

# NNIG MONTHLY MEETING SPEAKER



Apr. 15th – 7:00 pm  
Group: Steering Comm.  
Speaker: Shannon Fl.  
(Covina, CA)

Silver Legacy - 407 North Virginia St., Reno - Doors open at 6:30

## April, 2017

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#### CENTRAL OFFICE

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## NORTHERN NEVADA INTERGROUP

### From the Grass Roots

### NOTHING IS WASTED IN AA

A LETTER from a friend "back East" has this to say about inventories, that when he began to take inventory he let himself in for "a lot of satisfactory trouble."

"Actually, when we begin a serious inventory, we begin a program of changing ourselves," he writes. "There were difficulties. Some things were easily changed--some facts were hard to face.

"Particularly disturbing to me was the mere recognition of a defect of character.

When I became honest enough to admit the defect, and desirous of doing something about it, then I had feelings of guilt that I'd not done something about it much sooner.

"Gradually I learned that to try to do everything at once is to do nothing in the long run. I learned to take care--or try to take care--of the most disturbing things as they occurred to me because, after all, the way I feel within is the only true measure of importance--and I could not attempt to change before I felt a need for it.

"I agree that nothing is wasted in AA if we are sincere, if we are really trying and not substituting a lot of talk about the program for the actual practice of its principles in our daily lives.

"The principles endure forever and are all-inclusive, but we may apply them only a day at a time--and often only to one thing at a time.

"All this I learned as time went on. Naturally, I've not become a perfect man, but the sincere effort to improve and the honest admission of my defects has helped me enormously toward a happier life in spite of my imperfections."

-- The Golden Gater

San Francisco, California

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AA's

## Recovery Step Four:

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

Three

## Unity Tradition Four:

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

Legacies

## Service Concept Four:

*"Throughout our Conference structure, we ought to maintain at all responsible levels, a traditional "Right of Participation," taking care that each classification or group of our world servants shall be allowed a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge" To better understand of this Concept, please read the full Concept IV in the A.A. Service Manual, page 17, and/or in AA Pamphlet P-8, "The Twelve Concepts for World Service illustrated." P-8, "The Twelve Concepts for World Service illustrated."*

## Concept IV: Right of Participation

Have you ever felt that your ideas of how to go about doing your job as an employee or as a volunteer were not appreciated? Or, that other ideas you had about your work situation were ignored? These are exact opposites of the meaning of "right of participation." Concept IV tells us that throughout our A.A. service structure we ought to maintain at all responsible levels a traditional "right of participation," taking care that each classification or group of our trusted servants be allowed a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must carry out.

Bill W. says the lessons learned about this right of participation, as in most A.A. lessons, came the hard way. In the early days A.A. headquarters was run on authoritarian and institutional lines. At that time, A.A.'s Trustees saw no reason to delegate their managerial powers or to work with voting participation with anyone outside their own body. The result was often grievous trouble and misunderstanding. It was years before we saw that we could never put all authority in one group and virtually all responsibility in another and then expect efficiency of operation, let alone real harmony. Participation can usually stop this sort of demoralizing nonsense before it starts. We are not order-takers nor rubber-stamps. We are participants and trusted servants.

Paraphrasing Bill further, he says that we are not against the idea of an ultimate authority. We are only against its misapplication and misuse. The "right of participation" is correction of a misuse or harshness in the application of authority.

Bill also discusses how the right of participation is important spiritually to us individually and to A.A. as a whole. This applies to our relationships with each other throughout our fellowship. All of us have a deep desire to belong and to be included. Because of this we prefer an A.A. relationship of "brotherly partnership." Among A.A. members, in our groups, and among our local and world service workers there should never be any who are considered "second class". "Right of participation" includes the attitude that all participants in A.A. make valid and important contributions to our work together.

By implication, this relationship of "brotherly partnership" would extend to how we treat each other as persons and how we respect and honor the job each person is doing. A past A.A. Trustee expands on this idea when she says that as we work together in A.A., it is not so much what we do or accomplish, but how well we treat each other while we do it that really matters. "Right of participation" includes having all our ideas both heard and respected.

***This is a 12 part series written by members of the 12 Concepts Study Group in Reno, Nevada. Efforts were made to use simple, everyday language. Each concept is written by an individual member of the group and is not necessarily the opinion of AA as a whole or NNIG. We hope this series will help our community to understand the Concepts and bring interest to those wanting to know more about them.***



# NNIG EVENTS

EVENTS HOSTED BY NORTHERN NEVADA INTERGROUP TO SUPPORT CENTRAL OFFICE

**NNIG Monthly Speaker Meetings**  
Silver Legacy – 407 North Virginia Street Reno 89501



**Monthly Speaker Meeting**  
Doors open at 6:30 PM  
Speaker at 7:00 PM

**April 15, 2017**  
Host Group – Steering Committee  
Speaker – Shannon H (Covina, CA)

**May 13, 2017**  
Host Group – South Side  
Speaker – Lucy H (Sacramento, CA)

**June 10, 2017**  
Host Group – RENVYPAA  
Speaker – Long Timers


**\*\*\* July 2017 \*\*\***  
Host Group – TBD  
Speaker – Steve M (Sun Valley, NV)

**August 12, 2017**  
Host Group – TBD  
Speaker – TBD

NNIG Speaker Chair: Erika C. (626) 257-8478  
Speaker Co-Chair: Open  
Need more info call: Central Office – (775) 355-1151

**Annual Founders Day Picnic**  
Idlewild Park Reno  
Terrace Picnic Area  
June 10, 2017 11AM to 3PM  
Family Fun and Fellowship

**Raffle Prizes need not be present to win**



**Please Bring Pot Luck Items to Share!**

First Names: A-M Side Dishes  
First Names: N-Z Desserts

**\$5.00 Contribution Suggested**

Hosted by Northern Nevada Intergroup Events Committee  
**Long Timers Speaker Meeting 7:00PM**  
**Silver Legacy Silver Baron Room 1-6**

Northern Nevada Intergroup

**2017 Gratitude Dinner**



**WE WILL BE AMAZED**

Eldorado Hotel Casino Convention Center  
345 North Virginia Street, Reno NV 89501

**Speaker**  
David D. (Millersville Maryland)

**Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Doors Open	4:30
Dinner Served	6:00
Speaker	7:30
Raffle	8:30

Seated Dinner \$38  
Tickets are available only at Central Office  
436 South Rock Blvd, Sparks NV 89431  
775-355-1151

## OTHER AREA EVENTS – MORE ON PAGE 9

The Eye Opener Group  
Presents:

**Fellowship Panel & Trivia Game Night**

**Saturday, April 22, 2016**  
**6 PM - 10 PM**

Ladies and Gentleman...  
It's time once again to celebrate life in sobriety.  
Food, Fellowship and Laughter.

