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## NORTHERN NEVADA INTERGROUP

### **Principles Before My Personality**

"My best thinking got me where I was." How many times, I wonder, have I heard that? Being a twenty-four-year-old, less-than-two-years-sober college student, every time I heard it was too many. However, this AA pseudo-slogan has led me to become very skeptical of my own "best thinking." Today I must think about things in depth and discuss them with someone else--usually, though not exclusively, with one of my sponsors--before I can act with any degree of confidence. One of the greatest gifts AA has given me is the ability to think before I act. This was no door prize, mind you. I had to work very hard to earn this gift (though unfortunately, I don't always use it).

When I thought of the Twelfth Tradition, if I thought of it at all, I usually concentrated on the word "personalities." I mainly thought of other people's personalities and how I should practice the principles of AA as I saw them--sharing, caring, listening, accepting, and being honest, open, and willing--regardless of whether or not I was kindly or pleasantly disposed toward other people's personalities. I would sometimes, in difficult or uncomfortable situations with a fellow AA, remind myself that I needn't like people to accept them; I should give them the same respect and courtesy that I would want. I should be willing to overlook any personality conflicts I might have with an individual and work the Steps of this wonderful program--unbiased.

However, as I continued to add days to the sum of my sobriety, I found it increasingly difficult to put principles before personalities. I was having all sorts of conflicts with people. It became apparent that this was going to be one of those things I could not afford to ignore much longer.

I began by seeking one of my sponsors' counsel. (When all else fails, I follow the instructions.) He told me that the only way to successfully deal with a problem is to confront it, to own it, and to change it. He has been sober over eighteen years, so I thought I had best take his word on this. These ideas were not at all attractive to me but I had two choices: deal with the problem and grow, or continue to suppress the problem and possibly drink as a result. I chose to deal with it.

What this ultimately involved was sitting in meeting rooms and openly admitting that I was having trouble accepting the rest of the alcoholics in the group. I was afraid to look into anyone else's eyes so I spoke only to the chairpeople. I said that I felt I was losing my ability to communicate, that I could not talk to another alcoholic--anyone for that matter-without conflict arising. I told the group, "I always have the best of intentions. I never want to hurt or hinder anyone. I want to help people. Whenever I talk to other people in this program, I only want to make them feel better. I want to make someone laugh or smile, be happy. Yet, more and more, the very people I am trying to help tell me to get off my high horse, stop lecturing, lighten up, and stop being so arrogant! I really don't understand what I'm doing wrong."

Right about then, a little fifteen-watt lightbulb went off over my head. What was happening was really pretty simple. It was as if when sharing, in the group or one-on-one with my sponsors or sponsees, I was unable to convey my true feelings and meanings. They seemed to be getting lost or distorted between their places of origin and their destinations. The fact was, I was not practicing and placing the principles before my personality. Every time I got ready to share something I was polishing and packaging what I would say to sound as good and grammatically correct, as spiritually on target, as possible.

Now I could see why people said I sounded like some lecturing college professor. I could see why they saw me as conceited. "So that's why they all think I'm a smart aleck!" I said with a great sigh of relief. My pride was injured, of course, but at least now I could see what I was doing wrong and what I needed to do to change it. I needed to apply the spiritual principle of anonymity to me when I tried to help and share. This personal facet of the Twelfth Tradition is the one I must practice daily to stay in recovery. In working the AA program, I need to be a recovering alcoholic first and an individual, with a personality, second.

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# Recovery Step Eleven:

"Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God, as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out."



# Unity Tradition Eleven:

"Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films."

## Legacies

# Service Concept Eleven:

"The trustees should always have the best possible committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs, and consultants. Composition, qualifications, induction procedures, and rights and duties will always be matters of serious concern."

#### Concept XI - Good Committees, Corporate Directors, Staff and Consultants to Carry Out Day-to-Day Service Activity is a Matter of Serious Care and Concern

The writings under Concept 11 discuss matters related to A.A. service personnel. Paraphrasing here, Bill says: While final responsibility for world services lies with the Trustees, the job of carrying out service activities will require competent leadership and harmonious working relationships among standing committee members, the directors of A.A.'s two corporations, as well as the executives, staff and employees. These matters call for serious care and concern about:

- Who they are; their quality and dedication; their personal qualifications.
- The manner of their induction into service.
- The systems of rotation of membership.
- The way in which the various service jobs are related to each other.
- Special rights and duties of executives, staffs and consultants.
- Having a proper basis for financial compensation for their work.

As in Concept 10, the writings of Concept 11 seem most useful as a reference source. Each detail stands on its own merit; there is no way to summarize. Bill applies the above-listed considerations to the five General Service Board committees existing at the time of his writing (early 1960s). These five committees have since been expanded to thirteen (See Chapter 9 of The A.A. Service Manual).

The early committees consisted of a *Nominating Committee* that aids the Trustees in filling personnel vacancies; *Finance and Budgetary Committee* whose primary purpose is to see that A.A. Headquarters operations are always solvent, in good times and bad; *Public Information Committee* that combines professional public relations methods with the A.A. principle of attraction rather than promotion; *Literature Committee* that revises and updates existing books and pamphlets as well as creating needed new ones; and *General Policy Committee* where any matter of great and significant policy importance can be carefully discussed and hashed out before coming to the Board for final resolution. Today the General Policy Committee has become a General Sharing Session that provides regular opportunity for open discussion of any matter of concern regarding A.A. as a whole.

The writing on Concept 11 concludes with discussion of four principles applicable to A.A. personnel:

- The Board makes policy, but the corporate executives need ample freedom and authority to manage service operations and activities.
- Paid workers are to be compensated commensurate with the value of similar services in the commercial world. The do not get paid less just because they work for A A
- Staff rotate among jobs. Among other things, this assures available knowledge and experience in case of emergency situations. It also reduces temptations to destructive competition.
- Full "participation" of paid workers is highly important. All must feel that they are a part of the team.

As usual, Bill concludes the discussion of Concept 11 with a spiritual reference, saying that the only guarantee against the depredations of clashing personalities in A.A. Headquarters is the application of Step 12, a sustained willingness to practice spiritual principles in all our affairs.

