

# CENTRAL NEWS

November 2017



Yokohl Valley Morning

## *Gratitude Month Article*

Pay it forward, November is Gratitude Month!

Traditionally, November has been a time for many AA's to express their gratitude. It's our chance to say "Thank You" for our sobriety that was so freely given to us. The first official recognition of an A.A. Gratitude Month was back in 1956 in New York at the Sixth General Service Conference, specifically designed to coincide with Thanksgiving. The idea was to be noted in the pre-Thanksgiving appeals to the groups for funds to help support A.A.'s worldwide services. A few years later, Bill Wilson urged in one of his letters: "Gratitude should go forward, rather than backward...if you carry the message to still others, you will be making the best possible repayment for the help given to you."

This idea, or a modern day concept to "Pay it Forward" is a good suggestion for any A.A. member to make the idea service work more appealing. Personally, being in a fog when I first came to A.A., I was really only able to follow some basic suggestions. I distinctly remember an old-timer stating at a meeting early on, "If you want what we have, do what we do!" And I did want to stay sober, be comfortable inside my own skin and get a better life, so I watched what they did and tried to follow their lead. They went to meetings on a

regular basis where they welcomed the newcomer and visitors. They also helped out with group functions whenever they could. Many shared what they had by contributing to the basket when it went around. Because of the better life they now had, they could. When I first got sober I didn't know anything about how A.A. functioned. I thought all these "job assignments" to secretary meetings, make the coffee or clean-up after meetings were just shams cooked up by the old-timers so the new people would do all the work and they could just kick back! And then I would think, and you want me to do this for free? (Ohh... me and my conspiracy theories...) After a while and a few service positions later, I realized my outlook was quite wrong and that there were vast benefits to be had being involved with service. Most important was the feeling of belonging, that I was "a part of" rather than being "apart from". For example, becoming a secretary of a meeting required me to be there every week. Which in turn meant I would get to know people and they would get to know me. I soon got acquainted with a group of people who were happy to see me. Quite a change from the way it was before...where the feeling of loneliness occurred quite often. My alcoholism had made me isolate from others. As a result, I was unavailable to

feel the love of my family and friends (because I was seldom around). Conversely, the life I have today is full with activity with others. I get to feel the unconditional love of my fellow members frequently. Whether it be at a speaker meeting up in Springville, a home group meeting at the Hillman House or any other meeting, I walk into those places and instantaneously I feel at ease amongst my fellows. Attending meetings on a regular basis, service work and my Higher Power have made that possible.

Another reason for trying to stay in service is that it makes me feel worthy. When I first came to A.A., self-seeking behavior played a big part in my disease. Whatever my so-called needs were at the time (for attention or emotional support), it was often my old behavior taking over. I was able to realize this through working the steps. So to counter-act that, my sponsor had me focus on what I could “give” to a situation I was in rather than “take” whatever I could. That behavior was stopped cold when started to focus on what I could contribute or “bring to the party”. So over the years, every little bit of service we can do, every buck or two we can throw in the basket is an investment towards a life of sobriety. By trying to Pay it Forward we invest in a priceless gift of sobriety. Hence the alcoholic who at one time felt worthless feels a little more worthy in his new life.

So all this different types of service is gratitude in action. We see it every time we go to a meeting, so often so that sometimes I can get complacent and forget to stress this crucial part of recovery. When I focus on Gratitude and having it go forward, I get the opportunity to emulate that gaunt prospector mentioned in the Big Book, whose pick has struck that ‘limitless load’ of gold. It will pay dividends to us as long as we keep mining it forever and insist of giving away the entire product.

John W.

## Step 11

*Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.*

What I’m about to write isn’t being addressed to those of you who have maintained a disciplined spiritual practice involving daily prayer and meditation. No, you guys are in a different league altogether. Instead, I’m speaking

to those less disciplined AA members who, like me, are apt to feed the dogs, put on the coffee, scan the newspaper headlines, and check the phone for messages before even considering turning your attention to your Higher Power, if at all.

