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NORTHERN NEVADA INTERGROUP

My Vote: No Opinion

It's election time! Members are stressed and rattled. Time to share about it? Uh ... maybe not

When I was in very early sobriety, a woman who always had an amazing way of sharing attended my home group. She was funny, sharp and always seemed to say something I identified with and needed to hear. It was as if my Higher Power cleverly had her say words just for me.

At that time, the country was heavily focused on a presidential election. News organizations covered it nonstop. Many of my conversations with my family centered on the presidential debates and the candidates. The election was almost impossible to avoid. During one of our home group meetings one day, the woman I so dearly loved to listen to spoke up. She talked about one of the two candidates and that candidate's political party. It just so happened that I supported the opposing party. Not only did I not agree with her point of view, but I felt offended by her words.

I didn't speak at that meeting but later I told my sponsor about what had happened. We had a lovely discussion about acceptance and the Tenth Tradition. I felt that if this woman had truly understood the full scope of Tradition Ten and the impact of her words, she would have spoken differently.

Now when she shared, I found flaws in everything she said. I even hoped that at meetings she wouldn't be called on to speak. I no longer heard any message of recovery in her words.

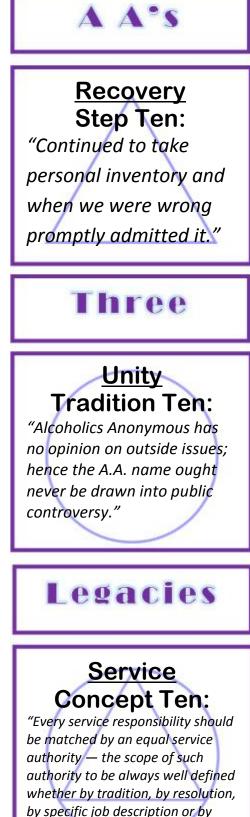
My sobriety has progressed over the years. I don't put as much stock in what other people say in meetings about their personal beliefs. I can easily discard words I don't agree with or dislike. We all can learn from the example of the many once hugely successful Washingtonians, whose demise strongly influenced our Tenth Tradition.

As with everything I find offensive, I need to look at myself and see what I can learn from the experience of feeling offended. I take special care not to voice my political opinions or my view on other

controversial topics at meetings or with my sponsees. Recently I asked one of my long-time sponsees if she knew which political party I support, now that we're barreling into another presidential election that will undoubtedly be contentious.

She said she had no clue. That's exactly the response I wanted to hear. I still look forward to hearty political discussions with my family but I don't ever want anyone in the rooms, especially newcomers, to think that what I say in meetings and my sobriety are flawed based on my personal opinions on outside issues.

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appropriate charters and bylaws."

Concept X – Distributions of Responsibility and Authority in the Service Structure

Bill here reintroduces the concepts of authority and responsibility, first discussed in Concept 1. He starts the discussion of Concept 10 by pointing to something most of us have either witnessed or experienced directly when he says "Nearly all societies and governments of today exhibit deviations from the very sound principle that *each operational responsibility* must be accompanied by *a corresponding authority* to discharge it." Said more simply, this means that if we are given a job to do we also need to be given the authority to do it. Seems like common sense. But, as Bill says, failure to do this is a shortcoming found in many businesses, governments and voluntary organizations.

Examples of documents that provide descriptions of how responsibility and authority are distributed within an organization are articles of incorporation, bylaws, committee charters and job descriptions. These documents guide the organization in its long and short term activities and operations. Concept 10 includes discussion of the how, where, when and why regarding the distribution of responsibility and authority throughout the A.A. Service Structure. Descriptive details of this are found in <u>The A.A. Service Manual</u>. The written 12 Concepts, along with the rest of the Service Manual, is where we learn about the A.A. service structure. Both are also useful as reference sources when differences in ideas and opinions arise regarding how the A.A. service components may best work together.

Bill's discussion of Concept 10 also distinguishes between *ultimate authority* and *delegated authority*. Authority to do a job or to carry out a project can be delegated from one unit or person to another. When it is working well it should not be constantly interfered with. Still, there must be someone or somewhere to make a final decision. This is what he means by ultimate authority, "where the buck stops", a designation of who or what deliberating body has the ultimate and final decision making authority regarding any service activity.

It is also important to recall that Bill did not write the concepts as abstract ideas isolated from A.A.'s early experience. The details of the 12 Concepts developed through much discussion among Bill and two of A.A.'s 1960s non-alcoholic friends, Bernard Smith and Michael Alexander. Their discussions drew on A.A. experience but were based also on their considerable professional expertise about what is needed for effective and harmonious workings of organizational and administrative processes. Yes, the principal thinkers on the Concepts were lawyers. Bill, himself, also attended law school, and undoubtedly drew on his early experiences as a business analyst in his writings on the Concepts, particularly on Concept 10.

Bill ends the discussion of this Concept by saying "We well know that only by means of careful definitions and respect can we constantly maintain a right and harmonious working balance." Respectfulness in working together comes from the informed experiences and refinement of attitude that our members and advisers say they develop naturally as they work and learn together in service to each other and to our Fellowship.

