come see our fancy chips. Years 1-25 in stock!

Our July 3rd Celebration was a big success. We sold over 200 tri-tip lunches, people sat together and caught up, and several brave souls left with pie on their face!

Save the Date: Saturday, November 13, 11am-2pm in Lompoc. Working title is "Choco-Palooza" and let's just say it'll involve lots of chocolate! Stayed tuned for more info.



STATS

	June	July
• Books Sold	40	47
• Reg/Fancy Chips	33	---
• Dictionaries	4	---
• Pamphlets	4	---
• Mtg Guides	50	---
• BB/12&12 Index	63	---
• Jewelry	6	2
• Cards/Mtg in Pocket	3	---

BILLS

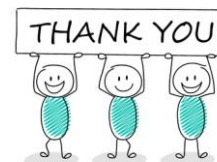
	June	July
• Rent	\$380.00	\$380.00
• Comcast	\$114.58	\$113.88
• Answering Service	\$115.50	\$115.50
TOTAL	\$610.08	\$609.38

ADD'L EXPENSES

	June	July
• Recovery Mint	\$ 263.00	\$ ---
• Recovery Shop	\$ 135.69	\$ ---
• Recovery Chip	\$ 33.94	\$ ---
• 12 Step Guides	\$ 20.00	\$ ---
• World Services	\$ 322.15	\$734.10
TOTAL	\$ 774.78	\$734.10

TOTAL BILLS & ADD'L EXPENSES

\$1,384.86 \$1,343.48



The following individuals and groups donated to Central Office during June and July:

6 am Sickies	\$1,009.76
Goes to Any Length Group	\$ 400.00
Santa Ynez Valley Group	\$ 378.39
Pyramid Group	\$ 57.00
Freedom Group	\$ 50.00
Danelle W.	\$ 60.00
Pablo L.	\$ 20.00
Diana W.	\$ 100.00

HELP WANTED!!!

Looking for a service commitment? Want to give back to fellow A.A.'s? Want to enhance your Program? Here are some opportunities.



VOLUNTEER!!!

Responsibility Pledge

"I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that I am responsible."

Treasurer Needed for Central Office

Must know QuickBooks and have at least 5 years of sobriety. Works with Central Office Coordinator and files State and Federal forms. If interested, call Tom M. at 805-944-0056.

Call Forwarding Team

*Answer calls from alcoholics after hours in your home. Get their contact info and pass it on to someone on the 12 Step Referral List. **Call or text Tom M. at 805-944-0056.***

12 Step Referral List

*Put your contact info on the 12 Step Referral List. Be there for fellow alcoholics in need. **Call or text Nancy N. at 661-361-0239***

District 52 Positions Available

- . Archives Chairperson
 - . Guidelines & Policies Chairperson
- Terms are for two years. Suggested sobriety for chairperson positions is 2 years.

For further info, contact Kris S. at 424-335-6562.

If your group does not have a GSR, become one & keep your group informed!!!

Central Office Book of the Month

Drop the Rock

Removing Character Defects Steps 6 and 7

Bill P., Todd W., Sara S.

"Resentment. Fear. Self-pity. Dishonesty. Anger.

This cast of character defects undermines the best-laid plans for recovery from addiction. It is not uncommon for individuals in recovery to cling to negative, self-defeating behaviors long after giving up their addiction. These behaviors are the "rocks" that can sink recovery – or at the least, block further progress. Based on the Twelve Step program, particularly the principles behind Steps Six and Seven, *Drop the Rock* combines powerful, personal stories; practical advice; and important insights to help readers truly transform their recovery."