**Bring a dish for the Potluck.**



Call Evan 775.720.0845      **820 Plumas St.**      Call Ashley 775.379.3297

**AAGRAPEVINE – La Viña**  
The International Journal of Alcoholics Anonymous


Potluck lunch & Grapevine writing workshop

*Bring a dish to share*  
*Bring your laptop computer*  
*Bring your enthusiasm*

You'll hear from "Veteran" Grapevine writers and actually write an article that you'll submit to the Grapevine!

**Saturday, April 29, 2017**  
Noon to 3 p.m.  
First Congregational Church  
627 Sunnyside Dr, Reno



**Stagecoach Friends of Bill W**  
**Potluck/Speaker Meeting**

Friday, May 5, 2017  
Potluck: 6 PM Speaker: 7 PM

**Speaker: Monica C. from Fallen**  
Raffle and 50/50 Drawing  
Stagecoach Community Center  
8204 Hwy 50 E. at Cheyenne Trail

For more information:  
**Call Will L., 450-2357**



## Dear Fellowship,

State of Nevada tax exempt filed and renewed until 2022

US Department of Commerce Annual Retail Trade Report completed

I attended the Eye Opener Group monthly business meeting, thank you Mike for having me.

I met with our new District 22 liaison Tony A. (Spanish Meetings in Northern Nevada).

A conflict with our monthly meetings makes it so he cannot make our monthly intergroup business meeting.

District 22 has their meeting the first Tuesday of the month also. We spoke about unity.

The Central Office donated 10 Spanish Big Books to the 26 anniversary of Grupo La Nueva Luz.

I attended their celebration on Saturday April 1, 2017.

We welcome new volunteer Ashley to our Wednesday afternoon shift at central office.

David and John are leaving us better people for knowing them.

Tuesday morning 9AM - 1PM volunteer shift is open at central office.

We are looking for Saturday volunteers to help kick off the opening of central office on Saturdays. Saturday hours to be announced soon.

### Spring Festival March 17, 18, 2017

5 registrations \$22 = **110.00**

Unloading and Loading of merchandise to car 20.00 x 2 = **40.00** = Cash

Office Supplies and Waters/Candy = **55.96**

Purchased conference CD's for office library **120.00**

**Total Cost 325.96**

**Total merchandise sales 2017 = 2479.14**

Total merchandise sales 2016 = 2215.25

Total merchandise sales 2015 = 2026.60

Total merchandise sales 2014 = 2143.70

Please invite me to your Home Group Business meeting. I will be happy to attend and answer any questions concerning the central office. Thank you for supporting your Intergroup and Central Office.

Leslie S. - Your Central Office Executive Director



# The Birthday Club



Lorenda L.—7 years  
Lunnetta N.—7 years  
Paul M.—25 years  
Joan H.—46 years  
Christy M.—21 years  
Rainbow—18 years  
Kent L.—35 years  
Bill M.—27 years  
Thomas L.—5 years  
Jennifer P.—4 years  
Diana B.—2 years  
Susanne T.—22 years

MJ—33 years  
Cynthia F.—4 years  
Donn T.—26 years  
Steven C.—12 years  
Debbie M.—7 years  
Nancy R.—22 years  
Ted S.—41 years  
Kyle L.—34 years  
Dod—9 years  
Ron T.—5 years  
Danny S.—14 years  
Sandra G.—21 years

Linda J.—24 years  
Joanne P.—4 years  
Deby C.—28 years  
Phil S.—40 years  
Mike H.—21 years  
Michael S.—41 years  
Phyllis M.—39 years  
Diana T.—1 year  
Leslie S.—19 years  
Mike M.—32 years



Did you know you can share your sobriety and gratitude in a practical way by joining the A.A. Birthday Club? Sign Up today be featured in the Birthday Club section of the Bracer

Show your Support for your NNIG Central Office and join the Birthday Club  
A donation of only one dollar for every year of your Sobriety Birthday Envelops available at Central Office,  
NNIG Business Meeting or Intergroup Representatives

## The Rock Wednesday Noon

The Rock Church  
4950 Vista Blvd, Upstairs  
Sparks, NV

## Galena Friday Night 6 PM 200 De Spain Lane Reno

email: [GalenaFridayNight@gmail.com](mailto:GalenaFridayNight@gmail.com)

## Road to Recover Friday, 8PM St Michael & All Angels 444 Reservation Rd. Wadsworth, NV (Fernley)

## AA ANSWERING SERVICE NUMBERS

Reno, Sparks, Carson City and all of Northern Nevada: (775) 355-1151  
Las Vegas and all of Southern Nevada: (702) 598-1888  
Mammoth Lake: (760) 934-3434  
North Lake Tahoe: (530) 546-1126  
South Lake Tahoe: (530) 541-1243  
Susanville, CA: (530) 257-2880

## 12x12 Book Study Sunday, 5PM Village Ave & Northwood Rm #4 Incline Village

## Back Room Group 5:00PM Sunday & Wednesday 1075 North Hills Blvd Meetings at Raley's Wellness Center North Valleys Shopping Center, Golden Valle



**N.N.I.G. STEERING COMMITTEE**  
 Last Tuesday of each month, 5:30 PM  
 Central Office, 436 S. Rock Blvd., Sparks

**N.N.I.G. BUSINESS MEETING**  
 First Tuesday of each month, 6:45 PM  
 Alano Club, 1640 Prater Way, Sparks

**N.N.I.G. MONTHLY  
 SPEAKER MEETING**  
 7:00 PM Silver Legacy - Silver Baron A

**N.N.I.G CPC/PI**  
 Second Sunday of each month, 2:00 – 3:30 PM  
 Central Office 436 S. Rock Blvd., Sparks

**N.N.I.G. H&I**  
 Last Thursday of each month, 5:15 PM  
 Central Office 436 S. Rock Blvd., Sparks

**District Meetings**

**DISTRICT-2** Second Thursday of each month, 7:00 PM,  
 Reno Triangle Club, 635 S. Wells Avenue, Reno

**DISTRICT 4** First Thursday of each month, 7:00 PM  
 Reno Triangle Club, 635 S. Wells Avenue Reno

**DISTRICT 6** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of even numbered months  
 For information email [district6@nevadaarea42.org](mailto:district6@nevadaarea42.org)

**DISTRICT 8** First Sunday, 3:30 p.m. on odd months Call (760) 937-8407

**DISTRICT 10A** Third Sunday of every other month, 1:30 PM  
 680 River St. Elko, NV

**DISTRICT 10B** Last Sunday Odd Numbered Months @ 10:00AM  
 Rotating Group Locations – Call (775)403-0869

**DISTRICT 11** Only holds meetings 4 time a year, call DCM

**DISTRICT 12** 2nd Saturday of each Month at 5:00 PM  
 457 Esmeralda Street Wolf Center, Fallon NV

**DISTRICT 14** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues of each "Odd" month at 6:00 PM - Contact DCM  
 Next location is determined at each meeting

