

NNIG MONTHLY MEETING SPEAKER



Jan 14th – 7:00 pm
Group: Support Hose
Speaker: Sandy N.
(Reno, NV)

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

December, 2016

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(The above is adapted and modified from "The AA Service Manual", and AA Co-Founder Bill W's. Twelve Concepts for World Service; Concept XII, as adopted by the General Service Conference on April 26, 1962. This adaptation of copyrighted AA material has been approved by the General Service Board)

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NORTHERN NEVADA INTERGROUP

WHAT ARE A.A.'S TWELVE CONCEPTS?

In addition to the question of what are the concepts, we might also ask why we have them. Neither of these questions is easy to answer in just a few words, but here's a try.

In the late 1940s Bill Wilson along with others of AA's founding members and supporters began to see that AA was going to grow rapidly, even worldwide, and that some structure was needed to allow for this growth. The Fellowship would need to deal with its relationships with the world around it, its finances, its day-to-day administrative operations, and its publication and policy decisions--all among a number of other matters that would inevitably develop. Based on these needs, a complex but now-proven highly successful service structure was developed for our Fellowship. There are at least two basic principles on which this service structure was founded: that the ownership of AA would be its members and groups; and that its structure would always be democratic in thought, spirit and action.

Two entities were created, chartered and incorporated in the mid-1950s as not-for-profit organizations under the legal structure of the State of New York. These are known as Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc. (AAWS) and the AA Grapevine, Inc. Each of these has its own board of directors. Additionally, some way to relate AA to the outside world and to coordinate AA policy and services was needed. For this purpose, AA's General Service Board (GSB) was created. Members of the GSB are referred to as Trustees, and include both alcoholic members and non-alcoholic AA supporters selected primarily for professional expertise they offer. Also needed was a way to deal with day-to-day operations. The AA General Service Office (GSO) with a paid staff was set up to do this. And finally, some method was needed to carry out the practical matters of AA ownership and democratic participation among its groups and members. To do this, the General Service Conference was set up, along with its participating structure of group representatives (GSRs), Districts with District Committees (DCMs), Areas and Area Officers, and Delegates elected from among these to represent them at an annual Conference meeting held in the Spring of each year. Communication and participation in decision making are primary functions of this Conference structure.

Early AA members also foresaw the need for services at the local level and, thus, intergroups and central offices were created to provide these services.

Bill saw each of these as working in service rather than as governing bodies. All would work together in the spirit of cooperation and service to the Fellowship as a whole as well as to AA groups and members.

Overall, this is a rather complex service structure, and Bill saw a need to provide further elaboration of the underlying principles and the foundation for how these entities would work together. The Twelve Concepts provide this. They were written in the early 1960s by Bill with the help of Bernard Smith, a Trustee at the time and Michael Alexander who later also became a Trustee. They were first published in 1962 as AA's Twelve Concepts for World Service.

Prepared by the Reno Concept Study Group - December 2015

This is the beginning of a 12 part series about the concepts.



Recovery Step One:

“We admitted we were powerless over alcohol—that our lives had become unmanageable”

Three

Unity Tradition One:

“Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity”

Legacies

Service Concept One:

“Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship”

CONCEPT ONE

I knew early on that there was something more to AA than my home group, and saw that I wanted to be a part of that. I was fortunate to meet a special AA member who introduced me to the study of the Twelve Traditions which further broadened my view of AA. He became my Service Sponsor, and we sat down together to also study AA's Twelve Concepts. I had been aware of the Concepts, but I had no idea about what they were or why we had them.

Concept One introduces AA World Services, something I didn't even know existed. I suspected that the important AA business was taken care of by the big shots like Bill and Dr. Bob as well as the professional folks in the office in New York who sent us orders telling our group what to do and how to do it.

My thinking was not completely wrong. For the first several years, responsibility and authority for all of AA did rest on the shoulders of our founders. By 1950, however, it became apparent that services such as producing uniform literature, developing public information resources, publishing books, and answering calls for help could no longer be handled by the founders alone. A serious decline in Dr. Bob's health was a major factor leading to this realization. Also, AA had expanded geographically and grown in membership by large numbers.

Many early members felt that AA's future was guaranteed under the protection of God. But, after much discussion, there came a realization that a practical operational structure was needed to assure AA's future. Their first step was to create a group of AAs and non-alcoholic professionals who would take on responsibility for an orderly growth. This group, known early as the trusteeship, has become the AA General Service Board.

Bill also saw that only a representative conference would be appropriate as a replacement for himself and Dr. Bob. The way to protect AA's future was to be found in the "collective conscience" of the Fellowship as a whole. Bill acknowledges that it is difficult to imagine how such a collective responsibility might be achieved among such widely scattered AA groups. His solution is in what we now know as the AA General Service Conference. Delegates to this Conference represent geographic Areas of the U.S. and Canada, elected by the individual groups through their elected General Service Representatives, District Committee members and other trusted servants.

The Conference operates in service to groups and members rather than as a governing body. Concept One draws heavily on Tradition Two for its spiritual foundation, reminding us that God is our ultimate authority and that AA leaders serve rather than govern. In this way, Concept One along with Tradition Two provides the spiritual foundation for all of our Fellowship. Bill has described AA as a spiritualized society characterized by enough enlightenment, enough responsibility, and enough love to ensure that it will work under all conditions. Concepts Two through Twelve follow to develop more detail about how our AA service structure works.

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

January 14, 2017
Host Group – Support Hose
Speaker – Sandy N (Reno, NV)

February 11, 2017
Host Group – Not A Glum Lot
Speaker – Ralph B (Reno, NV)

March 25, 2017
Host Group – ***TBD***
Speaker – T.J. M (Reno, NV)

April 15, 2017
Host Group – TBD
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

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

TBD Tentative Host Group set up, just waiting for confirmation after monthly business meeting.

Cabbage & Cribbage

Save the Date

March 4th 2017



Ticket pre-sales coming soon!

Please bring raffle donations to Central Office!

50 Faithful Fivers Needed

19 more Faithful Fiver's to go!

Jennifer R	Diane L
R.F. Carson City	Barbara M
Don B	Jimmy P
Joanne P	Lynn S
Lunnetta	Steven C
Dod	Ann G
Tom E	Joe R
David & Debbie	Deanna S
Barbara P	Carl H
Ron T	Bruce A
Dan	Therese D
Leslie S	Kimberly S
Kimmy D	Barbara P
Diana B	Cynthia F
Bran	John L
	Glenn R



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.

OTHER AREA EVENTS



Pancake Party

TUESDAY JANUARY 10th
From 6:30-8:30 PM
Hosted by:
RENVYPAA & YOUNG at HEART

8:00\$ suggested Donation
Join us for hot cocoa and creating a resolution board
Special Guest Speaker beginning at 7:30 pm

First Congregational Church
627 Sunnyside Dr.
Reno NV 89503

For more information please contact
Adrian G. 775-323-9236

Welcome!
General Service Panel 67
(2017-2018)

When: January 28th 2017 ~ 1 - 2:30 PM
Where: First Congregational United Church of Christ
627 Sunnyside Drive, Reno, NV

Preliminary Agenda

1:00 - 1:30

Everyone:

- Who are we and what can we do for your group?
- What is "NAGSC" and how is it different from "NNIG"?
(Northern Area General Service Committee and Northern Nevada Intergroup)

1:45 - 2:30

GSRs:

- Now what? What am I supposed to do...?
- What is the connection between "AAWS" and the General Service Office? (Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc.)
 - How are they different and how are they the same?
 - How does the General Service Board play into this relationship?

