

NNIG MONTHLY MEETING SPEAKER



June 10th – 7:00 pm
Group: RENVYPAA
Speaker: Longtimers
(Local Talent)

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

June, 2017

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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

...we then look at STEP SIX. *We have emphasized willingness as being indispensable.* Are we now ready to let God remove from us all the things which we have admitted are objectionable? Can He now take them all--every one? If we still cling to something we will not let go, we ask God to help us be willing.

Alcoholics Anonymous, Page 76

We grow by our **willingness** to face and rectify errors and convert them to assets. *Alcoholics Anonymous, Page 124*

Entirely Ready

IN JANUARY of this year, through God's grace and the miracle of AA, I had achieved approximately fourteen months of continuous sobriety. I had just taken a Fifth Step.

After about a week of sharing with AA friends about my Fifth Step, I began to look at Step Six. I had no idea what to do for a while. It didn't take long for some ill effects to settle in. My arrogance and my inflated ego returned. I was very fearful and quite confused. Why had everything looked so wonderful such a short time earlier? Why was the future looking so bleak? Why couldn't I stay in the now? This went on for about two months. Needless to say, I was an emotional wreck and a spiritual scoffer.

One night, unable to sleep, I began to talk to God for the first time in weeks. I cannot recall all of what I said, but my words came out something like this: "I don't want to be this scared little boy anymore. I don't want to have so much foolish pride. I want to be more honest. I want to be more capable of loving myself and others." After about twenty minutes, I closed by telling God that I was scared, that I knew He loved me, and that I didn't know where to turn. Unbelievable as it seems, it wasn't more than ten minutes later that serenity replaced the self-pity in my bones. Peace of mind pushed the fears right out of my mind. Then, I realized what had occurred. Unconsciously, I had just worked Steps Six and Seven.

I can see now, in looking back on this experience, that the three months of pain were absolutely necessary. Without that bit of hurt and confusion, I do not think I could possibly have been "entirely ready" for God to remove my character defects. At a time when I could not help myself and would not ask for assistance from another human being, God--as I understand Him--led me through what has probably been the most trying time of my life. I can think back to the promises in the Big Book now and say, "God really does do for me what I cannot do for myself."

The old defects occasionally crop up again; but now, I seem to have the sense to talk to my sponsors or other AA friends when I'm scared, lonely, and/or confused. Again, the Big Book promises on page 84, "We will intuitively know how to handle situations which used to baffle us."

Well, this is just one of several miraculous experiences in my life since joining AA, all of which have had much influence in making me what I am today--a very grateful alcoholic.

-- J. M., Minneapolis, Minnesota

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A A's

Recovery Step Six:

"Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character."

Three

Unity Tradition Six:

"An AA group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the AA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose."

Legacies

Service Concept Six:

The Conference recognizes that the chief initiative and active responsibility in most world service matters should be exercised by the trustee members of the Conference acting as the General Service Board.

Concept VI – A.A. Functions Democratically in Principle While Also Following a Corporate Model in Its Business Operations.

The first five Concepts provide the foundation for Alcoholics Anonymous to operate democratically as a fellowship. Then, in Concept VI, Bill adds discussion of how A.A. at the level of its world services is also a very large business. He introduces the "corporate model" as the basis for A.A. business operations.

A.A. is both a fellowship and a corporation? How complicated is that? It's beginning to sound like Bill had never heard of KISS. I now also needed to figure out why A.A. has and needs two operational sides, working closely together--both the General Service Conference and the General Service Board. Then I was told to read on through Concepts 6, 7, and 8 to really understand.

Bill elaborates on what he means by the "corporate model", saying that "Our Trustees must function almost exactly like the directors of any large business corporation. They must have ample authority to effectively manage and conduct A.A.'s business." Aha! I am beginning to understand. A simple way to think of this is that the A.A. General Service Conference is critical to our working harmoniously together as a fellowship, while the General Service Board, the Trustees, assures that we follow sound business practices, although these purposes do overlap.

Bill says that our Trustees need to be given a wide latitude of judgment and action. They need this because we A.A.'s are holding them mainly responsible for all our service activities. The Trustees have the legal and practical responsibility for the operation of A.A. World Services, Inc. which embraces A.A. publishing as well as the General Service Office, and of the A.A. Grapevine, Inc. These entities have a combined cash flow of many millions of dollars annually. The Trustees are also responsible for A.A.'s public information activities. They are the guardians of the Twelve Traditions. They are responsible for carrying the A.A. message to countries around the world. They are A.A.'s "bankers", overseeing the financial operations and investing A.A.'s substantial Reserve Fund. They are busy people who hold a great deal of responsibility for the effectiveness of A.A. workings.

Who are these Trustees to whom we give such authority? They fall into two categories: Class A and Class B. Class A Trustees are persons who are not and have not been afflicted by the disease of alcoholism and who express a profound faith in the recovery program upon which A.A. was founded. They are persons who have been friends of A.A., including members of professions such as medicine, law, the clergy, finance, or any other field that may have occasion to work with alcoholics, and whose personal and/or professional expertise and dedication can be invaluable to our Fellowship. Class B Trustees are sober A.A. members who have been nominated through our General Service committees and usually are members who have been deeply involved in A.A. service.

All Trustee nominations, Class A and Class B, are approved by the General Service Conference. Trustees serve a limited term. All serve as volunteers with no monetary payment. Each serves out of a 'labor of love' for Alcoholics Anonymous.

