

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

### May, 2018

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#### **CENTRAL OFFICE**

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# **NORTHERN NEVADA INTERGROUP**

# Mom gets busy

Thanks to her sponsor, she learned that life gets more full, not less, when you get sober

When I got sober, I had four young children. I was just so tired, tired of trying to drink like I needed to and still be a "good" mom. Life was drudgery. Those kids were work that interfered with my partying (which consisted of drinking in front of the TV). I knew I could not continue to live the way I'd been living. Death actually seemed the easier option.

These feelings of failure and hopelessness culminated with my 12-year-old walking in on me as I was trying to slit my wrists. That day I had my last drink. It was over 14 years ago, and I am relieved to say I've never gotten that low again.

My first sponsor was excited about sobriety and seemed to know everyone. She was my introduction to fun in AA. Along with doing Step work, she took charge and brought her sponsees everywhere. She and I and another of her sponsees each had four young children. When we showed up at our babysitting AA meeting, we filled the daycare.

We brought our kids to sober Christmas parties where they got presents from Santa and we all ate and danced. We went to sober Pow Wows and to campgrounds, where our kids played with other AAs' children. Sometimes we left the kids at home and got carloads of AA people to sobriety conventions. Sleeping six to a room, we would talk and giggle into the wee hours of the morning. All of my children's birthday parties were sober events with my AA friends and their kids. We were all learning to be a happy family.

When I was two years sober, that same sponsor told me I was ready to be a GSR. Boy, I was afraid. I was sure that I wasn't smart enough to do the business of AA. I had been a GSR for only two months when I attended my first area assembly. I had so many questions that my DCM told me to just go to the microphone and ask. No way! I was too scared. So I learned to listen and eventually my questions were answered.

It was hard not knowing how it all worked, but hanging out with other GSRs and area servants was a hoot. We ate candy, drank lots of coffee and whispered amongst ourselves in a less than spiritual way. I loved it.

I have been involved with general service ever since. I've grown as a person and count my general service colleagues among the most spiritual AA members that I have met. Love and tolerance is truly our code here. Working with and supporting people I do not always agree with has proven to be a huge catalyst of growth for me. Hanging out with them I laugh and cry with joy. And my fear of the microphone has mostly disappeared. I find it's the place where the spiritual rubber hits the road.

Carrying the AA message on a larger scale is a great feeling. It's so far from the feeling I had 14 years ago when my daughter saw me trying to kill myself. I insist on having fun in sobriety today and AA has shown me the way.

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Elections for Steering Committee & NNIG Chairpersons June 5<sup>th</sup>. See all positions available on Page 7! EVENTS HOSTED BY NORTHERN NEVADA

#### MVIII **NNIG Founders** Day Annual BBQ and Monthly Speaker Meeting Doors open at 6:30 PM Speaker at 7:00 PM Dr. Bob Potluck Bill W. <u>January 13, 2018</u> Host Group — Young @ Heart Speaker — Jeff R. (Kings Beach CA) June 9th 2018 February 10, 2018 Host Group — Pyramid Way Discussion Speaker — Deby C. (Reno, NV) Virginia Lake Park Lakeside Dr. <u>March 10, 2018</u> Host Group — Support Hose Speaker — Adam T. (Los Angeles, CA) Noon -6pm -Games-<u>April 7, 2018</u> Host Group — TITYPAA Committee Speaker — Katie D. (Covina, CA) -Live Music-Suggested donation \$5 <u>May 12, 2018</u> Host Group — Women's Just for Today Speaker — Terry N. (Carson City, NV) Pot Luck June 9, 2018 Host Group — TBD Speaker — Long Timer's Meeting A-L Side Dishes m-2 Desserts <u>July 14, 2018</u> Host Group — Midday Group 2pm RTC Speaker — Karen S. (Reno, NV) BYOC (bring your own chair) Sorry. No Dogs 👘 NNIG Speaker Chair: Brian A Speaker Co-Chair: Open Need more info call: Contral Office – (775) 355-1151 Join us for dinner at Millie's 24 inside the Eldorado @ 5 pm with the speaker \_\_\_\_\_ **MORE AREA EVENTS**

**NNIG** EVENTS

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



What is Going On: Fellowship Filled Potluck Picnic and Speaker Meeting Who is invited? AA members their family and friends When: June 10, 2018 11:30 District Meeting 12:00 Picnic 1:00 Speaker Pat D (Reno) What To Bring: Favorite Picnic Food to share Chairs Where: Kahle Park, Stateline, NV U.S. Highway 50 intersects with Kingsbury Grade Take Kahle Drive off Hwy 50 More Info: eminutes@gmail.com







Smoky Valley & Austin Groups

31th Annual Kingston Canyon AA Campout July 20 - July 21 - July 22rd

Kingston Canyon is located 6 miles west off of Nevada 376 just past the village of Kingston. We have the group campsite in the Nat'l Forest with pit toilets, potable water, fire rings. Cost is free. This is high desert camping with cool nights and warm days. There is a lake and stream for fishing and swimming. Trails for 4 wheeling and hiking. Bring the family.