DCMs and NAGSC Standing Chairs:

- How can we work together to reach the still suffering alcoholic?

This is not an official Northern Area General Service Committee meeting (no NAGSC funds will be used). A suggested contribution of \$1 per person will help us be self-supporting through our own contributions.

Julie C: 530-258-8610 Carol B: 775-790-1067 John F: 775-781-9106

Northern Area 42
General Service Conference
Agenda Items Roundtables
2017

SAVE THE DATE!

Come One; Come All

When: February 25th 2017 ~ 1 - 4 PM
Where: Sparks Christian Fellowship
510 Greenbrae Dr. Sparks, NV

Dear Fellowship,

As we enter into the 2017 notifications of merchandise price increases are appearing on invoices. Our monthly office space will increase \$22 a month, annual increase \$264. The Events/Activities storage unit will increase \$20 a month, annual increase \$240. Inventory was completed on December 30, 2016 total inventory on hand \$23,264.73. Total shortage \$332.50. Total Merchandise Sales for 2016 \$83,650.88. 59.65% of the NNIG Central Office annual income. Thank you to all the inventory volunteers, I appreciate you so much. Allison H. T. [775-830-5901](tel:775-830-5901)

www.Treatmentconsultations.com will be covering the sunshine committee this month. We believe someone will come along in February to be a permanent Chair, thank you Allison. . We are receiving calls into Central Office from local Centers asking us to send groups looking for meeting space. Alta Vista Mental Health (a Washoe County Building open until 8PM) at 1530 E 6th Street has a very nice meeting room big enough for 50, call the Central Office for more information.



Leslie S. - Your Central Office Executive Director

The Birthday Club



Rainbow—18 years
Karen S.—26 years
Kent L.—34 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

**Caring & Sharing
in Stead
7:00 PM
Monday, Wednesday
& Thursday
St. Michael's Church
14075 Mt. Vida Street
Cotter Hall in back**

**Ground Zero
7:00 AM Tuesday
& Thursday
1700 Zolezzi Ln.
Meeting held in
main building**

**Hole in
the Ground
7:00PM – Monday
627 Sunnyside
Drive. Reno**

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

AA on the Comstock!
Wednesday nights at 5:30 p.m.
Storey County Senior Center
100 Mill Street, Virginia City



Open Meeting for everyone.
Free coffee and cookies



Reno Triangle Club DAILY A.A. MEETINGS



Beginners Are Winners 6:45 a.m.
Coffee With Bill 8:30 a.m.
New Awakenings 10:00 a.m.
ALOHA 12:00 noon
Mid-Day 2:00 p.m.
Afternoon Delight 3:30 .m.
Almost Heaven 5:00 p.m.
JOIN US EVERY DAY!

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. 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** 2nd Sunday of even numbered months
For information email 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** 3rd 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

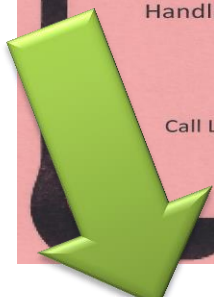
Central Office Volunteers Needed

We need you, Join the team!

Knowledge of:

- A.A. Steps, Traditions and Concepts
- Phone Answering Skills
- Telephone 12 Step Work
- Customer Service
- Comfortable with Computers
- Taking Phone Merchandise Orders
- Stocking Retail Area
- Handling Money and Counting Change
- Self-Motivated

Call Leslie, Central Office: 775-355-1151



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



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: _____

Who Does This Jerk Think I Am?

A newcomer gives us an amusing look into her alcoholic mind as she encounters AA for the first time.



(7:00 am) The day started out like any other day with Led Zeppelin blaring in my ears. The loud music set off a staccato of the hangover blues in my brain. It was time to get up and face the day. I flopped over the edge of the bed and grabbed my clothes. I threw them on, stumbling down the dark, narrow hallway to my son's door. I saw the sun shining through the sheer curtains on his cherubic face. A little devil inside of me wanted to wake him up rudely but I stomped the thought down and woke him up gently.

"Come on, David. It is time to wake up."

(7:10 am) David, his face scrubbed and dressed for school, and I had breakfast together. David had his usual bowl of cereal and I had my usual tall glass of ice water with heavy-duty pain killers.

(7:30 am) "Hurry David, or you will miss the bus."

(7:35 am) The house was peaceful even if my thoughts were not. Now it was time to make like the good little housewife and clean.

(9:30 am) Everything was all clean. I decided to just sit on the couch, looking at all the neat lines the vacuum had left behind. So I sat and vegetated with ugly thoughts whirling around in my head.

(Is life really worth living? Now where did that come from? I will not deal with that right now! Go away! No! What are you contributing to life, Lorraine? A clean house? Whoopee! Stop this now! Call a friend. What friend, dummy? You don't have any friends. I need a drink.) The shrill ringing of the phone shut off my unwanted thoughts.

"Hello?" (What the hell do you want?)

"Hi. This is your brother, what's up?"

"Nothing much, just sitting here relaxing." (Thinking of suicide, but I am fine, thanks!)

"What are you doing tonight?"

"Nothing" (Just going to take a whole bottle of pain pills.)

"Why don't you come to an AA meeting with me tonight?"

"Mike you know that Rick is the alcoholic in this family, not me. I need Al-Anon, not Alcoholics Anonymous." (Who does this jerk think I am, anyway?)

"Just come and see what the meetings are like, okay? I'll buy you steak dinner afterwards."

"Okay." (I never could pass up a free meal. Besides, steak sounded better to me than a bottle full of pills.)

"All right. I'll pick you up at seven o'clock. Bye." (Hmmm, he sure sounded happy.)
(12:15 pm) David was all smiles as he hopped off the bus. What was it with this kid anyway? Beautiful day my butt! The sky was clouding up and it looked like rain.

"Let's get home and take a nap before it starts to rain, David."

(2:30 pm) "Sure you can go in the backyard and play, David. No, Mommy doesn't want to play with you. Mommy is going to read a book."

(4:30 pm) "Oh, hi Rick."

"Hi. Where is David?"

"He's out back playing." (Nice to see you too, idiot.) "I'm going out with my brother tonight. What do you want for dinner?"

"Hamburgers sound okay to me."

"David and you can go to get fast food then." (Gee, Hon, the house looks nice. Where are you going tonight? Do you even care, Rick?)

(5:30 pm) (The stupid idiot wasn't even home for an hour and the place was a mess. The towels were all over the bathroom floor, whiskers in the sink, dirty clothes everywhere and he left the toilet seat up again! Who did he think I was, his maid? A swift kick put the clothes into a corner.)

(7:00 pm) (The harsh buzzing of the doorbell sounded throughout the house. Mikey had arrived. He still looked like death warmed over from his drug abuse. I still wanted to know what that stupid idiot had to smile about.)

"See ya later, Rick. Bye, bye, David." As we drove through the gathering dusk I asked Mike, "What's an A.A. meeting like anyways?" "Wait and see." (That is all he would say.)

(7:15 pm) We had arrived at the meeting. (Hey Mike, wait up. Your sister is scared spitless!)

(7:30 pm) (Who are all these smiling people? They sure don't look like alcoholics or addicts. Opening prayer? I get it now, this is a religious group. Twelve Steps? Not affiliated with any sect or denomination- I'm confused? Will newcomers stand and identify? What's a newcomer? Someone with 30 days or less of sobriety? Not me! I'm not one of them!)

