# CENTRALNEWS August 2017

### AA Historic Article of the Month

Tule River Canyon

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The Alcoholics Anonymous program is a bridge from the negative or egocentric personality of the sick alcoholic to the more desirable affirmative personality of the sober man, Dr. Harry M. Tiebout, physician in charge of Blythwood Hospital, Old Greenwich, Connecticut, believes. "An incident that happened twenty-five years ago when I was an intern, explains to me the alcoholic personality," Dr. Tiebout told an open meeting of the Manhattan InterGroup recently. Patients of the "quiet ward" in the hospital where the doctor was an intern became upset and jittery. The nurses on the floor told the doctor that the trouble was caused by a patient who claimed to be able to read minds-and seemed to be doing so. "This of course was of great interest to me," said the doctor. "I couldn't read anybody's mind so it seemed like a good idea if I met the man who could. I called the patient to my office. I asked him how he could do this impossible thing." A Matter of Muscles "'It's easy,' the man said. 'All you have to do is watch the muscle reaction. If a man is thinking "no" his muscles unconsciously contract

and he pulls away. When he is thinking "yes" he is relaxed." "It wasn't until this summer, twenty-five years later, that the full impact of that incident hit me," Dr. Tiebout continued. "When the alcoholic is sick, he is an 'aginner.' His mental attitude is one of withdrawalhis psychological 'muscles' contract." The "aginner" cannot enjoy life, Dr. Tiebout continued, "No, I won't go along, I'll do it myself," is his attitude. He feels an apartness from others because of this inner refusal to go along. This person feels unrest, discomfort, tension, dissatisfaction. He is full of resentments and hostility. In order to overcome these feelings, he seeks happiness in excitement and liquor is one outlet. Then he becomes gregarious, noisy, opinionated, in his fear of becoming a "Mr. Milquetoast." This person, too, may become overconscientious - he is selfish and full of guilt. "The 'aginner,' said Dr. Tiebout, "has no acceptance of life and the world as it is. He hasn't a chance of living on a twenty-four-hour program. Why doesn't this man give up? Because he has will powerhe can fight the world, alone - he thinks." The more desirable, affirmative personality is quieter and feels fewer compulsions. He shares in fellowship and feels less guilt. This man is even-tempered and has learned

to take things in his stride. He has an affirmative enjoyment of life as it is. He no longer demands that life produce thus-and-so. He's no longer trying to whip the world single handedly. "The Alcoholics Anonymous program," Dr. Tiebout continued, "tends to produce the 'yes' state of mind. Admits It "In your First Step the alcoholic admits that his life has become unmanageable. He can't whip the world alone - and admits it. Then in the Second Step, he reiterates; admitting that he cannot manage his life himself, he asks for help from the Power greater than he. He reminds himself of this constantly. "By attending group meetings he gradually loses the feeling of aloneness he is no longer set apart. He has become an integral part of a group of people, enjoying their activities with them; he belongs. "By doing Twelfth Step work, the man or woman begins to 'sell' someone else and, by so doing, sells himself for what he is. "The person on the AA program then begins to say 'yes' to the kind of person he is. He takes a moral inventory and when he begins to say 'yes' he begins to grow. "Then as he begins to grow, he says 'yes' to God. Thy will be done. Through this he gains humbleness and humility," Dr. Tiebout emphasized.

Anonymous, New York, New York

#### Step Eight

"Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all." Here is yet another Step which pushes us to become willing. When we refer to the Big Book, (page 76) we see that immediately after The Seventh Step Prayer, we are urged into more action, because, "Faith without works is dead." We are instructed to refer to the inventory list we made in Step Four and use this as the basis for making amends to people we have harmed. When first faced with this task, I was not willing to make amends to them all. I didn't see why I should have to. I had learned in previous Steps that I was an alcoholic, and had an incurable genetic disease. It wasn't my fault; so why should I have to go around making amends to people I had hurt? It wasn't me, it was the disease...right? Besides, some of the people on the list had done a lot more harm to me than I had done to them. I was willing to be generous and call it