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

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

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

<u>October 7, 2017</u> Host Group – 4th Dimension Speaker – Benjamin A (Incline Village, NV)

November 18, 2017

Host Group – Almost Heaven Speaker – Jerry & Patricia (Folsom CA)

December 9, 2017 Host Group – Truckee River Men's Stagg

Speaker – TBD

<u>January 13, 2018</u> Host Group— Support Hoses Speaker—

February 10, 2018

Host Group-

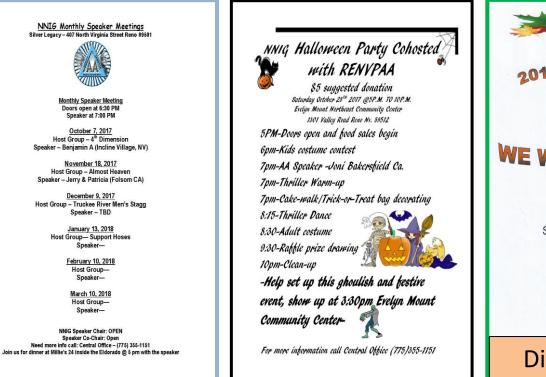
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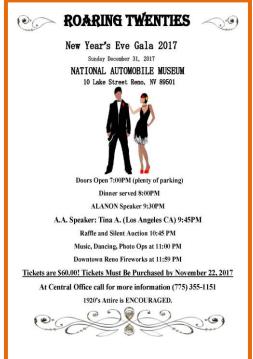
NNIG Speaker Chair: OPEN Speaker Co-Chair: Open

EVENTS HOSTED BY NORTHERN NEVADA INTERGROUP TO SUPPORT CENTRAL OFFICE



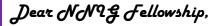


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MEETINGS AND MORE



Jhis year's club members will directly support the Central Office twenty-four hour answering service recently being updated with the latest in Communication Jechnology! 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 fasy 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 Executive Director





Phil S.-41 years David D.- 20 years Danny S.-15 years Deby C.-29 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

Kim D.-40 years Rob L.-7 years Lunnetta N.—7 years Karen S.-27 years Kent L.-35 years Lorenda L.-7 years Ron T.-6 years Joan H.—46 years Christy M.-21 years Linda J.-24 years Joanne P.—4 years Mike H.-21 years Michael S.-41 years Phyllis M.-39 years Cynthia F.-4 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

Almost Heaven 5:00 PM Daily Triangle Club 635 S. Wells Ave. Reno, 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 SouthSide Meeting

12:00 PM Weekdays Unitarian Universalist Church 780 Del Monte Lane Reno, NV

JayWalkers S, M, T, W, Sa – 5:00 PM

Th – 5:30 PM Alano Club of Sparks **1640 Prater Way Sparks, NV** Friends of Bill W. Speaker Meeting

7:00 PM 1st Friday Stagecoach Community Center 8200 Highway 50 East Stagecoach, NV

Women's

Meeting

Monday 6:00 PM 221 Chipmunk Unit #4 King's Beach, CA

For more event information contact Central Office @ 355-1151 or nnig.org

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

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

EVENT PLANNING MEETINGS:

Halloween- 4TH SUNDAY, 5:00 PM, CENTRAL OFFICE; MEETINGS WILL BE HELD WEEKLY STARTING OCT 1ST **GRATITUDE DINNER** – 3RD THURSDAY, 5:30PM, CENTRAL OFFICE **NYE GALA**, 1ST THURS OF THE MONTH, 5:30PM UPSTAIRS,

Triangle **C**lub

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

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

<u>A handbook will be provided with:</u> 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

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 2nd Sunday of even numbered months-For

information email <u>district6@nevadaarea42.org</u> <u>DISTRICT 8</u> 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. Élko, NV <u>DISTRICT 10B</u> 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 <u>DISTRICT 14</u> 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

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

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:	

Painful ego-puncturing

New in town, she dove into service and wanted a position. What she got was an opportunity to grow



STEP TEN: Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.

From the first moment I entered the doors of AA, I was told that

doing service would get me to meetings, get me out of my self-obsession and help me stay sober. Coffee

commitments, secretary commitments, greeter, group chair, GSR, group treasurer, Grapevine rep, A.A. Service Manual study leader, I've done all these. In fact, over the 15 years I've been in AA, the longest period I've been without a service commitment has been these last 10 months.

I was ill for several months, and I also made a major outof-state move. My work took me back and forth from the new place to my former home. However, once I settled in the new place, I wanted to get to know other alcoholics. I still know how to be a newcomer and began to introduce myself at meetings, ask for phone numbers and call people. But after six months of coming and going, I was still feeling disconnected.

My sponsor suggested I continue to make calls. One day someone called me; she was new to town too. Her call made my day. Some time later, a member who had the district treasurer commitment asked me to be her service sponsor. I thought I was making progress: someone had recognized my experience and wanted my help. My ego, ever so subtly, took a foothold.

I went to a district information packet meeting with my sponsee. This group was formed by the local alternate district committee member. I got to know the folks at the meeting, and had a short conversation with my home group's GSR about being his alternate. I wanted to offer my experience to help, but I recognized my ego was sneaking up on me again.

Next, I went to the group conscience meeting for my home group. One of my out-of-town sponsees had come to visit. I was feeling very happy: I was going to have a proper commitment and a way of being a part of the group. And I'd make some friends.

