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52nd District

"Passing It On"

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Step 3

"Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him."

"Step Three is like opening of a locked door. How shall we let God into our lives? Willingness is the key. Dependence as a means to independence. Dangers of self-sufficiency. Turning our will over to Higher Power. Misuse of willpower. Sustained and personal exertion necessary to conform to God's will."
(12 Steps & 12 Traditions, p. 6)

Tradition 3

"The only requirement for A.A. membership is a desire to stop drinking."

"Early intolerance based on fear. To take away any alcoholic's chance at A.A. was sometimes to pronounce his death sentence. Membership regulations abandoned. Two examples of experience. Any alcoholic is a member of A.A. when he says so." (12 Steps and 12 Traditions, p 10)

Step 4

"Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves."

"Willingness to take inventory brings light and new confidence. Step Four is beginning of lifetime practice. Common symptoms of emotional insecurity are worry, anger, self-pity, and depression. Inventory reviews relationships. Importance of thoroughness." (12 Steps & 12 Traditions, p. 6)

Tradition 4

"Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole."

"Every group manages its affairs as it pleases, except when A.A. as a whole is threatened. Is such liberty dangerous? The group, like the individual, must eventually conform to principles that guarantee survival."
12 Steps & 12 Traditions, p. 135





12 STEPS OF A SPONSOR

1. I will not help you stay and wallow in limbo.
2. I will help you grow to become more productive by your own definition.
3. I will help you become more autonomous, more loving of yourself, more free to continue becoming the authority of your own living.
4. I cannot give you dreams or “fix you up”, simply because I cannot.
5. I cannot give you growth or grow for you. You must grow yourself by facing reality, grim as it may seem at times.
6. I cannot take away your loneliness or pain.
7. I cannot sense your world for you, evaluate your goals, or tell what is best for you in your world. You have your own world.
8. I cannot convince you of the crucial choice of choosing the scary uncertainty of growing over the safe misery of not growing.
9. I want to be with you and know you as a rich and growing friend, yet I cannot get close to you when you choose not to grow.
10. When I begin to care for you out of pity, when I begin to lose trust in you, then I am toxic, bad, and inhibiting for you and for me.
11. You must know – my help is conditional. I will be with you, hang in there with you, as long as I continue to get even the slightest hints that you are trying to grow.
12. If you can accept all of this, then perhaps we can help each other to become what God meant for us to be...mature adults, leaving childishness forever to little children.

Bookmark in the Central Office for sale. Many selections to choose from. Come check it out!

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.

"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."



VOLUNTEER!!!

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.

Why Volunteer?

"Though they knew they must help other alcoholics if they would remain sober, that motive became secondary. It was transcended by the happiness they found in giving themselves for others."
Big Book p. 159

52nd District Board of Directors

DCM: Kris S.
Alt. DCM: Matt
Treasurer: Peter B.
Secretary: Bee
Public Information/Cooperation with the Professional Community (PI/PCP) Chairperson: Linda H.
District Registrar: Rudy S.

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

Intergroup Representatives Needed!

Now it is even easier to be an Intergroup representative for your home group. Zoom meetings are held on the first Saturday of each month at 10am. The Zoom address is 715 037 7188 and the password is 12345. All are welcome to attend.

An Intergroup Representative brings his/her group's concerns, opinions, and suggestions regarding Central Office to the Intergroup Meeting. Information regarding Central Office activities and finances, as well as fundraising is presented.

Central Office is the "bookstore" for our District.

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!!!

Some 52's Celebrating
Anniversaries

2/2	Karen L.	18 years
2/4	Blackie B.	35 years
2/6	Thomas M.	8 years
2/8	Chris G.	6 years
2/9	Mark A.	5 years
2/12	Tiffany K.	4 years
2/12	Kevin M.	15 years
2/13	Jim P.	5 years
2/13	Jered W.	10 years
2/13	Mary L.	11 years
2/18	Marissa O.	3 years
2/19	Darrin W.	26 years
2/20	Jack S.	26 years
2/22	Todd B.	18 years
2/22	Bill N.	15 years
2/23	Jeff S.	7 years
2/24	Debbie H.	26 years
2/25	Tony H.	9 years
2/25	Craig L.	4 years
2/28	Carl H.	17 years
2/28	Bob C.	42 years
3/1	Heidi S.	11 years
3/1	Steven S.	17 Years
3/4	Tyler V.	3 years
3/4	Jessica B.	11 years
3/10	Mike F.	8 years
3/12	Lynn M.	33 years
3/15	Trish S.	43 years
3/17	Terry C.	30 years
3/18	Terry P.	3 years
3/20	Dorothy C.	3 years
3/24	Armando M.	20 years
3/29	Arlene H.	26 years
3/29	George L.	30 years



Current Speaker Meetings

Freedom Group Speaker Meeting – 113 N. V St., Lompoc (Friday, 8pm)

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

Lompoc Valley Group Unity Speaker – Lompoc Alano Club, 119 N. D St., (Sunday, 4pm)

Orcutt Speaker Meeting – Orcutt Presbyterian Church, 933 Patterson Rd. (2nd Sat. of the month, 7pm, potluck at 5:30)

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

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

Solvang Action Group - Solvang Alano Club, 320 Alisal Rd.