My whirling chaotic thoughts were interrupted as people around me began to stand up and introduce themselves. Suddenly I heard a voice inside my head,

("STAND UP!") I shot up off the couch as if I had been fired out of a gun. "My name is Lorraine and I am an alcoholic." Once I had said that and sat back down, I had felt an overwhelming sense of relief. I wouldn't have to carry my burdens alone anymore. Those people were there to help me in any way they could.

The next day everything seemed different.

(7:00 am) The Doors were merrily playing on the radio as I opened my eyes. I hopped out of bed and got dressed quickly. Breathlessly I hurried down to my son's room. I couldn't wait to see my son's sleeping face. "Hey sleepyhead, open your eyes. Come on David, it's a brand new day. Look it is raining! Maybe you and I can play in the puddles when you get home from school. Come on David, It's a beautiful day."

-- Lorraine K., Sparks, Nevada
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NNIG/Central Office Group Contributions 2016

Group	November	YTD	Group	November	YTD
11th Step Retreat		100.00	Grupo Accion		80.00
12 Steps Up		40.00	Grupo Fe Y Esoeranza		240.50
12X12 on 12th Street		32.00	Grupo La Nueva Luz		120.00
12X12 Sunday Night		5.00	Grupo Latino		0.00
4th Dimension		27.00	Grupo Nueva Vida		48.00
4th July Annual Event		39.75	Happy Hour Reno		1,149.34
A Way Home	224.00	983.00	How We Stayed Stopped		104.00
ABC Book Study		64.00	Incline Village Fellowship		0.00
Afternoon Delight RTC		110.00	Just For Today Women's		190.00
Alano Afternoon Serenity		114.00	Keep It Simple Group		100.00
Alano Brown Baggers		750.00	Kings Beach AA Golden Group	52.98	52.98
Alano Dawn Patrol		0.00	Knuckleheads		15.00
Alano Jaywalkers		0.00	Ladies of the Evening	125.00	225.00
Alano Shake'em Up Group		60.00	Ladies of the Lake	56.32	61.32
Alano Women in Recovery		4.00	Little Rascals RTC		50.00
Almost Heaven RTC	50.00	978.37	Lost and Found		264.75
ALOHA Group RTC		125.00	Mammoth Lakes Group		60.00
Alturas Brown Baggers		140.00	Mid-Day Group RTC	65.00	150.00
Austin Group		90.00	Minden Language of the Heart		90.00
Back to Basics Reno		50.00	Minden Saturday Night Fever	50.00	250.00
Battle Mountain Fellowship		110.00	Minden/Gardnerville Group		238.17
Beginners Are Winners	10.00	0.00	Monday Men's BB Study RTC		400.00
Bishop Group		0.00	Mt Rose Recovery Room		1,050.00
Buena Vista Group		100.00	New Awakenings Group		411.61
Caring & Sharing in Stead		337.65	NNIG Business Meeting	32.00	316.65
Carson Big Book Experience	57.50	57.50	Our Common Welfare		10.00
Carson City AA Way of Life		100.00	Our Group	100.00	325.00
Carson City After Shifters		158.23	Portola Group	300.00	300.00
Carson City Back to Basics		100.00	Positive Acceptance Group		195.60
Carson City Brown Baggers		91.21	Pyramid Lake Campout		143.00
Carson City Early Birds	449.13	1,724.61	Pyramid Way Discussion Group		60.00
Carson City Happy Hour	100.00	500.00	Quincy Fellowship		100.00
Carson City Out to Lunch Bunch		30.50	Reno Men's Trudgers	125.00	200.00
Carson City Sandbaggers	68.75	68.75	Seniors in Sobriety		112.50
Carson City Sister's in Sobriety		0.00	Silver Springs Group	25.00	100.00
Carson City Women's Night Out		0.00	Slide Mountain Serenity	60.49	223.02
Carson Drunk Squad		356.00	South Shore Group		105.00
Carson Jay-Walkers Men's		456.00	Southside Group	195.63	2,857.59
Carson No BS Men's Stag		256.00	Staying Sober/Square One		88.00
Carson Sunday Night Step Study		300.00	Step 1		0.00
Carson Valley Gratitude		308.80	Street Smart		5.00
Choices		0.00	Sunday New Beginnings		76.00
Coffee with Bill RTC		100.00	Sunnyside Big Book Study		100.00
Cornerstone Group		20.00	Sunnyside Group		805.30
Crystal Bay Nooners		108.75	Susanville Thursday Night		121.89
Dayton Fellowship Hall		100.00	Tahoe City Fellowship		50.00
Dayton Friday Night Rule 62		0.00	The Rock Group	121.60	396.94
Dayton Monday Night		75.00	Truckee River Men's Stag	43.33	568.83
Dayton Sunday Morning	140.50	611.62	Truckee Dawn Patrol		2700.00
District 12	75.00	75.00	Upper Room Group RTC		55.00
District 14		263.00	View From The Ridge		25.00
Driar's Club BYOB		40.00	Wed Night Beginners Meeting		0.00
Driar's Club Into Action	2.00	2.00	Westwood AA		19.92
Driar's Club Lunch Bunch		10.00	Westwood Monday Night		31.56
Driar's Positive Step Group		100.00	Whole in the Ground Group		162.50
Driar's Support Hose		95.87	Whole in the Soul		23.00
End Of The Road Group	76.00	264.95	Winnemucca Serenity Seekers		0.00
Eye Opener		196.50	Winnemucca Single Purpose		0.00
Eye Opener Mid-day Group		200.00	Winnemucca Three Legacies		21.15
Fallon The Real Lunch Bunch		814.07	Women's 24 Hours A Day		100.00
Fernley Groups	240.00	560.00	Women's Literature Study		120.00
Gardnerville Wed Night Live	40.00	40.00	Women's New Beginnings	35.00	735.00
Golden Valley Back Room Group		74.50	Women's New Harmony		30.00
Greenville Group		40.00	Women's Night Out		96.90
Ground Zero		283.00	Women on Wednesday		266.50
			Total	2,920.23	30,674.15