**DISTRICT 16** Meeting is held 3rd Tuesday of the month Sparks Family  
 Christian Church 510 Greenbrae Blvd 6:00PM-7:00PM

**DISTRICT 18** DARK DISTRICT

**DISTRICT 20** First Saturday of every month 1:30 PM  
 50 South Weatherlow, Susanville

**DISTRICT 22** Last Saturday of each Month at 5:00 PM 433 Pyramid Way

**2017 Faithful Fivers Needed**

Lunnetta N		Steven C
Diane L		Ann G
William F		Joe R
Paul M		Carl H
William M		Therese D
Patty M		Jimmy P
Barbara P		Lynn S
Dod		Leslie S
Joanne P		Don B
Kimmy D		Deanna S
Barbara M		Sean L
Diana B		Bruce A
Kimberly S		Cynthia F
John L		

**Faithful Fiver**

We are members of Alcoholics Anonymous that help support our Central Office with separate contributions. These contributions help to serve the Northern Nevada Alcoholics Anonymous Community with Central Office Services and Intergroup Activities.

**It's Easy to join!**  
 Use your bill pay monthly, or one time. Stop by the Central Office or use postal services. Phone Central Office for a one time Card Charge over the phone.

**We ask for \$5.00 per month or \$60.00 per year.**  
 Whatever you can afford this membership directly supports 12 step work in Northern area 42, Group Services and Central Office Operations.

**It's a great way to give back what was so freely given to us.**

**AREA CLUBS**

**Reno / Sparks Clubs**  
 Alano Club Sparks, 1640 Prater Way (775) 359-2727  
 Driars Club Reno 345 S. Wells Avenue (775) 324-9210  
 Triangle Club Reno 635 S Wells Avenue (775) 324-7977

**Clubs outside Reno/Sparks Area**  
 Alano Club Carson City, 1800 HWY 50 East (775) 882-0443  
 Bishop Alano Club (760) 873-6700  
 Elko Alano Club (775) 738-4747  
 Las Vegas Triangle Club (702) 435-0597  
 South Lake Tahoe (530) 541-1243  
 Susanville (530) 257-2880

**EVENT PLANNING MEETINGS:**

**A PINK CAN COMMUNICATION MEETING IS BEING HELD ON APRIL 11<sup>TH</sup> 5:30 PM AT CENTRAL OFFICE.**

**FOUNDERS DAY, WED, APRIL12, 5:30PM CENTRAL OFFICE**

**NYE GALA, 1<sup>ST</sup> THURS OF THE MONTH, 5:30PM UPSTAIRS, TRIANGLE CLUB**

**Submit this form or call Central Office to get on the list.**

**12 STEP Volunteer Application Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sobriety Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: Male \_\_\_ Female \_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Location/City: \_\_\_\_\_

Available: Days: \_\_\_\_\_

Times: \_\_\_\_\_

# Cake or no cake

**After moving to different towns, a member gets a big lesson in how other meetings like to clap, share, pass the basket and celebrate**



I got sober in a large metropolitan area where there were well over 200 meetings per day listed in our Where and When. Meetings varied in attendance and content: some were

open, some closed; some were Step meetings, some Big Book meetings. There were discussion meetings and speaker meetings. Groups might only meet once a week or have multiple meetings every week, even several a day. Variety was there in all its glory and I thought nothing of it.

At around five years of sobriety, I moved to a small rural town where there was only one meeting a day in my county and only seven groups in our entire three-county district. The meetings and the people seemed so different that I found myself reporting to my former big-city sponsor: "They don't do it right here!"

Among my issues were the way folks celebrated sober anniversaries. In my old city, anniversaries were celebrated at the big weekly speaker meetings with cake, cards and medallions. They announced who was celebrating, and where, at least three weeks in advance. Group secretaries used pocket calendars to keep the parties straight.

In my new town, no announcements were made. In fact, no anniversaries were celebrated at all. You picked up a chip at whatever meeting you attended on the day of your anniversary. Everyone clapped and that was it—what a letdown.

I learned that there are two major lines of thought on this: Some feel that celebrating an anniversary is an ego trip that should be minimized. Others think it very important to make a big deal out of an anniversary to show the newcomer that the program works. My new home group was somewhere in between.

Eventually, I moved again to a slightly larger community with more and bigger meetings, and more than 30 groups in my district. In my new town, anniversaries were celebrated at special speaker meetings once a month, where cake, cards and medallions are offered. I felt like I was "home" again, even though it was not exactly how it was done back in the big city, where they did it right.

Imagine my surprise—and attitude adjustment—when a woman moved to my new town from the same place I had gotten sober—and complained that we "didn't do it right here." Her big issue was "half-time." In our old area, the meeting leaders often read the announcements and passed the basket halfway through the meeting, while my new groups would make the announcements and pass the basket at the beginning of the meeting. I have attended meetings from Oregon to Florida to New York to San Francisco, as well as meetings in several foreign countries. In one meeting I visited, they announced that cross-talk was not permitted and if you had something to say to someone else, you wrote them a note. Note cards were then presented to the attendees. In another meeting, a speaker talked for a half hour and then everyone took a smoke break, coming back to finish the meeting with open discussion. In one large city, a meeting starts off with the readings and someone offers a topic, then the group counts off by ones and twos to split up and discuss the topic in smaller groups. The bottom line is this: The details of the format are not important, no more than the details of the individual alcoholic. I may be old or young, wear glasses or a beard, be male or female. None of that changes the fact that I am alcoholic. Whether a meeting offers note cards or passes the basket at the midpoint of the meeting doesn't take away from the message of sobriety offered by the folks who are present in the meeting.

The Fourth Tradition permits the individuality of each group to reflect their own personality, which then allows each of us to retain our own individuality while we pursue our common goal—to stay sober and help another alcoholic get sober. Today I find that comforting.