My relationship with Step 11 (and the God to whom I owe my sobriety) has been spotty at best. There have been periods of “religious” scrupulosity when I’ve faithfully read daily meditations from a half dozen recovery-oriented books followed (sometimes) by a period of quiet meditation. There have been other times when I’ve dedicated myself to saying the Third Step prayer or reading the St. Francis prayer on a regular basis. Of course, the “praying while driving” occasions have been a common occurrence, when thoughts of the day ahead have compelled me to “glance upwards” and give God a nod amidst the usual concerns and perplexities of life. More often than not, however, my serious prayer life has been pretty much on an “as needs” basis – an emotional upset, an important decision, an unresolved resentment or a sudden bout of anxiety has caused a bump in my otherwise humdrum, complacent sobriety ride. I’ve wanted a “quick fix” from God and, amazingly enough, I’ve usually received exactly the comfort, guidance, and peaceful heart that I have needed at the moment. But Step 11 isn’t about looking to God as a pinch hitter, the default guy who only gets called upon in desperation when all other resources have failed. As stated in the 12X12, “Prayer and meditation are our principal means of conscious contact with God.” This means a continuing, not sporadic, connection to a Higher Power, an ongoing acknowledgement of our powerlessness, and a consistent willingness to place ourselves in His care with the statement, “Thy will, not mine, be done.”

The importance of this step – or, should I say, the importance of the fact that I had not been practicing this step conscientiously – has become clear to me over the past few years when I have been faced with family situations which imperil the safety and well-being of those whom I hold most dear. I could easily surrender my own life to this “pinch-hitter God” in moments of anxiety and fear, but in the case of beloved family members, I simply could not say, “Thy will, not mine, be done.” There was no guarantee that the outcome I feared the most (and which I resolutely could NOT accept) might not actually come to pass. The powerlessness I experienced did NOT lead to surrender. Instead, it led to feelings of even more

powerlessness and desperation. It was in the midst of this turmoil that I recognized my *fundamental lack of* trust in the God to whom I had given lip-service and in whom I believed, but to whom I was unwilling to entrust the lives of those I love.

I've heard it said that prayer isn't about trying to "change" God (coercing Him into producing the outcome we desire); it's about changing ourselves. Consequently, I've always tried to avoid praying for particular outcomes - (the Big Book makes it pretty clear that this is a no-no) - but with the encouragement of a trusted spiritual advisor, who reassured me that certainly God's will would not include the suffering of innocents, I was able ask for God's safekeeping and protection in the lives of my family members. As this was my daily prayer, it became easier and easier to yield to the idea of God's will, which is encompassed by His loving embrace, and trust Him to be present in my life and in the lives of those in need of His care.

Here's the deal today. I'm still undisciplined about having a daily prayer and meditation routine. I continue to pray sporadically, or you might say, spontaneously. But I'm no longer praying to the "pinch-hitter God" - I don't wait until I'm in dire straits to call upon Him - I pray to the compassionate, always-available God to seek His loving presence in my everyday life, with the assurance that He is present in the lives of those who may not even be aware of His presence. For those who yearn for "conscious contact" He is only a prayer away.

Louise G.

**Tradition 11** *"Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio or films."*

What about AA members of local, national or international fame? What about sober doctors, lawyers, pastors and even sober employers? Aren't they allowed to use the AA mantra to show the world how wonderful AA is for them because if it weren't for AA, they probably wouldn't be sober! Shouldn't they splash the fact on social media? The simple answer is.... no. What message does it send IF they don't stay sober?

"Emphasizing personal anonymity is AA's greatest protection. This Tradition is a reminder that personal

ambition has no place in AA"

"Why?" you ask...The answer is that AA is not a secret society. We sober members carry the message wherever we can. AA has public service announcements on radio and TV, aa.org has a plethora of information about AA and how to get help. Why do members feel it necessary to advertise their personal membership in this fellowship? Where is the humility in doing so? Public messiahs can do us great harm. The individual sober AA member is the strongest attraction there is. Some known drunks sober up and this change in behavior and life style is noticed. People ask what method was used to seek help. The answer given most often is by an AA member.

Let's explore attraction: Attraction is a characteristic or quality that provides pleasure; a person or thing that allures or entices. A former drunk being a sober member usually has these properties.

Let's explore promotion: Something devised to publicize or advertise a cause, product, institution, etc. In summation; each member is an active guardian of our fellowship.

In Service,

Doug H.

## CENTRAL NEWS

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Louie T.