NNIG/Central Office Group Contributions 2016

Group	December	YTD	Group	December	YTD
11th Step Retreat		100.00	Grupo Accion		80.00
12 Steps Up		40.00	Grupo Fe Y Esoeranza		330.50
12X12 on 12th Street		32.00	Grupo La Nueva Luz		120.00
12X12 Sunday Night		5.00	Grupo Latino		0.00
4th Dimension		27.00	Grupo Nueva Vida	10.00	58.00
4th July Annual Event		39.75	Happy Hour Reno		1,149.34
A Way Home		983.00	How We Stayed Stopped		104.00
ABC Book Study		64.00	Incline Village Fellowship		0.00
Afternoon Delight RTC		110.00	Just For Today Women's		190.00
Alano Afternoon Serenity		114.00	Keep It Simple Group		100.00
Alano Brown Baggers	150.00	900.00	Kings Beach AA Golden Group	125.00	177.98
Alano Dawn Patrol		0.00	Knuckleheads		15.00
Alano Jaywalkers		0.00	Ladies of the Evening		225.00
Alano Shake'em Up Group		60.00	Ladies of the Lake		61.32
Alano Women in Recovery		4.00	Little Rascals RTC	50.00	100.00
Almost Heaven RTC	50.00	1,028.37	Lost and Found		264.75
ALOHA Group RTC		125.00	Mammoth Lakes Group		60.00
Alturas Brown Baggers	15.00	155.00	Mid-Day Group RTC		150.00
Austin Group		90.00	Minden Language of the Heart		90.00
Back to Basics Reno	200.00	250.00	Minden Saturday Night Fever		250.00
Battle Mountain Fellowship	10.00	120.00	Minden/Gardnerville Group	102.10	340.27
Beginners Are Winners		0.00	Monday Men's BB Study RTC	100.00	500.00
Bishop Group		0.00	Mt Rose Recovery Room		1,050.00
Buena Vista Group		100.00	New Awakenings Group		411.61
Caring & Sharing in Stead		337.65	NNIG Business Meeting	32.00	348.65
Carson Big Book Experience	57.50	57.50	Our Common Welfare		10.00
Carson City AA Way of Life		100.00	Our Group		325.00
Carson City After Shifters		158.23	Portola Group		300.00
Carson City Back to Basics		100.00	Positive Acceptance Group		195.60
Carson City Brown Baggers		91.21	Pyramid Lake Campout		143.00
Carson City Early Birds	449.13	1,724.61	Pyramid Way Discussion Group		60.00
Carson City Happy Hour	100.00	500.00	Quincy Fellowship		100.00
Carson City Out to Lunch Bunch		30.50	Reno Men's Trudgers		290.00
Carson City Sandbaggers	68.75	68.75	Seniors in Sobriety		112.50
Carson City Sister's in Sobriety		0.00	Silver Springs Group		100.00
Carson City Women's Night Out		0.00	Slide Mountain Serenity		223.02
Carson Drunk Squad		356.00	South Shore Group		105.00
Carson Jay-Walkers Men's		456.00	Southside Group	246.70	3,104.29
Carson No BS Men's Stag		256.00	Staying Sober/Square One		88.00
Carson Sunday Night Step Study		300.00	Street Smart		5.00
Carson Valley Gratitude		308.80	Sunday New Beginnings		76.00
Choices		0.00	Sunnyside Big Book Study		100.00
Coffee with Bill RTC		100.00	Sunnyside Group		805.30
Cornerstone Group		20.00	Susanville Fellowship	22.00	22.00
Crystal Bay Nooners		108.75	Susanville Thursday Night		121.89
Dayton Fellowship Hall		100.00	Tahoe City Fellowship		50.00
Dayton Friday Night Rule 62		0.00	The Rock Group		396.94
Dayton Monday Night		75.00	Truckee River Men's Stag		568.83
Dayton Sunday Morning	140.50	611.62	Truckee Dawn Patrol		2700.00
District 12	75.00	75.00	Upper Room Group RTC		55.00
District 14		263.00	View From The Ridge		25.00
Driar's Club BYOB		40.00	Wed Night Beginners Meeting		0.00
Driar's Club Into Action	2.00	2.00	Westwood AA		19.92
Driar's Club Lunch Bunch		10.00	Westwood Monday Night		31.56
Driar's Positive Step Group		100.00	Whole in the Ground Group		162.50
Driar's Support Hose		95.87	Whole in the Soul		23.00
End Of The Road Group	76.00	264.95	Winnemucca Serenity Seekers		0.00
Eye Opener		196.50	Winnemucca Single Purpose	42.50	42.50
Eye Opener Mid-day Group		200.00	Winnemucca Three Legacies		21.15
Fallon The Real Lunch Bunch		814.07	Women's 24 Hours A Day		100.00
Fernley Groups	240.00	560.00	Women's Literature Study		120.00
Gardnerville Wed Night Live	40.00	40.00	Women's New Beginnings		735.00
Golden Valley Back Room Group		74.50	Women's New Harmony		30.00
Greenville Group		40.00	Women's Night Out		96.90
Ground Zero		283.00	Women on Wednesday		266.50
			Total	2,305.50	32,979.65

Pink Can Contributions - Hospitals, Institutions, Bridging the Gap

Group	November	YTD Total	Group	November	YTD Total
4th Dimension		709.84	Women's Just For Today		80.00
A Way Home		515.00	Women's New Beginnings	47.70	492.00
AA Golden Group Kings Beach	85.00	248.64	Women's New Harmony		111.16
Alano Afternoon Serenity	153.00	461.78	Women's Night Out		51.63
Alano Brown Baggers		294.00	Women on Wednesday		351.00
Alano Club Jay Walkers		330.00	Women's Twenty-Four Hours		33.00
Alano Dawn Patrol		66.61	Young At Heart		281.00
Alano Hoppers Serenity		35.00	October Income/YTD	2089.71	2098.80
Alano Sunday Morning Speaker		171.00	October Balance Forward	1023.46	
Alano Sunshine Group		25.00	Account Balance	3113.17	
Alano Women in Recovery	19.37	91.18	November Lit Distributed	1718.10	
Almost Heaven RTC		275.00	Ending Balance	1395.07	
ALOHA Group		100.00			
Austin Group		30.00			
Corner Stone Group	54.00	174.15			
Caring and Sharing Stead	45.13	370.80			
Carson After Shifters		211.42			
Carson Big Book Babes	30.00	30.00			
Carson City Early Birds	529.01	2472.63			
Carson City Happy Hour		1308.16			
Carson City Sunday Step Study	242.00	200.00			
Carson Men's No BS		229.44			
Carson Sisters in Sobriety		79.00			
Dayton Sunday Morning	53.00	258.87			
Driars Keep It Simple		67.00			
End of the Road Group		83.50			
Eye Opener		937.00			
Fernley Groups		132.50			
Golden Valley Back Room		15.81			
Ground Zero		66.00			
Happy Hour		613.00			
Keep It Simple Group	47.00	89.00			
Ladies of the Evening		202.31			
Knuckle Heads		281.00			
Minden Gardnerville Group	321.46	4007.12			
Minden Wednesday Night Live		30.75			
Minden Roadside Group		29.00			
Minden Saturday Night Fever	101.69	255.42			
Mount Rose Recovery Group		114.57			
NNIG Business Meeting		23.28			
Pyramid Way Group		90.00			
Roadside Group		51.00			
Seniors in Sobriety		184.00			
Sierra Ville Book Study		25.25			
Sister in Sobriety	36.00	105.89			
Slide Mountain Serenity		132.00			
Support Hose		208.00			
Southside Group		793.88			
Step 1		20.00			
Sunnyside	58.55	1043.24			
The Rock Group		28.80			
Truckee River Men's	213.00	1217.71			
Verdi Bookies		163.00			
Verdi Greener Pastures		140.84			

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 Bridging The Gap Chair - Sean K (775) 781-3710
 Pink Can Treasurer - Anjuli K (707) 321-6400