> Friday night AA campfire meeting Saturday night AA birthday campfire meeting

> > For More Information Contact Chip.....775.377.2910 Frank.....775.964.1477

# **MEETINGS AND MORE**

### Dear NNIG Fellowship,

Volunteer hours = 88.5 Calls into Central Office: AA Help = 16 Alanon/Alateen = 0 Meeting Information = 43 Retail/merchandise = 10 Other 12 Step Programs = 0 Events = 13

Events = 13 Business/Central Office = 80. With the help of our previous Executive rector, I have been getting the proper tr

Director, I have been getting the proper training needed to carry out the responsibilities and duties of Central Office—thank you Leslie. We have two new part-time employees, Barbara M. and Kris H. Both have knowledge of the functions and responsibilities of NNIG and Central Office. With the help of our fabulous volunteers, we have recently been keeping track of the foot traffic that comes into Central Office during business hours. We will have a full count next month. There are four volunteer shifts open, if that could be taken back to your groups—that would be great. Have any volunteers contact Rhonda at Central Office. Thank you.

Rhonda Central Office Manager

# **Sunnyside Group**

Saturday 9:30 AM Monday 12:00 PM 627 Sunnyside Dr. Reno, NV



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 Meditators 10:00 AM Sunday Triangle Club

635 S. Wells Ave Reno, NV

12 Steps / 12 Traditions Study Friday 7:30 PM

Tahoe Youth Ballet 475 North Lake Blvd, Suite 255

Tahoe City, CA



Kent L. - 36 years Jack W. - 33 years Joan H.—47 years Leslie S.-20 years Sharon F.- 33 years Cheryl Z.-17 years Mike H.—22 years Cynthia F.-5 years 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 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 Lunnetta N.—7 years Lorenda L.—7 years Phyllis M.—39 years Mike M.—32 years Kent L.—36 years

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

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

# Caring & Sharing in Stead

7:00 PM Daily Granite Hills Baptist Church 10250 Red Rock Road Reno, NV

Grapevine Meeting

Sunday 6:00 PM 10 North Center Street Fernley Community Center

Fernely, NV

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, 6:30 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 DM

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS

H&I, BRIDGING THE GAP LAST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 5:15 PM, CENTRAL OFFICE CPC/PI 2<sup>№</sup> SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH, 2:00 PM. CENTRAL OFFICE

### YPAA MEETINGS

TITYPAA, 1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY 6:30 PM, 8425 DOLLY VARDEN AVE, KINGS BEACH, CA **RENVYPAA** 2<sup>ND</sup>&4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY 4:00 PM, 635 WELLS AVE., UPSTAIRS

#### 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

### **District Meetings**

DISTRICT-2 Second Thursday of each month, 6:30 PM-Reno Central Office, 436 S. Rock Blvd. 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

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

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

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

- DISTRICT 11 Only holds meetings 4 time a year, call DCM DISTRICT 12 2nd Saturday of each Month at 5:00 PM- 457
- Esmeralda Street Wolf Center, Fallon NV <u>DISTRICT 14</u> 3<sup>rd</sup> 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





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

<u>12 STEP Volu</u>	unteer App	lication Form
Name:		Date:
Sobriety Date:		Gender: Male Female
Phone #	Location/City:	
Available: Days:		Times:

# Me & You & AA

Heartbroken after a rough breakup, she dove back into her program and let the Fellowship carry her



At a point during my recovery, my boyfriend, Paul, who is also sober, decided we needed to take some space from each other and live apart. I was working fulltime and going to school fulltime. Paul had an adult son struggling with addiction and another son

testing the waters. We both had financial stress. He and I began to focus more and more on outside influences and less on our own recovery. We became unhealthy for ourselves and for each other. Prior to our breakup, I still managed to make one or two meetings a week, but it wasn't enough. I stopped attending therapy and exercising. I failed to reach out to my sponsor and my girlfriends. I made Paul my entire support system. In his words, he was supporting me and yet he couldn't support himself. It was a pretty accurate portrayal of our dynamic.