# Speaker Meetings

**Porterville Recovery Club Speaker Meeting**  
 186 W. Walnut Ave.  
 Friday November 3rd, 2017 at 8:00 PM  
**Speaker: - Jesse M. - Porterville, CA**

**Friday Book Study Speaker Meeting**  
 1820 N. Gem St, Tulare  
 Friday, November 10th, 2017 at 8:00 PM  
**Speaker: - Johnny B.**

**Sunday AM Breakfast Speaker Meeting**  
 Veterans Memorial Building  
 36000 Hwy 190, Springville  
**Sunday, November 12th, 2017 @ 10:15 AM**  
**(Breakfast at 8:30 to 10:00 AM)**  
**Speaker: Mandy M. - Visalia, CA**

**The Valley Group, Speaker Meeting**  
 The Gallery @ The Creative Center  
 410 E. Race Ave.  
 Every Wednesday from 7-8 p.m.

**Nov 1- Jenna H. of Exeter- 16 Years!**  
**Nov 8- Danny S. of Visalia - 29 Years!**  
**Nov 15- Dylan S. of Visalia - 5 Years!**  
**Nov 22- Craig S. of Visalia - 6 Years!**  
**Nov 29- Melanie M. of Visalia - 13 Years!**  
**That's 69 years of sobriety in five simple one-hour sessions!**

## Upcoming Events

*Have an Event?? Send an Email:*

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## October AA Birthdays

Name	City	Years
Paul H.	Visalia	41
Mike G.	Visalia	35
Jim D.	Visalia	34
Cathy O.	Visalia	31
John T.	Visalia	29
Charlie M.	Visalia	29
Robert G.	Visalia	29
Tracy W.	Visalia	28
Cristy R.	Tulare	28
John D.	Visalia	28
Rod K.	Visalia	28
Max	Lemon Cove	28
Lynda B.	Visalia	27
Christine O.	Visalia	26
Jerri H.	Dinuba	25
Jerry M.	Visalia	25
Krystal G.	Visalia	25
Nancy D.	Visalia	25
Norm B.	Visalia	23
Paula Ann	Tulare	23
Mona	Visalia	22
Linda N.	Porterville	20
Lynn P.	Visalia	19
Pam S.	Porterville	19
Mandy S.	Visalia	18
Kara O.	Modesto	17
Terri S.	Westfield MA	17
Betty S.	Visalia	17
Art J.	Porterville	17
Vincent F.	Visalia	15
Bob A.	Visalia	10
Wally P.	Visalia	7
Jerome L.	Visalia	4

## Editor's Corner

I feel so blessed to have the opportunity to carry the message! I have found joy in being the editor because it is another avenue for me to be of service, and I know that it is an opportunity to communicate with many more alcoholics than I would be able to otherwise. Come, claim your blessing and get that warm fuzzy feeling knowing you are helping another alcoholic. All you have to do is take a few minutes out of your busy schedule and write something up. Know what you want to say, but you don't feel you can write it up? I will take the time to help anyone! All you have to do is ask. Feel free to send any questions, comments, or content to:

**centralintergroupnews@gmail.com**

# Central Service Meeting

## Minutes October 10, 2017

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** 7:04

**CENTRAL OFFICE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Doug H , Mark G., Bob H.,Stella T., & Sheri T.

**BOARD MEMBER ABSENT:** None

**SERENITY PRAYER:** Led by Doug H.

**12 TRADITIONS:** Keith

**SECRETARY REPORT:** Mark motioned, Doug 2nd and group approved

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING:** n/a

**TREASURER REPORT/OFFICE REPORT:** We had an income of \$2,409.80 and expenses of \$2,845.10 for a loss of \$435.30 for this accounting period. Group contributions were good. Sales were about average. We had normal expenses for the period. We had \$171.78 in net sales from the Square card sales from 7 transactions in September. We had 11 customers on Saturdays in September receiving \$568.37 total. The office has been operating normally. Submitted by Bob H. Treasurer

**WEBSITE REPORT:** Going well and had 117 unique visitors per day and 56 for Springville. 2,821 hits on page views for meeting directory.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT:** Stella- nothing to report at this time

**STEP FOR NEWSLETTER – VOLUNTEER**

November Step 11 Louise

Due to CentralinetergoupNews@gmail.com 10/20/17

December Step 12 Mark G.

Due to CentralinetergoupNews@gmail.com 11/20/17

**TRADITION FOR NEWSLETTER-VOLUNTEER**

November Tradition 11 Doug H.