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.

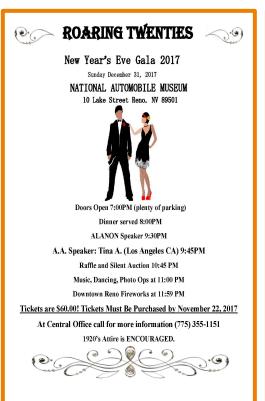
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## NNIG EVENTS

EVENTS HOSTED BY NORTHERN NEVADA

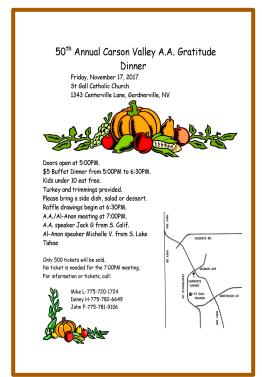
INTERGROUP TO SUPPORT CENTRAL OFFICE







### MORE AREA EVENTS







Dear NNIG Fellowship,

This year's club members will directly support the Central Office twenty-four hour answering service recently being updated with the latest in Communication Technology! We are members of Alcoholics Anonymous that want the hand of A.A. always to be there in Northern Area 42 Community with Central Office Services It's Easy to join! Use a Check or Credit Card to 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. \$5.00 per month or \$60.00 per year! This membership directly supports 12 step work in Northern area 42, Group Services and Central Office Operations.

Leslie S. - Your Central Office



# The Birthday Club

Cheryl Z.—17 years

Mike H.—22 years

Cynthia F.—5 years

Phil S.—41 years

David D.— 20 years

Danny S.—15 years

Linda J—25 years

Linda J—25 years

Joanne P—5 years

Paul M.—26 years

Sandra G.—22 years

Barbara M.—42 years

Jennifer P.—5 years

Dod—10 years

Ann G.—13 years

Kyle L.—35 years

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 Lunnetta N.—7 years Karen S.—27 years Lorenda L.-7 years Joan H.-46 years Christy M.-21 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

# Truckee River Mens' Stag

7:30 PM Thursday
California Building at
Idlewild Park
Reno, NV

# The Club House Women

5:30 PM Friday
Hillview Terrace Aparments
South Club House
8200 Offenhouser Dr.

Reno, NV

Austin Group
5:30 PM
Wednesday
122 Main Street
Austin, NV

#### 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

# **Sunshine Group**

M-Sat 9:00 AM Alano Club of Sparks

1640 Prater Way Sparks, NV Women's Meeting

Monday 6:00 PM Log Cabin Church 456-012 Main Street

Janesville, 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

#### 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

#### **EVENT PLANNING MEETINGS:**

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

## **District Meetings**

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

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

DISTRICT 6 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of even numbered months-For information email district6@nevadaarea42.org

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

 $\underline{\text{DISTRICT 11}} \hspace{0.2cm} \textbf{Only holds meetings 4 time a year, call DCM}$ 

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

DISTRICT 14 3rd Mon of each "Odd" month at 6:00 PM -265 Bear Street in Kings Beach CA

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

<u>DISTRICT 22</u> Last Saturday of each Month at 5:00 PM 433 Pyramid Way

#### **AREA CLUBS**

#### Reno / Sparks Clubs

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

# The 24 hour answering service is looking for volunteers!

If you would like a service commitment in A.A. that you can do at home or on the go, call **Mark U.** (775) 815-8183.

Support our primary purpose by volunteering for a **4 hour shift** answering the hotline.

You do not have to live in the Reno/Sparks area all of Northern Area 42 included

A handbook will be provided with:

Answering service guidelines

Referral phone numbers – (for outside issues)

What A.A. does and doesn't do

12 step phone list include most districts

Using the web site for all event information is a breeze Training available @ Central Office

#### A.A. Service Volunteers Needed

Orientation to Alcoholics Anonymous



#### A series of four presentations (one per week)

Each weekly topic is presented from a written script developed from A.A.
Literature. The presentations are not A.A. meetings.
Volunteers will present once or twice per month.
Two volunteers co-present each session.
Each session lasts about one hour.
Two years sobriety required.
Dependability is essential.



For more detailed information, please contact Joyce Y. at 775-722-3112 or Joanne P. at 510-220-5790

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:		

# 7 Come 11

ARE we not gambling with our sobriety when we fail to hit seven and eleven regularly on our Twelfth Step Program of recovery?

Step Seven suggests that we: "Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings," and Step Eleven suggests that we have: "Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our-conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out."

We have seen over years at AA meetings a vast multitude of people who are sober and have been that way for a considerable period of time. We note, however, that these sober members could be classified into at least two quite different categories:

- (a) Those who have attained a refreshing, cheerful, pleasurable, easygoing, even exhilarated sobriety.
- (b) Those who carry sobriety like a burden and seem exhausted, weary, tired and even pained with their role in everyday living.

Both of these groups have attended many meetings, both have followed the inventory steps and have actively engaged in Twelfth Step work.

We fully appreciate that in each of the groups aforementioned each person is by nature a distinctly different individual and we know this phenomenon existed before he drank and is expected to continue after he has attained his sobriety. What we are exploring, however, is not individual differences between people, but the difference in the over-all impact of the AA program on one large body of members as distinct from another large segment of its membership.

Could it be that by exercising self-discipline and attending meetings and doing a certain amount of Twelfth Step work, one group has attained principally physical sobriety and that mental sobriety and poise come only from a Power greater than ourselves, whom some of us choose to call God? Could it be that we can completely relax only when we no longer fear; that we will continue to fear as long as we rely on our own strength and power; that we will lose our fear when we experience a new surge of power within us; that we

will experience this new surge of power and control either suddenly or gradually only when we contact the source of higher Power available to us? In other words, could it be that the principal difference between the two sober persons aforementioned is that the one person is gambling with his sobriety by not "hitting" Steps Seven and Eleven regularly, whereas the other person has gotten sobriety plus by obtaining a continuous flow of greater Power through attention to Steps Seven and Eleven.