even, and they would be getting the better end of the deal. My sponsor felt otherwise, and reminded me of another entry on page 76, "Remember it was agreed at the beginning we would go to any lengths for victory over alcohol." The truth is that I had to make these amends if I wanted to get sober, and I had to be willing to do this work; not do it under force or duress. I remember being in a strict religious elementary school where I had been forced to apologize to an entire class of fellow eight- year-olds for unintentionally stepping in the street while we were marching off to church. I resented being humiliated and punished for the crime of being clumsy. I wasn't sorry; but I sure was angry. I can't do an Eighth Step that way; I must be both willing and sincere throughout the entire process.

During the work of this Step I had trouble staying focused. As I went through the "Harms Done" list of my Fourth Step, I would often get side-tracked by the details of the amends: what am I going to say; when and where it would be done. This work is for Step 9. The only question I need answer in Step 8 is: Am I willing to make an honest amends to this person? If I am, I move on to the next. The details of the amends are for the next Step. I needed to keep in mind also that my "Harms Done" list is part of my past, but may be very much in the present for others. There can be people on that list that are still hurting over things I've done long ago. Time may have numbed my feelings of guilt, but not their pain. My house-cleaning must include relief for them, by an amends. Sometimes all that is needed is an acknowledgement of past wrongs, an explanation, and an apology. Then we both can move forward in peace.

My goal in taking the Twelve Steps is to have a spiritual awakening, and as a result, conscious contact with my God. I can't do that until I have cleared away the wreckage of my drunken past. Step Eight prepares me for this. If at first I don't have the willingness to do this, I keep praying until I do. The result can be peace with every human being that I know, and a clear path to my Creator.

Mark G.



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Tradition Eight is concerned with "professionalism" within the fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous. It prohibits A.A. members from being paid for helping others to recover in A.A. As an A.A. member, I am responsible for carrying the mer-recovery to other Alex<sup>1</sup> Responsibility Statement: "When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. to always be there, and for that I am responsible." The core of the A.A. way of life is that I stay sober by working with other alcoholics. Tradition Eight states that I can never be paid for this. I cannot charge newcomers for taking them through the Twelve Steps. (Just as well. Those that relapsed would then be entitled to a refund, which would put me deeply in the red.) I came to A.A. via an in-patient recovery center. The recovery curriculum was the Twelve Steps of A.A. The counselors were A.A. members who took us through classes on the Steps. They were paid to do this. This does not, however place them in violation of Tradition Eight. The "Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions" points out that battles have long been fought over this issue. The conclusion is, that the real issue is anonymity, rather than compensation. Recovery facilities and their workers must not use the A.A. name in any way, or imply that they are "A.A. approved". I am grateful that all of the counselors at the facility I was in were A.A. members: you clearly cannot give away what you don't have. My introduction to the Twelve Steps was given by men and women who had been through them, and were living them. All would affirm that they were A.A. members, but not unless they were asked. They strictly maintained anonymity. There are about 14,000 recovery centers in the country, and 90% of them utilize the 12 Steps of A.A. Someone is going to work in them for pay, as alcohol counselors, and no one can do this better than A.A. members. The "Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions" speaks to this: (p 171) "We cannot declare A.A. such a closed corporation that we keep our knowledge and experience top secret. If an A.A. member acting as a citizen can become a better researcher, educator, personnel officer, then why not? Everybody gains, and we have lost nothing."

Another facet of Tradition Eight concerns the "Special Workers". We have one in Tulare County: Bob H. He runs the Intergroup office operation in Exeter. This functions as the A.A. service center, providing literature, meeting lists, and a 24-hour phone line. Bob is a long-time A.A. member, and is paid. There is a good reason for this, given by Bill W. in the Twelve Steps and 12 Traditions, page 168, "we couldn't employ nonalcoholics...we had to have people who knew the A.A. pitch." Bob H. takes Twelve Step calls at the office, and on the phone. He must be the "hand of A.A." and so is not in violation of Tradition.