While I respected his decision, it was a heartbreaking, horrible, devastating time. I was in love with this man and thought we were spending the rest of our lives together. I sat on the couch and cried for three hours. After begging, groveling, making empty promises and watching my dignity and self-respect fly out the window, I picked up that one-ton phone and called a girlfriend in recovery. She picked me up, bought me a calorie-laden cup of hot caffeine deliciousness and took me to a womens' meeting. I cried the whole time ... but I managed to fall asleep sober that night. The next day I took a shower, hit a noon meeting and went to work.

After work I went to another meeting. That second night I cried myself to sleep after three meetings ... but again, I fell asleep sober. In that first week, I went to at least a meeting every day, sometimes many more than that. I cried every time I felt like crying. I desperately wanted just a moment of relief from the pain and obsessive thoughts of worry, remorse and morbid reflection but instead I felt it all, one minute at a time. I showed up on campus and took my finals for the semester. I didn't do as well as I hoped to but I managed to get a "C" or better in all four of my classes.

Every time I wanted to call or text Paul, I called a woman in the program instead. I blew up my phone getting to know the amazing women I had spent so long ignoring or pushing away. The women in AA are a gift from God and I never could have made it through gracefully without them.

One took me to yoga within 48 hours of the breakup. We went ice-skating and discovered amazing sushi restaurants. They gave me makeovers and highlighted my hair. We drank endless cups of coffee and they listened without judgment. One let me sleep on her air mattress for over a month until I found my own place. On New Year's Eve seven of them kidnapped me and took me to a meeting out of town. At midnight I went outside the meeting, hit my knees and prayed to a God I was angry with.

As an alcoholic, I'm very good at walking toward the pain. This one time I decided to walk away from it. I found different coffee shops and different meetings. I was given the gift of a massage on my birthday. I went sky-diving for the first time on Christmas and then ate a huge breakfast with my sky-diving buddy. I had no idea what my ex was doing at this point because I respected myself and him enough to give him the space he asked for. I couldn't see him in person without crying so I set healthy boundaries. We communicated via email when communication was necessary and we kept our emails friendly.

When I moved out I asked him not to be at home and he respected me by being elsewhere. We both owned our part and never—OK, almost never—said an unkind word about the other. We made it clear to our many, many mutual friends that we would not listen to criticism of the other person or the taking of sides. We kept our sides of the street clean.

Today, Paul and I are friends because of the actions we both took in those first difficult weeks. We might start dating again while living apart, but that remains to be seen. I go to a womens' meeting every Saturday morning. My therapist and I are back together on a weekly basis. I'm still in college working on my degree in anthropology. Between classes I call my girlfriends or my sponsee or my sponsor from the treadmill at the campus recreation center. I'm still with that same employer who was so patient with me. Friday mornings I get together with my best friend in the program for prayer and daily readings. I make at least four meetings every week. Paul takes care of himself in ways that are different than mine but no less important. Crucially, neither one of us drank over it, and for two people in recovery, that's a gift of our spirituality and the Fellowship of AA.