Are not some of us so willing to settle for only physical sobriety that we go through life with a lot less than we could get from the AA program? We are so glad to wade in the cool water of physical sobriety that we fail to move all the way into the deep pool of relaxed and zestful living. We succeed in getting out of the stormy sea of alcohol to hold on to the boat by our own efforts when, by climbing all the way in, we could enjoy the warm comforts of the inner cabin of pleasurable living.

Could it be that although our lives can be re-formed by our attention to a portion of the AA program, they can only be transformed by the type of Power connection we are advised to make in Steps Seven and Eleven? In effecting this transformation, by an inflow of divine Power, should we not keep ever present in our minds the fact that the type of prayer and meditation called for is not an occasional request at bedtime. Emerson wrote: "It is not only when we audibly and in form address our petitions to the Deity that we pray. We pray without ceasing. Every secret wish is a prayer."

If we occasionally pray for a removal of our shortcomings and for an inflow of new power, but then spend the rest of our time secretly resenting the fact that we can no longer drink, and secretly desiring a miracle which will enable us to resume our drinking careers then are we not canceling the effect of our formal prayers by our secret wishes and desires?

Steps Seven and Eleven, properly understood and sincerely followed, can bring about a new power which will effectively dissolve any secret desires to return to a life of alcohol.

Why gamble with our most precious possession--our sobriety? Let's take a long look at Seven and Eleven and start hitting these numbers regularly in our AA program.

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### NNIG/Central Office Group Contributions 2017

Group	October	YTD	Group	October	YTD
12 X 12 on 12th Street		0.00	Happy Hour Reno		1166.48
12 X 12 Sunday Night		0.00	Hawthorne Groups		0.00
4th July Annual Event		69.00	Incline to be Sober		40.00
A Way Home		493.03	Janesville Moment to Moment		0.00
Alano Afternoon Serenity		25.00	Kings Beach AA Golden Group	138.50	499.25
Alano Brown Baggers	100.00	575.00	Knuckleheads		80.00
Alano Dawn Patrol		0.00	Ladies of the Evening		100.00
Alano Jaywalkers		0.00	Ladies of the Lake		129.20
Alano Keep it Simple		134.50	Mammoth Lakes Group		0.00
Alano Shake'm Up Group		0.00	Minden Language of the Heart		110.00
Alano Sunshine Group		100.00 20.00	Minden Saturday Night Fever		75.00 10.00
Alano Sunday Morning Speak Alano There is a Solution	ei	0.00	Minden Stephanie Way Group Minden/Gardnerville Group		145.89
Alano Women in Recovery		0.00	Mt Rose Recovery Room	355.00	1710.00
Alturas Hill Toppers		55.33	NNIG Business Meeting	23.00	301.25
Austin Group		78.00	Our Common Welfare		10.00
Back to Basics Saturday Nigh	t 151.00	746.00	Our Group Sunnyside		0.00
Back to Basics Sparks		0.00	Out and Sober		25.00
Battle Mountain Fellowship	10.00	100.00	Page by Page		166.19
Bishop Group		0.00	Portola Group		900.00
Blairsden Greagle Group		0.00	Progress Not Perfection		0.00 239.00
Bridgeport High Sierra Group Buena Vista Group		0.00 50.00	Positive Acceptance Group Pyramid Lake Campout		0.00
Caring & Sharing in Stead	162.05	529.85	Pyramid Way Discussion Group	80.00	360.00
Carlin Crystal Light Group	102.00	0.00	Quincy Fellowship	00.00	0.00
Carson AA Way of Life		360.00	RTC ABC Group		0.00
Carson After Shifters	257.68	257.68	RTC Afternoon Delight		165.00
Carson Back to Basics		140.00	RTC Almost Heaven	50.00	550.00
Carson Big Book Babes		0.00	RTC Aloha Group	125.00	125.00
Carson Big Book Experience		0.00	RTC Beginners are Winners		1500.00
Carson Brown Baggers		504.50	RTC How We Stay Stopped		63.00
Carson Drunk Squad		0.00	RTC Just for Today Women		208.29
Carson Early Birds Carson Happy Hour		1119.71 250.00	RTC Little Rascals RTC Lost and Found		100.00 102.00
Carson Jay-Walkers Men's		200.00	RTC Lost and Found RTC Men's Trudgers		0.00
Carson Men's NO BS Stag	18.00	48.00	RTC Mid Day Group		190.00
Carson Out to Lunch Bunch	10.00	0.00	RTC Mon Night Grapevine		216.00
Carson Sandbaggers		0.00	RTC Monday Night Men's		340.00
Carson Sister's in Sobriety		150.00	RTC New Awakenings Group		547.79
Carson Sunday Night Step Stu	ybı	250.00	RTC Not a Glum Lot		20.00
Carson Valley Gratitude		300.00	RTC Seniors in Sobriety		50.00
Carson Women's Night Out		145.00	RTC Sober N Sane		0.00
Chester Fellowship Choices		25.50 0.00	RTC Women's Literature Study RTC Women on Wednesday		0.00 0.00
Cornerstone Group		150.00	Serenity on Sunday		0.00
Crystal Bay Nooners		0.00	Sierraville Sunday Night		40.00
Dayton Fellowship Hall	150.00	400.00	Silver Springs Groups	100.00	400.00
Dayton Friday Night Rule 62		300.00	Sisters of Sobriety		158.03
Dayton Sunday Morning		372.87	Slide Mountain Serenity	50.00	50.00
District 6		400.00	South Reno on Sunday	200.00	663.37
Driar's 4th Dimension		391.21	South Shore Group	50.00	150.00
Driar's Keep It Simple		38.50	Southside Group	311.00	3012.27
Driar's Club Lunch Bunch		0.00	Staying Sober & Square One		0.00
Driar's Serenity Night Owls Driar's Support Hose	50.00	20.00 50.00	Step 1 Sunday New Beginnings		20.00 48.00
Driar's Oldtimers/Newcomers	53.25	53.25	Sunnyside Big Book Study		0.00
Eve Opener	168.00	2068.00	Sunnyside Group		1209.60
End of the Road Group	111.00	111.00	Susanville Thursday Night		100.00
Fallon The Real Lunch Bunch		645.90	Susanville Wed Womens		62.94
Fernley Groups		400.00	The Rock Group		224.50
Finding Peace		50.00	Truckee Dawn Patrol	F09F-100Y5 - 509F0460	368.98
Fireside Group		200.00	Truckee Fellowship	248.49	314.76
Galena Friday Night		90.00	Truckee River Men's Stag	1000.00	2000.00
Gardnerville Roadside Group		0.00	Verdi Bookies		405.92
Gardnerville Wed Night Live Golden Valley Back Room Gro	NUD	62.00 0.00	Verdi Greener Pastures Wed Night Beginners		0.00 100.00
Greenville Group	40.00	80.00	Westwood AA		31.64
Ground Zero	<del>-</del> 0.00	367.00	Westwood Monday Night		16.48
Grupo Accion		30.00	Whole in the Ground Sunnyside		375.00
Grupo Solo Por Hoy		50.00	Winnemucca Serenity Seekers	30.00	30.00
Grupo Fe Y Esoeranza		100.00	Winnemucca Three Legacies		17.20
Grupo La Nueva Esperanza		10.00	Women's 24 Hours A Day		0.00
Grupo La Nueva Luz	20.00	230.00	Women's New Beginnings	157.50	942.58
Grupo Nuova Vida	20.00	0.00	Women's New Harmony		105.00
Grupo Nueva Vida	20.00	110.00	Young at Heart	4,334.47	0.00 34,596.44
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### PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT

Northern Nevada Intergroup
Profit & Loss - Last Month Comparative & Year to Date

4002 - Income - Event Revenues	Accrual Basis	October 2017		
Income		Oct 17	Oct 16	Jan - Oct 17
4003 - Event Revenues - Other   300 00		4,567.58	4,233.20	37,917.70
4003 - Event Revenues - Other   300 00	4002 · Income - Event Revenues	811.57	1 972 77	6,528.33
4004   Income   Merchandise Sales   8,250.83   5,514.68   66,927.				6,300.00
Total Income				,
Total Income				
Cost of Goods Sold         4,766.34         3,153.19         37,661.           Total COGS         4,766.34         3,153.19         37,661.           Gross Profit         9,165.02         8,568.39         80,025.           Expense         5100 - Bank Fees and charges         -0.66         7,20         17.7           5120 - Professional Fees         0.00         0.00         1,020           5180 - CC Service Fees         197,39         229.67         1,707.           5181 - Convention expenses         335.00         0.00         600.0           5210 - Storage Unit         80.00         80.00         80.00           5220 - Shipping Charges         44.80         28.00         456.           5230 - Alarm System         0.00         0.00         1,809.           5240 - Compensation         3,958.00         3,000.00         3,694.           5241 - Dental/Vision Plan         77.02         141.72         308.           5250 - Copipetr Lease         439.78         332.21         3,410.           5270 - Insurance Business/Workers C         0.00         0.00         20.           5280 - Membership, Dues & Publicatio         44.00         10.99         373.           5280 - Tayroll Tax Expense				12.66
Total COGS	Total Income	13,931.36	11,721.58	117,686.54
Total COGS		476624	2 452 40	27 664 20
Expense				
Expense	Total COGS	4,766.34	3,153.19	37,661.29
\$100 - Bank Fees and charges         -0.66         7.20         17.7           \$120 - Professional Fees         0.00         0.00         0.00           \$180 - CC Service Fees         197.39         229.67         1,707.           \$181 - Convention expenses         335.00         0.00         660.           \$210 - Storage Unit         80.00         80.00         80.00           \$220 - Shipping Charges         44.90         28.00         456.           \$220 - Alarm System         0.00         0.00         1.869.           \$240 - Compensation         3,988.00         3,000.00         36,994.           \$241 - Dental/Nision Plan         77.02         141.72         308.           \$250 - Computer expenses         0.00         0.00         0.02           \$250 - Complet ease         439.78         332.21         3,410.           \$270 - Insurance Business/Workers C         0.00         0.00         0.00           \$280 - Membership, Dues & Publicatio         44.00         10.99         373.           \$285 - Mileage Reimbursement         0.00         18.36         405.           \$280 - Mileage Reimbursement         0.00         18.96         292.00         20.00         489.           \$280 - Pay	Gross Profit	9,165.02	8,568.39	80,025.25
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For Greater Detail on this Report - Contact Your Central Office or NNIG Treasurer



# PINK CAN CONTRIBUTIONS Pink Can Contributions - Hospitals and Institutions

Group Contributions 2017 YTD

Group Contributions 2017 YTD			
Group	October Y	TD Total	
4th Dimension		828.46	
A Way Home		129.00	
AA Golden Group Kings Beach		111.64	
Alano Afternoon Serenity		170.55	
Alano Brown Baggers	95.00	223.00	
Alano Club Jay Walkers	128.45	128.45	
Alano Dawn Patrol	44.06	266.08	
Alano Hoppers Serenity		0.00	
Alano Sunday Morning Speaker		155.00	
Alano Sunshine Group		248.84	
Alano Women in Recovery		69.37	
Austin Group		0.00	
Caring and Sharing Stead	32.01	307.50	
Carson After Shifters	97.54	1960.18	
Carson Big Book Babes		33.28	
Carson City Early Birds		1056.15	
Carson City Happy Hour	94.00	990.65	
Carson Sunday Night Step Study		125.00	
Carson Men's No BS	99.01	219.52	
Carson Sisters in Sobriety		99.00	
Corner Stone Group	99.00	239.00	
Dayton Sunday Morning		124.23	
Driars Keep it Simple		102.29	
End of the Road Group		73.00	
Eye Opener	171.00	801.00	
Fernley Groups		307.00	
Golden Valley Back Room		115.45	
Ground Zero		33.00	
Happy Hour	311.42	925.66	
Incline to be Sober		28.57	
Kings Beach AA Golden Group	92.00	217.00	
Knuckle Heads		177.00	
Ladies of the Evening		211.00	
Minden Gardnerville Group	332.57	2951.78	
Minden Wednesday Night Live		381.98	
Minden Roadside Group		133.62	
Minden Saturday Night Fever		162.00	
Mount Rose Recovery Group	43.00	183.00	
Northern California H&I		199.97	
Positive Step	45.70	45.70	
Pyramid Way Group	69.00	177.00	
RTC Almost Heaven	25.00	275.00	
RTC ALOHA	25.00	25.00	
Seniors in Sobriety	75.00	156.00	
Serenity Night Owls		36.00	
Sierraville Book Study		56.56	
Slide Mountain Serenity		38.00	
Support Hose		70.00	
South Reno on Sunday	101.36	198.66	
Southside Group	240.00	1130.00	
Step 1		99.44	
Sunnyside		729.67	
The Rock Group Truckee River Men's	4.40.00	80.70	
Verdi Bookies	148.83	860.95 292.00	
Verdi Greener Pastures		55.92	
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Group	October \	TD Total
Women's Just For Today		0.0
Women's New Beginnings	29.34	292.9
Women's New Harmony		131.2
Women's Night Out		0.0
Women on Wednesday		0.0
Women's 24 Hours A Day		0.0
Young At Heart	79.52	217.7
October Income/YTD	2477.81	19456.8
September 2017 Balance Forward	1625.17	
Account Balance	4102.98	
October Lit Distributed	2812.00	
Ending Balance	1290.98	

