CENTRAL SERVICE MEETING

Central Office & Central Service Representatives Meeting

Date:

November 10, 2026

Meeting Called to Order:

6:00 P.M.

Board Members Present

John
Bear
Mike P- absent
Ally A

Opening Readings

CSR Preamble:

We are the Central Service Representatives.
We are the link in the chain of communication for our groups
with the Tulare County Central Office.
We realize the ultimate authority is a loving God
as he may express Himself in our Group Conscience.
As trusted servants,
our job is to bring information to our groups
in order that they can reach an informed group conscience.
In passing along this group conscience,
we are helping to maintain the unity and strength so vital to our fellowship.
Let us,
therefore,
Have the patience and tolerance to listen while others share,
The courage to speak up when we have something to share,
And
The wisdom to do what is right for our group and A.A. as a whole

Read by
Bear

12 Traditions:

Read by Michelle

Previous Minutes

No corrections… Carol Ann motion for approval, Bear Second , All in favor

Board Meeting Report

John

NEW YEARS EVENT HAS BEEN CANCELLED

We did not receive enough a support to fulfill the event.

Elections will be this December we have 5 openings to fill, nominations in November 2 years sober …

Treasurer and Office Report

For the period from Sept 21st thru October 20th, 2026 Central Office had an income of $3,092.35 and expenses of $4,927.18 for a loss of $1,834.83 for this accounting period. We are down $13.60 for the year.

Birthday Club: The birthday club is dead, no groups are announcing the birthday club at their meetings and **the** flyer in the newsletter is not getting the response we had hoped.

Please remember to announce the Birthday Club to your groups, it's a great way to support the area that helps you stay sober! The cut off date for the Newsletter mention is the 20th of the month, the 17th if it is an electronic transfer.

Group contributions: 8 groups contributed to Central Office this accounting period for a total of $1,344.60.

Any contribution from your group reflects better then no contribution at all. If we want AA in Tulare County to thrive, we need UNITY!

Grateful Giver Club contributions: 6 anonymous grateful alcoholics donated through our Grateful Givers Club totaling $135.55!

Individual contributions: 3 individual alcoholics generously donate to our office for the amount of $465.00. Thank you!

We have a tab on our website where you can go in and set up monthly contribution to this office through our PAYPAL link. Please consider setting up monthly contribution of $5 or more!

We have many members in AA in Tulare County who have never heard of this office, please continue informing members about this office and the services we provide.

Thank you!

Carol Ann Gable
Office Manager

PI/CPC Report

…we did have a Senior Center event George as well as two other member represented AA

STEP Newsletter Volunteers

Issue	Step	Member	Due Date
December	Step 12	Cheryl	November 21, 2026
January	Step 1	Bill	December 21, 2026

Submit articles to:
centralintergroupnews@gmail.com

TRADITION Newsletter Volunteers

Issue	Tradition	Member	Due Date
December	Tradition 12	Mike P	November 21, 2026
January	Tradition 1	Jeri T	November 21, 2026

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Newsletter Report

Submitted by Charley

Newsletter went out last month..
I have been publishing the newsletter for the last year… perhaps someone may be interested in replacing me in the near future. Not a huge time commitment.

Website Report David G

Website Report – November 2026
2026-10-13 through 2026-11-11
First column dates are the date the entry was added to WordPress

New Announcements:
2026-11-02: Now serving fresh coffee at Tulare County Central Office!
It's that time of year again, stop in and enjoy!
2026-11-03: Sunday Speaker Breakfast November 8
2026-11-10: We have a new tab on this website for the Newcomer!!
2026-11-09: Porterville Saturday Night Believers meeting updated to an

Open meeting and moved up to 6 pm
2026-11-09: Central Office will be closed Wednesday November 11th to honor Veteran's Day!

New and updated calendar events:
2026-11-09: Monthly CSR Meeting
2026-11-10 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
2026-11-02: District 47 General Service Representative (GSR) Meeting
2026-11-03 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
2026-11-03: 2nd Sunday Springville Breakfast Speaker Meeting
2026-11-08 10:00 AM - 11:45 AM

New and updated meetings:
2026-10-22: Noon Rovers meetings in Hanford, many updates.
2026-09-09: Saturday Night Believers in Porterville; Open instead of closed, and moved forward one hour.

New page:
2026-11-09: For the Newcomer
https://aa-tulareco.org/for-the-newcomer/

Thank you for letting me be of service,
David G Visalia

H&I Report

The only purpose of the Northern California Hospital and Institution Committee is to carry the message of AA to alcoholics in corrections and treatment facilities and facilities serving alcoholics in Northern CA. Locally, we continue to carry the message of AA to 8 treatment facilities, Tulare County Jail, Corcoran, SATF and Avenal Prisons providing AA literature upon request.