Due to CentralinetergoupNews@gmail.com 10/20/17

December Tradition 12 Mark G.

Due to CentralinetergoupNews@gmail.com 1/20/17

**H&I REPORT – None**

**GSO LIAISON-** Cheryl- District 47 meets 1st Wednesday every month. Attendance has been small so no quorum to pass motions. November will be new area officers. Not many groups have GSR representation so we need to get the word out to the groups to start having a GSR if they do not.

**TUCYPAA LIAISON-** Nothing to report

**CSR REPORTS**

**Doug H.-Acceptance Group-**This is an open, Gay AA meeting in Porterville but everyone is welcome. We meet at the First Congregational Church at Fourth & Mill. This is a 1 hr meeting from 6-7 pm every

Wednesday. The meeting has been growing; there have 20 - 25 people in attendance recently. We discuss what is going on in your sobriety today. Birthdays are celebrated on the last Wednesday of the month. Our group has been able to contribute to Central Office.  
**Louise G.-The Rainbow Group-**This is an open gay A.A. meeting and everyone is welcome. We meet Saturdays 5:30 – 7:00 pm in the Polar Bear Room at Kaweah Delta Rehab Surgery Meeting Room in Visalia- birthdays are celebrated at the end of the month. The business meeting is the 2nd Saturday of each month. There are usually delicious treats at Pre evening meetings. Attendance is between 20-25 with lots of good sharing. A timer is used which allows most people to share.

**Mark G.-Valley Group-**The Valley Group presents a speaker meeting each Wednesday night at the Creative Center in Visalia. This is located at Race and Santa Fe, next to the Ice House Theater. This one-hour, weekly meeting features a single speaker sharing his or her unique message of recovery. Speakers are from communities throughout the central valley. It is an open meeting with an average attendance of 120 people. Court cards are accepted. It's a great place to meet friends, hear a great message and get ready for recovery.

**Keith A.-Springville Speaker Breakfast-**We meet on the 2nd Sunday of each month at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Springville. Breakfast is served between 8 and 10 am. and costs \$5.00. We usually serve around 65-80 breakfasts. The meeting starts at 10:15 with a 10 minute speaker. The main speaker starts around 11 am. July 9th our speaker is Hiro S. from Long Beach CA. Treasury position filled by Jessie. Good food and great fellowship. Come and join us!

**Julie M - Springville Gut Level Group-**We meet from 7 – 8:30 at the Lighthouse Chapel every Thursday night. This is an open meeting and all are welcome. We do ask if you are not an alcoholic that you please do not share-you are more than welcome to listen. Birthdays are celebrated the last Thursday of the month. Attendance usually around 20-25 good range of sobriety all around. Great mix of old and new sobriety.

**Rae Ann B.-Tues Women's Amity Group-** We are a closed group who meet every Monday night at Christ Lutheran Church in Visalia from 6:30-8:00 p.m. We read a part out of the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous each week. On the last Monday we study

the tradition for that month. We have a good mix of old timers and new comers. We celebrate birthdays and monthly chips weekly. Between 20-25 attend each week.

**Stella T - Women's Changes-** This is an open women's meeting each Tuesday evening at 7 pm at the Church of the Nazarene, 2005 W Olive St. in the Hope Room in Porterville. This is a 1 hour meeting. A chairperson reads from AA approved materials and shares from their personal experience as it relates to the reading. The meeting is then open for discussion. Our business meeting is held the 3rd Tuesday of the month during the final 15 min of the regular meeting. We celebrate AA birthdays on the last Tuesday of the month with either a potluck or a restaurant gathering before the meeting. Cake is served following the birthday mtg.

**Rae Ann B.-Practicing the Principles AA Group-** This is a closed group which meets every Monday from 7pm-8pm at Christ Lutheran Church 3830 W. Tulare Ave in Visalia. We read from the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous and then there is discussion time. On the last Monday, we read the Tradition for that month. We give out chips weekly and celebrate birthdays. Attendance ranges from 20-30 people with various lengths of sobriety. All are welcome.

**Jonathan T - Tulare Unity Young People -** We meet every Saturday evening at 7:30 located at 220 W. Tulare ave. for a young people's AA meeting. It's an open meeting where everyone is welcome! Please come and join us! Chip meeting and great fellowship.