# **NNIG FINANCIAL REPORT**

### NNIG/Central Office Group Contributions 2018

Group	April	YTD	Group	April	YTD
4th July Annual Event		0.00	Happy Hour Reno	0.00	500.00
A Way Home		0.00	Incline to be Sober		0.00
Alano Afternoon Serenity		0.00	Janesville Moment to Moment		0.00
Alano Brown Baggers	0.00	200.00	Kings Beach AA Golden Group		65.00
Alano Dawn Patrol Alano Jaywalkers		0.00	Knuckleheads Ladies of the Evening	73.44	0.00
Alano Keep it Simple		0.00	Ladies of the Lake	73.44	73.44 47.35
Alano Shake' m Up Group		0.00	Lemmon Valley Back Room		127.09
Alano Sunday Morning Speaker		0.00	Mammoth Lakes Group		0.00
Twillight Zone	30.00	80.00	McGill NV Freedom Group		25.00
Alano Sunshine Group		0.00	Minden Language of the Heart		0.00
Alano There is a Solution		0.00	Minden Saturday Night Fever		50.00
Alano Women in Recovery	8.00	32.66	Minden Stephanie Way Group	189.02	189.02
Alturas Hill Toppers		0.00	Minden/Gardnerville Group	0.00	480.00
Austin Group		43.50	Mt Rose Recovery Room	600.00	758.00
Back to Basics Saturday Night		100.00	NNIG Business Meeting	36.75	125.25
Back to Basics Sparks	40.00	0.00	Our Common Welfare	10.00	50.00
Battle Mountain Fellowship	10.00	40.00	Out and Sober		0.00
Bishop Group Blairsden Greagle Group		0.00	Page by Page Portola Group	320.00	0.00 620.00
Bridgeport High Sierra Group		0.00	Positive Acceptance Group	320.00	263.40
Buena Vista Group		0.00	Pyramid Way Discussion Group		0.00
Caring & Sharing in Stead	0.00	128.31	Quincy Fellowship	10.00	10.00
Carlin Crystal Light Group	5.00	0.00	RTC ABC Group	.0.00	0.00
Carson AA Way of Life		0.00	RTC Afternoon Delight		75.00
Carson After Shifters		0.00	RTC Almost Heaven	250.00	350.00
Carson Back to Basics		0.00	RTC Aloha Group		375.00
Carson Big Book Babes		0.00	RTC Beginners are Winners		600.00
Carson Big Book Experience		29.00	RTC How We Stay Stopped		0.00
Carson Brown Baggers		1006.00	RTC Just for Today Women		150.00
Carson Drunk Squad	199.00	199.00	RTC Little Rascals	0.00	50.00
Carson Early Birds		648.33	RTC Lost and Found		0.00
Carson Happy Hour		0.00	RTC Men's Trudgers		0.00
Carson Jay-Walkers Men's		100.00	RTC Mid Day Group		0.00
Carson Men's NO BS Stag Carson Sandbaggers		26.00 0.00	RTC Mon Night Grapevine		0.00 100.00
Carson Sister's in Sobriety		0.00	RTC Monday Night Men's RTC New Awakenings Group	202.48	630.07
Carson Sunday Night Step Study		0.00	RTC Not a Glum Lot	202.40	0.00
Carson Valley Gratitude		0.00	RTC Seniors in Sobriety		50.00
Carson Women's Night Out		0.00	RTC Sober N Sane		0.00
Chester Fellowship		0.00	RTC Women's Literature Study		0.00
Choices		0.00	RTC Women on Wednesday		0.00
Cornerstone Group		228.29	Serenity on Sunday		0.00
Crystal Bay Nooners		0.00	Sierraville Sunday Night	2 - 2 2	0.00
Dayton Fellowship Hall		150.00	Silver Springs Groups	25.00	175.00
Dayton Friday Night Rule 62	004.00	0.00	Sisters in Sobriety	0.00	85.94
Dayton Sunday Morning	321.00	321.00	Slide Mountain Serenity		0.00
District 6		0.00	South Reno on Sunday		0.00
District 12 District 14		0.00	South Shore Group Southside Group	249.80	75.00 1562.93
District 22		0.00	Staying Sober & Square One	249.00	0.00
Driar's 4th Dimension		0.00	Step 1		0.00
Driar's Keep It Simple		0.00	Sunday New Beginnings		0.00
Driar's Club Lunch Bunch		0.00	Sunnyside Big Book Study		0.00
Driar's Serenity Night Owls		0.00	Sunnyside Group		835.00
Driar's Support Hose		0.00	Susanville Thursday Night	75.00	125.00
Driar's Oldtimers/Newcomers		0	Susanville Wed Womens		0.00
End of the Road Group		0.00	Tahoe City Fellowship		0.00
Eye Operner	100.00	176.00	The Rock Group	0.00	164.00
Fallon The Real Lunch Bunch	134.50	134.50	Truckee Dawn Patrol		0.00
Fernley Groups	200.00	200.00	Truckee Fellowship		0.00
Finding Peace		0.00	Truckee River Men's Stag		0.00
Fireside Group Galena Friday Night		300.00 0.00	Verdi Bookies	100.00	102.00 100.00
Gardnerville Roadside Group		0.00	Virgina City Plug in the Jug Wed Night Beginners	100.00	102.60
Gardnerville Wed Night Live		0.00	Westwood AA		0.00
Greenville Group		0.00	Westwood Monday Night		0.00
Ground Zero		84.00	Whole in the Ground Sunnyside		0.00
Grupo Accion	10.00	50.00	Winnemucca Serenity Seekers		0.00
Grupo Fe Y Esoeranza		0.00	Winnemucca Three Legacies		0.00
Grupo La Nueva Esperanza		0.00	Women's 24 Hours A Day		0.00
Grupo La Nueva Luz	40.00	80.00	Women's New Beginnings	0.00	0.00
	10.00	40.00	Women Down and Dirty		95.00
Grupo Neeva Vida	10.00				
Grupo Latino		0.00	Women's New Harmony		75.00
	300.00 30.00			3,533.99	