We are always looking for AA members who are interested in going into facilities and bringing an AA meeting. There is a large need for volunteers who would like to go into Correctional facilities along with Women who have Thursday's open and are willing to participate with us at two women's facilities. Please share this information with your groups and send any interested AA members to our next orientation which will be held November 14, 2026; 9:00 am at 526 N. Bridge Street, Visalia. This is followed at 10:00 am by our Business Meeting. The Business Meeting is a great opportunity to hear an overview of all the facilities we serve and service opportunities. We will be setting the final plans for our volunteer appreciation event and electing a new Area Chair at the November meeting.

Another service opportunity for those with 5 years of sobriety and sponsorship experience is the IVSS (Inside Visiting Sponsorship Service) program. This commitment provides incarcerated AA members with outside sponsors. The sponsor communicates digitally with the incarcerated member from the comfort of their own home while anonymity is protected through a secure service. Recently, this program has been implemented at SATF in Corcoran and they are in need of Sponsors. The program as a whole is currently in 9 prisons and has 289 incarcerated members requesting sponsors with 245 matched. Therefore, there are 44 incarcerated members on a waiting list with more to come with

SATF starting up. Please share this information with your groups. More information is available on the Tulare County AA Website under the H&I tab or via email at. handi.ivss@gmail.com.

At our recent October General Committee meeting, we reviewed and finalized our 2027 budget. While we approved a budget that will leave us in the black for the year, once we recalculate our recommended prudent reserve based on 2026 expenses, it appears we will remain in **Neutral** financial position as utilizing our October numbers, we will be approximately $20,000 below the recommended bank balance. At the end of October 2026 we were 5.8% ahead of last year in contributions but our literature expenses were 10.9% above last year. This is due to AAWS increase in literature which was implemented in April 2026. We understand that there is going to be another price increase with the release of the 5th edition Big Book which will only increase our expenses. Our committee's expenses have traditionally been broken as 90% going to literature purchases from AAWS/Grapevine, 5% to support our Area's doing the work of our committee and 5% to cover the committee expenses. In order to not cut back on literature purchases, we encourage all groups to pass the pink can. If your group does not have a pink can, please send an email to our local committee at handiarea93@gmail.com or pick one up at the Central Office. Please pass the pink can after the 7th Tradition basket to not detract from the 7th Tradition. Our monthly and year to date financial reports are available to review on the Tulare County AA website under the H&I tab as well as NorCal H&I website at www.handinorcal.org.

In Service, Joyce R. Area 93 Chair

BTG (Bridging the Gap) Report

No Requests

GSO Liaison Report

Submitted by Robert C.

A lot of conversation about upcoming events
Feb 2027 5th edition big book coming out..
we would like to possibly host upcoming events possibly Pre & Post conference in 2028 possibly PRAASA
There are a list of agenda items we will be looking at and discussing
They have decided to put it in the charter to not change any wording in the big book
Everything AA app is not under our control is was purchased by AA… if it is not AA certified it will be reviewed. The CNIA financials is continuing to be under review, adding and taking away in different areas.

CSR Group Reports

Springville Monday Night Book Study Group – Bill E., CSR

We are the Springeville Monday night book study, we meet every Monday night at 7pm at the Springeville Light House Chapel. We are currently reading the Big Book with great discussions. We have about 10 regular members and serve hot coffee.

Springville Thursday Night Gut Level – Marcie., CSR

The meeting as well attended by newcomers and seasoned AA members. Birthdays are celebrated the last Thursday of the month with dinner at the local Mexican restaurant then the meeting convenes with cake and coffee good times and service.

AA Noon Meetings at the 12 Step Recovery Club – Cheryl H., CSR

The AA meetings are held from noon to 1 PM Monday through Friday. The Friday meeting is a book study currently studying the AA big book. The group is not in a hurry to read each paragraph is discussed. We are currently reading Bill's story. The meetings are open and all are welcome in service.

Friends of Bill W and Dr. Bob – Charley., CSR

We are an open group of people who come together to support our recovery and the recovery of others.
Our weekly meeting is held every Tuesday from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at St. John's in Tulare, located at the corner of Prosperity and Laspina.
Sobriety birthdays are recognized and celebrated on the first Tuesday of each month for everyone who reached a milestone during the previous month.
We thank our outgoing secretary, Madeline, for her service and welcome Sean as our new secretary.
We currently have a service opportunity available for a Central Service Representative (CSR).

Tuesday Women's Changes – Anetta., CSR

Women's open meeting held Tuesdays from 6:00–7:00 P.M. at the Recovery Club in Porterville 186 S D Street . Uses a topic-stick format. Sobriety birthdays are celebrated with a potluck on the last Tuesday of each month. WE made a central office donation.

Saturday Night Believers – Vicki B., CSR

Closed AA meeting held Saturdays from 7:00–8:00 P.M. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Porterville 764 W Henderson . Chips are distributed for sobriety milestones and birthdays are celebrated monthly with cake. We have a new secretary Shirley O.

Women's Tuesday Night Amity Group – Ally A., CSR

Closed women's meeting held Tuesdays from 6:30–7:30 P.M. at Trinity Church in Visalia. Infants up to three months old are welcome. Attendance averages approximately 20-30 women. We celebrate sobriety milestones the last Tuesday of the month. We love for you to join!