-- Rosemary P., Waynesboro, Virginia, USA

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## NNIG/Central Office Group Contributions 2017

Group	March	YTD	Group	March	YTD
12 X 12 on 12th Street		0.00	Happy Hour Reno		308.75
12 X 12 Sunday Night		0.00	Hawthorne Groups		0.00
4th July Annual Event		0.00	Incline Village Fellowship		0.00
A Way Home	316.53	316.53	Janesville Moment to Moment		0.00
Alano Afternoon Serenity		25.00	Kings Beach AA Golden Group		95.25
Alano Brown Baggers		225.00	Knuckleheads		0.00
Alano Dawn Patrol		0.00	Ladies of the Evening		0.00
Alano Jaywalkers		0.00	Ladies of the Lake		50.43
Alano Keep it Simple	134.50	134.50	Mammoth Lakes Group		0.00
Alano Positive Acceptance Group		65.00	Minden Language of the Heart		30.00
Alano Shake' m Up Group		0.00	Minden Saturday Night Fever		0.00
Alano Sunshine Group		100.00	Minden/Gardnerville Group		25.89
Alano Sunday Morning Speaker		0.00	Mt Rose Recovery Room		450.00
Alano There is a Solution		0.00	NNIG Business Meeting	30.00	109.00
Alano Women in Recovery		0.00	Our Common Welfare		0.00
Alturas Brown Baggers		0.00	Our Group Sunnyside		0.00
Austin Group		42.00	Out and Sober		25.00
Back to Basics Reno	125.00	225.00	Portola Group	300.00	300.00
Back to Basics Sparks		0.00	Progress not Perfection		0.00
Battle Mountain Fellowship	10.00	30.00	Pyramid Lake Campout		0.00
Bishop Group		0.00	Pyramid Way Discussion Group	160.00	160.00
Blairsdan Greagle Group		0.00	Quincy Fellowship		0.00
Bridgeport High Sierra Group		0.00	RTC ABC Group		0.00
Buena Vista Group		0.00	RTC Afternoon Delight	80.00	105.00
Caring & Sharing in Stead	93.34	203.31	RTC Almost Heaven	50.00	150.00
Carlin Crystal Light Group		0.00	RTC Aloha Group		0.00
Carson AA Way of Life		180.00	RTC Beginners are Winners		900.00
Carson After Shifters		0.00	RTC How We Stay Stopped		0.00
Carson Back to Basics		0.00	RTC Just for Today Women		0.00
Carson Big Book Babes		0.00	RTC Little Rascals	50.00	50.00
Carson Big Book Experience		0.00	RTC Lost and Found		0.00
Carson Brown Baggers	504.50	504.50	RTC Men's Trudgers		0.00
Carson Drunk Squad		0.00	RTC Mid Day Group	100.00	100.00
Carson Early Birds		179.71	RTC Mon Night Grapevine		180.00
Carson Happy Hour	210.00	460.00	RTC Monday Night Men's		0.00
Carson Jay-Walkers Men's		100.00	RTC New Awakenings Group		283.58
Carson Men's NO BS Stag		0.00	RTC Not a Glum Lot		0.00
Carson Out to Lunch Bunch		0.00	RTC Seniors in Sobriety		0.00
Carson Sandbaggers		0.00	RTC Sober N Sane		0.00
Carson Sister's in Sobriety		0.00	RTC Thursday Big Book Study		0.00
Carson Sunday Night Step Study		0.00	RTC Upper Room Group		0.00
Carson Valley Gratitude		0.00	RTC Women's Literature Study		0.00
Carson Women's Night Out		0.00	RTC Women on Wednesday		0.00
Chester Saturday Night		0.00	Serenity on Sunday		0.00
Choices		0.00	Silver Springs Groups	25.00	50.00
Cornerstone Group		0.00	Sisters of Sobriety		0.00
Crystal Bay Nooners		0.00	Slide Mountain Serenity		0.00
Dayton Fellowship Hall	100.00	100.00	South Reno on Sunday		332.37
Dayton Friday Night Rule 62		0.00	South Shore Group	25.00	50.00
Dayton Sunday Morning		137.37	Southside Group	385.52	742.33
District 6		0.00	Staying Sober & Square One		0.00
Driar's 4th Dimension	111.21	127.71	Sunday New Beginnings		14.00
Driar's BYOB		0.00	Sunnyside Big Book Study		0.00
Driar's Club Into Action		0.00	Sunnyside Group		623.00
Driar's Club Lunch Bunch		0.00	Susanville Fellowship		0.00
Driar's Positive Step Group		0.00	Susanville Wed Womens	62.94	62.94
Driar's Support Hose		0.00	Tahoe City Fellowship		0.00
Eleventh Step Retreat		0.00	The Rock Group		51.00
End Of The Road Group Topaz		0.00	Truckee Dawn Patrol		202.26
Eye Opener	580.00	1180.00	Truckee River Men's Stag		0.00
Eye Opener Mid-day Group		0.00	Verdi Bookies	61.00	118.92
Fallon The Real Lunch Bunch		183.90	Verdi Greener Pastures		0.00
Fernley Groups		0.00	Wed Night Beginners	100.00	100.00
Finding Peace		50.00	Westwood AA		0.00
Fireside Group		200.00	Westwood Monday Night		16.48
Galena Friday Night		0.00	Whole in the Ground Sunnyside		200.00
Gardnerville Roadside Group		0.00	Whole in the Soul		0.00
Gardnerville Wed Night Live		0.00	Winnemucca Serenity Seekers		0.00
Golden Valley Back Room Group		0.00	Winnemucca Single Purpose		0.00
Greenville Group		40.00	Winnemucca Three Legacies		0.00
Ground Zero		0.00	Women's 24 Hours A Day		0.00
Grupo Accion		0.00	Women's New Beginnings		260.08
Grupo Solo Por Hoy	20.00	20.00	Women's New Harmony	45.00	45.00
Grupo Fe Y Esoeranza	50.00	50.00	Young at Heart		0.00
Grupo La Nueva Luz	20.00	40.00			
Grupo Latino		0.00			
Grupo Nueva Vida	10.00	40.00			
			<b>Total</b>	<b>3,759.54</b>	<b>11,150.81</b>



# PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT

## Northern Nevada Intergroup Profit & Loss March 2017

	Mar 17	Jan - Mar 17
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>		
<b>Income</b>		
4000 - Income - General		
4500 - Faithful Fivers	195.00	640.00
4300 - Bracer Subscriptions	15.00	50.00
4800 - Other Copy Reimbursements	150.00	171.85
4600 - Individual Contributions	5.00	118.50
4550 - Group Contributions	3,822.54	11,213.81
4200 - Birthday Contributions	101.00	245.00
<b>Total 4000 - Income - General</b>	<b>4,288.54</b>	<b>12,436.16</b>
4002 - Income - Event Revenues		
Event Revenues		
Halloween Party		
4425 - Expenses	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Halloween Party</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Speaker Meeting		
4440 - Revenue	291.20	1,313.85
4445 - Expenses	-75.00	-225.00
<b>Total Speaker Meeting</b>	<b>216.20</b>	<b>1,088.85</b>
Corned Beef & Cribbage		
4480 - Revenue	5,134.00	5,134.00
4485 - Expenses	-2,544.47	-2,544.47
<b>Total Corned Beef &amp; Cribbage</b>	<b>2,589.53</b>	<b>2,589.53</b>
<b>Total Event Revenues</b>	<b>2,805.73</b>	<b>3,678.38</b>
<b>Total 4002 - Income - Event Revenues</b>	<b>2,805.73</b>	<b>3,678.38</b>
4004 - Income - Merchandise Sales		
4700 - Merchandise Sales	10,230.98	22,343.27
<b>Total 4004 - Income - Merchandise Sales</b>	<b>10,230.98</b>	<b>22,343.27</b>
4900 - Interest Income	1.12	3.34
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>17,326.37</b>	<b>38,461.15</b>
Cost of Goods Sold		
5000 - Cost of Goods Sold	5,666.29	12,407.51
<b>Total COGS</b>	<b>5,666.29</b>	<b>12,407.51</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>11,660.08</b>	<b>26,053.64</b>
<b>Expense</b>		
5100 - Bank Fees and charges	3.00	3.00
5120 - Professional Fees	0.00	1,060.00
5180 - CC Service Fees	162.20	496.82
5181 - Convention expenses	215.96	325.96
5210 - Storage Unit	80.00	240.00
5220 - Shipping Charges	42.20	182.46
5230 - Alarm System	0.00	127.86
5235 - Committee Expenses	0.00	249.83
5240 - Compensation	3,250.00	9,750.00
5250 - Computer expenses	24.95	451.35
5260 - Copier Lease	278.07	962.93
5280 - Membership, Dues & Publications	99.00	485.00
5285 - Mileage Reimbursement	29.82	63.18
5290 - Office Supplies	566.78	648.99
5310 - Paper	116.41	196.41
5320 - Payroll Tax Expense	248.52	745.96
5325 - Payroll Processing Fee	71.00	326.50
5340 - Rent	758.00	2,274.00
5360 - Taxes & Licenses	0.00	50.00
5370 - Telephone	466.75	7,386.96
5380 - Trash	28.58	85.20
5390 - Utilities	103.18	315.40
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>6,533.32</b>	<b>26,427.71</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>5,126.76</b>	<b>-374.07</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>5,126.76</b>	<b>-374.07</b>

# PINK CAN CONTRIBUTIONS

## Pink Can Contributions - Hospitals and Institutions Group Contributions 2017 YTD

Group	March	YTD Total
4th Dimension	81.35	281.34
A Way Home	94.00	94.00
AA Golden Group Kings Beach		0.00
Alano Afternoon Serenity		97.00
Alano Brown Baggers		64.00
Alano Club Jay Walkers		0.00
Alano Dawn Patrol		55.00
Alano Hoppers Serenity		0.00
Alano Sunday Morning Speaker		0.00
Alano Sunshine Group		55.84
Alano Women in Recovery	14.56	14.56
Austin Group		0.00
Caring and Sharing Stead	61.02	86.94
Carson After Shifters		0.00
Carson Big Book Babes		33.28
Carson City Early Birds		539.03
Carson City Happy Hour		0.00
Carson City Sunday Step Study		0.00
Carson Men's No BS		0.00
Carson Sisters in Sobriety	52.00	52.00
Corner Stone Group	42.00	42.00
Dayton Sunday Morning		0.00
Driars Keep it Simple		102.29
End of the Road Group		0.00
Eye Opener	135.00	135.00
Fernley Groups		123.00
Golden Valley Back Room	14.00	88.00
Ground Zero		13.00
Happily Hour		0.00
Ladies of the Evening		74.00
Knuckle Heads	66.00	66.00
Minden Gardnerville Group	315.32	636.84
Minden Wednesday Night Live	30.05	329.71
Minden Roadside Group		107.00
Minden Saturday Night Fever		0.00
Mount Rose Recovery Group	57.00	80.00
NNIG Business Meeting		0.00
Pyramid Way Group		0.00
Roadside Group		0.00
RTC Almost Heaven	25.00	75.00
RTC ALDHA Group		0.00
Seniors in Sobriety		0.00
Serenity on Sunday		0.00
Sierra Ville Book Study	34.56	34.56
Slide Mountain Serenity		0.00
Support Hose		0.00
Southside Group	404.00	404.00
Step 1		0.00
Sunnyside	53.00	288.00
The Rock Group		0.00
Truckee River Men's		112.00
Verdi Bookies		85.00
Verdi Greener Pastures		35.22
Virginia City Plug in the Jug		0.00

Corrections Chair - Michelle M (775)-722-6738  
Treatment Chair - Sean K (775) 781-3710  
Bridging The Gap Chair - Pat B (707) 483-7181  
Pink Can Treasurer - Anjuli K (707) 321-6400

Group	March	YTD Total
Women's Just For Today		0.00
Women's New Beginnings	73.87	73.87
Women's New Harmony		57.25
Women's Night Out		0.00
Women on Wednesday		0.00
Women's 24 Hours A Day		0.00
Young At Heart		54.24
<b>March Income/YTD</b>	<b>1606.97</b>	<b>4389.27</b>
<b>February 2017 Balance Forward</b>	<b>1519.20</b>	
<b>Account Balance</b>	<b>3126.17</b>	
<b>March Lit Distributed</b>	<b>2585.60</b>	
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>540.57</b>	

## Distributed Literature 2016 YTD

Facilities	March	YTD Total
<b>JAILS &amp; CORRECTIONS</b>		
Carson City Jail	1420.00	1420.00
Carson City Warm Springs		1184.00
NNCC Carson Prison		240.00
Douglas County Jail		392.00
Elko/Carlin Corrections Camp		0.00
Herlong Prison		54.00
Jane Evans Detention Center		0.00
Lovelock Prison	458.60	458.60
NN Transitional Housing		260.00
Stewart Corrections Camp		0.00
Washoe County - Parr	400.00	400.00
Washoe Courts - SB277		0.00
Willow Springs		0.00
<b>TREATMENT &amp; HOSPITALS</b>		
Brilliance - Residential		0.00
Behavioral Health Services		0.00
Carson Behavioral Health		0.00
Crossroads - St Vincent's Residential	46.50	95.00
Eddy House		0.00
Empowerment Center		0.00
Gospel Mission		0.00
New Frontiers - Fallon		0.00
NN Adult Mental Health Services		0.00
Renown Behavioral Health	228.00	228.00
Ridge House		480.00
Saint Vincent's		0.00
Salvation Army		480.00
Step 1 - Men		0.00
Step 2 - Women		0.00
Sun Shine Committee - Hospitals		0.00
VA Hospital		0.00
West Care		0.00
West Hills	32.50	32.50
AA GRAPEVINE/LA VINA		108.00
Office Supplies		0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>2585.60</b>	<b>5,832.10</b>

