

# CENTRAL NEWS

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December 2020

Matanuska Glacier - Glacier View, AK Louie T.

## *What "Earn" Means When Applied in AA*

Webster's definition of the word, "earn" is: "To merit or deserve, as by labor or service." Webster's definition of the word "distinction" is: "State or quality of being distinguishable or distinct." We have earned the distinction of being A.A.s. Our uprising against society, our concentrated efforts to ruin our health, our painstaking efforts to insult our friends and our wanton waste of precious business hours together with our home wrecking abilities, must not be confused with my statement that we have earned the distinction of being A.A.s.

We "merit and deserve" because we have left off with our obnoxious escapades. We "merit and deserve" because we have approached humility. We have asked for spiritual guidance and help in arresting the desire to destroy ourselves as a whole or in part. We "merit and deserve" because as "by labor and service" we have undertaken to help others. We have suffered them to come to us in pain and have tried to take this pain and replace it with sobriety, joy of living, compassion and tolerance for others both within and outside our group. And in this connection let me say that to anyone who each day can find a kind word for a fellow man and if the opportunity affords, a kindly deed or helping hand, I think should go the badge of fellowship. He has permitted the teachings of A.A. to penetrate his entire

day by day life. May God bless him for his complete reception of those splendid principles originally set down, by those gifted persons, for themselves and for the rest of us who wanted to run away from all that is good.

To "merit and deserve as by labor or service," "that state or quality of being distinguishable or distinct," and in the category of A.A., is something to consider as an achievement. It behooves us to continue to merit and deserve so that we may daily earn this distinction. Gone and buried are the dead snakes of yesterday. At hand is a normal and happy way of living. We shall remember the burial ceremonies only as a protection against recurrence and to continue being useful to family, friends, community and country.

Let us rejoice in our present status as normal, thinking, unselfish people. Let us rejoice in our desire and our ability to serve. Let us be determined to continue in this status, come what may. Let us dedicate the time remaining to us to service. Let us do whatever we are doing in such a way that no one with no more skill can do a better job.

This attitude towards the philosophy of living has taken me over ten months to acquire. No one could inject



it—it had to be acquired from within. I am still ashamed that I had to kill the snakes that are now dead, but I am proud and happy that I did kill them.

From whence did this conviction, this altitude, this philosophy come? Your guess is as good as mine, but it probably came from whence most good things come.

—G.W.H., Sioux City, Iowa AA Grapevine Aug 1946

**Step 12** *Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.*

Step 12 is one of the most important steps in my life. As a result of doing the 12 Steps, I had a spiritual awakening that changed my entire life.

Step 12 is one I will practice for the rest of my life and is vital to maintain my spiritual fitness on a daily basis, that I may remain recovered from the seemingly hopeless state of body and mind that gives me no option but to get all “lit up.”

Carrying the message exists in various forms, being of service can be anything from setting up chairs to going on a 12th Step call. The best part of it is there is no right or wrong way. It is a personal form of being of maximum service to your fellow man and if my motives are of borne service, I stay sober every time.

I strongly believe that there are to phases of sobriety, getting sober and helping other to get sober. In my walk I have found (and this is confirmed by the experiences related in our book) the ultimate form of 12th step work is sponsorship.

I LOVE working with another alcoholic. I have done many service commitments, coffee, secretary, chairs, etc. However, nothing has impacted my life like sitting down with someone like me and reading the book, doing the step work, and seeing that light in their eye when it starts making sense. Sponsorship has changed my life and it is the single most important part of my spiritual program of action.

Now, practicing the principles in all our affairs is the second key of Step 12. I was taught that the design for living can be sussed out of the bottom paragraph of page 13 in Bill's Story. “My friend promised when these things were done I would enter upon a new relationship with my Creator; that I would have the elements of a way

of living which answered all my problems. Belief in the power of God, plus enough willingness, honesty and humility.” In my book I have notations like this:

1) Belief in the power of God, 2) plus enough willingness, 3) honesty and 4) humility

I feel that these 4 spiritual principles hold the key to a way of living which answers all my problems. When something is off, or I am feeling irritated, I take a step back and do a spot check inventory. I look at these 4 simple principles and invariably something in these 4 areas is off. I give it to God and move on!

AA has changed my life and it can change your too!

Louie T.