Well, it didn't turn out quite that way. I volunteered to be the alternate GSR. After all, I've had five years of General Service experience and needed a commitment. I travel a lot and wanted to be helpful if I could. The chairperson asked me to wait until we discussed service commitments later in the meeting. I had no problem with that. After we discussed the agenda, I was asked if I was interested in the treasurer commitment and whether I would like to take it. I said I was not available because I couldn't be at the meeting every week, but I asked about the opening for alternate GSR. I was informed that the alternate GSR was responsible for the monthly group conscience meeting (actually this didn't turn out to be true), so I wouldn't qualify. I began to get hurt and resentful.

Later, during the regular AA meeting, my resentment began to fester. I resented what looked like coziness between the GSR and the alternate district committee member. I was afraid I wouldn't have a commitment. I was feeling envious, resentful and wounded in my selfesteem.

I opened my Big Book and read the Tenth Step: "We have entered the world of the Spirit. Our next function is to grow in understanding and effectiveness. This is not an overnight matter. It should continue for our lifetime. Continue to watch for selfishness, dishonesty, resentment and fear. When these crop up, we ask God at once to remove them. We discuss them with someone immediately and make amends quickly if we have harmed anyone. Then we resolutely run our thoughts to someone we can help. Love and tolerance of others is our code." Well, I certainly felt resentful and afraid. Didn't they realize how much I could help? I was being selfish, and far from being loving or tolerant. I asked God to remove my resentments, fears and selfishness and show me what to do, and to help me turn my attention to someone I could help.

I began to pray for the people I resented. I asked for guidance and listened to the people who were called on to share. I heard about a program of action, Appendix II and the personality change required for continuous sobriety. At the end of the meeting, the chairperson shared about a new commitment opening at the county jail. It was one I would qualify for, and timing-wise, one for which I'd be available. At the meeting after the meeting, the other "new from out-of- town" person came up to me and said she felt badly for what had happened earlier, and asked if there was something she could have done. "No," I said, "it just wasn't meant to be."

Later that evening, I called her and thanked her for her kindness. I also called the woman in charge of the new commitment at the jail, and she was thrilled that I was interested. She is from out- of-town too, and travels a lot and started this commitment to stay connected and carry the message.

I thought of one of my favorite quotes: "When there's a disappointment, I don't know if it's the end of the story. It may just be the beginning of a great adventure." It's by a woman of great understanding, spiritual courage and above all, humility.

And humility is what I'm learning, the hard way. Somewhere in our literature we're told that painful egopuncturing is the way toward this great asset. The personality change required for this alcoholic to stay sober certainly has to have a bit of ego-puncturing to it. I'm looking forward to meeting those new friends at the county jail and seeing what humility in service looks like. Anonymous

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NNIG FINANCIAL REPORT

NNIG/Central Office Group Contributions 2017

	ember	YTD	oup Contributions 2017 <u>Group</u> Sept	tember	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	218.50	360.75
Alano Brown Baggers		475.00	Knuckleheads	80.00	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 Alano Shake' m Up Group		134.50 0.00	Mammoth Lakes Group Minden Language of the Heart		0.00 110.00
Alano Sunshine Group		100.00	Minden Saturday Night Fever		75.00
Alano Sunday Morning Speaker		20.00	Minden Stephanie Way Group		10.00
Alano There is a Solution		0.00	Minden/Gardnerville Group	120.00	145.89
Alano Women in Recovery		0.00	Mt Rose Recovery Room		1355.00
Alturas Hill Toppers		55.33	NNIG Business Meeting	23.00	278.25
Austin Group		78.00	Our Common Welfare	10.00	10.00
Back to Basics Saturday Night		595.00	Our Group Sunnyside		0.00
Back to Basics Sparks	40.00	0.00	Out and Sober		25.00
Battle Mountain Fellowship	10.00	90.00	Page by Page		166.19
Bishop Group Blairsden Greagle Group		0.00 0.00	Portola Group Progress Not Perfection		900.00 0.00
Bridgeport High Sierra Group		0.00	Positive Acceptance Group		239.00
Buena Vista Group		50.00	Pyramid Lake Campout		0.00
Caring & Sharing in Stead		367.80	Pyramid Way Discussion Group		280.00
Carlin Crystal Light Group		0.00	Quincy Fellowship		0.00
Carson AA Way of Life		360.00	RTC ABC Group		0.00
Carson After Shifters		0.00	RTC Afternoon Delight		165.00
Carson Back to Basics		140.00	RTC Almost Heaven	100.00	500.00
Carson Big Book Babes		0.00	RTC Aloha Group		0.00
Carson Big Book Experience		0.00	RTC Beginners are Winners		1500.00
Carson Brown Baggers		504.50	RTC How We Stay Stopped		63.00 208.29
Carson Drunk Squad Carson Early Birds		0.00 1119.71	RTC Just for Today Women RTC Little Rascals		100.00
Carson Happy Hour		250.00	RTC Lost and Found		102.00
Carson Jay-Walkers Men's		200.00	RTC Men's Trudgers		0.00
Carson Men's NO BS Stag		30.00	RTC Mid Day Group		190.00
Carson Out to Lunch Bunch		0.00	RTC Mon Night Grapevine		216.00
Carson Sandbaggers		0.00	RTC Monday Night Men's	100.00	340.00
Carson Sister's in Sobriety		150.00	RTC New Awakenings Group	21 CF 10120	547.79
Carson Sunday Night Step Study		250.00	RTC Not a Glum Lot	20.00	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
Cornerstone Group		150.00	Serenity on Sunday		0.00
Crystal Bay Nooners		0.00	Sierraville Sunday Night		40.00
Dayton Fellowship Hall		250.00	Silver Springs Groups		300.00
Dayton Friday Night Rule 62	300.00	300.00	Sisters of Sobriety	61.05	158.03
Dayton Sunday Morning		372.87	Slide Mountain Serenity		0.00
District 6		400.00	South Reno on Sunday		463.37
Driar's 4th Dimension		391.21	South Shore Group		100.00
Driar's Keep It Simple		38.50	Southside Group	358.06	2701.27
Driar's Club Lunch Bunch		0.00	Staying Sober & Square One		0.00
Driar's Serenity Night Owls		20.00 0.00	Step 1 Sunday Naw Baginpinga	20.00	20.00
Driar's Support Hose Eye Opener	431.00	1900.00	Sunday New Beginnings Sunnyside Big Book Study		48.00
Eye Opener Mid-day Group	401.00	0.00	Sunnyside Group		1209.60
Fallon The Real Lunch Bunch		540.90	Susanville Thursday Night		100.00
Fernley Groups		400.00	Susanville Wed Womens		62.94
Finding Peace		50.00	Tahoe City Fellowship		0.00
Fireside Group		200.00	The Rock Group		224.50
Galena Friday Night		90.00	Truckee Dawn Patrol		368.98
Gardnerville Roadside Group		0.00	Truckee Fellowship		66.27
Gardnerville Wed Night Live		62.00	Truckee River Men's Stag		1000.00
Golden Valley Back Room Group		0.00	Verdi Bookies		405.92
Greenville Group		40.00	Verdi Greener Pastures		0.00
Ground Zero Grupo Accion	10.00	367.00 30.00	Wed Night Beginners Westwood AA	20.51	100.00 31.64
Grupo Accion Grupo Solo Por Hoy	10.00	50.00	Westwood AA Westwood Monday Night	20.51	16.48
Grupo Solo Por Hoy Grupo Fe Y Esoeranza	30.00	100.00	Whole in the Ground Sunnyside	175.00	375.00
Grupo La Nueva Esperanza	55.00	10.00	Winnemucca Three Legacies	170.00	17.20
Grupo La Nueva Luz	20.00	210.00	Women's 24 Hours A Day		0.00
Grupo Latino		0.00	Women's New Beginnings		785.08
		90.00	Women's New Harmony		105.00
Grupo Nueva Vida		00.00	tronien's new marning		100.00

PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT

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

	Sep 17	Sep 16	Jan - Sep 17
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
4000 · Income - General	2,395.62	2,126.14	33,350.12
4002 · Income - Event Revenues	494.00	203.76	5,716.76
4003 · Event Revenues - Other	0.00	0.00	6,000.00
4004 · Income - Merchandise Sales	6,118.80	9,393.68	58,677.0
4900 · Interest Income	1.37	0.92	11.2
Total Income	9,009.79	11,724.50	103,755.1
Cost of Goods Sold			
5000 · Cost of Goods Sold	3,250.42	5,267.65	32,894,9
Total COGS	3,250.42	5,267.65	32,894.9
Gross Profit	5,759.37	6,456.85	70,860.2
Expense			
5100 · Bank Fees and charges	3.00	3.00	18.0
5120 · Professional Fees	0.00	0.00	1,060.0
5180 · CC Service Fees	122.92	200.94	1,510.4
5181 · Convention expenses	0.00	112.54	325.9
5210 · Storage Unit	80.00	80.00	720.0
5220 · Shipping Charges	75.20	13.25	411.6
5230 · Alarm System	0.00	127.86	420.4
5235 · Committee Expenses	192.55	0.00	1,869.0
5240 · Compensation	3,658.00	5,156.00	33,036.0
5241 · Dental/Vision Plan	77.02	141.72	231.0
5250 · Computer expenses	0.00	0.00	522.3
5260 · Copier Lease	327.77	268.05	2,970.7
5270 · Insurance Business/Workers C	0.00	0.00	1,086.0
5280 · Membership, Dues & Publicatio	0.00	0.00	329.0
5285 · Mileage Reimbursement	0.00	0.00	405.6
5290 · Office Supplies	83.94	411.20	1.634.4
5310 · Paper	0.00	0.00	397.3
5320 · Payroll Tax Expense	279.82	394.43	2,527.2
5325 · Payroll Processing Fee	80.61	95.40	778.1
5330 · Postage	49.00	0.00	246.7
5340 · Rent	758.00	736.00	6,822.0
5350 · Repairs & Maintenance	0.00	141.50	195.0
5360 · Taxes & Licenses	0.00	0.00	50.0
5370 · Telephone	473.53	356.64	10.204.7
5380 · Trash	28.63	27.83	256.3
5390 · Utilities	142.21	124.61	1,029.6
Total Expense	6,432.20	8,390.97	69,057.9
Net Ordinary Income	-672.83	-1,934.12	1,802.2
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Profit & Loss - Last	Month Comparativ September 2017	e & Year to Date	

	Sep 17	Sep 16	Jan - Sep 17
Other Income/Expense Other Expense			
5400 · Physical inventory adjustment	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Other Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net Other Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net Income	-672.83	-1,934.12	1,802.27