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Facilities JAILS & CORRECTIONS	October	rib lota
Carson City Jail		2038.0
Carson City Warm Springs		1184.0
NNCC Carson Prision		240.0
Douglas County Jail	260.00	1120.0
Lander County Jail		382.0
Humboldt County Jail		274.0
Jane Evens Detention Center	112.00	679.0
Lakes Crossing		140.0
Lovelock Prison		776.6
NN Transitional Housing		412.6
Stewart Corrections Camp		183.0
Washoe County - Parr	760.00	2910.0
Washoe Courts - SB277		20.0
TREATMENT & HOSPITALS		
Bristlecone - Residential		1640.0
Carson Behavioral Health	180.00	1175.0
Carson Tahoe Detox		840.0
Crossroads - St Vincent's Residentia	570.00	814.5
Empowerment Center Women		120.0
Gospel Mission		0.0
New Frontiers - Fallon	48.00	48.0
NN Adult Mental Health Services		0.0
Renown Behaviorl Health		654.0
Ridge House		480.0
Saint Vincent's		0.0
Salvation Army		960.0
Step 1 - Men		120.0
Step 2 - Women	302.00	1665.0
Sun Shine Committee - Hospitals		0.0
VA Hospital		0.0
West Care		160.0
West Hills	480.00	812.5
AA GRAPEVINE/LA VINA	90.00	259.5
Office Supplies	10.00	41.4
Total	2812.00	20.149.2

Corrections Chair - Ryan S (775)-848-8154 Treatment Chair - Steve M (775) 954-6475 Bridging The Gap Chair - Pat B (707) 483-7181 Pink Can Treasurer - Anjuli K (707) 321-6400

Gratitude Dinner

New Year's Party Halloween Event

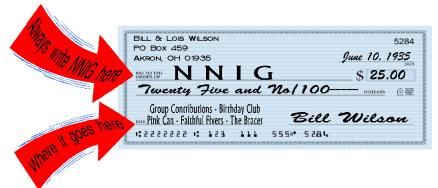
#### NNIG ENDING CASH BALANCES October 31, 2017

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	<u>Balance</u>	Goal Reserve	Difference
Administrative Funds:			
Cash on Hand	300.00	300.00	-
General Checking	8,412.92	7,500.00	912.92
Administrative Balance	8,712.92 A	7,800.00	912.92
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Interest Bearing Accounts	(Prudent Reserv	/e)	
Savings	26,011.20	20,000.00	6,011.20
CD 1	5,023.20	5,000.00	23.20
CD 2	5,145.75	5,000.00	145.75
	36,180.15 A	30,000.00	6,180.15
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Hold for Capital Expenditu	ures	^	6,180.15
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Other Checking Balances:		^	
Events Balance ***	9,730.00 A	. ^	
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Total Cash on Hand (A)	54,623.07	^	
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12 months operating expe	enses (2015)	^	90,000.00
Monthly Average		^	7,500.00
4 months prudent reserve (	Rounded UP)	>>>>	\$ 30,000.00
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*** Events Funds			
General Events Reserve	4,000.00		

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4,730.00 9,730.00





#### PROPOSED CHANGE TO BYLAWS

# Proposal to change the Bylaws and Operating Procedures to establish process for making disbursements above the Prudent Reserve

\*Please take this to your home group for consideration and vote at our next monthly NNIG Meeting\*

- Bylaws state that we should have 4 months of prudent reserve and one month of operating cash
- We have estimated that the monthly operating budget is approximately \$7k ("based on the average of the prior 12 months" as stated ~\$7K. For the purposes of disbursements, this should be calculated quarterly)

#### Break-out:

- 4 months prudent reserve =  $4 * \sim $75 = \sim $28k$
- 1 month of operating cash =  $\sim$ \$7k
- ~\$2K suggested events "seed" checking account balance (note: this amount is not currently established in the bylaws/operating procedures. Should we specify an amount or should events seed money come directly from our existing 4 months prudent reserve?)
- Total =  $\sim$ \$35-37K is the established total cash balance
  - o We are currently above this level and thus, disbursements would take place 12/31/17

Anything above this amount to be disbursed **quarterly to:** 

• 25% Area 42, 25% Northern Area General Service Committee, 50% GSO

Note: as part of this calculation, ticket sales from Gratitude Dinner/New Year's Eve Event/Etc. should be offset by deferred expenses. I.e. if we have \$20K in checking account from Gratitude Dinner ticket sales and \$15K of unpaid expenses for the Gratitude Dinner, then only \$5k should be considered in the calculation above.

"Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace! That where there is hatred, I may bring love. That where there is wrong, I may bring the spirit of forgiveness. That where there is discord, I may bring harmony. That where there is error, I may bring truth. That where there is doubt, I may bring faith. That where there is despair, I may bring hope. That where there are shadows, I may bring light. That where there is sadness, I may bring joy. Lord, grant that I may seek rather to comfort, than to be comforted. To understand, than to be understood. To love, than to be loved. For it is by self-forgetting that one finds. It is by forgiving that one is forgiven. It is by dying that one awakens to eternal life. Amen."

#### November 7, 2017 held at The Alano Club in Sparks, NV

Meeting was opened by Ron T. - NNIG Chairperson followed by the "Serenity Prayer", NNIG preamble and 12 traditions. Introductions around the room, birthdays.

Motion to approve minutes. Corrections Joyce would like the minutes to reflect her report and the point of order for the presentation of the proposal. Joyce requested July 2017 minutes be amended as well. Motion to approve minutes held in abeyance.

Resignation of Sean was read: Dear Ron, Cheryl, Dawn, Leslie, and NNIG Members: After much thought and searching, I feel I need to resign as vice-chair of NNIG, effective tonight's meeting. I joined the board and feel you are making progress toward bringing us back to Principles before Personalities as a Steering Committee. Our goal of working with one another in an open, honest manner, and putting the needs and well-being of NNIG as a whole at the forefront of what we do and how we operate is a good one. There is it seems, however, a small group who wish to derail those concepts for petty differences, personalities, and a private agenda, that Is threatening, intimidating, and want only their voices heard. I come to the program for the former, the latter we all have to deal with in life, but not at this level. It doesn't mean we are all going to agree all the time, but when we do disagree, we should be respectful of one another. I have truly loved serving even a short time with you and hopefully being of service, but will pursue that in smaller more personal ways in the time to come. Thanks, Sean Ron T. nominated Cheryl Z. to Vice Chair. Motion to approve Ron's nomination of Cheryl Z. to Vice Chair approved 2 abstained, no dissent reason given.

Treasurer's Report - Dawn K. Page three 2015 why its there instead of 2016? Dawn will research the answer. All approved the report.\*Motion to Approve the Treasurer's Report Central Office Report - Leslie S. Calls into Central Office: Calls for A.A. Help/12 Step Calls: 17; Calls for Alanon/Alateen: 6; Meeting Information: 61; \*Retail/Merchandise: 13; Other 12 Step Programs: 4; A.A. Events Information: 17; Business/AA Central Office: 55; Total Phone Calls into Central Office: 173; Volunteer Office Hours: 110

A.A. pamphlets are flying off the shelves. Thanks to our CPC, PI and H&I committee's A.A. pamphlet racks in the community are full and literature is getting out there, good job NNIG Team. October was the busiest month we ever, three weekend events in a row kept the central office team very busy. The Fall Round up seemed well attended, however our merchandise sales suffered greatly. Merchandise sales 730.00 about half of our usual sales. Please check the holiday schedule we will be closed three Saturdays in November and December.

The Central Office will be CLOSED Saturday November 25, 2017; Saturday December 23, 2017; Saturday December 30, 2017

#### **New Business**

Secretary's Report -Discussion regarding the By-Laws of NNIG. The following was passed out at the meeting and discussion took place regarding how to give a proposal correctly. Issues regarding how to bring proposals to the NNIG body and the Steering committee were addressed. We as a body are trying to answer the question regarding the proposal brought up at the last meeting and how to proceed. There was much discussion regarding the proposal that was brought forward at the last NNIG meeting. Joyce is requesting that it be brought up that it was not in the bracer last time. There was much discussion on how she was treated in regard to the proposal, many questions and concerns were raised. She also brought up the heated discussion from the steering committee. Dawn apologized to the NNIG body regarding her language. There are questions regarding the prudent reserve and when we are over the prudent reserve what we need to do with the money how overages of the prudent reserve should be disbursed. This is the first time ever that NNIG central office has funds over the prudent reserve. There are groups that are concerned regarding how much money the intergroup has and why contribute to intergroup if the intergroup office is over the reserves. There was discussion and questions regarding the proposal and Dawn answered the question in regard to the \$6000 overage of the reserves and spending (see the finance report). Ron said we would be getting an Ad-Hoc committee to look at the issue of what to do with the excess funds of the Central Office. In addition there was a proposal to change "Intergroup Representative" to Liaison" in 17.13(see below). There was also a proposal which is to be given in written request regarding making the By-Laws and operating procedures clearer for the AA body to understand.

#### ARTICLE XIII NORTHERN NEVADA INTERGROUP OF A.A. AMENDMENTS TO THE

13.1 These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the attending registered representatives or alternates at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the NNIG and will constitute adoption of the Amendment. Once the vote has been recorded, no changes shall be made.

13.2 Proposed Amendments to the By-Laws will be submitted in writing to the NNIG Chairperson, with a copy to the Secretary for review. Proposed amendments shall specify the ARTICLE and PARGRAPH to be amended, and the REASON for the amendment. If changes are required to more than one ARTICLE and PARAGRAPH to obtain the desired results, the change may be submitted as one proposal.

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13.3 The NNIG Chairperson shall announce the proposed amendments to the Intergroup Representatives or Alternates. The EXDirCO and NNIG Secretary shall cause the proposed amendments to be published in the next issue of "The Bracer."

18.5 BY-LAWS/OPERATING PROCEDURES REVIEW AD-HOC COMMITTEE: (SHALL BE ASSIGNED BY THE NNIG CHAIRPERSON): 18.5.1 the purpose of this Committee is to review the current NNIG Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, Operating Procedures, and Policies to present to the Representatives for any recommended changes. This Committee is appointed by the NNIG Chairperson.

## 18.5 BY-LAWS<mark>/OPERATING PROCEDURES</mark> REVIEW AD-HOC COMMITTEE: (SHALL BE ASSIGNED BY THE NNIG CHAIRPERSON):

18.5.1 The purpose of this Committee is to review the current NNIG Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, Operating Procedures, and Policies to present to the Representatives for any recommended changes. This Committee is appointed by the NNIG Chairperson.