**Tradition 12** *Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.*

Tradition 12 states that Anonymity is the spiritual, guiding principal of all of our Traditions. It's what helps us keep our center as a group and as a fellowship. Behind anonymity is humility. To properly serve God and be of help to our fellow alcoholics we have to know our place. This is why we don't promote or have opinions on outside issues.

In Alcoholics Anonymous no man is better than another. Each person gets one vote in the group conscience and no one can be excluded from our fellowship. People do not get promoted but they may be asked to serve the group. It doesn't matter who you are in the world. If you are successful, good for you, but in AA you are just another alcoholic.

I recently read a passage by Thomas Merton which describes true humility as being okay with being ordinary. As alcoholics, we often try to be just a little bit better or more special than others, but this is just our personalities. This tradition would have us check that at the door.

The principals by which we live include practicing rigorous honesty with another person and pulling our own covers when we feel that we are veering into living a double life. And, when we are wrong, we promptly admit it. These are checks on our ego. They

show me that I am no better or worse than anyone else. Except when I think I'm better, then I might be worse!

But if and when I'm okay with being ordinary, I can live with ease, and I find that extraordinary things begin to manifest in my life. That is the miracle of this tradition.

Robert D.

## Speaker Meetings

### **Porterville Recovery Club Speaker Meeting**

186 W. Walnut Ave.

Friday December 4, 2020 at 8:00 PM

Speaker: -TBA

### **Sunday AM Breakfast, Speaker Meeting**

Veterans Memorial Building

36000 Hwy 190, Springville

Sunday, December 13, 2020 at 10:15 AM

(Breakfast at 8:30 to 10:00 AM)

Speaker: Jacob A. Ventura, CA

### **The Valley Group, Speaker Meeting**

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

120 N. Hall St. Visalia, CA 93291

Every Wednesday from 7-8 p.m.

Speakers for October Our meetings will be held on-line using Zoom through the end of 2020. We hope to return to St. Paul's Church in August. Thank you!

Hope to see you soon!

Dec.2 - Matthew B - 20 Years

Dec.9 - Louie T - 5 Years 1day

Dec.16 - Xochitl N - 11 Years

Dec.23 - Philo - 23 Years

Dec. 30 - TBA

## Central Service Meeting

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Cheryl Hinton on  
ZOOM - TIME: 7:00 pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Cheryl Hinton/  
William Evans/Erica Eperswon

SERENITY PRAYER: All

12 TRADITIONS: William Evans

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Read by William  
Evans--Approved

LAST TREASURER REPORT: Read by William Evans  
REPORT OF LAST BOARD MEETING; Cheryl gave  
brief report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Cheryl Hinton: brought  
up the idea of ending the reading of the last months  
minutes at every meeting. Motion to do so made by  
Erica, second by Patrick, motion carried.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: no report

SECRETARY'S REPORT: no report

TREASURER'S REPORT: report sent out to members,  
finances are down to about \$10,000. We had an  
income of \$2,872.48 and expenses of \$3,386.71 for a  
loss of \$514.23 for this accounting period. Group  
contributions and Individual contributions were  
about equal. I want to thank all the contributing  
members for their much needed and appreciated  
contributions. Sales are lower than normal.

Our Grateful Givers Club brought in \$420.00 in much  
appreciated contributions.

We had \$176.98 total net sales in 3 transactions for  
credit and debit cards last month.

The office has been open. Traffic and calls have been  
very light. Bob Hinton

PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT: No Report  
VOLUNTEERS TO WRITE STEP & TRADITION FOR  
CENTRAL NEWS

STEP FOR NEWSLETTER-VOLUNTEER

Issue	Step	Member	Due Date
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Dec	Step 12	Cheryl H.	11/20/2020
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Jan	Step 1	Patrick	12/20/2020
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Due to CentralintergroupNews@gmail.com

TRADITION FOR NEWSLETTER-VOLUNTEER

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Dec	Tdn 12	Robert	11/20/2020
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Jan	Tdn 1	Erica	12/20/2020
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NEWSLETTER REPORT: No Report

WEBSITE REPORT: David--For the web site report,  
please note that for the 30 days ending November 11,  
2020, we had 3,031 visits and 670 unique visitors.

Visits are down about one-third; typically in months  
past, we had seen around 5,000 visits.

H&I REPORT: Joyce-- H&I is continuing zoom  
meetings twice a month at Pine Recovery and  
Mothering Heights Women's Recovery. We will begin  
once a month H&I Zoom Meetings at Turning Point  
this month. Literature continues to be provided to  
facilities that are not able to accommodate zoom.