### **PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT**

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

	Apr 18	Apr 17	Jan - Apr 18
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income 4000 · Income - General	3,871.99	5,158.11	20,460.5
4002 · Income - Event Revenues	-37.88	-10.85	2,713.8
4004 · Income - Merchandise Sal	7,464.29	5,356.45	33,042.5
4900 · Interest Income	1.02	2.11	4.2
Total Income	11,299.42	10,505.82	56,221.1
Cost of Goods Sold			
5000 · Cost of Goods Sold	4,198.59	3,213.17	18,570.1
Total COGS	4,198.59	3,213.17	18,570.1
Gross Profit	7,100.83	7,292.65	37,651.0
Expense			
5100 · Bank Fees and charges	0.00	0.00	6.0
5120 · Professional Fees	0.00	0.00	3,480.0
5150 · Cash Over/Short	0.00	0.00	20.0
5180 · CC Service Fees	373.08	259.78	867.1
5181 · Convention expenses	0.00	0.00	0.0
5210 · Storage Unit	90.00	80.00	360.0
5220 · Shipping Charges	39.25	25.50	92.1
5230 · Alarm System	25.00	25.00	158.7
5235 · Committee Expenses	0.00	190.38	130.9
5240 · Compensation	3,600.88	3,466.00	17,137.1
5241 · Dental/Vision Plan	0.00	0.00	77.0
5250 · Computer expenses	0.00	0.00	204.3
5260 · Copier Lease	850.46	327.77	1,506.0
5285 · Mileage Reimbursement	0.00	13.50	70.0
5290 · Office Supplies	59.62	169.17	733.0
5310 · Paper	0.00	30.32	130.5
5320 · Payroll Tax Expense	275.46	265.14	1,665.3
5325 · Payroll Processing Fee	80.67	71.00 99.75	456.9
5330 · Postage 5340 · Rent	100.00 781.00	758.00	102.3
5350 · Repairs & Maintenance	51.54	70.00	5,124.0
5360 · Taxes & Licenses	0.00	0.00	160.0
5370 · Telephone	1,257,41	466.75	4,499.6
5380 · Trash	30.06	28.52	119.4
5390 · Utilities	158.04	103.84	587.2
Total Expense	7,772.47	6,450.42	35,755.7
Net Ordinary Income	-671.64	842.23	1,895.3

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**PINK CAN CONTRIBUTIONS** 

Pink Can Contributions - Hospitals and Institutions Group Contributions 2018 YTD Group Contributions 2018 YTD

April YTD Total 38.87 241.54

52.25 94.00

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Pink Can Treasurer - Anjuli K (707) 321-6400

57.00

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92.00 65.00 0.00

14.00

Group	April Y	TD Tota
Women's Just For Today		0.0
Women's New Beginnings		0.0
Women's New Harmony	0.00	61.2
Women's Night Out		14.0
Women on Wednesday		0.0
Women's 24 Hours A Day		175.0
Young At Heart		0.0
March Income/YTD	2205.78	9886.2
April 2018 Balance Forward	632.81	
Account Balance	2838.59	
March Lit Distributed	1082.00	
Ending Balance	1756.59	
Distributed Literatu Facilities		YTD TD Total
JAILS & CORRECTIONS		10 1014
Carson City Jail	180.00	770.0
Carson City Warm Springs		0.0
NNCC Carson Prison		50.0
Douglas County Jail		0.0
Lander County Jail		0.0
High Desert State Prison	1621.05	1621.0
Humboldt County Jail	105.05	0.0
Jan Evens Detention Center	196.00	276.00
Lakes Crossing		0.0
Lovelock Prison		0.0
NN Transitional Housing		48.00
Stewart Corrections Camp		0.0
Washoe County - Parr		0.0
Washoe Courts - SB277		0.0
Wells Conservation Camp TREATMENT & HOSPITALS		0.0
Bristlecone - Residential		1444.8
Carson Behavioral Health	20.00	280.0
Carson Tahoe Detox	20.00	200.0
Crossroads - Main Campas	180.00	731.3
Crossroads - River House	660.00	29.6
Empowerment Center Women		0.0
Gospel Mission		0.0
New Frontiers - Fallon		0.0
NN Adult Mental Health Services	320.25	320.2
Renown Behavioral Health	58.00	23.6
Ridge House		0.0
Saint Vincent's		0.0
Salvation Army		560.0
Step 1 - Men		120.0
Step 2 - Women	507.00	507.0
Sun Shine Committee - Hospitals		0.0
VA Hospital		0.0
West Care		550.0
West Hills		0.0
		0.0
AA GRAPEVINE/LA VINA		
AA GRAPEVINE/LA VINA Office Supplies Total	1745.25	0.00