18.5.6 Any proposed Amendments to the By-Laws or Operating Procedures shall be presented in accordance with Article XIII of the By-Laws at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Northern Nevada Intergroup Association.

18.5.7 The Proposed amendment shall be automatically tabled for thirty days and referred to the Groups for discussion, consideration and recommendation to their Intergroup Representative.

18.5.8 The proposed amendment shall be published in its entirety in "The Bracer" at least once prior to any vote by the Intergroup Association.

19.1.1 Proposed amendments to the Operating Procedures must be submitted in writing to the NNIG Chairperson and announced to the Representatives at the regular Intergroup Business Meeting. Proposals shall state the amendment(s) and the reason. 19.1.2 The ExDirCO and NNIG Secretary (minutes) shall cause the proposed amendment to be published in the taxt issue of "The Bracer."

19.1.3 Amendments may be submitted by NNIG Officers, Committee Chairpersons, Groups, NNIG Members and the By-Laws/Procedures Review Committee. 19.1.4 The proposed Amendment shall be automatically tabled for thirty days and shall be published in its entirety in "The Bracer" at least once prior to any vote by the Intergroup Association. 19.1.5 By-Laws/Procedures Review Ad-Hoc Committee shall report as to the compatibility of such amendments with the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws, at the next Representative Meeting. The proposed amendment shall be discussed at that meeting. 19.1.6 The carliest a proposed amendment may be voted upon by the Representative body is one Intergroup Business Meeting from the date of submission.

### 17.13 INTERGROUP REPRESENTATIVE (STEERING COMMITTEE): DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

17.13.1 Representatives to the Steering Committee must have a minimum of two years of continuous sobriety, and also have served at least one year in service to the NNIG. Representatives must be willing to serve one year no more than two years in succession and attend all Steering Committee Meetings 17.13.2 Representatives present at the June NNIG Business Meeting shall elect annually two Intergroup Representatives to serve on the NNIG Steering Committee as stipulated in the Third Legacy Procedures.

17.13.3 Serve as primary representatives between the Intergroup Business Meeting, and other members of the NNIG Steering Committee. Shall forward questions, concerns and recommendations to be discussed at the Steering Committee monthly meetings.

Old Business The proposal from Joyce, NNIG liaison, is to be considered old business and will be discussed again at the next NNIG meeting.

#### **Central Service Committee Reports**

Activities Chair - Kris H. The New Year's event is going great. The auto museum would like this to be an annual event and they have agreed to allow the 141 tickets or more to be the minimum and they will adjust their cost as needed to ensure they can host the event. Halloween went good, the turnout was less than expected. Kris feels the reason is because the fall festival, Halloween and the gratitude dinner were weekend after weekend and therefore too much for them all to do well. The Gratitude dinner was spectacular, great feedback regarding the speaker and the overall event.

Answering Service - Mark U. Needs the phones to be fixed. The service is working great.

#### Bracer - Emily nothing to report

Cooperation Professional Community - Cheryl E. Here are the ongoing activities that CPC has been involved with for the past month: University of Nevada Medical School, Reno: CPC and PI committee members meet with doctors of psychiatry and 5-8 third year medical students on a scheduled, rotating basis. We provide the med 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 3 weeks. A new student rotation began on Oct. 2nd from 4-5pm. The report back took place on Oct. 13th from 1-2:30. The next date for the new rotation TBD. We could use a few more volunteers to attend these meetings. Let Cheryl E. know if interested.

Reno Valley Assisted Living Monthly AA Meeting: Meetings are brought in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month from 6-7pm. The Seniors In Sobriety group facilitated the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, Oct. 17th. The activities director had forgotten to put the meeting on the calendar, so there were no residents present. The 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday was facilitated by another member on Oct. 24th. There

were 5 residents present and they all shared. Wanted to get another group meeting to be responsible to secretary the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month. The Verdi Greener Pastures group agreed to do this. If you are interested in attending these meetings, let me know.

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. Carson Valley started taking in Orientation to AA Behavioral Health Services in Carson City. They began on Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> and will present every Wednesday. We need more volunteers to present. If you are interested in presenting at Bristlecone or at Behavioral Health Services, let Joyce Y. or Cheryl E. know.

Other: Attended Atria Assisted Living in Reno on Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> with another member. Thought we were taking in an AA meeting, but when we got there, the activities director wanted a presentation to determine if there was any interest in an ongoing meeting. We gave a presentation about AA, what it is and is not. There were 4 residents present. One was a member of AA, but was moving out of town. Followed up with the activities director the next week. She will contact us if and when there is any interest.

**Budget:** On target to date, except for Orientation to AA in Carson. They spent \$45.00 over budget to create binders for the presentations. Will also need to purchase AA books to reference during presentations at Carson.**CPC/PI Committee Meetings:** CPC and PI hold combined committee meetings at Central Office the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every other month from 2-3/3:30. We held a committee meeting on Sunday, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> from 2-3:30 at Central Office. Five folks attended. Our next committee meeting will be held on Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>, from 2-3:30. If you are interested in CPC or PI committee work or just want to know more about what we do, please attend. We welcome you and need you! Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to be of service.

Public Information - Tom B. Nothing to Report

Corrections – Ryan S. NNIG Committee Meeting Monthly Report – Ryan S. Corrections Committee Tuesday, November 7, 2017 ➤ I am still waiting to hear back from Chaplain Jeremiah for the timeline, next step, etc. for the men's meeting in Parr Blvd. ➤ RENVYPAA has requested that the H&I and Corrections chair write a letter for their bid to get SWACYPAA here to Reno, NV. Thank you for your support and service. Ryan S. Northern Nevada Intergroup Corrections Chair 775-848-8154