We are encouraging all groups to elect a group representative to attend our meetings, take the H&I information back to the groups for discussion and return with the group conscious. We are a 9th tradition service committee and rely on the group representative to maintain open communication between the H&I Committee and the local fellowship. Open communication allows our H&I representatives to carry our area's conscience to the NorCal General Committee.

Our next meeting will be held via zoom November 28, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Zoom ID: 885 8119 7080 Password: Sober (capital S). We will be electing a new Area Chair and a candidate for Regional Chair. An H&I orientation will begin at 9:00 a.m. prior to the meeting for those interested in participating with us. GSO LIAISON: Kenneth, District 47 is not very active, District 47 continues to meet on the first Wednesday of each month via zoom and have been discussing their finances. There has been an emphasis to maintain enough of a prudent reserve to completely fund our DCM in travel to meetings. Our DCM Allan attended the Mini PRAASA held via zoom October 16-18. The 2020 spending plan was approved, Area Inventory was taken and discussed and Mike Kim was elected as our Area's candidate for Trustee at Large.

BTG CHAIRPERSON: No Report

CSR REPORTS: Monday Men's Group, David G., CSR...the Monday Men's Meeting meets at the PPAV Hall in Visalia, at the corner of Burke and Main. This is a closed meeting for men and has reopened for in-person meetings. We usually have 15-30 attendees. Social distancing and (optional) non-contact visiting practice. We meet for an hour and a half. Civic Center Group, David G. CSR...The Civic Center Group meets on Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm for one hour. This is an open meeting, and newcomers are welcome. We now have small pews spaced very far apart, and sanitize the pews after the meeting. We hand out chips, every week, for lengths of sobriety under one year. We celebrate birthdays at the end of the month, but have changed to cupcakes instead of cake. Lately, we've been seeing 30 (or more) people at every meeting. In the spirit of rotation, Sarah S. has handed over the Secretary position of the meeting to Monica G. Come join us - it's a great meeting.

Sober Sisters Sober Sisters had their last physical meeting Monday March 22nd. Sober Sisters started Zoom Meetings on March 29th. Meeting time 7 to 8. We were notified by Hillman House that we could not return to physical meetings till January 2021. We relocated to River Valley Church, 554 South

Blackstone St. in Tulare on Monday September 22nd. We are enjoying our new space. Attendance has been good. We are very grateful to have found a place that is so comfortable and clean. Donations during Covid were good. We have been able to pay rent and make all contributions. Women's Amity Group Due to Covid Women's Amity Group had their last physical meeting on Tuesday March 31st. Zoom meetings started on Tuesday, April 7th. Zoom meeting is on website. Meeting time is the same 6:30 to 7:30. Zoom meeting attendance started strong and continues to be. Attendance varies from 25 to 40 women. After much discussions and research, the meeting will remain on Zoom. We are in contact with Trinity Reform Church. They will have a different space for meeting, when the decision to return physically. Contributions to all entities continue.

Both Tuesday and Friday night's women's meetings in Porterville have been contributing to Central Office. Sunday Morning "Keep it Simple Sunday" Patrick, A., GSR, The Sunday Morning "Keep it Simple Sunday" meeting is held at Blain Park, 3101 South Court Street in Visalia Ca, 93277, from 9:00am- 10:30am.

This is an open meeting held outside at the North end of Blain Park in Visalia. We do recommend that you bring your own chair if you would like to sit and do practice social distancing. We are a fellowship of men and women averaging 20-30 people. We begin every meeting in the traditional fashion and start our sharing with the reading of the Daily Reflections. This is a chip meeting, we do celebrate birthdays and newcomers are welcome to attend. Saturday Night Jay Walker Young People Meeting. Patrick, A., GSR, This Saturday Evening Meeting is usually held at the Hillman House in Tulare 220 West Tulare Avenue, Tulare Ca, 93274 from 7:00pm-8:45pm. this open meeting is not currently holding meetings until after the first of the year due to Covid-19. We look forward to seeing everyone in person soon, and will keep you informed