Pink Can Contributions - Hospitals, Institutions, Bridging the Gap

Group	December	YTD Total	Group	December	YTD Total
4th Dimension	44.07	753.91	Women's Just For Today		33.05
A Way Home		515.00	Women's New Beginnings	50.75	502.84
AA Golden Group Kings Beach		248.64	Women's New Harmony		111.16
Alano Afternoon Serenity		461.78	Women's Night Out		51.91
Alano Brown Baggers	67.00	351.00	Women on Wednesday		113.00
Alano Club Jay Walkers		330.00	Women's Twenty-Four Hours		33.00
Alano Dawn Patrol		66.61	Young At Heart		281.00
Alano Hoppers Serenity		35.00	October Income/YTD	1392.27	22391.07
Alano Sunday Morning Speaker		171.00	October Balance Forward	1395.07	
Alano Sunshine Group		25.00	Account Balance	2787.34	
Alano Women in Recovery	35.00	91.18	December Lit Distributed	823.94	
Almost Heaven RTC		250.00	Ending Balance	1983.00	
ALOHA Group		100.00			
Austin Group		30.00			
Corner Stone Group		174.15			
Caring and Sharing Stead	42.67	413.47			
Carson After Shifters		211.42			
Carson Big Book Babes		30.00			
Carson City Early Birds		2472.63			
Carson City Happy Hour		1308.16			
Carson City Sunday Step Study		200.00			
Carson Men's No BS		229.44			
Carson Sisters in Sobriety		79.00			
Dayton Sunday Morning		258.87			
Driars Keep It Simple		67.00			
End of the Road Group		83.50			
Eye Opener	126.00	1063.00			
Fernley Groups		132.50			
Golden Valley Back Room		15.81			
Ground Zero		66.00			
Happy Hour	77.00	690.00			
Keep It Simple Group		89.00			
Ladies of the Evening		202.31			
Knuckle Heads		281.00			
Minden Gardnerville Group	402.40	4409.24			
Minden Wednesday Night Live		30.75			
Minden Roadside Group	26.87	58.87			</

PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT

Northern Nevada Intergroup Profit & Loss November 2016

Northern Nevada Intergroup Profit & Loss November 2016

	Nov 16	Jan - Nov 16		Nov 16	Jan - Nov 16
Ordinary Income/Expense			Expense		
Income			5100 - Bank Fees and charges	3.60	103.10
4000 - Income - General			5120 - Professional Fees	0.00	1,365.00
4500 - Faithful Fivers	25.00	1,830.00	5150 - Cash Over/Short	0.00	0.00
4300 - Bracer Subscriptions	20.00	174.00	5180 - CC Service Fees	141.71	2,472.45
4800 - Other Copy Reimbursements	4.00	267.95	5181 - Convention expenses	0.00	1,274.22
4600 - Individual Contributions	317.90	2,270.94	5210 - Storage Unit	80.00	880.00
4550 - Group Contributions	2,920.23	30,674.15	5220 - Shipping Charges	170.90	406.95
4200 - Birthday Contributions	29.00	1,052.65	5230 - Alarm System	127.86	530.53
Total 4000 - Income - General	3,316.13	36,269.69	5235 - Committee Expenses	102.95	102.95
4002 - Income - Event Revenues			5240 - Compensation	3,000.00	43,140.00
Event Revenues			5241 - Group Dental/Vision	0.00	1,417.20
Halloween Party			5250 - Computer expenses	0.00	503.32
4420 - Revenue	0.00	3,155.98	5260 - Copier Lease	278.07	3,022.73
4425 - Expenses	500.00	-1,117.71	5270 - Insurance Business/Workers Comp	0.00	961.00
Total Halloween Party	500.00	2,038.27	5280 - Membership, Dues & Publications	10.99	361.95
Gratitude Dinner			5285 - Mileage Reimbursement	22.19	1,000.55
4430 - Revenue	20,186.05	20,186.05	5290 - Office Supplies	77.84	2,403.66
4435 - Expenses	-14,208.78	-14,208.78	5310 - Paper	40.00	592.80
Total Gratitude Dinner	5,977.27	5,977.27	5320 - Payroll Tax Expense	229.50	3,300.24
Speaker Meeting			5325 - Payroll Processing Fee	71.00	1,037.55
4440 - Revenue	588.95	4,690.70	5330 - Postage	0.00	392.49
4445 - Expenses	-225.00	-1,251.29	5340 - Rent	736.00	8,096.00
Total Speaker Meeting	343.95	3,439.41	5350 - Repairs & Maintenance	0.00	282.00
Founders Day Picnic			5360 - Taxes & Licenses	0.00	50.00
4470 - Revenue	0.00	1,564.00	5370 - Telephone	356.64	3,892.79
4475 - Expenses	0.00	-687.49	5380 - Trash	27.95	335.86
Total Founders Day Picnic	0.00	876.51	5390 - Utilities	96.21	1,241.64
Corned Beef & Cribbage			Total Expense	5,573.41	79,167.18
4480 - Revenue	0.00	3,448.00	Net Ordinary Income	7,332.63	8,028.64
4485 - Expenses	0.00	-3,151.65	Other Income/Expense		
Total Corned Beef & Cribbage	0.00	296.35	Other Expense	0.00	0.00
Total Event Revenues	6,821.22	12,627.81	5400 - Physical inventory adjustment	0.00	0.00
Total 4002 - Income - Event Revenues	6,821.22	12,627.81	Total Other Expense	0.00	0.00
4003 - Event Revenues - Other			Net Other Income	0.00	0.00
4120 - Reno Spring Festival	0.00	3,000.00	Net Income	7,332.63	8,028.64
4110 - SWACYFAA 3	0.00	756.61			
Total 4003 - Event Revenues - Other	0.00	3,756.61			
4004 - Income - Merchandise Sales					
4700 - Merchandise Sales	6,661.59	78,324.01			
Total 4004 - Income - Merchandise Sales	6,661.59	78,324.01			
4900 - Interest Income	0.92	10.78			
Total Income	16,799.86	130,988.90			
Cost of Goods Sold					
5000 - Cost of Goods Sold	3,893.82	43,793.08			
Total COGS	3,893.82	43,793.08			
Gross Profit	12,906.04	87,195.82			