Mark G.

August AA Birthdays

Name	City	Years
Don H.	Porterville	44
Betty C.	Visalia	43
Larry R.	Visalia	40
Diane N.	Exeter	39
Mary S.	Tipton	36
Juanita M.	Visalia	34
Helen D.	Tulare	34
Dan H.	Porterville	33
Ron H.	Dinuba	33
Emma K.	Tulare	30
Les S.	Tulare	29
Emilio A.	Goshen	28
Debbie S.	Visalia	26
Jonna K.	Porterville	26
Rick S.	Visalia	26
Deric F.	Visalia	25
Bob T.	Visalia	23
Greg H.	Visalia	21
Richard R.	Tulare	19
Margie A.	Three Rivers	19
Diane M.	Visalia	18
Lynn T.	Porterville	15
Sheri T.	Hanford	13
Gilbert C.	Visalia	13
Kelly K.	Visalia	13
Michael C.	Visalia	12
Laura N.	Fresno	11
Doug H.	Porterville	8
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# Speaker Meetings

**Porterville Recovery Club Speaker Meeting** 186 W. Walnut Ave Friday August 4th, 2017 at 8:00 PM Speaker: - Tim O.

#### **Friday Book Study Speaker Meeting** Cross & Blackstone Tulare Friday, August 11th, 2017 at 8:00 PM Speaker: - Elgin M – Exeter, CA

#### Sunday AM Breakfast Speaker Meeting

Veterans Memorial Building 36000 Hwy 190, Springville Sunday, August 13th, 2017 at 10:15 AM (Breakfast at 8:30 to 10:00 AM) Speaker: Hiro S. - Long Beach, CA

#### The Valley Group, Speaker Meeting

The Gallery @ The Creative Center 410 E. Race Ave. Every Wednesday from 7-8 p.m.

**Speakers for August** 

Aug 2- Jonathan T. of Visalia - 1 Year! Aug 9 – Rollan W. of Visalia - 1 Year! Aug 16 – Craig W. of Visalia - 8 Years! Aug 23 – Sheri T. of Hanford – 13 Years! Aug 30 – Odran G. of Visalia – 37 Years!

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### Central Service Meeting

Minutes: July 11, 2017 **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:00 CENTRAL OFFICE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Doug H, Bob H., Stella T., & Sheri T. BOARD MEMBER ABSENT: Mark G. SERENITY PRAYER: Led by Doug H. 12 TRADITIONS: Monica R. **SECRETARY REPORT:** Approved BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING:Read by Sheri T. TREASURER REPORT/OFFICE REPORT: We had an income of \$5,813.64 and expenses of \$3,878.56 for a gain of \$1,935.08 for this accounting period. Group contributions were very good. Sales were about average. We had our normal expenses. We collected \$533.60 from the Square card sales from 9 transactions in June. We had 4 customers on Saturdays in June receiving \$104.95 total. The office has been operating normally. Reported by Bob H.

**WEBSITE REPORT**: Going well with 138 unique visitors per day and 103 for Springville. **PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT**: Stella- nothing to report at this time

#### **STEP FOR NEWSLETTER – VOLUNTEER**

AugustStep 8Mark G.Due to CentralinetergoupNews@gmail.com 7/20/17Sept.Step 9Mark G.Due to CentralinetergoupNews@gmail.com 8/20/17

#### **TRADITION FOR NEWSLETTER-VOLUNTEER**

AugustTradition 8Mark G.Due toCentralinetergoupNews@gmail.com 6/20/17Sept.Tradition 9Sheri T.Due to CentralinetergoupNews@gmail.com 7/20/17H&I REPORT – Doug H. reported that positivemovement has happened with 5 women being badged, 4women now active and 1 woman in the process. Men'scorrection has 4 men active with 2 meetings and 1 manin the process of getting badged. Justin was just electedas the new secretary.