with any updates. Tuesday Night "Friends Of Bill W. and Doctor Bob" Patrick, A., GSR, This is a Tuesday Night Open Meeting held at St. John's Episcopal Church 1701 East Prosperity Avenue, Visalia Ca, 93274. From 7:00pm-8:30pm. We are a fellowship of men and women very grateful to have kept our doors open during the entirety of this difficult time. This is an indoor meeting, sanitized daily, masks are optional. newcomers are welcome to attend.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Fund Raising Events: See new business
2. After Hours Phone Service: Cheryl H. has been answering phones and will continue to do so, four calls last month, Patrick responded to a 12 step caller, and a caller was connected with kFresno Central Office.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. CSO Board Election will be held in Dec. two board seats will be open.
2. ACYPAA will hold an event on March 25 through March 28 2021. See [www.acypaa.org](http://www.acypaa.org) for more information and tickets are now \$20.
3. Office succession plan- Carol Ann has been in training for this position. Any input or remarks on this subject can be sent to Cheryl or Bob.
4. David's meeting will discuss plans for a new year's meeting the week of Dec. 10 thru 17.

**SEVENTH TRADITION:** None  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** the Bank acc. signature change is still on hold.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 7:52pm

*Central Office BOD Mtg Minutes*

**DATE:** 11/10/2020      **TIME:** 8:00 pm

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY:** Cheryl Hinton  
**PREVIOUS MINUTES:** Read by William Evans...approved  
**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** No Report  
**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** No Report  
**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** No Report  
**MEMBER AT LARGE REPORT:** Absent, no Report

**PI/CPC REPORT:** Absent, No Report  
**OFFICE OPERATION REPORT:** Lots of literature bought, We had an income of \$2,872.48 and expenses of \$3,386.71 for a loss of \$514.23 for this accounting period. Group contributions and Individual contributions were about equal. I want to thank all the contributing members for their much needed and appreciated contributions. Sales are lower than normal. Our Grateful Givers Club brought in \$420.00 in much appreciated contributions. We had \$176.98 total net sales in 3 transactions for credit and debit cards last month. The office has been open. Traffic and calls have been very light.

**OLD BUSINESS REPORT:** Events are up in the air. Still no bank signatures done

**NEW BUSINESS REPORT:** Elections in December, two board positions are open, Dec. 8

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None  
**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 8:05 pm

# Financial Report

**TULARE COUNTY CENTRAL OFFICE**  
**Income & Expense Statement**  
**10/21/20 THROUGH 11/20/2020**

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR TO DT.</u>
B.Day Club	25.00	569.00
CD & Tape Cont.	0.00	30.00
Grateful Givers Club	250.00	4,068.00
Group Cont.	1,917.35	14,855.13
Indiv Cont	403.12	5,121.93
Lit. Sales	493.38	3,870.94
Memorial Cont.	0.00	100.00
Misc.	0.00	95.55
Newsletter Cont	0.00	0.00
S & H	0.00	5.00
Sales Tax	32.07	411.26
Spec. Events	0.00	195.00
Spec. Items	136.00	2,355.17
Tax Refund	0.00	527.25
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,256.92</b>	<b>\$32,204.23</b>

<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR TO DT.</u>
Ans. Serv.	0.00	80.00
Fees-Taxes	0.00	45.00
Insurance	0.00	550.00
Lit. Costs	1,227.50	3,064.82
PI-CPC Expense	0.00	0.00
Misc Expense	0.00	0.00
Newsletter Cost	0.00	0.00
Office Exp	214.27	391.19
Office Equip.& Maint	45.00	386.99
Phone & ISP	71.97	895.82
Postage	0.00	168.80
Employee Taxes	0.00	6,202.87
Rent	525.00	5,775.00
Salary	1,276.26	14,039.64
Sales Tax-Paid	0.00	552.00
Security System	0.00	547.29
Spec. Events	0.00	195.00
Spec. Items	0.00	1,384.02
Card Charge	6.90	109.43
Utilities	32.61	628.77
Website	4.13	148.09
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,403.64</b>	<b>35,164.73</b>

**Net Gain(Loss)**      **(\$146.72)**      **(\$2,960.50)**

**BEGINNING TOTAL ACCT BAL:**      **\$12,912.66**  
**ENDING TOTAL ACCT BAL:**      **\$12,765.94**



## District 47 Meeting Minutes

October 7, 2020

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 p.m. by District Committee Member Allen L..

Committee: Allen L., DCM; Josh F., Treasurer; Rafael D., H&I Liaison and GSR for Bridge St. Drunks Only Group; Danette L., GSR for Saturday Women's 12 x 12 Study.

GSR Preamble: Recited by Danette L.

Twelve Traditions: Josh F.

Twelve Concepts: Concept 10; Allen L.