I have learned through the study of Concept VI that the General Service Board Trustees give us assurance that our business matters, particularly, are well taken care of. I am confident that the Trustees will perform their tasks effectively, guard our Traditions well, and serve our A.A. Society throughout the world. This ultimately frees me to devote my attention to carrying out our Fellowship's primary purpose found in Tradition Five--to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

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. Revised May, 2017

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

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

July 8, 2017
Host Group – Hole in the Ground
Speaker – Sam (Sacramento, CA)

August 12, 2017
Host Group – Happy Hour
Speaker - Steve M (Sun Valley, NV)

September 9, 2017
Host Group – Beginners are Winners
Speaker – Debbie P (Reno, NV)

October 7, 2017
Host Group – 4th Dimension
Speaker - TBD

November 18, 2017
Host Group – Almost Heaven
Speaker – **Almost Heaven will provide speaker

December 9, 2017
Host Group – Truckee River Men's Stag
Speaker - **Truckee River Men's Stag will provide speaker

NNIG Speaker Chair: Open
Speaker Co-Chair: Open

Need more info call: Central Office – (775) 355-1151
Join us for dinner at Millie's 24 inside the Eldorado @ 5 pm with the speaker

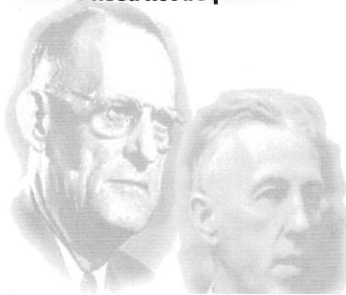
Annual Founders Day Picnic

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 4th, 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

ROARING TWENTIES

New Year's Eve Gala 2017

Sunday December 31, 2017

NATIONAL AUTOMOBILE MUSEUM

10 Lake Street Reno, NV 89501



Doors Open at 7:00PM

Dinner served at 8:00PM

ALANON Speaker at 9:30PM

AA Speaker at 9:45PM

Raffle and Silent Auction at 10:45 PM

Music, Dancing, Photo Ops at 11:00 PM

Fireworks at 11:59 PM

Tickets are \$60.00

Purchase Tickets at Central Office (775) 355-1151

1920's Attire is ENCOURAGED.

SILVER SPRINGS 9TH ANNUAL AA CAMPOUT

FRIDAY- SUNDAY JUNE 9TH, 10TH AND 11TH

FORT CHURCH HILL GROUP CAMP

SERENITY ON THE RIVER

BRING YOUR DOGS, QUAIDS, DIRT BIKES, CANOES, AND EVEN YOUR CHILDREN TO HAVE FUN SOBER
GOOD TIMES IN THE COTTONWOODS ALONG THE MIGHTY CARSON RIVER. PARKING AVAILABLE FOR
RV'S AND TRAILERS.

CAMP GROUNDS OPEN AT 1 PM

FRIDAY WEENIE ROAST 6PM

SPEAKER MEETING 7PM

SATURDAY OPEN MEETING 10AM

PINATA FOR KIDS 3PM

POTLUCK / SPEAKER 6PM

MEETING

RAFFLE DRAWING

RESENTMENT BONFIRE

SUNDAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST 9AM

SPEAKER MEETING 10AM



COST IS \$35.00 PER PERSON INCLUDING PARKING. CHILDREN ARE FREE! NOTE: THIS IS A ROUGH OUT,
BRING YOUR OWN TENTS, WATER ECT. THERE ARE TOILET FACILITIES. PLEASE ALL DOGS MUST BE ON
LEASHES.

JULY

Stagecoach Friends of Bill W
Potluck/Speaker Meeting

Friday, July 7, 2017

Potluck: 6 PM Speaker: 7 PM

Speaker: Drew from Gardnerville

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,
The monthly Central Office volunteer meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month @ 1:00 PM at the Central Office. If you are interested in joining our team of proficient Central Office Volunteers please stop by and meet us. We are seeking volunteers for Saturday and interested lead volunteers willing to learn opening and closing procedures at Central Office.*

*Business Meetings attended last month:
May 10, 2017 @ 6:30 PM Fernley Groups Business Meeting.*

May 16, 2017 @ 1:00PM Southside Business Meeting.

May 17, 2017 @ 7:30 PM Gardnerville Groups Business Meeting.

June 4, 2017 @ 3:00 PM Graeagle Sister's in Recovery

Leslie S. - Your Central Office Executive Director



The Birthday Club



MJ —34 years
William M.—28 years
Rich J.—18 years
Nancy R.—23 years
Sharon F.— 32 years
Kim D.—40 years
Rob L.—7 years
Karen S.—27 years
Kent L.—35 years
Lorenda L.—7 years
Lunnetta N.—7 years
Paul M.—25 years
Joan H.—46 years
Christy M.—21 years

Jennifer P.—4 years
Cynthia F.—4 years
Donn T.—26 years
Steven C.—12 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



FOUR WINDS GROUP
BIG BOOK TOPIC
MEETING 5:30 PM
780 DEL MONTE LANE
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
CHURCH, RENO

Incline to Be Sober

Mon – 6PM, Wed – 6PM
Fri – 7 PM, Sat – 5PM
St Patrick's Episcopal Church
341 Village Blvd.
Incline Village

Real Lunch Bunch

Friday, Noon
141 Industrial Way
Fallon
(My apologies to the group!!)

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

Young at Heart

Tuesday 7:30PM
627 Sunnyside Dr.
Reno

TiTYPAA

COMMITTEE ELECTIONS
SUNDAY
JULY 16, 2017
8:15PM
827 Oakbank Ct.
Unit #9
Kings Beach, CA



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 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

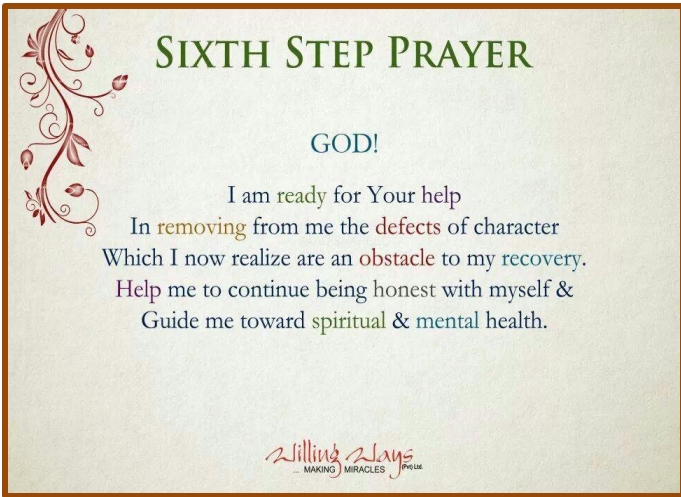
DISTRICT 14 3rd Tues of each "Odd" month at 6:00 PM - Contact DCM
 Next location is determined at each meeting

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



SIXTH STEP PRAYER

GOD!

I am ready for Your help
 In removing from me the defects of character
 Which I now realize are an obstacle to my recovery.
 Help me to continue being honest with myself &
 Guide me toward spiritual & mental health.