Porterville Wednesday Open Inclusive – Marcie M., CSR

Open meeting held Wednesdays from 6:00–7:00 P.M. at Lutheran Church in Porterville. Attendance averages 15–20 members. Birthday celebrations are held monthly.

Second Sunday Speaker Springville Breakfast Meeting – Marcie M., CSR

2nd Sunday of the month! Held monthly at the Veterans Memorial Building in Springville. Attendance averages 50–60 people. We have some amazing speakers. $8.00 Breakfast begins at 8:30 A.M. and the meeting starts at 10:15 A.M. usually over approximately 12:00.. 50/50 raffle. Good food, Great fellowship 6-7 people per table.

Friday Freedom Fellowship – Robert., CSR

Closed meeting held Fridays at 7:00 P.M. at Christ Lutheran Church in Visalia. Attendance ranges from 20–40 people. We circle around and there are approx 30-40 people in attendance. Chips and birthday celebrations are part of the meeting format on the last Friday of the month.

Bridge Street - Robert., CSR

Noon meeting is going great… The primary purpose meeting is activity looking for a new location as the group has grown tremendously. Discussion re court cards & signing to be signed at the end of the meeting. There are 22 meetings held at this location. We now have a new GSR.

Civic Center Group – David G., CSR

Open meeting held Tuesdays from 7:00–8:15 P.M. at Christ Lutheran Church in Visalia. Justin is our secretary. This is now a 75 minute meeting. Chairs are now one big circle! Business meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month. Cupcakes on the last Tuesday of the month.

Keep It Simple Sunday – David G., CSR

Outdoor meeting held Sundays from 10:00–11:30 A.M. at Blain Park in Visalia. Pet friendly. Attendance averages around 15 people.

Exeter Sunday Afternoon Group – Christine., CSR

Open discussion meeting held Sundays at 2:30 P.M. Attendance continues to grow. Chips and anniversary celebrations are held monthly.

Clodbusters – Jerry., CSR

Open meeting held Wednesdays from 12:00–1:00 P.M. at Tulare Community Church Activity Center. The group welcomes more women attendees.

Prospecting for Nuggets – Jerry S., CSR

Open meeting held Sundays from 7:00–8:30 P.M. at St. John's Episcopal Church in Tulare. The group welcomes additional participation.

Serenity Junction – Jerry S., CSR

Open meeting held Mondays at 7:00 P.M. at St. John's Church in Tulare. Monthly birthday celebrations include cake and ice cream.

Mid Valley Group-Jerry S., CSR

The Mid Valley meeting is held Saturday at 2pm It is a chip meeting and celebrates birthdays on the last Saturday of the month with cake and ice cream. We just elected a new secretary, Come join us!

Friends of Bill W – John W., CSR

We have a good group of old-timers and newcomers, numbering 20 to 30 members. We give out chips for monthly sobriety milestones at every meeting, and we celebrate annual sobriety birthdays on the last Saturday of each month.

We meet at the Quaker Church at the end of Mineral King, about a mile east of the Farmersville exit on Highway 198. Please come and see us on Saturdays at 5:30 p.m.!

Kings County District 49– Bear., CSR

Most groups and meetings are now contributing to the Central Office. Events, as before, are on the website.
On November 7th, District 49 held a picnic at a park in Coalinga, which was very successful. More coming!!!

Saturday Morning Women's 12x12 – Jerri T., CSR

Weekly meeting held Saturdays from 9:00–10:00 A.M. at Christ Lutheran Church 3830 W Tulare Ave. Attendance averages 30–40 women. The meeting studies the 12 & 12 and hosts an "Ask-It Basket" as well as including "Sponsorship Basket Pamphlet" on the last Saturday of the month. We do allow children below three years old. Birthday celebrations the last Saturday of the month.

Monday Night Men's Stag – Johnny O., CSR

Men's stag meeting held Mondays from 7:30–9:00 P.M. Attendance averages 30–40 people. Sponsorship and coffee are available. At the end of the meeting we ask that members willing to sponsor to stand. Great place to look for a sponsor & chip meeting and birthdays at the end of the month.

Quiet Trails-Anthony B., CSR

Tuesday evening 7:30-8:30 getting newcomers just about every week. We have about 15/20 attending our Tuesday meeting our meeting is growing. Giving out chips birthdays/celebrate anniversary's both men and women share. We have great interaction between the newcomers and the old timers. Coffee and candy are served. Day Reflections is how we starts. Our main talk is on daily reflections.

Old Business

CSR members were reminded to inform their groups that elections will be held in December.
Suggested qty 2 years of sobriety.
Groups without a CSR are encouraged to elect one.

New Business

New Years Event Canceled

Added a "new comer tab" on our website…there will a link, includes pamphlets etc., As well as the meeting guide.

Seventh Tradition

Collected: $29.30

Announcements

Please continue announcing the Board Elections will be held December 2026 qty 5 openings

Meeting Adjourned

7:15 P.M.

Responsibility Statement

Recited by All

Respectfully submitted,

Ally Ayres
Board Secretary