## From the Treasurers report: Explanation of office expenses.

5290 - Office Supplies				
Deposit	03/08/2017	Coffee Fund Back...	Coffee	35.00
Check	03/09/2017	Debit Wal Mart	PaperTowels	15.59
Deposit	03/14/2017	NNIG Central Office	journals for resale	11.00
Check	03/15/2017	Debit DISPLAYS2GO	Ballot Box - Suggestion Box fo...	38.38
Check	03/17/2017	Debit Office Depot	Tape/Foam board/Dry Erase M...	53.50
Bill	03/20/2017	032...	Safeguard Web an...	300.11
Check	03/23/2017	Debit ABC Lock & Glass	Office Keys for Lead Volunteers...	38.65
Bill	03/30/2017	410...	Citi Cards Costco	64.55
<b>Total 5290 - Office Supplies</b>				<b>556.78</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>556.78</b>

## 2017 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE CENTRAL OFFICE

Monday May 29, 2017 - Memorial Day - Closed  
Tuesday July 4, 2017 - Independence Day - Closed  
Monday September 4, 2017 - Labor Day - Closed  
Thursday November 23, 2017 Thanksgiving - Closed  
Friday November 24, 2017 Family Day - Closed  
Monday December 25, 2017 Christmas Day - Closed  
Friday December 29, 2017 Inventory - Closed  
Monday January 1, 2018 - New Year's Day - Closed  
Monday February 20, 2017 - Presidents' Day - Closed

\*For contributions, make your checks payable to NNIG and write who the contribution is for in the memo line.





**OTHER AREA EVENTS**

**District 14  
Speaker Meeting  
and dessert potluck!**

**WHEN:** Saturday, May 20  
7:00 PM

**WHERE:** Tahoe Biltmore – Crystal Bay, NV  
On Highway 28 between Incline Village and Kings Beach

**Open Speaker Meeting and Dessert Potluck**

(Speaker name will be announced closer to the date)

**For more information about this event,  
or to ask how you can be of service at the meeting,  
please contact us at:**

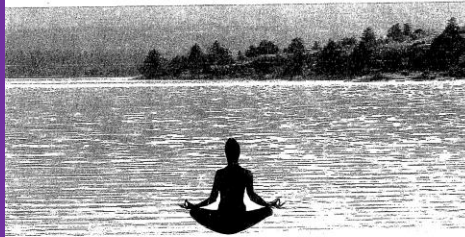
**District14ASpeakerMeetings@outlook.com**

Sought through Prayer & Meditation

Eleventh Step Retreat

Friday-Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup> 2017

Zephyr Point Conference Center Lake Tahoe



Meetings, workshops, guided meditation, spiritual nourishment, fellowship & fun

\$120 registration fee includes 5 amazingly delicious meals, plentiful snacks & beverages

Friday & Saturday night lodging, choice of 2, 3, or 4 person rooms

Registration closes May 6<sup>th</sup>, limited to 40 attendees

No refunds, you will need to find a substitute for your registration

In order to keep our costs low, we ask all participants to help cook & clean

Open to all in recovery

Chair Charelle D 775 351-8224

Registration Chair Fifi L 775 846-4482



**Camp Richardson**

**"Eagle's Nest"**

**South Lake Tahoe, CA**

**July 20-23, 2017**

SAVE THE DATE  
FOR THE  
40<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL

**Sierra  
Nevada Fall  
Round Up**

**PEPPERMILL RESORT &  
CASINO**

**OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup> to 22<sup>ND</sup>  
2017**

**Be Where Your  
Feet Are**

**IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR ELECTIONS  
POSITIONS AVAILABLE  
FOR ELECTIONS JUNE 6, 2017**

**POSITIONS**

**Steering Committee**

CHAIRPERSON

VICE-CHAIR

SECRETARY

TREASURER

2-INTERGROUP LIASONS

FOR STEERING COMMITTEE

**NNIG Chairpersons**

Activities Events - Chair

Answering Service - Chair

Bracer Newsletter - Chair

CPC/PI - Cooperation with the

Professional Community – Chair

Public Information – Chair

H&I – Chair

Bridging the Gap - Chair

Corrections - Chair

Treatment – Chair

Pink Can, Literature

Monthly Speaker Meeting - Chair

Sunshine Committee - Chair

Web Site – Chair

**SOBRIETY REQUIRED**

5 Years

5 Years

2 Years

5 Years

2 Years

4 Years

2 Years

2 Years

2 Years

2 Years

2 Years

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Look in the Operating Procedures on the website at [nng.org](http://nng.org) for qualifications for these positions, find the one that fits you, or someone you know, and come to the May meeting to observe & the June meeting for elections.



**RECOVERY PEEPS**

# NNIG BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

## April 4, 2017 held at The Alano Club in Sparks, NV

Meeting was opened at 6:48 pm by Ron T - NNIG Chairperson followed by the "Serenity Prayer", Mark read the "Preamble of the NNIG By-Laws", and Mark C read "The Twelve Traditions". Introductions were made, announcements heard, and birthdays honored followed by the observance of the 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition. A motion to approve the minutes from the March meeting, as reported in *The Bracer*, was made by Phyllis seconded by Nancy A, there was no discussion requested, and the motion was unanimously approved. Ron T announced that he had appointed Dod T interim Treasurer as Diane B has stepped down.

### STEERING COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Treasurer's Report Dod T** - In March on our Profit and Loss Statement group contributions were quite high, giving us a very good month, thank you so much. Corned Beef and Cribbage event netted \$2589.53, the strongest I have seen. Retail sales were also very strong this month. This month has almost brought us up to even. The financial statement may be viewed in its entirety elsewhere in our newsletter. Please let Leslie or Ron know if you have a financial background and would like to run for Treasurer in June. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Nancy A, Sean seconded, and it carried unanimously. Question was raised on item for office supplies as it was a lot higher than the previous month. See page 8 for explanation of office supplies.

### Central Office Executive Director's Report Leslie S - MONTHLY REPORT for March 2017

#### Calls into Central Office:

Calls for A.A. Help/12 Step Calls: 15	Calls for Alanon/Alateen: 1
<b>Meeting Information: 44</b>	*Retail/Merchandise: 18
Other 12 Step Programs: 1	A.A. Events Information: 18
Business/AA Central Office: 69	<b>Total Phone Calls into Central Office: 166</b>

#### **Volunteer Office Hours: 146**

State of Nevada tax exempt filed and renewed until 2022

US Department of Commerce Annual Retail Trade Report completed

I attended the Eye Opener Group monthly business meeting, thank you Mike for having me. I met with our new District 22 liaison Tony A. (Spanish Meetings in Northern Nevada). A conflict with our monthly meetings makes it so he cannot make our monthly intergroup business meeting. District 22 has their meeting the first Tuesday of the month also. We spoke about unity. The Central Office donated 10 Spanish Big Books to the 26 anniversary of Grupo La Nueva Luz. I attended their celebration on Saturday April 1, 2017. We welcome new volunteer Ashley to our Wednesday afternoon shift at central office. David and John are leaving us better people for knowing them. Tuesday morning 9AM - 1PM volunteer shift is open at central office. We are looking for Saturday volunteers to help kick off the opening of central office on Saturdays. Saturday hours to be announced soon.