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

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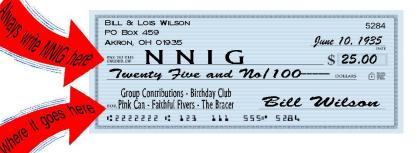
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Group S	eptember Y	TD Total
Women's Just For Today	0.000	0.00
Women's New Beginnings	67.05	263.64
Women's New Harmony	40.15	131.26
Women's Night Out		0.00
Women on Wednesday		0.00
Women's 24 Hours A Day		0.00
Young At Heart		138.24
September Income/YTD	1290.04	16979.01
August 2017 Balance Forward	1559.53	
Account Balance	2849.57	
September Lit Distributed	1224.40	
Ending Balance	1625.17	
Distributed Literat	ure 2017	YTD
Facilities	August Y	TD Total
JAILS & CORRECTIONS Carson City Jail		2038.00
Carson City Jali Carson City Warm Springs		1184.00
Carson City warm Springs NNCC Carson Prision		240.00
Douglas County Jail		240.00
	382.00	382.00
Lander County Jail Humboldt County Jail	382.00	274.00
Jane Evens Detention Center	53.75	567.05
	36.00	140.00
Lakes Crossing Lovelock Prison	36.00	
		776.60
NN Transitional Housing	152.65	412.6
Stewart Corrections Camp		183.00
Washoe County - Parr		2150.00
Washoe Courts - SB277		20.00
TREATMENT & HOSPITALS		
Bristlecone - Residential	380.00	1640.00
Carson Behavioral Health		995.00
Carson Tahoe Detox		840.00
Crossroads - St Vincent's Residentia	d.	244.50
Empowerment Center Women		120.00
Gospel Mission		0.00
New Frontiers - Fallon		0.00
NN Adult Mental Health Services		0.00
Renown Behaviorl Health	50.00	654.00
Ridge House		480.00
Saint Vincent's		0.00
Salvation Army		960.00
	120.00	120.00
		1363.00
Step 2 - Women		
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NNIG ENDING CASH BALANCES September 30, 2017

Administrative Funds:	Balance	9	Joal Reserve	Ī	Difference
Cash on Hand	300.00		300.00		
					(706.72)
General Checking	6,703.27	. —	7,500.00	-	(796.73
Administrative Balance	7,003.27	A	7,800.00		(796.73
Interest Bearing Accounts	(Prudent Rese	rve)		
Savings	26,010.10		20,000.00		6,010.10
CD 1	5,022.96		5,000.00		22.96
CD 2	5,145.71		5,000.00		145.71
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Hold for Capital Expendit	ures		^		6,178.77
			^		
Other Checking Balances:			~		
Events Balance ***	19,480.00	Α	~		
			^		
Total Cash on Hand (A)	62,662.04		~		
			~		
12 months operating expe	enses (2015)		^		90,000.00
Monthly Average			^		7,500.00
4 months prudent reserve (Rounded LIP)		>>>>	\$	30,000.00
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*** Events Funds					
Canaral Events Baseria	2 721 45				

General Events Reserve	3,731.45
Gratitude Dinner	15,001.05
New Year's Party	1,130.00
Halloween Event	(382.50)
	19,480.00





Newcomers And Social Media

At first he didn't see what the big deal was about celebrating his sobriety on social media, until someone explain the real meaning of anonymity When I first came into AA, I avoided reading the Traditions at the beginning of meetings, since I always felt this was used as a measuring device, to determine how new the reader was to AA, based on how much the reader struggled with the word "anonymity."

At the time, I had no idea what anonymity meant at the group level or the personal level. I did what many new AA's did: I posted all about AA and the meetings I was going to on social media. It was not until got more deeply involved in Alcoholics Anonymous that I was able to begin to understand the idea of anonymity. After a time, I accepted the position as G.S.R. in my home group and began attending the monthly district meetings. In these meetings, they also read the Traditions, which did not make much sense to me, since everyone (except for myself) had over a year of sobriety.

After a district meeting, I was invited to come participate in Georgia's Young Peoples conference. When I showed up, again they read the Traditions. Still baffled, I asked someone why we read the Traditions everywhere. And this person said: "Because they are the glue that holds our Fellowship together."

As I continued to serve with G.C.Y.P.A.A. and in general service, I began to understand the concept of anonymity more and more. I saw how my posting on social media was breaking not just my own anonymity, but also that of others in the Fellowship. The change in my thinking did not take place overnight, but over a span of a few months. I would private message my Alternate D.C.M. about questions about district, and she would quickly fuss at me for not respecting her anonymity. After a through fussing, she directed me to the AA guidelines on the Internet and to the pamphlet Understanding Anonymity.

While the word anonymity is hard for many newcomers to pronounce, it can be equally as hard to fathom its true meaning. I am grateful today for the alcoholics who came before me, and took my hand and showed me what our tradition of anonymity means. Today, I continue to serve in general service, as well as at my group. I have found it helpful to take the hand of the newcomers at my home group and gently explain the dangers on posting about one's sobriety on social media, just as another alcoholic did for me. I also now know today the true meaning of why we read the traditions at every meeting, and it is not just to pick on the newcomers!