Miracles Made Possible
 ... MAKING MIRACLES POSSIBLE

AREA CLUBS

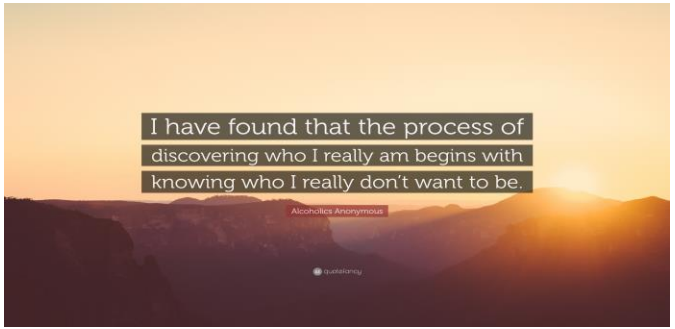
Reno / Sparks Clubs
 Alano Club Sparks, 1640 Prater Way (775) 359-2727
 Driars Club Reno 345 S. Wells Avenue (775) 324-9210
 Triangle Club Reno 635 S Wells Avenue (775) 324-7977

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:

GRATITUDE DINNER – 3RD THURSDAY, 5:30PM,
 CENTRAL OFFICE

NYE GALA, 1ST 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: _____

6th Step

Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.

I HAVE attacked Step Six many times. It has attacked me in return. We have had open warfare, and we have had moratoriums. For periods of time, I have purposely ignored this Step. Often, I have stated that it did not make sense to me.

The battle began some years back, when I regularly attended Step-discussion meetings. I had done my best on the first five Steps, I thought. I had even made a written list of all my defects. They counted up to twenty-seven. Following the example of an old-timer friend of mine, whose quality of sobriety I admired, I printed, in ink, each one of my separate defects on a white poker chip. Then all twenty-seven chips went into a small, fat, yellow pitcher. Every morning on awaking, I plunged my hand into it (like picking a number from a goldfish bowl) and came up with the "chip for today." The defect might be anger, fear, pride, resentment, gossip, snobbery, self-pity, and so on, but whichever one it was had to be concentrated upon for the next 24 hours, and either reduced to a minimum or cast away.

It was a kind of game. I enjoyed wrestling with one "defect" a day. I felt I was making progress, really working the AA program. It hadn't yet occurred to me that I had gone overboard on this "defect" business. Twenty-seven indeed! How is that for the "pride" defect? Of course, most of them were not serious flaws of character, such as the inability to be honest with oneself. Most were bad habits possessed, in some degree, by most humans.

Nevertheless, I kept up this game for two or three years, telling many AA friends about it and urging them to go and do likewise. I explained that, although the Step suggested that God would remove these defects when and if I became ready to let go of them, I was of the school that believed in the saying "Pray for potatoes, but reach for the hoe." I did ask my Higher Power to lend a hand on the day's defect I happened to confront, but I felt that He expected me to use energy on rooting it out of my character.

Still, these dozens of defects I had laid claim to kept cropping up again and again, over and over. It seemed that the harder I fought them, the harder they fought back. I became quite discouraged. I decided I had been willing, I had tried, and I would now let Number Six, and myself, have a vacation. I put the little yellow pitcher on a shelf behind some books and only

now and then dipped into it. I kept busy and active in AA; I felt comfortable being sober; I was trying to practice the AA principles in all my affairs. Then, out of nowhere, came a deep resentment toward an AA friend. I agonized over it, prayed over it, but discussed it with no one. I had insomnia, indigestion, and fatigue. (Any good doctor can tell you that negative emotions make people physically ill.)

Fortunately, just about that time our group was slated for discussion of Step Six. I opened my copy of *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions* and read the Step all the way through. Although I had read it many times before, it seemed as if I saw its meaning for the first time. I gathered that, instead of fighting mightily against a defect, I had to let go of it. Just simply open up my hands, my heart, and my mind and say to my Higher Power. "Here it is, this defect. I give it to you. Please remove it from me." In this case, it was the bitter and destructive resentment that I wished to be rid of. And so it happened. It faded away and never returned.

Since then, I have followed the same procedure on other serious emotional problems, with the same result. I just have to keep in mind that if I am not 100 percent sincere in my willingness to be rid of the problem, the procedure won't work. I have come to realize that Step Six means exactly what it says. No more, no less. When, and if, I become ready to have painful, inhibiting, or long-standing flaws removed, they will be. Not always permanently, not all of them. But if and when they return, they will be weaker and much easier to let go of. As for all those bad habits I once listed as defects, I am trying to arrest them a day at a time, as I do my alcoholism.

A little progress has been made on pride. I can now admit that most of my troubles stem from one large and glaring defect: self-centeredness. For how can I wallow in self-pity, weep over resentments, be sick with righteous anger, ache with envy, tense up with fears and anxieties unless all my thoughts are exclusively on poor me?

A long time ago, a very wise man, Marcus Aurelius, wrote: "A man's life is what his thoughts make it." Through Step Six, I have learned how true this is. I may never comprehend it fully, yet I know its value to me. It calls forth the most precious asset any recovering alcoholic can have: the willingness to get out of the driver's seat, to stop trying to run the show. I need to keep the Sixth Step message of letting go and letting God in my own thoughts at all times.

-- F. C., Manhattan, New York
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NNIG/Central Office Group Contributions 2017