### **POSITIONS AVAILABLE FOR ELECTIONS JUNE 5. 2018**

**Positions** 

### **Sobriety Required**

Chairperson5 yearsVice-Chair5 yearsSecretary2 yearsTreasurer5 years2-Intergroup Reps for2 yearsSteering committee2 years
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Steering committee 2 years
NNIG Chairpersons
Activities Events- Chair 4 years
Answering Service- Chair 2 years
Bracer News Letter- Chair 2 years
Cooperation with the Professional
Community- Chair 2 years
Monthly Speaker Meeting – Chair 2 years
Public Information – Chair 2 years
Sunshine Committee- Chair 2 years
Web Site- Chair 2 years
Pink Can, Literature
Bridging the Gap- Chair 2 years
Corrections-Chair 2 years
Treatment – Chair 2 years

When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that: I am responsible.



# My father's example

He knew he'd never be an alcoholic like his dad



THE first Alcoholics Anonymous speaker meeting I attended was in semi-rural Tennessee. I was 13 and I went reluctantly to hear my father, who was two years sober at the time. Why did I need to hear him speak? I already knew his story: a disgraced, small-town doctor, an absent father--a sad old man to me.

Near the back of the room I sat, sullen, annoyed at having to be there and vaguely humiliated. But during those 45 short minutes something got my attention. I began to sit riveted in my seat as my father spoke of loneliness, suffering, the regret of not being the person he had set out to be. My father's drinking was a legend in my hometown. As one of a handful of small-town physicians, it wasn't uncommon for the police to come to my house to wake my father out of a stupor so he could attend to some medical emergency. One memory stands out vividly of rolling my father out of the car as we dropped him off at the emergency room. This seemed normal to me.

I listened closely to another perspective of the man I only knew through picking him up off the floor, or hiding his vodka bottles. For perhaps the first time in my early life, I began to see my father as a human being and to understand why he had drunk for so long.

That brief insight was not enough to deter me from the dangers of drinking. I had manifested alcoholic tendencies long before I took my first drink. For example, when I was 8 years old, I stole a toy from a local grocer. At the time I knew I was doing something contrary to my upbringing, but the other kids in my neighborhood told me how easy it was and I wanted to fit in. To be part of their bike club, you had to have a plastic toy snake tied to the handlebars of your bicycle. It was important to be accepted and, having no money, I followed their lead. Being a novice thief, I was caught almost instantly.

The quaint grocer, trying to provide an object lesson, admonished me to bring my father in for a talk. I never told my dad what had happened and I was scared stiff for months. I avoided that store at every opportunity, making excuses or diverting my parents from stopping by. The weight of that guilt consumed me. Only after the store went out of

business some 10 years later did I rest easy. I tell this anecdote to illustrate that from an early age I was a broken person, unable to make good decisions, driven by negative emotions and low self-esteem. All of these factors would play into my budding alcoholism.

I discovered drinking when I was about 12 or 13 years old and immediately took a liking to it, giving me an easy feeling, that emotional relief that I had been seeking. Alcohol was magic. All the terrible feelings of inadequacy, fear, guilt, and shame I had carried vanished when I took a drink. Most of the kids I befriended had experimented with alcohol, but from the beginning it meant more to me. I liked doing regular boy stuff as I was growing up, such as riding motorcycles, shooting guns, and chasing girls, but it always seemed better if I had my beer or whiskey first. And given the choice, I always pursued the alcohol before other diversions.

Almost immediately I began having consequences: car wrecks, DUIs, trouble at school and with my family. However, I thought I was smarter than everyone. If you knew what alcohol did for me, how it made life bearable, you would drink too. I got by with my school and career for several years. Somehow I maintained a balance--never quite drinking and using enough to compromise my career.