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NNIG BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

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

Meeting was opened at 6:45 pm by Sean - NNIG Co-Chairperson followed by the "Serenity Prayer", NNIG preamble and 12 traditions

Introductions around the room

*motion to approve last month's minutes – motion by dawn, sean 2nd approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report – Dawn K. Please note that this month's graph report is in black and white. I propose that from now on, this portion of our report remain in Black and White and not sideways to decrease costs in printing. Please take a moment to review it and tell me if you feel we need color. We have a slight dip in Cash. This is as a result of a decrease in Group Contributions from last month. However, last month's contributions were strong. It seem to be a trend that we will see strong numbers for a month or two and then a decrease for a month or two, and then back up. That said, I am hopeful that next month will be on an upswing, so please remind your groups that central office needs your support. Merchandise sales and purchases have decreased significantly in comparison to last year. As noted at this meeting last month this could be a direct result of people purchasing drunk junk online instead of at central office.

Last month there was a question on the floor wanting to know if the NNIG body would present a revised budget which reflects additional payroll costs? My position was that a further review of payroll and Human Resources compliance as a whole be reviewed before this question would be answered. The Steering committee has established an AdHoC committee to review our HR Compliance, PTO, and prepare an updated in-house personnel policy and procedures manual. It is my understanding that this committee has begun their review but will need time to have an official report to present to the Steering Committee. In my research I found that the 2017 Budget was presented and approved in February 2017 as reported in the Bracer. In running the numbers, the approved budget vs actual for this year through September 30, 2017 is over budget by 2,413.35. Payroll itself is over the proposed budget approximately 4,300.00. This includes Taxes, wages, and benefits. We still have 3 months of income and expenses to account for and this number will change. However, this amount is a reflection of many factors including Payroll. It is my opinion that by the time the AdHoc Committee presents their report and figures can be calculated, we will be ready to prepare an propose the new budged for 2018. I suggest that we NOT prepare a revised budget but move forward with 2018's budget with new numbers based on the correct personnel policy manual directives. I will however, present the fellowship and steering committee with a report showing the approved 2017 budget vs actual in January 2018 for 2017 to show the final numbers.

*Motion to Approve the Treasurer's Report motion to approve Sept report – unanimously accepted Central Office Report – Leslie S. MONTHLY REPORT September 2017

Calls into Central Office:

Calls for A.A. Help/12 Step Calls: 7 Meeting Information: 52 Other 12 Step Programs: 1 Business/AA Central Office: 77 Volunteer Office Hours: 148 Calls for Alanon/Alateen: 3 *Retail/Merchandise: 8 A.A. Events Information: 7 Total Phone Calls into Central Office: 155

2017/18 Faithful Fiver Club. This year's club members will directly support the Central Office twenty-four hour answering service recently updated with the latest in <u>Communication</u> <u>Technology!</u> 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 <u>It's Easy to join!</u> Use a <u>Check or Credit Card</u> 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. <u>\$5.00 per month or \$60.00 per year!</u> This membership directly supports 12 step work in Northern area 42, Group Services and Central Office Operations.

Speaker Chair - Brian A. asked to be reappointed as chair, unanimously agreed upon

<u>New Business -</u> Tom brought up a workshop on the various committees and service committee options for NNIG – all agreed to put on an ad-hoc committee to put this on after the first of the year. All agreed

Old Business - None

Activities Chair – Kris H. On Sept 8-10 all GSR's, DCM's, NAGSC and SAGSC committee officers and Area 42 Officers traveled to the Area Assembly in Tonopah NV. A total of 217 AA members were in attendance and of that total we had 121 GSR's representing their home groups. So here are some of the things reported by our Delegate while there. Grapevine circulation has dropped but with the online app they are hoping that will help. The Grapevine has also streamlined to help cut costs. In 2016 GSO had a 2 million dollar shortfall even though self-support is up 11%. Thank god that literature is also up 5% because that is what covered group services from GSO. Less than 42% of the registered groups are contributing in the U.S. and Canada and in distributed 7.6 million books, pamphlets and audio material. So how do we get the message of supporting the entities out? The examples that I gave are only a couple in comparison to was done. In 2016 1020 new AA groups in the U.S. and Canada were listed at GSO and the website had 13,327,469 visits for the year of 2016 which is up 4%. As of now the Big Book is currently printed in 70 languages and other literature is available in approx. 92 languages. You can go to NevadaArea 42 org and check out the Area 42 Report Back Sharing Version on the Delegates page for way more information. So now on to PRAASA. Pamphlets are on the table and Registration for the event and hotel are up and running. You can also find an agenda on the website praasa.org. and find all the info. When you request a room try to say that you want the west tower because that is where they are trying to put all of us. Also the conference rooms are directly below the hotel rooms. There will be 27 different roundtable topics. Roundtables will be Friday night 830-1030pm and Saturday afternoon from 3-5 pm. One last item Phil W. our delegate will also be putting in a bid for the 2030 International Conference in Las Vegas.