GSO LIAISON- Meeting next month 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-The Rainbow group meets from 5:30-7:00 Saturday evening at the Polar Bear Room at the Kaweah Delta Rehab Facility on Akers in Visalia. This is an open gay A.A. meeting but everyone is welcome with typically 20-30 in attendance. We hold business meetings the 2nd Saturday of the month and we end the regular meeting a few minutes before 7:00 for Treasurer's reports, GSR reports and announcements. There are many service commitments available (chip person, literature, coffee maker etc.) over and above the usual Secretary, Treasurer, GSR, CSR etc. allowing more people to become active participants in their sobriety. 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 in Visalia. This onehour, 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 Sharon H. from Bakersfield. Good food and great fellowship. Come and join us! We need a new treasurer. 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 meeting of the monthwe meet for dinner before and cake after. Great mix of old and new sobriety.

**Rae Ann B.-Tues Women's Amity Group**– This is a closed women's meeting on Tuesday from 6:30 – 8pm. We meet at Trinity Christian Church, 6400 W. Walnut Rd. Rm 10 in Visalia. We discuss a topic related to

alcoholism every week and the last week is a birthday meeting. We give out monthly chips weekly and celebrate yearly anniversaries the last Tuesday of every month. The 3rd Tuesday is our business meeting after the regular meeting. We average 20-30 women from newcomers to long-timers sharing their experience, strength and hope. There is a no host dinner at Amigos at 5pm for fun and fellowship!

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. 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. Jonathan T. - Monday Men's Stag - We meet every Monday night at 7:30 for a closed AA men's meeting at the PPAV Hall 820 E. Main street in Visalia. We celebrate birthdays at the end of the month and have our business meeting on the first Monday of the month. 25-30 people in attendance. Please join us, newcomers welcome! Lots of experience, strength and hope shared.

**Blake-Sunday Night Serenity Seekers** – We meet on Sundays at 7:30 – 9:00 pm in the Serenity Center on 117 Locust Street In Visalia. We have a speaker followed by open discussion. We don't celebrate birthdays or hand out chips. We have a good mix of old timers and newcomers. Between 20 and 25 attendees each week.

Mike K-Sunday AM Serenity Seekers – Our group meets every Sunday morning at the Visalia Alano Club from 10:00-11:30AM. It is an open meeting. We celebrate birthdays on the last Sunday of each month. We have regularly 20-30 members attending. We have many long time members and always welcome new members graciously. Court cards are signed at the meetings. Business meetings are on the first Sunday of the month at 9:30 AM.

Zach D-The Young & Restless Meeting-We meet

every Wed at 7 pm at 117 S. Locust St in Visalia. This meeting is a chair and participation meeting. The chairperson reads "Daily Reflections" at the start of the meeting. Chips are passed out every week, also birthdays are celebrated weekly. Chapter 5 & the 12 Traditions are read at the beginning of the meeting and it ends with A Vision for You. This is a meeting primarily for young people in AA but all are welcome to attend. We also play spin the bottle!

Monica-RSVP (Porterville Young People)- We meet every Friday from 6:30-7:30pm at the First Congregational Church located at 165 E Mill Street. A chair- person reads from selected AA literature followed by any AA members celebrating a sobriety birthday in the week prior to the meeting. AA members are chosen to share using the popcorn (tag) method. The last Friday of the month, after the meeting, we celebrate monthly birthdays at a select restaurant. Monthly business meetings are held on the 3rd Friday of the month. This meeting is primarily for young people in AA but all are welcome to attend. **Alfonso P.-Bill and Friends-**This is a closed AA book study that meets every Friday from 12 to 1 pm at the 210 restaurant on Center St in Visalia. We offer books and literature. We practice and live principles before personalities.

**Alfonso P.-Dr. Bob and Friends**-This is a closed AA book study that meets every Wed and Thurs night from 7-8 pm at 1804 N. Court St. in Visalia. We offer serious AA recovery.