Northern Nevada Intergroup Profit & Loss December 2016

Northern Nevada Intergroup Profit & Loss December 2016

	Dec 16	Jan - Dec 16		Dec 16	Jan - Dec 16
Ordinary Income/Expense			Expense		
Income			5100 - Bank Fees and charges	0.00	103.10
4000 - Income - General			5120 - Professional Fees	0.00	1,365.00
4500 - Faithful Fivers	90.00	1,920.00	5150 - Cash Over/Short	0.00	0.00
4300 - Bracer Subscriptions	0.00	174.00	5180 - CC Service Fees	164.45	2,636.90
4800 - Other Copy Reimbursements	5.00	272.95	5181 - Convention expenses	0.00	1,274.22
4600 - Individual Contributions	1,205.50	3,476.44	5210 - Storage Unit	80.00	960.00
4550 - Group Contributions	2,305.50	32,979.65	5220 - Shipping Charges	108.65	515.60
4200 - Birthday Contributions	32.00	1,084.65	5230 - Alarm System	0.00	530.53
Total 4000 - Income - General	3,638.00	39,907.69	5235 - Committee Expenses	44.94	147.89
4002 - Income - Event Revenues			5240 - Compensation	3,000.00	46,140.00
Event Revenues			5241 - Group Dental/Vision	0.00	1,417.20
Halloween Party			5250 - Computer expenses	37.50	540.82
4420 - Revenue	0.00	3,155.98	5260 - Copier Lease	278.07	3,300.80
4425 - Expenses	0.00	-1,117.71	5270 - Insurance Business/Workers Comp	0.00	961.00
Total Halloween Party	0.00	2,038.27	5280 - Membership, Dues & Publications	10.99	361.95
Gratitude Dinner			5285 - Mileage Reimbursement	41.85	1,042.40
4430 - Revenue	0.00	20,186.05	5290 - Office Supplies	220.90	2,624.56
4435 - Expenses	0.00	-14,208.78	5310 - Paper	0.00	592.80
Total Gratitude Dinner	0.00	5,977.27	5320 - Payroll Tax Expense	229.50	3,529.74
Speaker Meeting			5325 - Payroll Processing Fee	71.00	1,108.55
4440 - Revenue	356.80	5,047.50	5330 - Postage	0.00	392.49
4445 - Expenses	-75.00	-1,326.29	5340 - Rent	736.00	8,832.00
Total Speaker Meeting	281.80	3,721.21	5350 - Repairs & Maintenance	0.00	282.00
Founders Day Picnic			5360 - Taxes & Licenses	0.00	50.00
4470 - Revenue	0.00	1,564.00	5370 - Telephone	356.64	4,249.43
4475 - Expenses	0.00	-687.49	5380 - Trash	27.84	363.70
Total Founders Day Picnic	0.00	876.51	5390 - Utilities	93.12	1,334.96
Corned Beef & Cribbage			Total Expense	5,490.46	84,657.64
4480 - Revenue	0.00	3,448.00	Net Ordinary Income	586.45	8,565.54
4485 - Expenses	0.00	-3,151.65	Other Income/Expense		
Total Corned Beef & Cribbage	0.00	296.35	Other Expense	332.50	332.50
Total Event Revenues	281.80	12,909.61	5400 - Physical inventory adjustment	0.00	0.00
Total 4002 - Income - Event Revenues	281.80	12,909.61	Total Other Expense	332.50	332.50
4003 - Event Revenues - Other			Net Other Income	-332.50	-332.50
4120 - Reno Spring Festival	0.00	3,000.00	Net Income	253.95	8,233.04
4110 - SWACYFAA 3	0.00	756.61			
Total 4003 - Event Revenues - Other	0.00	3,756.61			
4004 - Income - Merchandise Sales					
4700 - Merchandise Sales	5,326.87	83,650.88			
Total 4004 - Income - Merchandise Sales	5,326.87	83,650.88			
4900 - Interest Income	0.29	11.07			
Total Income	9,246.96	140,235.86			
Cost of Goods Sold					
5000 - Cost of Goods Sold	3,170.05	47,012.68			
Total COGS	3,170.05	47,012.68			
Gross Profit	6,076.91	93,223.18			

OTHER AREA EVENTS



A GROUP CALLED MONA

Without AA unity, my common self would be dead! It is my uncommon self that has survived. The common thing for an alcoholic to do is get drunk. Only an uncommonly small percentage of us get sober and stay that way. Thanks to our common welfare coming first, I celebrated twenty-seven years of frequent happy, joyous, and free behavior last Halloween.

My personal recovery depends upon AA unity all the way from the people living in my home, through my Attitude Adjustment AA Group, the General Service Office, and the annual General Service Conference. With that many people in unity for me, my personal recovery ought to be a cinch. So far, so good.

For me to be a part of that unified group, I must take responsibility for my personal recovery. I must live by spiritual principles. And to keep the priceless gift of that recovery, I have to give it away in Twelfth Step work and as an active member of my home group. My sponsor, however--that ever-present listener who hands accountability back to me, at times in big, emotionally heavy chunks--has helped me realize that there another group for me to consider. In short, there's more than one me stumbling around in my head.

I'm a whole committee, and my personal welfare and, ultimately, that of my home group, depends upon the unity of that inner head-group. Inside me, I'm a wife, a mother, a grandmother, a business woman, a homemaker, and a lover. I'm also a seventy-year-old teenager, a self-appointed authority figure, a cynic, a seeker, a musician, and a preacher. And I have an inner coward and an inner fighter in there as well. It's a motley group and it's all mine to manage. At times I can raise my hand as an example of how well it all works; at other times I'm bloody and a bit bowed.

My husband knows me well enough to ignore some of the members of my internal committee. He says that usually he doesn't want me to verbalize my observations on his nutrition, health, and hygiene, thank-you-very-much. But, you see, when I get to observing, I have trouble stopping. My inner authority figure wants to ignore his objections and hand the problem off to the inner wife, lover, and homemaker for prompt resolution. But ultimately, my head group comes up with the right solution: I close my mouth and breathe through my nose. We have no opinions on outside issues.

I like some of the members of my head-group, but I would like to bump a few of the others unceremoniously out of my crowded cranium. The business woman has served me well through the years, the grandmother gets positive feedback from a few pre-adolescent admirers, and I've learned to be a mother to adult daughters (after offering them a lot of domestic rubble in my drinking days). For that improvement I thank my Higher Power and AA unity.

I have come to believe that all members of my head-group are there to work together for my personal welfare. Sometimes the mother in me needs a quick sermonette; the business woman and homemaker can benefit from the confidence displayed by my inner authority figure.

And so it is with my home group. My AA group needs all of its members. Although some seem to have been handed off to the rest of us as a test of serenity, the unity--as well as the uniqueness--of our AA group is the result of the shared experience, strength, and hope of each of us as individuals. So it's up to me to manage the competing opinions and ambitions of this "group named Mona" so that the noise doesn't damage the unity of my home group.

In the process, I can learn about both the common and the uncommon side of myself and of others in my group, as we pursue our personal recovery by working for the common good.

Mona S.-S, Memphis, Tennessee
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**2017 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE
 CENTRAL OFFICE**

Monday January 16, 2017 - Martin Luther King Day - Closed
 Monday February 20, 2017 - Presidents' Day - Closed
 Monday May 29, 2017 - Memorial Day - Closed
 Tuesday July 4, 2017 - Independence Day - Closed
 Monday September 4, 2017 - Labor Day - Closed
 Friday October 27, 2017 - Nevada Day - Closed
 Friday November 10, 2017 - Veterans Day Observation - 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



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



January 3, 2017 held at The Alano Club in Sparks, NV

Meeting was opened at 6:48 pm by Mary Pat Z - NNIG Chairperson followed by the "Serenity Prayer", Dana E read the "Preamble of the NNIG By-Laws", and Bran P read "The Twelve Traditions". Introductions were made, announcements heard, and birthdays honored followed by the observance of the 7th Tradition. A motion to approve the minutes from the December meeting, as reported in *The Bracer*, was made by Ron T seconded by Nancy A and there was no discussion requested, and the motion was unanimously approved.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer's Report Diane B – In November and December books have been closed. Prudent reserve has been met thanks to the Gratitude Dinner and the Halloween Event. Books closed at the end of December, yearly expenses were down 7.3% and income was up 5.4%. A motion to approve the November Treasurer's report was made by Bruce, seconded by Ron T, no discussion requested, motion carried unanimously. For December's report motion made by Bruce A and seconded by Ron T to approve. Discussion was requested, Ron T mentioned the reason December closed up was due to a non-loss at a New Year's Event as we had last year, and the motion carried with one opposed with no opposing statement wanting to be made, and the rest in favor. The motion was approved. The financial statement may be viewed in its entirety elsewhere in our newsletter.