Available at Central Office

\$11.37 plus tax

"Driven by a hundred forms of fear, self-delusion, self-seeking, and self-pity, we stepped on the toes of our fellows and they retaliate. Big Book, p. 62

District 52
AA Birthdays

6/1	David C.	8 years
6/6	Nancy N.	8 years
6/15	Frank R.	36 years
6/18	Gay M.	3 years
6/20	Marco A.	4 years
6/22	Charlene	2 years
6/27	Sylvia M.	17 years
6/28	Jon K.	15 years
6/28	Ken S.	24 years
7/3	Ronald C.	1 year
7/4	Jim M.	35 years
7/4	Ray V.	35 years
7/6	Steve B.	1 year
7/7	Jessica	2 years
7/7	Kathy T.	2 years
7/7	Nate K.	2 years
7/7	Ryan M.	3 years
7/10	Terry F.	3 years
7/10	Janet B.	1 year
7/10	Yvonne G.	9 years
7/11	Jose Daniel R.	6 years
7/11	Olivia S.	2 years
7/11	Ralph V.	12 years
7/12	Nina	9 years
7/12	Mike S.	11 years
7/12	Jeff M.	6 years
7/13	Helen B.	2 years
7/14	Seth N.	17 years
7/14	Brittany D.	16 years
7/15	Linda L.	9 years
7/19	Beth A.	4 years
7/20	Rod P.	8 years
7/20	Darrell N.	31 years
7/23	Joe M.	19 years
7/23	Jules P.	3 years
7/24	Randy R.	6 years
7/24	Deanna D.	32 years
7/26	Bob S.	33 years
7/27	Elaine F.	17 years
7/27	Bud P.	31 years



Current Speaker Meetings

Happy Hour Group – 1600 Club, 324 W. Cypress (last Monday of the month, 5:30pm)

South County Speaker Meeting - Arroyo Grande (1st Saturday of the month, 8pm) **Zoom** ID: 945-645-5808
Password: 123456

1600 Live – 1600 Club, 324 W. Cypress Ave (4th Sat., 7pm)

Santa Maria Valley Group - 1600 Club, 324 W. Cypress (Sunday, 7pm)

SY Valley Action Group - Solvang Alano Club, 320 Alisal Rd. (Saturday, 8pm) **Zoom** ID: 771-277-508 Password: 12345

Orcutt Presbyterian Church Speaker Meeting – 933 Patterson Rd. (2nd Sat., 7pm) Potluck starts at 5:30pm.

Monthly Service Meetings

1st Saturday of month: 10:00am - Intergroup Committee (Central Office) Zoom ID: 832-2760-8507 Password: 12345

2nd Sunday of month: 10:00am - GSR (District) meeting Zoom ID: 395-603-3289, Password not required

2nd Thursday of month: 5:30pm – Goes to Any Length Steering Committee meeting, Orcutt Presbyterian Church

3rd Saturday of month: 10am - Central Coast Roundup Call Joseph M. to confirm 805-406-3774

H.O.W - Honesty, Openness, Willingness

Message from the General Service Office of Alcoholics Anonymous

Date: June 29, 2021

Re: Name That Theme: 2025 International Convention

Warmest greetings to all!

Time seems to fly so quickly, yet there is so much to look forward to especially as we begin to imagine themes for the 2025 International Convention celebration of A.A.'s 90th Anniversary in Vancouver, B.C., on July 3-6, 2025. Your creative ideas are vital and will be presented to and selected by the Trustees' International Conventions/Regional Forums Committee. With the October 15, 2021 deadline right around the corner we ask you to quickly forward your ideas.

Here is a flashback of previous International Convention themes:

1965 "I Am Responsible"
1970 "Unity"
1975 "Let It Begin With Me"
1980 "The Joy of Living"
1985 "Fifty Years With Gratitude"
1990 "Fifty-Five Years – One Day at a Time"
1995 "A.A. Everywhere – Anywhere"
2000 "Pass It On – Into the 21st Century"
2005 "I Am Responsible"
2010 "A Vision For You"
2015 "80 Years – Happy, Joyous and Free"
2020 "Love and Tolerance is Our Code"

Send your ideas to the International Conventions Assignment, P.O. Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163 or e-mail 2025ictheme@aa.org. We look forward to hearing from you.

See you in Vancouver!



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**Central Coast Roundup
2021**



Sunlight Of The Spirit

Live and In Person!!!
Friday, October 8 & Saturday, October 9
Orcutt Presbyterian Church
993 Patterson Road
Orcutt, CA

For information and to register, go to
www.centralcoastroundup.org