Alfonso P-The Forgiveness Group – This is a closed meeting. We meet on Tues & Thurs from 10am – 11am. We meet at the Bethlehem Center, 1603 Dinuba Blvd., the corner of Houston & Dinuba Blvd in Visalia. New time same days. We study the 12 & 12 and Big Book of A.A.

Ken I.-Bridge Street Drunks (Only) – At Bridge Street we have meetings morning, noon and night. Enjoy great fellowship with really smart and good looking people that also happen to be sober. A person reads from selected AA literature and the group shares on that topic. Business meeting is 2nd Saturday and Birthdays are last Saturday. Bridge Street Drunks (only) @ 526 N. Bridge Street, Visalia has meeting 7 days a week. 7am are closed meetings. Noon meeting are closed on week days and open Saturday & Sunday. Plus various evening meetings Monday thru Thursday & Saturday. Check your schedule for times. Business and Birthday meetings are held on the last Saturday each month. Times alternate between morning and noon. Good fellowship and great meetings!

Joe H.- Friday Foundation Group – Welcome one and all every 2nd, 3rd and 4th Friday of the month for a closed "Big" book study meeting. We are located at the center for Spiritual Living on the corner of Locust and Acequia in Visalia. We open with the "Set aside prayer" and close with the "Responsibility Declaration". Entry is in the West rear door by the parking structure. The address is 117 South Locust St. It's an hour long book study starting at 7:00 PM. We sign court cards and hope to see you there.

**Frances – Women's 12 X 12 Study Group** - The Saturday morning Women's AA 12X12 meeting is a closed AA meeting that occurs Saturday morning at 9am – 10am. We meet at Christ Lutheran Church on Tulare Street and Demaree in Visalia. Each week we read a step or tradition for the 12X12 and then discuss it. We sign court cards and celebrate birthdays weekly. The last Saturday of the month we have an "Ask the Basket" meeting where we discuss questions about AA and recovery. We hold our business meeting at 10am on the last Saturday of the month. We donate to AA at all levels. This is a great opportunity to meet women in recovery and learn tools for sobriety and living life on life's terms.

**Dan B. – Christ Lutheran Center Group** - This is an open meeting that meets every Tuesday from 7:00 – 8:30pm. Chips are given every week. Birthday's celebrated the last Tuesday of the month. 30 to 40 fellows attend ever week. Lots of long time sobriety. It's a great meeting!

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. **New Year's Celebration** a. it will be hosted in Lindsey, we have a

speaker and still discussing food options.

2. Newsletter Editor:

#### 3. Central Office Inventory :

a.Nothing to report we will discuss next month **NEW BUSINESS** 

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- 1. **Website**: David is now the person working on our website. He brought the thought of using word press so C.S.R.'s can bring their meeting announcements each month to the CSR meeting and he can display on website.
- 2. **Editor:** Louie is our editor

SEVENTH TRADITION: \$38.00 ANNOUNCEMENTS MEETING ADJOURNED: 7:50PM

# Service Meetings

Sheri T.

GSR Meeting at Central Office 449 E. Maple St., Exeter, CA Wednesday, August 2, 2017 at 7:00 PM

CSR Meeting at Central Office 449 E. Maple St., Exeter, CA Tuesday, August 8, 2017 at 7:00 PM

H&I Meeting at Alano Club Visalia Alano Club, 1311 W. Murray Saturday, September 9, 2017 at 9:00 am 2nd Saturday of odd months.

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Upcoming Events

Have an Event?? Send an Email:

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## Contributions

#### <u>Birthday Club</u>

Exeter
Visalia
Visalia

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Individual Contributions Anonymous

Jim K. Mike S. Rick S.

<u>Newsletter Contributions</u> None

<u>Memorial Contribution</u> Nooners Group in Memory of Chuck H.