**Ed A. -Monday Men's Stag -** Meet at PPAV Hall, Visalia at 7:30 pm on Monday nights. Business meeting 1st Monday of each month. We celebrate birthdays at the last Monday of each month. We give out chips for various lengths of sobriety.

**Mike K-Sunday AM Serenity Seekers -** We meet at the Alano Club every Sunday from 10-11:30 AM. We have between 20-30 members attending regularly. We pass out chips every week and have a birthday celebration on the last Sunday of each month. We regularly contribute to all AA entities. Court cards are accepted. All are welcome.

**Matt H. - Friday Freedom Fellowship** This is a closed meeting that starts at 7:00 PM located at 3830 W. Tulare Ave. Visalia. We regularly have a meeting attendance of about 60 people. We observe the 7th tradition and we make contributions to Central Office and New York. Court cards are accepted and signed. Our business meetings is the first Friday of each month. We celebrate sobriety birthdays for

various lengths of sobriety with chips and cake on the last Friday of the month. We convene in prayer and adjourn with prayer.

## OLD BUSINESS

### 1. New Year's Celebration

- Planning meets at 6:30 right before C.S.R. meeting- please attend and help for this wonderful celebration
- A discussion of gift baskets happened and it was decided not to have gift baskets

## NEW BUSINESS

- Central Office Hours-** still in conversation
- Central Office Board members-** Nominations for two Central Office Board members will be next month November 14th. Complete nominations and election at December Central Office meeting.
- Central Office Volunteers for Saturdays -** discussion about volunteers or a part-time paid additional person will be reviewed at board meeting.

**SEVENTH TRADITION:** \$104.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEETING ADJOURNED: 7:30 PM

# Contributions

## Birthday Club

Lawrence S.	Visalia	35
Mary C.	Three Rivers	29
Doug H.	Porterville	8

## Individual Contributions

Anonymous

Jim K.

Mike S.

Shannon S.

## Newsletter Contributions

None

## Memorial Contribution

None



# District 47 Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:00 p.m. by District Committee Member Josh F.

**Committee:** Josh F. DCM/ Greg G., D-47 Treasurer absent/ Cheryl H., D-47 Recording Secretary/ and GSR for the 2nd Sunday Speaker Breakfast Group of Springville. Nick V., GSR for Visalia Rainbow Group; Dean J., GSR of Visalia Young Peoples Group; The Serenity Prayer and the GSR Preamble were recited by all present.

John W. new GSR for Civic Center Group

**12 Traditions:** Dispensed due to size of group.

**Approval of Minutes:** There was no quorum for approval of minutes for Sept. D-47 meeting.

**Treasurer's Report** – Beginning Balance \$1,976.61 > contributions totaled \$303.80, expenses \$454.03 Ending Balance \$1,826.38. Report on file.

**CSO Report** – Cheryl attended September CSO meeting as liaison for D-47. New Year's planning is under way. Contributions are up. Birthday Club is struggling.

**DCM Report** – Election Assembly November 17-19 in Sacramento. District 47 Election in December. Allen L is nominated as DCM. There will be more nominations in November.

**GSR Reports –Dean J. Visalia Young People Young and Restless;** The Young and Restless meeting continues to grow in unity, strength and numbers.  
**Nick V. Visalia Rainbow Group;** Come share in the journey with us. Share of your own experience. Birthdays are celebrated on the last Saturday. Chips handed out weekly. **Cheryl H. Springville 2nd Sun Breakfast Speaker Meeting.** We have Hot coffee and fabulous food capped by awesome speakers! \$5.00 for breakfast, we start serving about 8am. Speaker meeting starts at 10:15, we are out of there by noon.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

1) Delegate Vicki Presentation was a huge success. Venue was wonderful.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Discussion about funding GSR's to Election Assembly in Sacramento. DCM stated D-47 would compensate GSR's \$100.00 to attend assembly.

**7th Tradition:** \$ 0

The meeting closed with the Declaration of Unity and the Responsibility Declaration at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Cheryl H.

# Service Meetings

## AND ADDRESSES

### **GSR Meeting at Central Office**

449 E. Maple St., Exeter, CA

Wednesday, November 1 2017 at 7:00 PM

### **CSR Meeting at Central Office**

449 E. Maple St., Exeter, CA

Tuesday, November 14 7:00 PM

New Year's Planning Meeting 6:30 P.M.