Approval of Minutes: On a motion by Josh F., seconded by Allen L. and unanimously carried, the minutes of the September 2, 2020 meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Josh reported of a balance forward of \$2,715.74. Total income for the month of September was \$191.77. There were no expenses for that period, leaving a balance of \$2,907.51.

CSO Report: No report.

H&I Liaison: Rafael provided a report regarding the upcoming October 11, 2020 NorCal H&I General Committee Meeting, along with the October 24, 2020 Tulare County orientation via ZOOM.

DCM Report/Old Business: Allen L. provided a report, detailing his remote attendance of the September ACM via Zoom.

Old Business:

Prudent Reserve and Potential Distribution of Excess Funds. Josh F. advised that he still had work to do in recommending a prudent reserve and considering potential distribution of excess funds. He will provide further information and a recommendation in November, at which time potential distribution of excess funds will be considered by the Panel.

The meeting closed with the Declaration of Unity and the Responsibility Declaration at 8:02 pm.

## District 47 Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2020

This is a Zoom meeting with members participating from various locations.

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 p.m. by DCM Allen L. Committee: Allen L., DCM; Rafael D., GSR for Bridge Street Drunks Only Group; Jim K., Recording Secretary, GSR for Monday Men's Stag; Danette L., GSR for the Saturday Women's 12x12 Study; Josh F., Treasurer

The GSR Preamble was read by Allen L.

12 Traditions: read by Josh F.

12 Concepts: Concept 11 read by Allen L.

Approval of Minutes: October 7, 2020 minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report: Josh F. Balance Forward \$2,907.01. Income from groups, \$96.26. No expenses. Current Balance \$3,003.27. Thanks to Keep it Simple Sunday and Bridge Street Drunks Only for the contributions this month! Any decision regarding support of Central Office and other AA entities will be tabled until closer to the end of the year when we have a better idea of our financial status and that of our area as well.

CSO Report: No CSO representative attended the meeting.

Registrar: No Report

PICPC: No Report

H&I Report: H&I is continuing zoom meetings twice a month at Pine Recovery and Mothering Heights Women's Recovery. We will begin once a month H&I Zoom Meetings at Turning Point this month. Literature continues to be provided to facilities that are not able to accommodate zoom. We are encouraging all groups to elect a group representative to attend our meetings, take the H&I information back to the groups for discussion and return with the group conscience. We are a 9th tradition service committee and rely on the group representative to maintain open communication between the H&I Committee and the local fellowship. Open communication allows our H&I representatives to

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**DCM Report:** Allen attended the MiniPRAASA via Zoom on 10/16-10/18 . **DCM Report:** I attended The Mini PRAASA. Listed below are a few of the highlights.

1. 2021 Spending Plan was approved 47-2 (It can be found in the October ACCENTS).
2. Two of our Past Delegates threw their hats in the ring to be our nomination for Trustee at Large: Mike K. and Vicki R. After 5 ballots and no 2/3 majority, the decision went to the hat. Mike K. won the nomination.
3. Tom A. our Delegate reported the following:
  - A. Public Information Committee is moving forward on Google listing deals.
  - B. www.aa.org now has a contribution page where you can set up an account and save your payment information in order to speed up individual or group contributions, or to schedule on-going automatic contributions.
  - C. Revenues for the Grapevine are 13% under budget, mostly due to declining book sales. The "Carry the Message Project" was created to encourage AAs to give gift subscriptions as a way of supporting Grapevine, Inc.
  - D. The 2020 virtual General Service Conference had a net loss of \$14,366 (It usually costs around. \$1 million.) Final Reports are being distributed, and digital versions (w/o financials) are available. The digital version of the Financial Report is available at [cnaia.org](http://cnaia.org)
  - E. No decision has been made on face-to-face versus virtual 2021 General Service Conference. At this point the planning is for a virtual event.
  - F. A \$3 million drawdown was necessary for AAWS in September (one large expense was money lost on the cancelled International Convention). In October another \$1.5 million drawdown was taken. If every AA member would contribute \$8.16, AAWS operating expenses would be covered.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Continued discussion on prudent

reserve and possible contribution of excess funds to other AA entities. Josh F. led this discussion. Greg G. left a comment with Josh suggesting that we may go back to traveling to Sacramento for meetings in the future. The discussion had to do with our prudent reserve amount during COVID-19 (zoom meetings), and potential contribution to another AA entity or combination of entities was discussed. Josh recommended \$1,800 for our prudent reserve. Allen made a proposal that we take \$1200 and give \$1000 to the Central Office for rent plus a donation, and \$200 to AA World Services. Josh proposed that we set the prudent reserve at \$1800. All proposals will be taken to groups for discussion and brought back to our next meeting.