## Central Office Contacts

Answering Service Calls	0
AA Members	10
Court Ref/Info	7
Meeting Information	11
H & I	0
Alanon & Alateen Information	2
Info. re Recovery Homes	1
Schedules & Info-Mailed & Faxed	0
Bridging The Gap	0
Other 12 Step Programs	1
Visitors to Office	<b>49</b>
Literature Sales	17
Specialty Sales	22
Churches & Schools	0
General Information	8
Prospective Members	0
Twelve Step Calls	0
E-Mail Contacts	19
Spanish Contact	1
Total	148

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# Lighter Side of AA

#### WE ARE NOT A GLUM LOT

A girl working with her sponsor asked "Where can I read about my sex problems?" Sponsor said, "That's covered on page 69." Later at home the page number got jumbled as she tried to remember and she turned to page 96 for her sex problems. "Do not be discouraged if your prospect does not respond at once. Search out another alcoholic and try again. You are sure to find someone desperate enough to accept with eagerness what you offer. We find it a waste of time to keep chasing a man who cannot or will not work with you."

An alcoholic walked into a bar and read a sign that read "All you can drink for \$1.00. The alcoholic said "I'll have \$2.00 worth please"

Two alkies are fishing on a lake. A genie appears and grants them one wish. One guy blurts out "Turn the lake into beer!" SHAZAM! It happens. The other alkie, always discontented, says "Oh, great. Now we have to piss in the boat."

Have a Joke???? Submit it to:

#### centralintergroupnews@gmail.com

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## Financial Report

#### TULARE COUNTY CENTRAL OFFICE Income & Expense Statement 5/21/2017 THROUGH 6/20/2017

INCOME	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>
B.Day Club	40.00	454.00
CD & Tape Cont.	0.00	0.00
Group Cont.	1,510.10	14,718.29
Indiv Cont	135.15	4,454.57
Lit. Sales	717.65	3,671.31
Memorial Cont.	0.00	0.00
Misc.	0.00	0.00
Newsletter Cont.	0.00	0.00
S & H	0.00	12.50
Sales Tax	55.00	435.69
Spec. Events	0.00	6,836.00
Spec. Items	385.30	2,732.45
TOTAL	\$2,843.20	\$33,314.81
<b>EXPENSES</b>	<u>MONTH</u>	YEAR TO DATE
Ans. Serv.	40.00	280.00
Fees-Taxes	0.00	25.00
Insurance	0.00	550.00
Lit. Costs	0.00	3,875.11
PI-CPC Expense	0.00	0.00
Misc Expense	0.00	0.00
Newsletter Cost	0.00	0.00
Office Exp	110.00	915.47
Office Equip.& Maint	0.00	0.00
Phone & ISP	182.75	1,262.97
Postage	49.00	108.55
Employee Taxes	0.00	2,551.15
Rent	525.00	3,675.00
Salary	1,477.53	10,388.74
Sales Tax-Paid	0.00	0.00
Security System	0.00	285.32
Spec. Events	0.00	2,172.34
Spec. Items	290.00	1,432.58
Card Charge	6.78	51.79
Utilities	34.38	518.78
Website	0.00	35.70
TOTAL	\$2,715.44	28,128.50
Net Gain(Loss)	\$127.76	\$5,186.31
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END TOT ACCT BA	L:	\$17,576.05