### **H&I Meeting at Alano Club**

Visalia Alano Club, 1311 W. Murray

Saturday, November 11, 2017 at 9:00 am

2nd Saturday of odd months.

## SERVICE ADDRESSES

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# Upcoming Events

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# Lighter Side of AA

WE ARE NOT A GLUM LOT

An Irish man walks into a pub & the bartender asks him what he wants to drink.

The man says, "Give me three pints of Guinness please."

So the bartender brings him three pints and the man proceeds to alternately sip one, then the other, then the third until they're gone. He then orders three more.

The bartender says, "Sir, I know you like them cold but you don't have to order three at a time. I can keep an eye out and when you get low I'll bring you a fresh cold one."

The man thanks the bartender and says, "Thank you for your concern but that isn't why I order three at a time. You see, I have two brothers, one is in Australia and one is in the States. We made a vow to each other that every Saturday night we'd still drink together. So right now, my brothers have three Guinness Stouts too, and we're drinking together.

The bartender thought that was a wonderful tradition.

Every week the man came in and ordered three beers. Then one week he came in and ordered only two. He drank them and then ordered two more.

The bartender said to him, "I know what your tradition is, and I'd just like to say that I'm sorry that one of your brothers died."

The man said, "Oh, my brothers are fine----I just quit drinking."

Have a Joke???? Submit it to:

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# Financial Report

TULARE COUNTY CENTRAL OFFICE

Income & Expense Statement

9/21/2017 THROUGH 10/20/2017

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>
B.Day Club	72.00	600.00
CD & Tape Cont.	0.00	0.00
Group Cont.	1,673.46	20,028.11
Indiv Cont	425.00	5,354.21
Lit. Sales	439.55	5,358.91
Memorial Cont.	0.00	30.00
Misc.	0.00	0.00
Newsletter Cont	0.00	0.00
S & H	0.00	12.50
Sales Tax	64.09	644.33
Spec. Events	0.00	6,836.00
Spec. Items	421.35	3,819.87

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**TOTAL** **\$3,095.45** **\$42,683.93**

<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>
Ans. Serv.	0.00	360.00
Fees-Taxes	0.00	25.00
Insurance	0.00	550.00
Lit. Costs	1,003.50	5,155.00
PI-CPC Expense	0.00	0.00
Misc Expense	0.00	0.00
Newsletter Cost	0.00	0.00
Office Exp	65.00	1,015.22
Office Equip.& Maint	45.00	45.00
Phone & ISP	184.76	1,818.19
Postage	49.00	157.55
Employee Taxes	0.00	4,168.87
Rent	525.00	5,250.00
Salary	1,441.60	14,749.47
Sales Tax-Paid	0.00	720.00
Security System	0.00	433.67
Spec. Events	350.00	2,522.34
Spec. Items	92.80	1,936.95
Card Charge	6.21	86.98
Utilities	34.77	625.29
Website	0.00	117.39

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**TOTAL** **\$3,797.64** **39,736.92**

**Net Gain(Loss)** **(\$702.19)** **\$2,947.01**

**BEG. TOT. ACCT. BAL.** **\$16,038.94**

**END. TOT. ACCT. BAL.** **\$15,336.75**



# Group Contributions

8/21/17 Thru 9/20/17	Month	YTD
10th Ave Men's-Lemoore		22.79
ABC Group		0.00
Alpha-Wed-Tulare		160.00
Attitude Modification-210	150.00	840.00
Bills & Friends		0.00
Breath of Fresh Air		2,700.00
Bridge St. "Drunks Only"	444.00	3,252.81
Central Calif. Roundup		522.46
Civic Center Grp.	50.00	100.00
Clodbusters-Tulare		630.00
Crossroads-Tulare		320.00
CSO Meeting	104.00	651.00
Dinuba Grp		115.00
District 47		400.00
Dr. Bob & Friends		25.00
Exeter-Quiet Trails		0.00
Exeter Sun Afternoon		410.00
Foundation Group		101.75
Freedom Fellowship		491.90
Fri. Night Study Tulare		80.00
No. Cal H&I		287.25
Message of Hope		0.00
Monday Men's Mtg.	114.00	342.00
Monday Night Live		0.00
Mid Valley-Tulare	100.00	100.00
Mon Book Study-S'ville		93.00
Mon Lit Study-Visalia		0.00
Monday Meditation-Visalia		0.00
Mon Men's Book Study		0.00
Nooners Group-Visalia		150.00
Pine Recovery AA Mtg		137.75
Porterville Young People		20.00
Practicing The Pinciples		92.15
Rainbow Group		300.00
Rule 62-Visalia		375.00
Serenity Junction-Tulare		0.00
Serenity Seekers AM-Visalia		400.00
Soberfest Groups		0.00
Wed. Sobriety Celebration		170.00
Springville Gut Level		1,155.48
Sun Bkfst Spkr Mtg		820.00
Sun PM Serenity Seekers	120.00	210.00
Tulare Young People		10.00
Tulare Fri. Book Study		0.00
Tulare 2nd Fri Spkr Mtg		0.00
Tulare Tuesday Night	100.00	100.00