Answering Service - Mark U. Nothing to report

Bracer – Emily Thank you for everything that is done to put out the bracer. It was proposed that the bracer go online. The menu for the New Year's gala is going to be in the bracer email. Cooperation Professional Community – Cheryl E. Northern Nevada Intergroup (NNIG)Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) 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 will begin on Oct. 2nd from 4-5pm. 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 3rd and 4th Tuesday of each month from 6-7pm. The Seniors In Sobriety group facilitated the 3rd Tuesday, Sept 19th. The 4th Tuesday was facilitated by another member on Sept 26th. There were 6 residents present and they all shared. In process of contacting Atria about taking in an AA meeting. Contact came from Sunshine Committee. If you are interested in attending these meetings, please let Cheryl 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. The committee met on Sept 16th at Central Office and put together the final presentation into binders for the volunteers. Thanks to Leslie for helping out. Presentations are currently held at Bristlecone Treatment Center every Thursday at 7pm. The presentations are going well. Carso

Budget: On target to date. CPC/PI Committee Meetings: CPC and PI hold combined committee meetings at Central Office the 2nd Sunday of every other month from 2-3/3:30. Our next committee meeting will be Sunday, Oct. 8th from 2-3:30 at Central Office. 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. We are waiting to be contacted by the High Schools to make presentations to the Health classes in the High schools. I suspect this will happen this month. The presentations will be scripted with power point and presented in the health classes. We will go over what AA is and is not. There will be two exercises. One on myths and facts of alcohol use and one about privileges and opportunities that could be lost due to drinking alcohol. We will also over the effect of alcoholism on others and the A-Alon program. They will not be AA meetings and the presenters will stick to the script and not give any personal stories. The presenters will be fingerprinted by the school district at no cost

Corrections-Ryan S. Brooke Howard (Parr Blvd Programs Unit) has officially been named Community Engagement Manager as of Wednesday, September 13, 2017. During this phase Shannon Hardy (Detention Operations Manager) will assign a designee to act as a liaison between the Programs Unit and Detention Admin. Any questions or concerns regarding programs can be sent to the Chaplains Office: -- Sheriff - Programs Sheriff-Programs@washoecounty.us or call 775-328-2976. Next month on October 19th at 3:00 p.m. the Washoe County Sheriff's Office is putting on their Annual Programs Volunteer Appreciation Day! This is our way of showing appreciation and gratitude to all of you who tirelessly work with us to provide services to the individuals housed in our facility. I'd love for any of the H&I committee member to please join me. I will be reaching out to the 6 folks who attended the training to attend. I will confirm the next steps in the process for Parr Blvd at the meet & greet with the Chaplain. I have been announcing the correction correspondences at meetings. I have 5 folks that have received their inmate's information and are writing to the inmates. I have reached out to a sober living facility and having their folks do this as well for their residents. The Fall festival – anyone know if there is an opportunity to set up a booth for H&I or make an announcement regarding opportunities for H&I?

Bridging the Gap – Pat B. Bridging The Gap Client Presentations at the following Treatment Facilities: West Hills - first Thursday of the month from 2PM - 3PM; CrossRoads Women's Facility - fourth Wednesday of the month from 5PM - 6PM; CrossRoads Men's Facility - fourth Thursday of the month from 9AM - 10AM; Renown Behavioral Health Reno - Thursdays from 5:30PM – 6:30PM on a 5 week rotating schedule; Bristlecone in Reno - Thursdays from 7PM - 8PM on a 5 week rotating schedule; Carson Behavioral Health Services in Carson City - every other Tuesday from 7PM - 8PM. The NNIG Bridging The Gap Committee is currently making monthly or bi-monthly presentations to the clients at Bristlecone, West Hills, Renown Behavioral Health

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vices in Reno, CrossRoads men's facility, CrossRoads women's facility, and Carson Behavioral Health Services. 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. 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 sobriety for becoming a BTG Temporary Contact is one year. To volunteer or for more information on Bridging The Gap, please call Pat B. at 707-483-7181 or email at pat4sales@aol.com. Upcoming Events: BTG Presentations to the clients at Bristlecone, CrossRoad's Men's and Women's Facilities, West Hills, Carson Behavioral Health Services, and Renown Behavioral Health Services in Reno. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Pink Can Treasurers Report – Aniuli K. less donations in sept more in aug.

Speaker Meeting - Brian A. Booked through march for groups and speakers. Oct 7th is the speaker meeting.

Sunshine Committee – Paul M. He shared an email from an AA Arizona rep. Info about start up information in Avondale AZ. Need for more volunteers for the committee. Wanting to get regular information meetings into manor care & other facilities so that information is disseminated.

Web-Master - Ollie K. want information in database. Website and the printed schedule get its data in the same place, can be automated for ease of use. This would allow anyone to enter the schedule and the website. Proposing to find out the pricing for website and database and the cost to do this for NNIG. Leslie agreed it would be a great help.I really don't need another project but I feel like I have to do this so here is my professional assessment of what we need to do with NNIG.org. I am uniquely qualified (I am sure there are others who can do this and I will do my best to recruit them) to do this because after ten years of partying like a rockstar in college for ten years on borrowed money I ran out of classes and was given a degree in computer science. A year after graduation I got sober and actually learned how to program. I design, re-design, and fix software for small businesses. I owe all of my skills to AA for getting me sober and for showing me how to live life on life's terms. What I learned at the conference two weeks ago is that I need to build a system where non-technical people can update the schedules and the website without having to know a darn thing about building websites. This is what we need to do: 1. Build a database - This is very important so that we have all our data in one place. We update the database and then the website and the printed schedule display that data. We also need to share that data with others so they can write meeting finding apps and re-print it (like that damned SImeetings.org website). 2. Build a user interface - There must be an easy way to add, edit, and delete data from the database. This means that users will get an account and have to log into a website where they can edit data. You would be the administrator and would have full control over who has access to what. 3. Build a dynamic website - We must build a website that reads data from the database and then displays it automatically. 4. Build a reporting system - The printed schedule must be built from data in the database so we are not duplicating efforts. I spoke with PyramidNet and everything is there for me to start working on this. The guidelines will have to be changed again because I restricted the technologies we could use for the website. I will have a proposal for Intergroup at our next meeting.