## Group Contributions

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6/21/17 Thru 7/20/17	Month	YTD
10th Ave Men's-Lemoore		22.79
ABC Group		0.00
Alpha-Wed-Tulare		100.00
Attitude Modification-210	150.00	540.00
Bills & Friends		0.00
Breath of Fresh Air		2,200.00
Bridge St. "Drunks Only"	191.57	2,107.66
Civic Center Grp.	50.00	50.00
Clodbusters-Tulare	220.00	420.00
Crossroads-Tulare		200.00
CSO Meeting	38.00	432.00
Dinuba Grp		40.00
District 47		400.00
Dr. Bob & Friends		25.00
Exeter-Quiet Trails		0.00
Exeter Sun Afternoon		410.00
Foundation Group		86.00
Freedom Fellowship	319.10	491.90
Fri. Night Study Tulare		50.00
No. Cal H&I		287.25
Message of Hope		0.00
Monday Men's Mtg.		228.00
Monday Night Live		0.00
Mid Valley-Tulare		0.00
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	150.00
Pine Recovery AA Mtg		84.75
Porterville Young People		20.00
Practicing The Pinciples		92.15
Rainbow Group		236.00
Rule 62-Visalia	100.00	300.00
Serenity Junction-Tulare	100000	0.00
Serenity Seekers AM-Visalia		400.00
Soberfest Groups		0.00
Wed. Sobriety Celebration		170.00
Springville Gut Level		765.48
Sun Bkfst Spkr Mtg		820.00
Sun PM Serenity Seekers		90.00
Tulare Young People		10.00
Tulare Fri. Book Study		0.00
Tulare 2nd Fri Spkr Mtg		0.00
Tulare Tuesday Night		0.00
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Tulare Sunday Night		200.00

Total	1,450.10	14,718.29
Young & Restless	50.00	90.00
Women's Sat AM 12x12	73.00	238.60
Women's Fri. Night-P'ville		87.00
Women's Changes-P'ville		225.00
Women's Amity-Visalia		631.28
Weekend Attitude Adj.		70.00
Wed. Acceptance, P'ville		500.00
Valley Speaker Series		666.00
Valley Group		175.00
Unity Thru Traditions	108.43	108.43
Three Rivers-Monday		90.00
Tues. Noon Rec. Club		0.00
Tues. Men's-P'ville		180.00

Editor's Corner

Hello Everyone!! My name is Louie T and I am the new Alcoholic Editor of the Central News!! I am VERY excited to be of service to you all! It has been a real pleasure preparing this month's edition and I would love for any and all feedback on how it came out. I would like to bring a little more history so I have started to include a historic article written in the current month. If anyone is an AA history buff I would love to add some articles about AA history. If this is you please reach out to me. I am always open to including information, stories, pictures, events, announcements, etc. Feel free to send any questions, comments, or content to:

#### centralintergroupnews@gmail.com

Thank you for letting me be of service!

Louie T

## l 1939 Edition

## District 47 is hosting Lunch with Our CNIA Delegate

Come hear our Delegate report on the 67th Annual General Service Conference.

Delegate's Report presented by Vikki R, the Delegate representing the California Northern Interior Area.

#### Saturday, September 23, 2017

Center for Spiritual Living • 117 S. Locust St., Visalia, CA Lunch Provided by District 47, 12:30 to 1:30pm Delegate's Presentation, 1:30 to 2:30pm



An opportunity for fellowship, food, fun, and education.

#### @ Christ Lutheran Church <u>3830 W. Tulare Ave.</u>

#### <u>Visalia, CA.</u>

For info, please call:

Barbara V. at <u>559-303-5761</u>

Elgin M. at 559-553-5736

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Bill H. at 559-740-8613

### SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 30™ 2017

## VALLEY SPEAKER SERIES ANNUAL FALL EVENT

FEATURING GUEST SPEAKER Jerry M. Of Los Angeles

### **Event Schedule:**

1:00pm-5:00pm Step Study Workshop <new comers who attend all step study classes will be given complimentary dinner tickets>

5:30-6:30pm Tri-Tip Dinner is served. Tickets are \$15.00 and should be purchased in advance.

7:00pm Speaker Meeting Featuring Guest Speaker Jerry M. (Open Meeting)

### -The End-

GOD GRANT ME THE SERENITY TO ACCEPT THE THINGS I CANNOT CHANGE THE POWER TO CHANGE THE THINGS I CAN AND THE WISDOM TO KNOW THE DIFFERENCE

# Your Content Here!!!

Have an event????

New group starting up?????

Have a story to share???

Take some amazing photos aorund our district???

Want to be of service????

All this can be acoomdate 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!!!!

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