**New Business:** Rafael followed up on a question regarding using the AA name for highway cleanup. He relayed the information from our last meeting to the member that brought it up.

**7th Tradition:** Not observed

**Announcements:** None

The meeting closed with the Declaration of Unity and the Responsibility Declaration read by Allen L. and the members.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jim K, Recording Secretary

### Announcement

The Sunday Evening Serenity Seekers meeting is looking to fill the Secretary position by the first week of January. This position involves finding someone to chair on a weekly basis. Currently the meeting is being held on zoom. The Pine Recovery home attends this meeting so this would be a good opportunity to bring the solution to the newcomer. If you are interested, please come to our business meeting at 7pm on the first Sunday of the month of either December or January (12/6, or 1/3)

Meeting ID: 291 287 156  
Password: 932777



# *Tulare County Hospitals & Institutions*

# *December AA Birthdays*

As the Holiday Season is in full swing in the midst of the continued uncertain times, it is important we stay connected with the A.A. Fellowship, while continuing our efforts to carry the message to the confined alcoholic. Tulare County H&I continues to hold twice a month H&I zoom meetings at Pine Recovery and Mothering Heights. We have begun monthly H&I zoom meetings at Turning Point. We maintain contact and literature delivery to facilities as requested especially those who are unable to accommodate zoom.

As our fiscal year ends November 30, 2020, we reviewed our ability to bring meetings to the confined alcoholic. It was encouraging to note that even with the limitations of the pandemic, our committee was able to bring 57 meetings to facilities and have utilized over 65 volunteers. These numbers are down from our general approximate 170 meetings per year, but encouraging as 3 of our facilities have remained on lockdown since March, 2020. We are entirely grateful for the opportunity to carry the A.A. message to the confined alcoholic. We appreciate the fellowship's generous contribution to the Pink Cans, which provide literature to the confined alcoholic.

Our next meeting will be January 23, 2021 at 10:00 am. The Tulare County AA website will have the information on the location of the meeting. Please join us and welcome our new Area Chair.

H&I orientation will be held on zoom, Meeting ID: 885 8119 7080; Password: Sober (Capital S) on December 26, 2020 at 9:00 am. H&I orientation will be held at 9:00 am on January 23, 2021, location to be determined please check the Tulare County AA website for information. It is important that all interested volunteers attend orientation prior to taking a commitment at a facility.

It has been a blessing to be in service over the past two years as Area 93 Chair!

Joyce R

Jean M.	Hanford	53
Bob H.	Exeter	46
Art M.	Three Rivers	46
Fran M.	Fresno	40
Becky L.	Porterville	39
Paul B.	Visalia	37
Hernandez	Tulare	37
Gary L.	Pixley	36
Dave L.	Conifer, CO	34
Dale S.	Exeter	34
Janet O.	Dinuba	33
Margie M.	Visalia	33
Robin S.	Visalia	33
Shannon S.	Porterville	32
Abraham G.	Visalia	32
Roy E.	Visalia	32
Jeff R.	Visalia	31
Bob N.	Lindsay	31
Tom H.	Visalia	31
Roger C.	Visalia	30
Antonia M.	Visalia	30
Scott B.	Porterville	29
Lisa S.	Visalia	29
Mike Y.	Visalia	29
Jim M.	Tulare	28
Victoria B.	Visalia	28
Linda B.	Visalia	28
Bob F.	Medford, OR	27
Bob S.	Porterville	26
Debbie A.	Tulare	26
Danny G.	Visalia	25
Belynda S.	Visalia	21
Tim T.	Visalia	19
Billy L.	Visalia	18
Paul F.	Visalia	18
Tina M.	Porterville	15
Paul M.	Porterville	13
Sandy H.	Visalia	10
Mark G.	Visalia	10
Ray D.	Visalia	7
Barbara VB	Visalia	6
Louie T.	Porterville	5
John W.	Visalia	2