I graduated from a reputable university with an advanced degree. At the time I was at the peak of my career, with job offers across the country and world. But few knew that I was an alcoholic in full bloom. Meanwhile, my father had put together about 20 years in the program and was entering a phase of his life where he was settling into retirement. He had gone from being the town drunk to a local AA celebrity. Service work was his life. He would open up his house to drunks and nurture low-bottom alcoholics back to health. He served on state committees and played a prominent role in founding a local halfway house that has over 50 beds today.

I, on the other hand, ended up in Arizona living in a seedy motel while going to my university position during the day. How ironic--an up-andcoming academic living the squalid life of an alcoholic by night while during the day I was a respected scientist. At the time, I didn't think I wanted the life my father had--I could not discern the true from the false.

One night I decided I needed relief from the black, lonely insanity that was my life. I went on a week long binge, checking into a decrepit hotel in downtown Phoenix. Near the end, there were four gang members in my room, several of whom had done serious time in prison, I learned. They showed me a gun and told me to lock myself in the bathroom while they discussed my fate. I got out of there without my money and truck, but with my life.

I MOVED back to the mid-South shortly after that incident. If ever a geographical cure were called for, this was the time. During this transition, I married my saintly wife, whom I had known from my high school days. She had a young son, a ready-made family. For a short period of time this seemed to satisfy me. Soon, however, our life became a progression from one job and house to another as my alcoholism matured. I had no idea what being a father, a husband or a good employee was about, not to mention being a good son to my parents. Ironically, at the time I served with my father on the board of a treatment center. Perhaps keeping in close proximity to the man and others in recovery would cure me. If I looked like a respectable, sober guy on the outside, maybe I could become one. In some respects, I played the part, but something was broken inside of me.

The end came in 2006. We had moved back to Tennessee after a few years at a small college in Alabama. My father, who had been sober for 25 years, was dying. I am grateful for the time I spent with my dad before he died and the wisdom he imparted, the examples that he demonstrated in his daily life. But with my father lying on his deathbed in the hospital gasping for air, I had to go to the parking lot so I could drink. That was how I processed every emotion. Shortly after my father died, I was speaking to my therapist. He was usually a soft-spoken character, but on this day, he said, "Eric, you are dying." People had been telling me this during my entire drinking career. On this particular day, I heard it clearly for the first time.

I checked into treatment the next day. It was just before Christmas, and I called my wife on the way. She was understandably ambivalent. I had been missing for several days and I had made several failed attempts to get sober before. Why was this one any different? I spent a lonely Christmas in treatment, detoxing and feeling a little sorry for myself. It was the same treatment facility where my father had first found sobriety 25 years earlier.

During that time, something happened to me that is difficult for me to make sense of. Everything in my analytical, scientific training wants to dismiss it as a psychological reaction to stress. It was not a white light, spiritual experience as described by Bill W. and others. Rather, I came to believe that I could stay sober, too, just like my father had. The example had been in front of me all the time. Up until that moment I had lived life by my rules and it simply had not worked. I became willing to try another way, a path that had been shown to me--starting when I was a boy of 13 sitting in that AA hall, listening to my father tell his story. I surrendered.

I often marvel at the adventure that recovery has given me. As a practicing alcoholic, words like "surrender," "peace" and "willingness" had no meaning to me. Today I am learning to practice them in my daily life. I have been blessed with many gifts, including a relationship with my family, the respect of my colleagues and an opportunity to work in my former career again, to name a few.

Most importantly, I have peace of mind, something that escaped me as a little boy, a grieving son burying his father, and a struggling family man with no direction. Finally, thanks to the program of Alcoholics Anonymous, I feel closer to my father than ever before.

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# **NNIG BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

### Business Meeting Minutes May 1, 2018 @ Alano Club in Sparks, NV

Open with Serenity Prayer - 6:34 PM - Read Preamble of NNIG By-Laws; Read Twelve Traditions

Approve April 2018 Minutes. Motion - Rob/ with Isaac second. Approved.

### Treasurer's Report – Dawn K.

Dawn won't be running for treasurer again. If you are an AA member with the requisite sobriety and the skill set, please consider being of service to NNIG as treasurer. Income and Expenses, along with all current finances were provided to the group via handout. Expenses = \$11,971.05 and Income = \$11,299.42.