#### Spring Festival March 17, 18, 2017

5 registrations \$22 = **110.00**

Unloading and Loading of merchandise to car 20.00 x 2 = **40.00** = Cash

Office Supplies and Waters/Candy = **55.96**

Purchased conference CD's for office library **120.00**

**Total Cost 325.96**

**Total merchandise sales 2017 = 2479.14,** Total merchandise sales 2016 = 2215.25, Total merchandise sales 2015 = 2026.60, Total merchandise sales 2014 = 2143.70

**Please invite me to your Home Group Business meeting. I will be happy to attend and answer any questions concerning the central office. Thank you for supporting your Intergroup and Central Office.**

We are looking for Saturday volunteers as we are anticipating opening on Saturdays.

### CENTRAL SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Activities/Events Chair Bran co-chair: Founder's Day Picnic June 10<sup>th</sup>.** We are looking for volunteers, we need chair and co-chair for this event in two months. There is lots of work to do for a committee of volunteers, please help if you can. Sean stood for Chair of the event. The first committee meeting will be occurring on Wednesday the 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm at Central Office.

**Answering Service Mark U** - We are running smoothly, we could use some more alternate volunteers, call me at 775-815-8183 to volunteer.

**Bracer Chair Nancy A - Please get flyers to Nancy by the last Friday of every month to get into *The Bracer*.** Due to space limitation, some reports have been summarized. Mike S was lost this month, and I will greatly miss his routine emails regarding information that appeared in *The Bracer*.

**CPC - Cooperation With the Professional Community Chair Cheryl E - and Public Information (PI) Chair Joyce Y : University of Nevada Medical School, Reno:** Joyce Y. (NNIG PI chair) and Cheryl E. (NNIG CPC chair), along with other CPC committee members meet with Dr. DeKay and 4-5 third year medical students on a scheduled, rotating basis. A new date for the next student rotation has not been set yet. If interested in attending, please contact Cheryl or Joyce. **Washoe County School District (WCSD), Reno:** We are working with counselors at the Washoe County School District to create a presentation on alcoholism and AA geared for high school students during a health class. Joyce, Tom, Skip, and Cheryl met with two school counselors on March 14<sup>th</sup>. Joyce, Tom, Skip, and Cheryl will meet on April 7<sup>th</sup> to discuss the ideas and determine presentation method and any handouts. Presenters will need to be fingerprinted by school district, and "trained" to facilitate to provide consistency and adherence to CPC/PI guidelines. Please contact Joyce or Cheryl if you have an interest in presenting at the schools. **Orientation to AA Presentations:** Presentations are held at Bristlecone Treatment Center every Thursday at 7pm. Currently, the committee meets about twice a month and is working on the process for the presentations. We need volunteers to be "trained" to present and/or assist the presenter. We go in pairs. Please contact Joyce or Cheryl if you are interested. **Reno Valley Assisted Living Monthly AA Meeting:** Joyce and Cheryl attended the Seniors In Sobriety group business meeting on March 8<sup>th</sup>. We asked if any of the members would be interested in helping to start and bring in a monthly AA meeting to the Reno Valley Assisted Living facility. We met the two members at Reno Valley Assisted Living on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. The activities coordinator gave them a tour. The two SIS members met and determined how they would like to run the meeting. The meeting will be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 6pm. The first meeting will be April 18<sup>th</sup>. **Miscellaneous:** Renown Hospital: Joyce got an update from one of the chaplains on March 30<sup>th</sup>. They are still working with their administration. However, he did mention to Joyce that they are looking first at: If patient is in room, AA could do a 12 step call. This would involve Central Office and Answering Service. If patient is in room and is an AA member, the Sunshine Committee could bring an AA meeting to them. When patients are being released, AA could help with BTG. Joyce attended the NNIG Steering Committee meeting on March 28<sup>th</sup>. Joyce will continue to attend the monthly Steering Committee. We have contacted the H&I Committee about meeting with them. This should happen in the next month or so. Since we are taking presentations into treatment facilities, we want to better understand how H&I serves these same facilities. **Budget:** To date, Central Office has issued \$209.90 in literature to the committee. \$57.60 of NNIG funds were expended in March 2017. We are working on spreadsheets by project that will list 12 month projected expenses, actuals, and stock on hand. This will help us manage our budget better and will help pass them on to the next rotation. With our projects nearing implementation, we will begin to see more literature needs and expenses. **CPC Committee Meetings:** We hold our committee meetings at Central Office the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month from 2-3/3:30. Our next committee meeting will be April 9<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in CPC or PI committee work, please attend. We welcome you and need you!

**Corrections Michelle M** - Announcing that the H&I committee is responsible for Pink Can Funds distribution in the form of literature. A Pink Can Communication meeting is being held on April 11<sup>th</sup> 5:30 pm at Central Office. Please come and voice any concerns or opinions you have.

**Treatment Chair Steve M** - We are starting a roster so please let your groups know. Thursday of every month is our committee meeting at Central Office 5:15pm.

**Bridging the Gap Chair Pat B** – Three new treatment facilities have committed to Bridging The Gap and have asked that we begin making presentations to their clients while they are in treatment. Those facilities would be West Hills, the Intensive Outpatient Program at WestCare, and the State of Nevada Department of Health & Human Services. To date, presentations have been made to the management of 7 facilities, and all 7 facilities have committed to Bridging The Gap. The presentations at these three new facilities are all daytime appointments, making the need for Fellowship volunteers who are available during business hours more vital than ever before. Presentations to the clients at Carson Behavioral Health Services will begin on April 18th. Monthly presentations at both the men's and women's facilities at CrossRoads continue as well as at Renown Behavioral Health. There is an ongoing need of volunteers to make one hour Bridging The Gap presentations at treatment facilities, sometimes during business hours. This is a two person, scripted presentation that includes the DVD movie "Hope", a ten minute guest speaker share, and time for client questions. The BTG Presenter position carries a suggested sobriety requirement of two years and working knowledge of our Traditions. Complete training is provided by the BTG Committee. To volunteer or for more information on Bridging The Gap, please call Pat B. at 707-483-7181 or email at [pat4sales@aol.com](mailto:pat4sales@aol.com). Upcoming Events: - BTG Presentations to the clients at CrossRoad's Men's and Women's Facilities, West Hills, West Care, State of Nevada Department of Health & Human Services, Carson Behavioral Health Services, and Renown Behavioral Health Services.

**Pink Can Treasurer Anjuli K** – The financial report was presented; see the full financial report elsewhere in our newsletter. We are moving a lot of literature, especially to jails.