# Group Contributions

10th Ave Men's-Lemoore		0.00
Alpha-Wed-Tulare		90.00
As It Is Outlined in Book		46.00
Attitude Modification-210		200.00
Breath of Fresh Air		0.00
Bridge St. "Drunks Only"	326.35	2,965.40
Civic Center Grp.		135.00
Clodbusters-Tulare		20.00
Crossroads-Tulare		120.00
CSO Meeting		166.00
Dinuba Grp		50.00
District 47		400.00
Dr. Bob & Friends		0.00
Exeter-Quiet Trails		300.00
Exeter Sun Afternoon		0.00
Foundation Group		0.00
Freedom Fellowship	323.00	1058.39
Fri. Night Study Tulare		20.00
Friday Noon 210		111.21
H&I		96.00
Half & Half		200.00
Hillman Group		0.00
Keep it Simple Sunday		861.33
Lindsay Fireside Grp		25.00
Messy Pants Winos		0.00
Monday Men's Mtg.		300.00
Mid Valley-Tulare		800.0
Mon Book Study-S'ville		0.00
Mon Lit Study-Visalia		40.00
Mon Men's BB Study	50.00	50.00
Nooners Group-Visalia		0.00
Pine Recovery AA Mtg		28.00
Porterville Young People		0.00
Practicing The Principles		20.00
Rainbow Group		107.00
Rule 62-Visalia		125.00
Serenity Junction-Tulare		0.00
Serenity Seekers AM-Visalia		199.17
Sober Sisters		164.38
Wed. Sobriety Celebration		0.00
Springville Gut Level		250.00
St. Ritas Group		0.00
Sun Bkfst Spkr Mtg	540.00	770.00
Sun PM Serenity Seekers		0.00
Tulare Young People		104.00
TUFYPAA		125.75
Tulare Fri. Book Study		0.00
Tulare Tuesday Night		400.00
Tulare Thur. Noon		200.00
Tulare Sunday Night		0.00
Tues. Men's-P'ville		0.00
Tues. Noon 210		80.00

Three Rivers-Monday	153.00	520.57
Unity Thru Traditions	100.00	350.00
Valley Group		807.50
Valley Speaker Series		701.74
Wed. Acceptance, P'ville		150.00
Weekend Attitude Adj.		0.00
Women's Amity-Visalia		231.99
Women's Changes-P'ville	250.00	337.50
Women's Fri. Night-P'ville	175.00	325.00
Women in Unity		0.00
Women's Sat AM 12x12		703.20
Young & Restless		0.00
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Total	1,917.35	14,855.13

## Central Office Contacts

Voice Mail Calls	2
AA Members	12
Court Ref/Info	4
Meeting Information	15
H&I	0
Alanon & Alateen Information	0
Info. re Recovery Homes	1
Schedules & Info-Mailed & Faxed	0
Bridging The Gap	1
Other 12 Step Programs	2
Visitors to Office	35
Literature Sales	7
Specialty Sales	13
Churches & Schools	0
General Information	7
Prospective Members	1
Twelve Step Calls	1
E-Mail Contacts	7
Spanish Contact	1
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Total	109

# Service Meetings AND ADDRESSES

GSR Meeting at Central Office  
Zoom Meeting -- link found on Central Office Website Up-  
coming Events Tab  
Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at 7:00 PM

CSR Meeting at Central Office  
Zoom Meeting -- link found on Central Office Website Up-  
coming Events Tab  
Tuesday, December 8, 2020 7:00 PM

H&I Meeting at Alano Club  
Zoom Meeting -- link found on Central Office Website Up-  
coming Events Tab  
Saturday January 23, 2021 10:00AM

## SERVICE ADDRESSES

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New York, NY 10163

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San Francisco, CA 94119-2490



*"Don't drink and go to meetings."*

# Contributions

## Birthday Club

Linda J            Pixley            25

## GRATEFUL GIVERS CLUB

Members - \$ 240.00

## Individual Contributions

Courtney R.  
David G.  
Jim K.  
Joyce R.  
Linda J.  
Mitch K.  
Ralph D.  
Sandra K.  
Steve S.

## Newsletter Contributions

None

## Memorial Contribution

None

# Lighter Side of AA

## The Divorce

A drunk wants a divorce. He tells the judge, "I cant take it anymore she's out going from bar to bar every night way past midnight"

The judge responds "what's she doing"

The guy says "looking for me"

## One Liners

My dad's favorite saying is "You miss 100% of the shots you don't take;" he is not allowed to host AA meetings anymore.

Why do Canadians call alcohol anonymous triple A:  
AA, Eh

These batteries were dealing with an alkaline problem;  
I had to take them to AA meetings.



# *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!!!