Tulare Sunday Night		200.00
Tues. Men's-P'ville	60.00	300.00
Tues. Noon Rec. Club		0.00
Three Rivers-Monday		258.00
Unity Thru Traditions	49.50	234.53
Valley Group		300.00
Valley Speaker Series		666.00
Wed. Acceptance, P'ville		700.00
Weekend Attitude Adj.		70.00
Women's Amity-Visalia	256.44	887.72
Women's Changes-P'ville		225.00
Women's Fri. Night-P'ville		87.00
Women's Sat AM 12x12	125.52	364.12
Young & Restless		90.00
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<b>Total</b>	<b>1,673.46</b>	<b>20,028.11</b>

## Central Office Contacts

Answering Service Calls	1
AA Members	16
Court Ref/Info	14
Meeting Information	19
H & I	0
Alanon & Alateen Information	2
Info. re Recovery Homes	0
Schedules & Info-Mailed & Faxed	1
Bridging The Gap	0
Other 12 Step Programs	3
Visitors to Office	51
Literature Sales	13
Specialty Sales	28
Churches & Schools	0
General Information	11
Prospective Members	2
Twelve Step Calls	0
E-Mail Contacts	20
Spanish Contact	1
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<b>Total</b>	<b>182</b>

**SATURDAY  
DECEMBER 2nd**

**2017**



# **TUCYPAA**

## **STOLE CHRISTMAS**

**TULARE COUNTY YOUNG PEOPLE IN ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**

## **UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER PARTY**

**Location - Christ Lutheran Church**

**3830 W. Tulare Ave. Visalia, CA**

**Doors Open @ 4pm Tri Tip Dinner @ 4:30 - 5:30**

**Tickets are \$15 and should be purchased in advance**

**PayPal- email: [tucypaatickets@gmail.com](mailto:tucypaatickets@gmail.com)**

**(Type in name and number of tickets in description box) \$15.00 per ticket**

**Bake Auction @ 5:30**

**White Elephant Gag Gift Exchange @ 8:30**

**Speaker Meeting @ 6:30**

**(Under \$25, not mandatory to participate)**

**Pete L. with 11 years (Warm-up)**

**For info Please Contact**

**Kat C. with 10 years (Main)**

**L.(Chair) 559-972-3210**

**Henry (Co-Chair) 559-977-4360**

**Casey D. (Events) 408-505-2673**

**Amy (Hospitality) 559-280-2679**

**50/50 Drawing**

*Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night!*

**JOIN US!!!**



# **TUCYPAA**

**Tulare County Young People in Alcoholics  
Anonymous**

**Unity. Service. Recovery.**



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**Every 1st and 3rd Sunday at:  
First Jesus Name Church of Cameron  
Creek  
29076 Road 164  
Visalia, CA**

**OUR MISSION:**

**Support young alcoholics in their recovery through the 12 steps**

**Promote unity among alcoholics of all ages**

**Encourage young members of A.A to participate in A.A.'s general service structure**

# *Your Content Here!!!*

Have an event????

New group starting up?????

Have a story to share???

Take some amazing photos around our district???

Want to be of service????

All this can be accommodated we are available to help! Simply reach out to us here at Central News and we will do all we can to get the word out!!!

Carrying the message to the Alcoholic who still suffer is our primary purpose. What better way to do it then to get involved!!!!

Send your content to:

[centralintergroupnews@gmail.com](mailto:centralintergroupnews@gmail.com)

... and we will help you communicate to district 47!!!