Northern Nevada Area 42 Liaison - Chris S. Area assembly in Tonopah. Grapevine circulation has dropped - online should help 2mil shortfall for GSO. Less than 42% of all registered groups donate. Only 24% of groups in NV are contributing. PRASSA is coming - prassa.org

RENVYPAA Liaison - Cody - did not report

Steering Committee Reports

Intergroup Rep's. Report - Joyce Y. / Tom M. Joyce - discussion regarding how events which are fund raisers are funded what kind of funds and what amount is given to the event committee(Founder's day, Halloween party, gratitude dinner, new year's gala) to pay for venue buy decorations, food ect. Why then are groups solicited with passing pumpkin baskets and numerous announcements asking for more money to help with raffle prizes. Are raffles getting out of control? Are NNIG groups really "fully informed" or accurately informed regarding distinctions between 7th tradition which make the group self-supporting and the other baskets can that are passed around to collect monies? Tom - Suggest that we hold a service workshop focusing on the NNIG service committees. We can work out the details but I see it as a short descriptive presentation by each of the committee chairs followed by small break-out sessions with actual volunteers involved in each committees work. We could ask sponsors to bring sponsees to show them service opportunities. This could be a great opportunity to expose the membership to the work that these nnig committees do in one event as a supplement to the individual contact that these committees are pursuing. After the New Year would be a good time to see about putting this on. All suggestions and input would be greatly appreciated.

Secretary's Report - Cheryl Z. Nothing to report

Vice-chair Report - Sean S. Nothing to report

Chairman's Report - Ron T. Nothing to report

*Motion to Close the Meeting

Northern Nevada Intergroup -Business Meeting Agenda- September 26, 2017

Ron T opened meeting; Open with Serenity Prayer; Roll Call RonT, Pete L, Dawn, Joyce, Nancy, Pat, Chris H, Nancy, Emily, Tom, Skip, Cheryl; Verification of Quorum, Approve Bracer and old minutes all approved

New Business Agenda Items

Bracer Committee-Emily and Nancy - chair and co-chair - Information regarding in what it takes to publish the bracer and what goes on the various pages.

NNIG PI Chair- AA and Al-Anon need to be separate according to GSO. Cheryl E is going to the Al-Anon info meeting to learn more about presenting information. Once a month the volunteer services send information to the principals to the schools if they are interested in having presentations into the health classes giving a scripted information regarding AA to the high school classes. Qualification is one-year sobriety, and fingerprints to be able to present. Must stay on script and no personal stories. The administration has made lots of suggestions and recommendations on what will be presented. This is approved by the school district. They wanted social media to be addressed. For instance, you could be drunk and post on social media and it will be there forever and could inhibit a person from getting a job. The counselors will have information to give to students as needed.

Old Business Agenda Items

Request by Pete L to be tabled - Ron

Addendum for Bracer was emailed not published, need to make sure it is entered on the website. When is the PTO for FT and PT going to show on the budget. AdHoc Committee to review the HR/payroll for the Office Staff. Steering committee meeting moving to Wed Nov 1st

Steering Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report – Dawn K.

The following reports have been made available for your review: Balance Sheet as of September 26, 2017 with Previous Year Comparative; Profit and Loss – Monthly Comp & Current Year to Date; Profit & Loss - Year to Date Comparative; Screen Shot of Current Bank Balances as of today 09/26/17. Not any big changes from last year to this year. Group contributions up from last year. Significant jump in telephone expenses

Joyce inquires of treasurer: why Halloween and other fund raisers have seed money to start – why are fund raisers asking for money to assist with their events. Chris – all the events have seed money the pumpkins is to purchase raffle prizes, baskets, at the bottom of the pumpkin there is a list for the needed items

Motion to Approve the Treasurer's Report Sean motioned, cheryl 2nd all agreed

Central Office Report - Leslie S. Prassa (pacific region AA service assembly) will be here next year, if we are invited as central office and representation from the steering committee at nugget March 2-4,2018 instead of another committee being assigned. More information next meeting

Central Service Committee Reports

<u>Cheryl – please send info to cherylznnig@gmail.com</u>

Tom B – Workshop for central office and what options are out there for service. What you don't know about your fellowship. To go over committees, and various service opportunities. Suggest to propose this idea at the NNIG business meeting. COME AND BRING YOUR SPONSEES.

Activities Chair - Kris H. Meeting every Sunday for Halloween committee. Budget was expanded, RNVY PAW is doing some of the activities.

New Years' - two years ago a New Year's Day event. 38.00 the year before that it was \$48.00. People did not have an issue to spend on the events. Booth will be at Halloween and gratitude dinner -

CENTRAL OFFICE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS

New Business _Business meeting agenda with open floor time to allow for discussion at the steering committee.

Old Business Make a motion to discuss the 6K that was given to discuss issue and we will vote next month on it to refund monies to Spring Festival. Business meeting agenda with open floor time to allow for discussion at the steering committee. The budget was produced by Diane on QuickBooks which is only an amount /12 we can't answer the question posed. Dawn will put it on the new business for next month.

*Motion to Close the Meeting



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