Central Office Executive Director's Report Leslie S – MONTHLY REPORT for December 2016

Calls into Central Office:

Calls for A.A. Help/12 Step Calls: 25	Calls for Alanon/Alateen: 2
Meeting Information: 51	*Retail/Merchandise: 10
Other 12 Step Programs: 2	A.A. Events Information: 7
Business/AA Central Office: 63	Total Phone Calls into Central Office: 160

Volunteer Office Hours: 114.6

As we enter into the 2017 notifications of merchandise price increases are appearing on invoices. Our monthly office space will increase \$22 a month, annual increase \$264. The Events/Activities storage unit will increase \$20 a month, annual increase \$240. Inventory was completed on December 30, 2016 total inventory on hand \$23,264.73. Total shortage \$332.50. Total Merchandise Sales for 2016 \$83,650.88. 59.65% of the NNIG Central Office annual income. Thank you to all the inventory volunteers, I appreciate you so much. Allison H. T. 775-830-5901 www.Treatmentconsultations.com will be covering the sunshine committee this month. We believe someone will come along in February to be a permanent Chair, thank you Allison. We are receiving calls into Central Office from local Centers asking us to send groups looking for meeting space. Alta Vista Mental Health (a Washoe County Building open until 8PM) at 1530 E 6th Street has a very nice meeting room big enough for 50, call the Central Office for more information. Question was aired regarding the nature of the shortage in inventory – Leslie states possibly due to ringing in items incorrectly, and Mary Pat stated it is a very low percentage of the full amount of inventory, approx .006% of our total Cost of Goods Sold for the year.

CENTRAL SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Activities/Events Chair Bruce A – New Year's Eve 2018 – Committee meetings are already in place and the Event are in the works for this next New Year's event.

Corned Beef and Cribbage – The Corned Beef and Cribbage event will be held March 4th 2017. The Truckee River Men's Stag will be hosting the event at the California Building. Raffle baskets can be dropped off at Central Office before March 3, 2017. A budget still needs to be approved. Please ask your groups for Raffle Basket Donations. Nancy has agreed to insert a Save the Date announcement in the *Bracer* as the flyer is pending and the group voted no caveat needed regarding the pending budget need be mentioned on the announcement.

Answering Service Mark U – Ray T has stepped down. Phone service has been impacted by a service downgrade by Charter. The service is up however transferring is not possible right now in the way we have done it in the past. Bids are out being received for alternative provider. Tonight the phones could not be transferred from Central Office. Leslie has spent hours with Charter to resolve. Our volunteers are on 12 hour shifts due to the inability to switch from one phone to another. Technology has outpaced our current system as smart phones are not required to forward the phones.

Bracer Chair Nancy A – Please get flyers to Nancy by the last Friday of every month to get into *The Bracer*. A change is being made to showcase individual group meetings on page 4, using the sign in sheets from the monthly InterGroup meeting, from the IG Reps that attended the meeting. Also the concepts are being included again this year. Cody from the Knucklehead's asked why their group's letter was not included in the Bracer last month. Nancy's answer is that groups cannot request to have their letters published, only with instructions from the Steering Committee can they be added.

CPC - Cooperation With the Professional Community Chair Cheryl E – And PI Public Information Chair Joyce Y –

Here are the activities that CPC and PI have been involved with for the past month: **University of Nevada Medical School, Reno:** Joyce Y. (NNIG PI chair) and Cheryl, along with other CPC committee members meet with Dr. DeKay and 4-5 third year medical students on a scheduled, rotating basis. We provide the students with some appropriate pamphlets and central office meeting schedules and a short presentation on CPC. The students get an assignment from Dr. DeKay to attend a 12 step meeting and then they report back on their experience in about 6 weeks. We also attend the report backs. A new student will begin on Jan. 13th at 2pm. The report backs will be Jan 27th at 2pm. 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 and Tom met with the counselors on Friday, Dec. 2nd. The counselors provided feedback. Tom, Joyce, and Cheryl met on Dec. 12th to review feedback and edit presentation. We will be meeting among ourselves to do a mock of presentation before we get back with school district. Once ready, we will need folks to give the presentations. Presenters will need to be fingerprinted by school district "trained" to facilitate to provide consistency and adherence to CPC/PI guidelines. Please contact Joyce or Cheryl if you have an interest in this project. **Victim Impact Program:** In Douglas County, folks that get a DUI must attend a VIP as part of their requirements. There are four folks on the panel, one of them in recovery from our committee. A Victim Impact Panel was held on Dec. 8th at the E. Fork Courthouse in Minden, NV. Sue, from Carson City, was the recovery speaker. Joyce, Sue, and Cheryl are to meet with Linda, the Victim Impact Panel coordinator prior to the next panel. **Orientation to AA Presentations:** The purpose of these presentations is to help folks new to AA and court ordered folks to understand AA meetings and the language of AA and how and why we do what we do. There are 6 standalone presentations. These are NOT AA meetings. They are a service to help folks learn about AA. Presenters need to be "trained" to facilitate to provide consistency and adherence to CPC/PI guidelines. Presentations are held at Bristlecone Treatment Center every Thursday at 7pm. We need folks to present and to assist presenter, and we go in pairs. Please contact Joyce or Cheryl if you are interested. **Miscellaneous:** Joyce and Cheryl scheduled a meeting with Jennifer at the Nevada Mental Health facility to discover/discuss their needs regarding AA. This meeting was requested by Jennifer. We were to meet on Dec. 19th. Jennifer was a no show. We have re-scheduled this meeting for Jan. 17th. **Budget:** To date, Central Office has issued \$103.30 (purchased in October 2016) in literature to the committee. No NNIG funds expensed in December 2016. **CPC Committee Meetings:** We hold our committee meetings at Central Office the 2nd Sunday of each month from 2-3/3:30. The next committee meeting will be Jan. 8th. If you are interested in CPC or PI committee work, please attend. We welcome you and need you!

Corrections Michelle M – We have 3 women willing to take a meeting into Jan Evans Juvenile facility. Looking for 1 more woman with 3 years sobriety required for Sunday nights, call Michelle for more information. Did you know Bridging the Gap was for Treatment Centers, NOT Correctional Centers? Me Neither. Michelle is looking to put a committee together called Pre-release. Not as catchy as Bridging the Gap, with its "gappers", but maybe together we can come up with a cute name for people that take newly released AA members to a meeting. Contact Michelle for more information.

Treatment Chair Sean K – Treatment is taking a meeting into the Ridge House for a woman's meeting. Last Thursday of every month is our committee meeting at Central Office 5:15pm. NAMS has a volunteer opening, TB Test and 6 months sobriety.

Bridging the Gap Chair Pat B – Since our last meeting, BTG was presented to General Service District 6, Carson City. This exceptionally well attended meeting has offered wonderful BTG support. Nine Fellowship members in attendance became BTG volunteers, including two members who agreed to become program presenters. This is significant because we believe we have a viable BTG opportunity with the recovery program at Carson Behavioral Health. District 6 covers the South Lake Tahoe area and we obtained volunteers to take newcomers to their first meeting in that area. The initial BTG Management presentation for Renown Behavioral Health in Reno is scheduled for this Thursday. The BTG Management presentation at West Hills was very positive and we are waiting for the Director there to advise us as to the frequency and begin date for our client presentations there. West Hills indicated that two client presentations per month may be desirable based on client's average length of stay in their program. Considering this and pending results of the Renown presentation, the BTG Committee is in major need of volunteers to make one hour BTG 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. We have a flyer here today that serves as a sample BTG announcement for meetings and we have volunteer sign-up cards. We also have the Guidelines for those who volunteer to be BTG Temporary Contacts. Monthly presentations continue to be made at both the men's and women's facilities at CrossRoads. To volunteer or for more information on BTG, please call Pat B. at 707-483-7181 or email at pat4sales@aol.com. Upcoming Events: January 5 - Renown Management Presentation. Monthly BTG Presentations at CrossRoad's Men's and Women's Facilities.

Pink Can Treasurer Anjuli K – The financial report was presented. See the full financial report elsewhere in our newsletter.