| Group | May | YTD | Group | May | YTD |
|---------------------------------|--------|---------|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 12 X 12 on 12th Street | | 0.00 | Happy Hour Reno | | 913.94 |
| 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 | 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 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Alano Jaywalkers | | 0.00 | Ladies of the Lake | | 80.80 |
| Alano Keep it Simple | | 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 | 455.00 | 905.00 |
| Alano There is a Solution | | 0.00 | NNIG Business Meeting | 34.00 | 169.00 |
| Alano Women in Recovery | | 0.00 | Our Common Welfare | | 0.00 |
| Alturas Hill Toppers | 55.33 | 55.33 | Our Group Sunnyside | | 0.00 |
| Austin Group | | 42.00 | Out and Sober | | 25.00 |
| Back to Basics Reno | 125.00 | 350.00 | Portola Group | | 300.00 |
| Back to Basics Sparks | | 0.00 | Progress Not Perfection | | 0.00 |
| Battle Mountain Fellowship | 10.00 | 50.00 | Pyramid Lake Campout | | 0.00 |
| Bishop Group | | 0.00 | Pyramid Way Discussion Group | | 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 | 50.00 | 50.00 | RTC Afternoon Delight | | 105.00 |
| Caring & Sharing in Stead | | 203.31 | RTC Almost Heaven | 50.00 | 250.00 |
| 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 | | 63.00 |
| Carson Back to Basics | | 0.00 | RTC Just for Today Women | | 0.00 |
| Carson Big Book Babes | | 0.00 | RTC Little Rascals | | 50.00 |
| Carson Big Book Experience | | 0.00 | RTC Lost and Found | | 102.00 |
| Carson Brown Baggers | | 504.50 | RTC Men's Trudgers | | 0.00 |
| Carson Drunk Squad | | 0.00 | RTC Mid Day Group | | 100.00 |
| Carson Early Birds | 423.33 | 603.04 | RTC Mon Night Grapevine | | 216.00 |
| Carson Happy Hour | 254.00 | 714.00 | RTC Monday Night Men's | 140.00 | 140.00 |
| Carson Jay-Walkers Men's | | 100.00 | RTC New Awakenings Group | | 283.58 |
| Carson Men's NO BS Stag | | 30.00 | 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 | | 150.00 | RTC Women's Literature Study | | 0.00 |
| Carson Sunday Night Step Study | | 0.00 | RTC Women on Wednesday | | 0.00 |
| Carson Valley Gratitude | | 300.00 | Serenity on Sunday | | 0.00 |
| Carson Women's Night Out | | 0.00 | Silver Springs Groups | | 75.00 |
| Chester Saturday Night | | 0.00 | Sisters of Sobriety | 96.98 | 96.98 |
| Choices | | 0.00 | Slide Mountain Serenity | | 0.00 |
| Cornerstone Group | 150.00 | 150.00 | South Reno on Sunday | | 332.37 |
| Crystal Bay Nooners | | 0.00 | South Shore Group | | 50.00 |
| Dayton Fellowship Hall | | 100.00 | Southside Group | 370.90 | 1411.41 |
| Dayton Friday Night Rule 62 | | 0.00 | Staying Sober & Square One | | 0.00 |
| Dayton Sunday Morning | | 272.37 | Sunday New Beginnings | 15.00 | 48.00 |
| District 6 | | 400.00 | Sunnyside Big Book Study | | 0.00 |
| Driar's 4th Dimension | 29.00 | 156.71 | Sunnyside Group | | 856.60 |
| Driar's Club Into Action | | 0.00 | Susanville Fellowship | | 0.00 |
| Driar's Club Lunch Bunch | | 0.00 | Susanville Thursday Night | 50.00 | 100.00 |
| Driar's Serenity Night Owls | | 10.00 | Susanville Wed Womens | | 62.94 |
| Driar's Support Hose | | 0.00 | Tahoe City Fellowship | | 0.00 |
| Eleventh Step Retreat | | 0.00 | The Rock Group | | 141.50 |
| End Of The Road Group Topaz | | 0.00 | Truckee Dawn Patrol | | 202.26 |
| Eye Opener | 31.00 | 1411.00 | Truckee Fellowship | | 66.27 |
| Eye Opener Mid-day Group | | 0.00 | Truckee River Men's Stag | | 1000.00 |
| Fallon The Real Lunch Bunch | | 438.90 | Verdi Bookies | | 195.92 |
| Fernley Groups | | 200.00 | Verdi Greener Pastures | | 0.00 |
| Finding Peace | | 50.00 | Wed Night Beginners | | 100.00 |
| Fireside Group | | 200.00 | Westwood AA | | 0.00 |
| Galena Friday Night | | 0.00 | Westwood Monday Night | | 16.48 |
| Gardnerville Roadside Group | | 0.00 | Whole in the Ground Sunnyside | | 200.00 |
| Gardnerville Wed Night Live | | 62.00 | Whole in the Soul | | 0.00 |
| Golden Valley Back Room Group | | 0.00 | Winnemucca Serenity Seekers | | 0.00 |
| Greenville Group | | 40.00 | Winnemucca Single Purpose | | 0.00 |
| Ground Zero | | 208.00 | Winnemucca Three Legacies | | 0.00 |
| Grupo Accion | | 0.00 | Women's 24 Hours A Day | | 0.00 |
| Grupo Solo Por Hoy | 20.00 | 40.00 | Women's New Beginnings | | 530.08 |
| Grupo Fe Y Esoeranza | | 70.00 | Women's New Harmony | | 45.00 |
| Grupo La Nueva Luz | 70.00 | 130.00 | Young at Heart | | 0.00 |
| Grupo Latino | | 0.00 | | | |
| Grupo Nueva Vida | 10.00 | 60.00 | | | |
| | | | Total | 2,539.54 | 18,742.46 |

PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT

Northern Nevada Intergroup Profit & Loss

| | May 17 | Jan - May 17 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Ordinary Income/Expense | | |
| Income | | |
| 4000 - Income - General | | |
| 4500 - Faithful Followers | 35.00 | 725.00 |
| 4300 - Bracer Subscriptions | 29.00 | 109.00 |
| 4800 - Other Copy Reimbursements | 2.50 | 174.35 |
| 4600 - Individual Contributions | 29.00 | 233.50 |
| 4590 - Group Contributions | 2,689.54 | 18,892.46 |
| 4200 - Birthday Contributions | 243.00 | 488.00 |
| Total 4000 - Income - General | 3,028.04 | 20,622.31 |
| 4002 - Income - Event Revenues | | |
| Event Revenues | | |
| Speaker Meeting | | |
| 4440 - Revenue | 100.00 | 1,644.40 |
| 4445 - Expenses | -75.00 | -541.40 |
| Total Speaker Meeting | 25.00 | 1,103.00 |
| Cornd Beef & Cribbage | | |
| 4480 - Revenue | 0.00 | 5,134.00 |
| 4485 - Expenses | 0.00 | -2,544.47 |
| Total Cornd Beef & Cribbage | 0.00 | 2,589.53 |
| Total Event Revenues | 25.00 | 3,692.53 |
| Total 4002 - Income - Event Revenues | 25.00 | 3,692.53 |
| 4003 - Event Revenues - Other | | |
| 4120 - Reno Spring Festival | 6,000.00 | 6,000.00 |
| Total 4003 - Event Revenues - Other | 6,000.00 | 6,000.00 |
| 4004 - Income - Merchandise Sales | | |
| 4700 - Merchandise Sales | 7,766.44 | 35,180.56 |
| Total 4004 - Income - Merchandise Sales | 7,766.44 | 35,180.56 |
| 4900 - Interest Income | 0.29 | 5.74 |
| Total Income | 16,819.77 | 65,501.14 |
| Cost of Goods Sold | | |
| 5000 - Cost of Goods Sold | 4,392.51 | 19,986.37 |
| Total COGS | 4,392.51 | 19,986.37 |
| Gross Profit | 12,427.26 | 45,514.77 |
| Expense | | |
| 5100 - Bank Fees and charges | 3.00 | 6.00 |
| 5120 - Professional Fees | 0.00 | 1,060.00 |
| 5180 - CC Service Fees | 171.27 | 927.87 |
| 5181 - Convention expenses | 0.00 | 325.96 |
| 5210 - Storage Unit | 80.00 | 400.00 |
| 5220 - Shipping Charges | 18.85 | 226.81 |
| 5230 - Alarm System | 133.77 | 286.63 |
| 5235 - Committee Expenses | 63.58 | 341.79 |
| 5240 - Compensation | 3,904.00 | 17,120.00 |
| 5250 - Computer expenses | 0.00 | 451.35 |
| 5260 - Copier Lease | 327.77 | 1,618.47 |
| 5270 - Insurance Business/Workers Comp | 1,086.00 | 1,086.00 |
| 5280 - Membership, Dues & Publications | 0.00 | 485.00 |
| 5285 - Mileage Reimbursement | 112.00 | 188.68 |
| 5290 - Office Supplies | 195.17 | 1,013.33 |
| 5310 - Paper | 23.03 | 249.76 |
| 5320 - Payroll Tax Expense | 298.66 | 1,309.66 |
| 5325 - Payroll Processing Fee | 75.00 | 472.50 |
| 5330 - Postage | 0.00 | 89.75 |
| 5340 - Rent | 758.00 | 3,790.00 |
| 5350 - Repairs & Maintenance | 0.00 | 70.00 |
| 5360 - Taxes & Licenses | 0.00 | 50.00 |
| 5370 - Telephone | 466.76 | 8,320.46 |
| 5380 - Trash | 28.63 | 142.35 |
| 5390 - Utilities | 101.64 | 520.88 |
| Total Expense | 7,847.12 | 40,563.25 |
| Net Ordinary Income | 4,580.14 | 4,951.52 |
| Net Income | 4,580.14 | 4,951.52 |

PINK CAN CONTRIBUTIONS

| Pink Can Contributions - Hospitals and Institutions | | | Group Contributions 2017 YTD | | | Group Contributions 2017 YTD | | |
|---|--------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|-----------|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Group | May | YTD Total | Group | May | YTD Total | Group | May | YTD Total |
| 4th Dimension | 70.90 | 352.74 | Women's Just For Today | | 0.00 | Women's New Beginnings | 44.44 | 162.59 |
| A Way Home | | 94.00 | Women's New Harmony | 33.86 | 91.11 | Women's Night Out | | 0.00 |
| AA Golden Group Kings Beach | | 0.00 | Women on Wednesday | | 0.00 | Women's 24 Hours A Day | | 0.00 |
| Alano Afternoon Serenity | 73.55 | 170.55 | Young At Heart | | 54.24 | | | |
| Alano Brown Baggers | | 128.00 | | | | May Income/YTD | 1492.36 | 9216.00 |
| Alano Club Jay Walkers | | 0.00 | | | | April 2017 Balance Forward | 2776.00 | |
| Alano Dawn Patrol | | 119.82 | | | | Account Balance | 4268.36 | |
| Alano Hoppers Serenity | | 0.00 | | | | May Lit Distributed | 3045.00 | |
| Alano Sunshine Group | 41.03 | 174.19 | | | | Ending Balance | 1223.36 | |
| Alano Women in Recovery | 36.05 | 50.61 | | | | | | |
| Austin Group | | 0.00 | | | | | | |
| Caring and Sharing Stead | | 118.28 | | | | | | |
| Carson After Shifters | | 1374.95 | | | | | | |
| Carson Big Book Babes | | 32.28 | | | | | | |
| Carson City Early Birds | | 539.03 | | | | | | |
| Carson City Happy Hour | | 0.00 | | | | | | |
| Carson City Sunday Step Study | | 0.00 | | | | | | |
| Carson Men's No BS | | 120.51 | | | | | | |
| Carson Sisters in Sobriety | 23.00 | 75.00 | | | | | | |
| Corner Stone Group | 51.00 | 93.00 | | | | | | |
| Dayton Sunday Morning | | 58.00 | | | | | | |
| Drivers Keep it Simple | | 102.29 | | | | | | |
| End of the Road Group | | 73.00 | | | | | | |
| Eye Opener | | 328.00 | | | | | | |
| Femley Groups | | 168.00 | | | | | | |
| Golden Valley Back Room | | 88.00 | | | | | | |
| Ground Zero | | 13.00 | | | | | | |
| Happy Hour | | 225.95 | | | | | | |
| Ladies of the Evening | 73.00 | 147.00 | | | | | | |
| Knuckle Heads | | 66.00 | | | | | | |
| Minden Gardnerville Group | 587.83 | 1651.65 | | | | | | |
| Minden Wednesday Night Live | | 329.71 | | | | | | |
| Minden Roadside Group | | 133.62 | | | | | | |
| Minden Saturday Night Fever | | 0.00 | | | | | | |
| Mount Rose Recovery Group | | 80.00 | | | | | | |
| Northern California H&I | | 199.07 | | | | | | |
| Pyramid Way Group | 108.00 | 108.00 | | | | | | |
| Roadside Group | | 0.00 | | | | | | |
| RTC Almost Heaven | 25.00 | 125.00 | | | | | | |
| RTC ALDHA Group | | 0.00 | | | | | | |
| Seniors in Sobriety | | 0.00 | | | | | | |
| Serenity on Sunday | | 0.00 | | | | | | |
| Sierra Ville Book Study | | 34.56 | | | | | | |
| Slide Mountain Serenity | | 34.00 | | | | | | |
| Support Hose | | 65.60 | | | | | | |
| South Reno on Sunday | | 65.60 | | | | | | |
| Southside Group | 83.00 | 582.00 | | | | | | |
| Step 1 | | 41.00 | | | | | | |
| Sunnyside | 141.00 | 429.00 | | | | | | |
| The Rock Group | | 48.03 | | | | | | |
| Truckee River Men's | | 112.30 | | | | | | |
| Verdi Bookies | 80.00 | 165.00 | | | | | | |
| Verdi Greener Pastures | 20.70 | 55.92 | | | | | | |
| Virginia City Plug in the Jug | | 0.00 | | | | | | |