**Speaker Meeting Chair Erika C** – Our next Speaker Meeting is April 15<sup>th</sup>. The speaker is Shannon H from Covina CA and our host group is the Steering Committee.

**Sunshine Committee Chair Paul M** – Three calls this past month were taken to those requesting them. The database is being updated and I am grateful for the assistance.

**Web-Master Ollie K** – Please let us know of any meeting changes or events. I have combined Carson City, Reno, and Sparks into a Nevada Schedule page. Two new pages have been created; please take a look at the new layout. Webmaster email address is [nnigwebmaster@gmail.com](mailto:nnigwebmaster@gmail.com) – please send flyers here, along with what is happening at the event.

**Area 42 NAGSC Liaison Chris S** – On the weekend of March 24-26 officers traveled to the wonderful town of Tonopah Nevada. Some of the additional topics that were not in my March report were, consider retiring the pamphlet "Three Talks to Medical societies by Bill W" the sense of the assembly was to keep it. Consider retiring the pamphlet "Too Young" the sense of the assembly was to retire it. We won't know what happened on these topics until after the General Service Conference and Phil W our Delegate returns to give his report. We also discussed The Strategic plan that was produced by the General Service Board of AA. In this 11 page plan it states that one of the challenges is a lack of growth in the fellowship in recent years that indicates we have an opportunity to do a better job of reaching out the hand of AA. In this plan there are 15 goals that the GSB is looking at.

**RENVYPAA Jackson J** – RENVYPAA meets the 2nd and 4th Sunday monthly upstairs at the Triangle Club at 5 pm. In-Tents Sobriety Campout to be held June 23-25th in Taylorsville CA, pre-register today! Our next event is an ice cream/social event Ready to Play April 29<sup>th</sup> 4:30-9pm at Reno Buddhist Center 820 Plumas St., a game night where we drop knowledge as we compete against other teams on Big Book Trivia. Speaker Panel at 5pm, \$10 suggested donation. We have a new website RENVYPAA.com, please check it out.

**Chairperson Ron T** – I put our part-time employee back on the schedule as we needed to cover Leslie's vacation and it was unfair that he has been left off for so long. May 6th 10-2pm first Saturday is the grand opening for Saturday.

**Vice-Chairperson Donn T** – We have been talking about opening Saturday for a long time. We need to cover the shift of 10-2 which a trusted volunteer can cover this. Please let your groups know we have a training program. There is a suggestion box at Central Office for your ideas or concerns.

**Secretary Cynthia F** – No report.

**Intergroup Representative Liaisons Dana E** – Please get a hold of me if you have any questions to the Steering Committee.

**Intergroup Representative Liaisons Brian A** – no report, ditto to Dana, bring your concerns to us.

**Old Business** – Explanation of NNIG Chair Resignation. Mary Pat asked to be here tonight to give an accurate account of her resignation. On Jan 20<sup>th</sup> I resigned. I had left my resignation letter on the table for your information at the February Business Meeting; however it was removed after I had left it. It was removed due to language I was told. She then read her resignation letter to the NNIG Intergroup Representations. One day I experienced several phone calls during the work day from dissatisfied AA customers. One of the most important things mentioned in an AA pamphlet is safety. Trusted Servants are just that, and should not be expected to sit for abuse from another alcoholic. Just because I can take it, doesn't mean I should. I am concerned about unbridled behavior in the AA program locally, and my primary purpose is to remain sober. The organization will go on without me and I am happy to share this information with you as I wanted to let everyone know what is really going on. I have no problem with anyone and am continuing in service and thank you for letting me be of service. She received a warm round of applause as gratitude for her service to this body and courage in her steps taken to shed light upon these events. Resignation letter available at Central Office.

**New Business** – Joyce Y – Minority Opinion and Leadership – In light of our upcoming election she shared some concept and tradition excerpts on Leadership and the power of listening. Room permitting, the full presentation will be in next months Bracer.

Pat S – NAGS AA Grapevine – Workshop on April 29<sup>th</sup> at Congregational Church on Sunnyside Drive in Reno (noon to 3 p.m.) . Please see the current Grapevine A motion to close the meeting was made by Bruce A at 8:09 pm, seconded by many, and unanimously carried. We closed with The Responsibility Statement. Respectfully submitted, - Cynthia F NNIG Secretary.

## **March 28, 2017 NNIG Steering Committee Meeting Minutes**

Ron T opened the meeting at 5:31 pm with the Serenity Prayer. We do have a quorum present therefore formal business may be conducted. The minutes from last meeting were reviewed. Motion to accept was made by Brian A seconded by Dana E, and the motion carried unanimously. **Present:** Ron T – Chairperson, Donn T – Vice-chairperson, Cynthia – Secretary, Intergroup Representatives – Dana E and Brian A, and Leslie S Executive Director of Central Office. Guests present were Joyce Y. **New Business:** Ron T – Chairman. Diane B has officially stepped down from her position as Treasurer. Dod P has agreed to be appointed interim Treasurer, appointed by Ron T per the authority of our by-laws. The Ad Hoc Committee has been dissolved. We want to be kind loving and gentle in all our interactions. Findings of AHC have been gone over with Leslie by Ron line by line. Collectively the Steering Committee is in charge of Central Office. Leslie – We are rolling out some adherences to the recommendations. Number 7, the 90 day probationary period ends tonight, and started when the letter was issued January 13<sup>th</sup>. Donn T - Requests that the plan of action should be formally submitted, and then the report can be based upon those benchmarks. Leslie – I appreciate going through this process, and am enjoying working through this process. Donn T – are we determining tonight as a body to put to the groups about opening on Saturdays. Ron – As chair I have put Jimmy back on the schedule, initially to help cover Leslie's vacation. Brian had questions regarding Workmen's Comp, and Leslie stated we have a medical release to return to work. Brian asked if he would be here alone, Leslie said for the most part we try to have two people here at all times. His medical release letter was reviewed. Cynthia – no report, Brian – no report, Dana – covered in above discussion. The first Thursday of the Month, 5:30-6:30, the NYE Gala Committee will meet at Central Office. **Old Business:** Part-time Employee – needed to cover Paid Time Off, we used Jimmy this time. Donn – primary PTO coverage Saturday is secondary. The body wants this office open. Joyce 11-12:30 has a concept study at Central Office and we don't think there will be any interference. Open only for retail sales on Saturdays. If we hire a PT person it would need to include Saturdays. Donn – Recommends have a vote to approve opening on Saturdays, which entails the necessity to hire a part-time employee. Open it up for a vote on the floor and pass out the anticipated cost. **Guest Comments:** none. The next Steering Committee Meeting is April 25th. The meeting then was moved to be closed by Leslie S, seconded by Dana E and carried unanimously at 6:55 pm. The meeting was closed with the responsibility statement. Respectfully submitted - Cynthia F NNIG Secretary.



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