Treatment - Steve M. Nothing to Report

Bridging the Gap — Pat B. Group Representative/Group Name: Bridging The Gap Date: November 7, 2017 Chairperson/Officer: Pat Brennan. Phone #:707-483-7181.REPORT: The Bridging the Gap Committee is pleased to announce that in the last month three new volunteers have joined the committee as BTG Program Presenters. These new committee members will be making the Bridging the Gap presentations monthly at one of the four treatment facilities in the greater Reno area. The NNIG Bridging The Gap Committee is currently making monthly or bi-monthly presentations to the clients at Bristlecone, (rotating Thursdays at 7PM), West Hills, (first Thursday at 2PM), Renown Behavioral Health Services in Reno, (rotating Thursdays at 5:30PM), Crossroad's men's facility, (fourth Thursday at 9AM), crossroads women's facility, (fourth Wednesday at 5PM), and Carson Behavioral Health Services, (Tuesdays at 7PM). Our committee members travel in pairs to deliver presentations to clients that explain the Bridging the Gap message, show the A.A. DVD "Hope", and collect any BTG Temporary Contact Requests the treatment clients may have. The Committee has a need for both men and women Fellowship members who can make themselves available to make BTG presentations at Treatment Facilities, usually once per month. Some of our presentations are delivered to co-ed facilities and a team of men and women is desirable for these facilities. The presentations are one hour and are sometimes delivered during business hours. Complete training is provided. Continuous sobriety of two years and working knowledge of our Traditions are suggested requirements for Program Presenters. When treatment facility clients request a BTG Temporary Contact during one of our presentations, our committee members have the opportunity to help the newcomer start the process of feeling comfortable in A.A. by taking the newcomer to their first meeting once leaving treatment. We have a need for Temporary Contact volunteers in all zip codes throughout the Northern Nevada area. Suggested

Pink Can Treasurers Report - Anjuli K. No report

Monthly Speaker Meeting No Report

Sunshine Committee - Paul M. Please direct interested parties to contact central office directly to request meetings

Web-Master – Ollie K. Last month pyramid.net, the webhosting company, made significant changes to the server that hosts our website. Because of these changes, I will not be able to build a database or update our website as proposed last month. I would like to change the webhosting company so that we can continue to update the website and continue with proposed upgrades. I believe this can be done at a cost savings.

Northern Nevada Area 42 Liaison – Chris S. On December 2, 2017 we will be having our next NAGSC meeting right here at the Sparks Alano Club. The meeting will start at noon for the DCM's and Committee Chairs. There will also be a GSR training being held at noon. The main meeting will start at 1pm. At the meeting this month we will have tables set up with all the Committee chairs such as CPC, Corrections, Pl, Bridging the Gap/Treatment, Accessibility/Remote Community, Grapevine, Archivist, YPAA and of course the best one Intergroup Liaison. All the committees will be explaining what they do and looking to fill their committees with help. If you would like to become involved in General service please come and check it out. PRAASA 2018 is still on track for March 2-4. For all info you can go to praasa.org. You will find hotel and event registration. The schedule for the weekend is also on the site. If you plan on attending don't wait till the last minute. Thank you for allowing me to be of service. Chris S.

RENVYPAA Liaison – Cody No Report

Intergroup Rep's. Report — Joyce Y At the NNIG Business Meeting on 10/3/17 my Liason report was interrupted by Vice-Chair Sean S. who was not going to allow me to make the report ["Proposal to change the bylaws and Operating Procedures to establish process for making disbursements of funds above the Prudent Reserve"] A Point of order was called by Brian A stating that more time had been wasted by the Vice Chair not allowing me to make the report than it would have taken to keep the meeting in order and allow it. Following the point of order, I was instructed reluctantly by Sean to proceed with my report. Because of the chaos caused by this interruption and even much worse disorder at the following 11/1/17 Intergroup Steering Committee Meeting on the same agenda item, my current report is the one that I contemplated to give on 10/3/17, as follows: This proposal addressed primarily to individual Intergroup Representatives to take to their home group for consideration, discussion, questions, etc. in order to arrive at a fully informed group conscience regarding the suggested proposal. This Item is presented in writing for anyone to examine. (see page 9). The bottom line is pointing out that there are currently no guidelines or bylaws or any other process for disbursing funds above the NNIG prudent reserve. As the Central Office and NNIG, the NNIG treasury possibly does also. The question simply put is: Would it be prudent (cautions, using good judgment, regard for one's own interest) to become more fully informed about funds – above the Prudent Reserve – and how to direct them when this occurs? A closer look at treasurer's reports and current balances in business checking accounts, savings accounts and time accounts –CDs – Indicates that there might already be such funds. Again this proposed item is for the Intergroup Representatives to take to the groups for consideration and decisions or for more inofmraiton.

Intergroup Rep.'s Report -Tom M. A couple of people asking if the monthly speaker meetings could be held in places other than casinos.

#### STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES

November 1, 2017 held at Central office

\*Serenity Prayer; Roll Call Ron, Sean, Leslie, Joyce, Tom, Dawn, Cheryl; Verification of Quorum; Approve October, 2017 Steering Committee Minutes

<u>Dawn K – Treasurer</u>Lowest revenue from fall round up reported. She presented the latest accounting from Oct 2017.

<u>Old Business Agenda Items</u> Request by Pete L. – Vote NNIG is giving back the \$2000.00 from spring festival. Transferring from prudent reserve to cover the check, all of the steering committee agreed.

New Business Agenda Items Sean S – addressed the memo received from Joyce at October Business Meeting at NNIG and stated that there correct way to submit proposals to the Steering Committee, NNIG Intergroup body and when to present information. Cheryl asked if the "meeting" where the proposal came from was a home-group. Joyce said it was not; it was a small meeting by invited individuals to propose the memo.

This committee is working tirelessly to be above board and to follow the operating procedures and bi-laws as written. According to the bylaws, "13.2 Proposed Amendments to the By-Laws will be submitted in writing to the NNIG Chairperson, with a copy to the Secretary for review. Proposed amendments shall specify the ARTICLE and PARAGRAPH to be amended, and the REASON for the amendment. If changes are required to more than one ARTICLE and PARAGRAPH to obtain the desired results, the change may be submitted as one proposal". Sean said it was not brought up correctly and brought into question how we are operating. The proposal is not accurate and needs to be correct when presenting to the steering committee. Due to a conflict of procedural understandings, the meeting was adjourned to be rescheduled at a later date. Ron as Chair called the meeting to a close. Meeting over New business will be discussed in NNIG.

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