| Distributed Literature 2017 YTD | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Facilities | May | YTD Total |
| JAILS & CORRECTIONS | | |
| Carson City Jail | 618.00 | 2038.00 |
| Carson City Warm Springs | | 1184.00 |
| NNCC Carson Prison | | 240.00 |
| Douglas County Jail | | 392.00 |
| Elko/Carlin Corrections Camp | | 0.00 |
| Herling Prison | | 54.00 |
| Jane Evans Detention Center | | 168.00 |
| Lakes Crossing | 104.00 | 104.00 |
| Lovelock Prison | | 458.60 |
| NA Transitional Housing | | 260.00 |
| Stewart Corrections Camp | 183.00 | 183.00 |
| Washoe County - Parr | 630.00 | 1030.00 |
| Washoe Courts - SB277 | 20.00 | 20.00 |
| TREATMENT & HOSPITALS | | |
| Bristlecone - Residential | 210.00 | 450.00 |
| Carson Behavioral Health | 480.00 | 515.00 |
| Carson Tahoe Detox | 180.00 | 360.00 |
| Crossroads - St Vincent's Residential | | 95.00 |
| Empowerment Center | | 0.00 |
| Gospel Mission | | 0.00 |
| New Frontiers - Fallon | | 0.00 |
| NI Adult Mental Health Services | | 0.00 |
| Renown Behavior Health | | 228.00 |
| Ridge House | | 480.00 |
| Saint Vincent's | | 0.00 |
| Salvation Army | | 480.00 |
| Step 1 - Men | | 0.00 |
| Step 2 - Women | 620.00 | 843.00 |
| Sun Shine Committee - Hospitals | | 0.00 |
| VA Hospital | | 0.00 |
| West Care | | 160.00 |
| West Hills | | 32.50 |
| AA GRAPEVINE/LA VINA | | 169.50 |
| Office Supplies | | 31.44 |
| Total | 3045.00 | 9,976.04 |

Corrections Chair - Michelle M (775) 722-6738
 Treatment Chair - Steve M (775) 954-6475
 Bridging The Gap Chair - Pat B (707) 483-7181
 Pink Can Treasurer - Anjuli K (707) 321-6400



NNIG CENTRAL OFFICE
OPEN ON SATURDAYS
 10:00AM – 2:00PM

NNIG A.A. CENTRAL OFFICE
 436 SOUTH ROCK BLVD SPARKS, NV 89431



2017 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE
CENTRAL OFFICE

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 19, 2018 - Presidents' Day - Closed
 Monday May 28, 2018 - Memorial Day - Closed

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 FOR CORRECTIONS - AREA 42

Bill Wilson

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

OTHER AREA EVENTS



KEEP IT SIMPLE
SERENITY IN THE SIERRAS XXVIII
JULY 20-23, 2017

Camp Richardson
"Eagle's Nest"
South Lake Tahoe, CA
July 20-23, 2017

\$7.27 on 7/27
NEVADA AREA 42 CHALLENGE
July 27th 2017

In 2016 GSO provided services to 1,362,402 A.A. members at a cost of \$9,906,588. That's \$7.27 per A.A. member for the whole year! If every member contributed \$7.27 one time, it would support all of the services GSO provides to all groups, for one year!

Here's how the challenge works:

Groups pass a Special Basket or Can in addition to the regular 7th Tradition. Each member contributes \$7.27 (or round it up to \$8 to help those who can't). Individual members can send money or contribute online any time. Remember this is in addition to what you put in the basket to support your group.

\$7.27 on 7/27 — easy to remember!

On July 27th each group collects the contents of the can or basket and writes a check (or money order) the address below for the amount contributed. Cut on dotted line and be sure to enclose this form with your payment to get credit for your contribution.

Send your share.
Meet the Challenge!

General Service Office
PO Box 49
Grand Central Station
New York NY 10163-0409

GROUP NAME/NUMBER
or
MEMBER NAME
ADDRESS

Amount \$ _____ 2017 Contribution for \$7.27 on 7/27 CHALLENGE

You and your family are



17th Annual
FERNLEY KISS PICNIC

Sunday August. 13th, 2017
11 am to 4 pm
At the "In Town Park" Fernley, NV

Contact Mike H. @ 575-9317 for info.
"Please bring a favorite side dish or dessert"
Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Sodas & Water
Will be provided

There will be a 50/50 raffle and prizes for the games we play

SAVE THE DATE
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Nevada Fall
Round Up

PEPPERMILL RESORT &
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OCTOBER 20TH to 22ND
2017

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Tradition Six

An AA group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the AA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose. (from the May 1948 Grapevine)

The sixth of our Twelve Points of AA Tradition is deemed so important that it states at length the relation of the AA movement to money and property.

This Tradition declares in substance that the accumulation of money, property, and the unwanted personal authority so often generated by material wealth comprise a cluster of serious hazards against which an AA group must ever be on guard.

Tradition Six also enjoins the group never to go into business nor ever to lend the AA name or money credit to any "outside" enterprise, no matter how good. Strongly expressed is the opinion that even clubs should not bear the AA name; that they ought to be separately incorporated and managed by those individual AAs who need or want clubs enough to financially support them.

We would thus divide the spiritual from the material, confine the AA movement to its sole aim, and ensure (however wealthy as individuals we may become) that AA itself shall always remain poor. We dare not risk the distractions of corporate wealth. Years of experience have proven these principles beyond doubt. They have become certainties, absolute verities for us.

Thank God, we AAs have never yet been caught in the kind of religious or political disputes which embroil the world of today. But we ought to face the fact that we have often quarreled violently about money, property, and the administration thereof. Money, in quantity, has always been a baleful influence in group life. Let a well-meaning donor present an AA group with a sizable sum and we break loose. Nor does trouble abate until that group, as such, somehow disposes of its bankroll. This experience is practically universal. "But," say our friends, "isn't this a confession of weakness? Other organizations do a lot of good with money. Why not AA?"