Speaker Meeting Chair Erika C – The schedule has been updated. Erika needs assistance due to her limited time, driven by family health issues. We need host groups for this summer. Two venues, Salvation Army and Destiny Christian Center are being considered for our new venue. Mary Pat asked for group feedback. A women's group does not want to be near Sutro at night. One group will support the Salvation Army location. 16 Group Representatives are present tonight. Mary Pat believes we cannot vote with such a low representative of our groups present tonight. Vote will be held next meeting.

Sunshine Committee Chair – (Open Position) Allison H is stepping in for this month.

Web-Master Ollie K – Needs a co-chair. Please let know Ollie know of any meeting changes or events. Webmaster email address is nnigwebmaster@gmail.com – please send flyers here, along with what is happening at the event. Kristin volunteered to help with the Corned Beef and Cribbage announcement graphics.

Area 42 NAGSC Liaison Chris S – As of Jan 1 my home group, my district, NAGS and Area 42 have rotated into their general service positions. We all try to rotate at the same time so we are all on the same page and it's suggested in the AA Service Manual that the GSR position runs concurrently with the committee members and delegates. The upcoming events start with the General Service panel 67 on Jan 28th at Sunnyside. This panel is for incoming GSR's, DCM's and NAGSC committee chairs. The workshop will go over who we are in General Service and what we can do for your group. It will also explain what NAGS is and how it is different from NNIG. It will also help the new people transition in their new positions. On Feb 25th at Sparks Christian Fellowship Northern Area 42 General Service Agenda Items Roundtable will take place. Discussion on changes happening in AA as a whole will be held. PRAASA will be happening on March 3-5 in Sacramento, see PRAASA2017@cniia.org for more info. This event is close and has been such a boost to my sobriety I highly suggest it to everyone. Our Area 42 Assembly will be in the wonderful town of Tonopah NV on March 24-26. We will inform our Delegates on what our groups think about the roundtable items. Our delegate Phil W will take that information to the General Service Conference in New York and carry our group's conscience.

RENVYPAA Jackson J –RENVYPAA meets the 2nd and 4th Sunday monthly upstairs at the Triangle at 5 pm

RENVYPAA has open positions, Co-bid chair, outreach chair, co-flyers, and co-events. RENVYPAA campout committee meets On Jan 27th at 6 pm at Roundtable Pizza located on 4th and vine. Campout Committee has a position for activities chair open. A Pancake Party is to be held at 627 Sunnyside Jan 10th at 6:30 pm-8:30 pm, Speaker at 7:30 pm, co-hosted with Young at Heart. In-Tents Sobriety Campout to be held June 23-25th in Taylorsville CA, pre-register today!

Chairperson Mary Pat Z – Thank you to the members of AA who are also part of RENVYPAA. Enthusiasm combined with grace is what you represented to the Steering Committee at our last meeting.

Vice-Chairperson Ron T – Several of us are working together to solve the answering service dilemma.

Secretary Cynthia F – no report.

Intergroup Representative Liaisons Dana E – no report.

Intergroup Representative Liaisons Brian A – 170 groups in our area, with only 17 Representatives here tonight. He is working on outreach for the underrepresented group.

New Business – none **Old Business** – Central Office open on Saturdays is still being researched by the Steering Committee as it involves several changes. A motion to close the meeting was made by Bruce A at 8:14 pm, seconded by many, and unanimously carried. We closed with The Lord's Prayer. Respectfully submitted, - Cynthia F NNIG Secretary.

December 27, 2016 NNIG Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

Ron T opened the meeting at 5:30 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 Ron T seconded by Leslie, one abstention and the motion carried. Present: Ron T – Vice-Chairperson, Mary Pat Z – Chairperson, Diane B – Treasurer, Cynthia F – Secretary, Bruce A – Events Chair (non-voting member), Bran – Activities Co-Chair (non-voting member); Intergroup Representative – Brian A, and Leslie S Executive Director of Central Office. Guests were Erika C Speaker Meeting Chair, Jackson J RENVYPAA NNIG Liaison, Brynn S RENVYPAA campout co-chair, Laura J, Michael F RENVYPAA Chair, Regina P RENVYPAA co-chair, Sean M, James S, Jason R, Brooke M, and Noel C. New Business: Diane B presented our financial figures for November. As per a motion at our last meeting we did have the funds to repay our prudent reserve and we transferred \$5,000 from Activities account to Prudent Reserve and our prudent reserve is back in order. Thanks to the Gratitude Dinner and the Halloween Event income we are back to our prudent reserve goal. Ron T. – There is a log in problem created by a Charter upgrade to our answering service. It is now an online service that is necessary to transfer the phone lines, which is too cumbersome to our various volunteers. They are now pulling 12 hour shifts to maintain full coverage. Quotes are being gathered to use a different service. Bran - Corned Beef and Cribbage –Atlantis is getting us a quote for the catered meal for a \$1,500 savings vs. The Eldorado, our previous supplier. March 4th is the date this year. Tickets need to be printed as soon as possible as well as the flyers. We are still awaiting a budget that we can review. Leslie – High turnover in Volunteers with lots of no shows. Rent and storage are going up for 2017. Dental and vision plan update still in the works, more to be reported next week. Old Business: Erika – Salvation Army is still considering our request for facility use. Erika needs a co-chair and the Silver Legacy has been secured through April and we need host groups. January speaker is set as well as the host group; February and March are in the works for speakers and also need host groups. We need an entire committee, not just a co-chair. Next week we will be getting feedback from the groups regarding a switch of Venue. Brian - Parking at Destiny Church is plentiful, with the adjoining parking lot available to us on the weekends. We are trying to get back to the second Saturday of each month instead of bouncing around the calendar like we have been doing. RENVYPAA – Jackson – We want to be on the Agenda so we can make reports at the Business Meetings that will be put in the minutes to communicate to the wider fellowship. Ron T reports that the RENVYPAA meetings are full of passion and want to help with NNIG Events, as these events are for the body of AA. Regina – We want to be a part of, and being on the agenda will allow us that opportunity. Mary Pat had questions. NNIG is an association of groups that support Central Office for being of Service. What is the purpose of RENVYPAA – Michael - our purpose is the same as AA. We are not separate from AA. We are a service committee in AA. Membership is defined by the by-laws for NNIG. Discussion was had. What is the purpose of your fundraising/events, answer- to cover actual expenses, and anything extra is donated to various AA entities. Motion was made by Brian, seconded by Ron, to add RENVYPAA to the Agenda for a period of one year for the purpose of an announcement period, but not adding them as a service committee, which is not in our by-laws. Discussion was requested. The perceived conflict is that RENVYPAA also holds events that are similar in nature to the NNIG events and there is a "competition" for revenue. Historically, the events appeal to people who will attend both. Mary Pat - The Steering Committee can add RENVYPAA to the Agenda without a by-laws change. Vote was held and carried unanimously, allowing RENVYPAA a place on the NNIG Month Business Meeting agenda. The Knucklehead's Group representatives requested to be on next month's NNIG Business Meeting Agenda. Mary Pat replied that the first step is to ask to be put on the next Steering Committee Meeting Agenda. Diane B – 2018 New Year's Eve Gala committee already has a chair, Jennifer P, and a venue The National Automobile Museum, catered by The Silver Peak. Roaring 20s theme and a catered meal with dancing are being planned. The next Steering Committee Meeting is January 31st. The meeting then was moved to be closed by Diane B, seconded by Ron T. and carried unanimously at 7:10 pm The meeting was closed with the responsibility statement. Respectfully submitted - Cynthia F NNIG Secretary.

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