Steering Committee Meetings

Freedom Group - 2nd Sunday of the month, Lompoc, 1pm

Happy Hour – 1st Monday of even months, 1600 Club, 6:45pm

Santa Maria Golden Group – 2nd Thursday of the month, 6:30 pm

Santa Maria Valley Group – 2nd Wednesday of the month 6:45pm

Santa Ynez Valley Action Group – 3rd Saturday of the month, Alano Club, 10am

Goes to Any Length Group – Quarterly, 2nd Wed., 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

3rd Saturday of month: 10am - Central Coast Roundup

52nd District Central Office Happenings

Central Office Board of Directors

Chairperson: Tom M.
 Co-Chairperson: Open
 Treasurer : Open
 Secretary: Kathy T.
 Central Office Coordinator: Nancy N.
 Member at Large: Rudy S.

Central Office Hours

Mon. 1pm-3pm Fri. closed
 Tues. 9am-12pm Sat. closed
 Wed. 12pm-3pm Sun. closed
 Thurs. 12pm-3pm
301 S. Miller, Suite 208
805-925-3782

CHILI COOK OFF STATS

Ticket Sales	\$1,210.00
Balloon Pop	\$ <u>70.00</u>
	\$1,280.00 Total Receipts
Location	\$ 100.00
Supplies	\$ 311.51
Cookies	\$ 39.25
Aprons	\$ <u>57.60</u>
	\$ 508.36 Total Expenses

PROFIT FROM FUNDRAISER \$771.64

STATS

	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>
• Books Sold	3	23
• Regular Chips	122	105
• Fancy Chips	3	22
• Pamphlets	28	1
• Mtg Guides	50	75
• Misc.(cards)	1	---
• Mtg. inn Pocket	---	4

BILLS

	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>
• Rent	\$380.00	\$380.00
• Comcast	\$115.55	\$115.55
• Office Supplies	\$ 20.56	\$ 76.66
• Answering Service	\$127.50	\$127.50

Location

ADD'L EXPENSES

	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>
• Chips	\$ 91.50	\$ 279.30
• VTC (Mtg in Pocket)	\$223.33	---
• Personalization Mall	\$ 30.82	\$ ---
• Walmart	\$101.23	\$ ---
• World Services	\$175.44	\$ 136.63
TOTAL	\$622.32	\$ 415.93

TOTAL BILLS & ADD'L EXPENSES

	\$1,265.93	\$1,115.64
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Thank You

To Our Central Office volunteers who keep the doors open: Patty B., Pablo L., Kathy T., Larry E., Peter B.
 To Our Board of Directors: Thomas M., Chairperson; Kathy T., Secretary, Newsletter Editor, Volunteer,
 Nancy N., Central Office Coordinator/Treasurer Pro Tem; Rudy S., Member at Large, and Ron M.,
 Webmaster

To the following individuals and groups who donated to Central Office during February and March:

February \$307.71 Brian D., Danelle W., Larry E., Matt

March \$786.81 6am Sickies, New Life/No Life, Diana W., Carina R., Pablo L.

If you'd like to join the Central Office Volunteer team or to help with our fundraisers, we would love to have you. Please call Nancy at 661-361-0239.



Announcement from General Service Office

We are reaching out to connect with you regarding the recent calls for shared experience/stories for the 4th Edition Spanish BB, the 5th Edition English BB, the pamphlet AA for the Black and African American Alcoholic, and the link below to the “Inside” Sponsorship from the corrections desk.

<https://www.aa.org/s%20ites/default/files/literature/Request%20for%20Shared%20Experience%20Inside%20Sponsorship.pdf>

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RULE 62

Don't take yourself so seriously



Editor's Corner

A BIG “THANK YOU” to all who purchased tickets for the Chili Cookoff! Thanks for the privilege of bringing you the Newsletter!

If you'd like the Newsletter e-mailed to you, send your e-mail address to Kathy T. at blakeyboysmom@hotmail.com The Newsletter is also on the Central Office website... www.aa52centraloffice.org