Of course, we of AA would be the first to say that many a fine enterprise does a lot of good with a lot of money. To these efforts, money is usually primary; it is their lifeblood. But money is *not* the lifeblood of AA. With us, it is very secondary. Even in small quantities, it is scarcely more than a necessary nuisance, something we wish we could do without entirely. Why is that so?

We explain this easily enough; we don't need money. The core of our AA procedure is one alcoholic talking to another, whether that be sitting on a curbstone, in a home, or at a meeting. It's the message, not the place; it's the talk, not the alms. That does our work. Just places to meet and talk, that's about all AA needs. Beyond these, a few small offices, a few secretaries at their desks, a few dollars apiece a year, easily met by voluntary contributions. Trivial indeed, *our* expenses! Nowadays, the AA group answers its well-wishers saying: "Our expenses are trifling. As good earners, we can easily pay them. As we neither need nor want money, why risk its hazards? We'd rather stay poor. Thanks just the same!"

Bill W.

NNIG BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

June 6, 2017 held at The Alano Club in Sparks, NV

Meeting was opened at 6:45pm by Ron T NNIG outgoing Chairman followed by the "Serenity Prayer", Ryan read the "General Warranties of the NNIG", and Dawn K 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 May 2nd meeting, as reported in *The Bracer*, was made by Jen P, seconded by Sean K and was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report delivered by Leslie S The Spring Festival gave us a \$6,000 donation which went into the savings to be held for Capital Expenditures. Last year at this time we were negative by 3K, now at 4K in the black. Thank all groups for their contributions as they are way up this year, which is the difference in operating in the positive this year. Pink Can did a great job distributing books from Central Office; it is very exciting to see the books going out to those who need them. The financial statement may be viewed in its entirety elsewhere in our newsletter. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Nancy A, several seconded, and it carried unanimously.

New Business – Next Business Meeting Date

The next Meeting is a Tuesday which is July 4th, we are attempting to move it to Wednesday July 5th. An email will be sent to everyone who has legibly signed in on the sheet with the announcement.

Main Business - Elections

Jimi read the Third Legacy Procedures which govern this election meeting. Dan M served as the presiding recording body member and therefore is ineligible to run for any office. He was assisted by Jimi and Cody, who are also ineligible to run for any office. A motion to vote by simple acclamation for positions with only one candidate, instead of by paper ballot, was made by Joyce Y, seconded by Steve, and the motion carried unanimously.

Election Results – Total number of voting members = 35

Dan M ask that no voting member leave once the voting begins as our number will be thrown off and we will need to begin the voting process again.

Leslie S read a brief description of each office prior to nominations and voting.

STEERING COMMITTEE

Chairperson Ron T was elected by acclamation

Vice-Chair Sean S was elected by acclamation

Treasurer Dawn K was elected by acclamation

Secretary - Open at this time, Cynthia F agreed to fill-in until the position is filled, approval voting by the body was unanimous.

Intergroup Representative Liaison (1) Tom M was elected by acclamation

Intergroup Representative Liaison (2) Joyce Y was elected by acclamation

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Activities/Events Kris H was elected by acclamation

Answering Service Mark U was elected by acclamation

Bracer Emily S was elected by acclamation with one abstention

Web-Master Ollie K was elected by acclamation

CPC Cooperation with Professional Community Cheryl E was elected by acclamation

PI Public Information Tom B was elected by acclamation

Speaker Meeting Rob L and Brian A stood for the position. A vote was held and Brian A won by majority vote.

Sunshine Committee Paul M was elected by acclamation

Corrections Ryan S was elected by acclamation

Treatment Chair Steve M, was elected by acclamation

Bridging the Gap Pat B was elected by acclamation

Pink Can Treasurer- Will be appointed by the Body after the H&I Committee nominates someone.

The meeting was closed with the Responsibility Statement at 8:02pm.

Respectfully submitted, Cynthia F NNIG Secretary

Reports submitted to the Secretary, but not given orally due to the election

Central Office Director's Report Leslie S –MONTHLY REPORT for May 2017

Calls into Central Office:

Calls for A.A. Help/12 Step Calls: 25 Calls for Alano/Alateen: 2

Meeting Information: 61 *Retail/Merchandise: 12

Other 12 Step Programs: 3 A.A. Events Information: 21

Business/AA Central Office: 64 **Total Phone Calls into Central Office: 188**

Volunteer Office Hours: 145

Central Office Saturday's 10AM to 2PM. - May 6, 2017 = \$57.04 = 4 people; May 13, 2017 = NO Customers, NO Sales; May 20, 2017 = \$71.00 = 2 people; May 27, 2017 = \$115.50 = 3 people; June 3, 2017 = 100.50 = 2 people. The monthly Central Office volunteer meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month @ 1:00 PM at the Central Office. If you are interested in joining our team of proficient Central Office Volunteers please stop by and meet us. We are seeking volunteers for Saturday and interested lead volunteers willing to learn opening and closing procedures at Central Office. Business Meetings attended last month: May 10, 2017 @ 6:30 PM Fernley Groups Business Meeting; May 16, 2017 @ 1:00PM Southside Business Meeting; May 17, 2017 @ 7:30 PM Gardnerville Groups Business Meeting; June 4, 2017 @ 3:00 PM Graeagle Sister's in Recovery. Leslie S, your Central Office Executive.

NAGSC Intergroup Liaison - On June 3, 2017 we had our NAGSC meeting at the District 6 Founder's day picnic. Mother Nature gave us a wonderful day and with the occasional high cloud cover, it didn't get too hot. Our Delegate Phil W. gave his report from his trip to the 67th General Service Conference. Some of the things that were approved this year include. The pamphlet "Too Young" will be revised to reflect more current experiences. AA Grapevine will create a Google for nonprofit account and will guarantee that comments not be shown on the Grapevine YouTube pages. The theme for the 2018 Conference will be "AA - A Solution for all Generations". The workshop topic for the 2018 Conference will be "Getting the Message Out". The title of the pamphlet "Is There an Alcoholic in the Workplace" will be changed to "Is There a Problem Drinker in the Workplace". The following text about young peoples' conferences will

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be added to the Young Peoples pamphlet in the section "Where do I find AA?". The Trustees Literature committee develops language regarding safety to be incorporated in current and new literature. Now a couple of the things that did not result in Conference Advisory Actions. The annual contribution from an individual AA member will not be increased from \$3000 to \$5000. They did not approve the General Service Conference to be held in New York City every other year. Of course that was not all of the report but only a couple of items. If I were to put all of them in here this would have been a very long report. So the day ended with full bellies from all the food and a little more knowledge of all the changes happening in AA. Thank you for allowing me to be of service Chris S.

CPC/PI - Here are the ongoing 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 E. (NNIG CPC chair), along with other CPC committee members meet with Dr. DeKay and Dr. Chen 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 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 rotation began on May 19th. The report backs will be June 13th at 2pm. We could use a few more folks to attend these meetings. They usually take place at 2pm on a M,T, or F. Let Cheryl know if you are interested. **Washoe County School District (WCSD), Reno:** We are working with counselors at the WCSD to create a presentation on alcoholism and AA geared for high school students during a health class. Tom B, Skip, Joyce, and Cheryl have been reworking the presentation to put it into a Power Point format, as suggested by the school district. We will meet again on June 8th to review it. We expect to begin the presentations in the school in the fall. We will need AA members to volunteer to give this presentation. The presentations will be during the day. 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:** 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. These are NOT AA meetings. They are a service to help folks learn about AA. Presentations are currently held at Bristlecone Treatment Center every Thursday at 7pm. The presentations are going well and are very well received. The committee is reworking the presentation to reduce it from 6 presentations to 4. We feel this can be done without removing content topics. This will help each client hear all presentations during their treatment stay. The committee is also working with Behavioral Health Services in Carson City to see about providing the presentations there. Have a contact for the VA also. With all these facilities wanting to have the Orientation to AA presentations, the committee is also looking at how best to be organized to meet this service. We need volunteers to make these presentations, we go in pairs. Please contact Joyce or Cheryl if you are interested. **Reno Valley Assisted Living Monthly AA Meeting:** The Seniors In Sobriety group facilitates a monthly meeting the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6pm. About 5 residents have been attending. They really appreciate having an AA meeting to come to. The next meeting will be June 20th. **Renown Hospital:** Paul (Sunshine Committee Chair), Pat (BTG Chair), Joyce and Cheryl met on May 10th to discuss the service opportunity with Renown Hospital. We reviewed the meetings we had had with Renown and discussed what we might be able to do to meet their needs. We came up with some suggestions and agreed we needed to meet with them again. Joyce contacted the lead Chaplain at Renown. They are currently going through some reorganization and will get back with us when they are ready to move forward again. **Public Service Announcements:** We currently have public service announcements for radio and TV. We need a volunteer or volunteers who will contact radio and television stations to see if they will air these. Please contact Cheryl or Joyce if interested in helping with these. **Project HELP Nevada:** Got a request from Central Office to contact Project HELP Nevada. They are a resource center providing support services to men, women, and youth suffering from alcoholism and/or addiction. They will be holding a Women of Worth course and wanted 10 Big Books for the participants. They work with Life Changes, sober living homes in Reno. Cheryl met with Sandy at Project HELP Nevada on May 18th and providing them with 10 Big Books. They were very appreciative. **Budget:** To date, we have spent all the funds in our budget. We have a budget prepared to present to the steering committee in June for approval for the next 12 months. **CPC/PI Committee Meetings:** We hold our committee meetings at Central Office the 2nd Sunday of each month from 2-3/3:30. Our next committee meeting will be June 11th. We will be reviewing the budget for the coming year, project leads, and a presentation on Leadership and the Minority Opinion, covering Concept 5, Concept 9, and Tradition 2. If you are interested in CPC or PI committee work, please attend. We welcome you and need you! Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to be of service. Cheryl E. NNIG CPC Chair, 775-971-7554 cbnsnoop808@gmail.com. Joyce Y. NNIG PI Chair, 775-746-0724, j_yourdon@yahoo.com.

May 30, 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 seconded by Dana, and the motion carried unanimously. **Present:** Ron T – Chairperson, Donn T – Vice-chairperson, Cynthia F – Secretary, Intergroup Representatives – Brian A and Dana, Events Chair Kris H and Leslie S Executive Director of Central Office. Guests present were Joyce Y, Tom M, Jennifer P, Dawn K, Gordon S, and Emi N. Jen P gave an updated status report on the upcoming New Year's Eve event. Dodd is very ill and Leslie gave the treasurer's draft report in his absence. The numbers are not finalized as the month is not closed yet. A \$6K donation from the Spring Festival organizers was received, thank you so much. Jimi worked some comp time and some Saturdays this month. Some discussion was held to clarify our prudent reserve. Question was asked if the prudent reserve gets larger at what point does something else happen with the additional money. Leslie – Central office report. Saturdays have been lightly attended; however our break-even point is around \$50 and in general we are at least hitting that mark. However, increasing the times that our members can come to the office is our main goal. I attended several group business meetings this month. Ron T – my vision for the next Steering Committee is to look at our Operating Procedures and determine if any changes in the last few years was done incorrectly, and if anything in the operating procedures needs to be modified. Joyce Y stated that some Areas hold workshops at Central Offices to inform the members as to what Central Office does. Ron T said this can be discussed. Tom – at other Area group meetings I have been to there is also a communication bridge that we can build, which is to add the District Liaisons to our NNIG Business Meetings. Some discussion was held regarding the function and expectations of the Intergroup Liaison positions. Kris – Founder's Day is coming along very nicely. I went to the Gratitude Committee meeting to introduce myself. One person asked if service on a committee will count for Court ordered Community Service and the answer is no. The courts determine what community service is, not AA. We are looking for the raffle aprons as they are MIA, if anyone knows where the aprons have walked off to please return them to Central Office so they can be used at our next event. Brian A – this position is what you make of it. New Business – Vision for the next Steering Committee was discussed. Joyce Y suggested everyone interested in running for a position read and reread Concept 9. The meeting then was moved to be closed by Cynthia, seconded by Leslie and carried unanimously at 6:50 pm. The meeting was closed with the responsibility statement. Respectfully submitted - Cynthia F NNIG Secretary.

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