### Treasurers Report approved.

MONTHLY REPORT May - Central Office Temporary Office Manager, Rhonda, Report:

Volunteer hours = 88.5, Calls into Central Office: AA Help = 16, Alanon/Alateen = 0, Meeting Information = 43, Retail/merchandise = 10, Other 12 Step Programs = 0, Events = 13, Business/Central Office = 80. // Wit the help of our previous Executive Director, I have been getting the proper training needed to carry out the responsibilities and duties of Central Office-thank you Leslie. We have two new part-time employees, Barbara M. and Kris H. Both have knowledge of the functions and responsibilities of NNIG and Central Office. With the help of our fabulous volunteers, we have recently been keeping track of the foot traffic that comes into Central Office during business hours. We will have a full count next month. There are four volunteer shifts open, if that could be taken back to your groups—that would be great. Have any volunteers contact Rhonda at Central Office. Thank you.

### **Central Service Committee Reports**

Activities Chair - Kris H. - Founders Day is going very well. Committee Meeting was last Sunday and all positions will be filled next meeting – May 12<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm. / Halloween just got booked at Neil Road Community Center, which saved us over \$500. / Gratitude Dinner Meeting is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs of the month at NNIG at 5:30 pm. / New Years is booked at the Auto Museum again and Jen P has agreed to be the amazing chair again. Thanks Jen!

Upcoming Events are:

Annual Founder's Day Picnic: June 9th at Virginia Lake Park

Halloween Event & Dance: October 27th

Annual Gratitude Dinner: November 3<sup>rd</sup> at Eldorado Resort

New Year's Eve Event: December 31<sup>st</sup> at Automobile Museum in downtown Reno

Answering Service - Mark U. - answering service is running smoothly. Elections are coming up in June and Mark will be stepping down, and his co-chair (Mark) would like to be nominated into the position.

**Bracer** – **Emily** – if there's anything you'd like to see in the Bracer, please email it to Emily at nnigbracer@gmail.com

**Cooperation Professional Community – Cheryl E.**, position will be opening in June during elections.

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 took place on April 2nd. The students gave their reports on April 16<sup>th</sup>. A new rotation will take place on Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 4pm. 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, April 17th. The 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday was facilitated by The Verdi Greener Pastures group on April 24th<sup>th</sup>. There were 3 residents present on the 17<sup>th</sup> and on the 24th. They really appreciate us being there. Have learned that we need to email the Activity Director a day or two before the meetings so she will remind the residents and have the coffee/cookies provided. If you are interested in attending these meetings, let Cheryl E. 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 and at Behavioral Health Services in Carson City every Wednesday. If you are interested in presenting at Bristlecone, call Kelli C. at 775-225-5919. If you are interested in presenting at BHS in Carson City, call Cathy W. at 925-586-3627. Orientation to AA gave the VA a copy of the presentation material. They have already put it into use. Merl will be meeting with them to discuss how they are using it and how it is working for them. The Orientation to AA committee will meet to discuss putting the Orientation to AA sessions on a CD and DVD. They will also discuss how to move forward with the presentations.

Other: Received a couple calls regarding the "Court Ordered to A.A.?" pamphlet. This pamphlet was created by the NNIG CPC committee lead by AJ. These folks really liked the pamphlet and wanted electronic copies so they could use it in their areas. One of these areas was Hawaii. Just an example of how our local AA service work can benefit AA as a whole. Thank you all!

Budget: On target overall. ~\$31 dollars left. Will determine if any more funds are needed before the next CPC chair is elected.

**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. Our next meeting will be June 10th from 2-3:30 at Central Office. If you are interested in PI or CPC service, please attend. We welcome you!

New Chair Rotation: NNIG elections will take place the first Tuesday in June. I will be rotating out as NNIG CPC Chair. If you are interested in this committee work, consider making yourself available for chair. If you are not interested, please get the word out to the AA community of this important service opportunity. I am available to help and/or answer any questions.

### **NNIG BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES CONT'D**

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to be of service.

Cheryl E., NNIG CPC Chair, 775-971-7554, cbsnoop808@gmail.com

Public Information – Tom B. – Public Information is in need of more volunteers. If interested you must have 1 year of sobriety and be willing to be fingerprinted by the School District. We are going to present at McQueen High sometime around the 15-20<sup>th</sup> of this month. In the Fall, we should have the program in place, and schools should have an awareness of this program. If you want to volunteer, call Tom B at 848-5997.

Corrections – position is vacant at the moment, if interested in this position, contact Central Office for more information. 2 year sobriety requirement.

**Treatment** – **Rob**  $\mathbf{L}$  – I want to give a special thanks to our H&I team for their continuous efforts in upholding our primary purpose to carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic. // West Hills is still in need of meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday. Sunday, however, is now covered. // Due to lack of funding West Care had to close their doors. However Reno Behavioral Health Services will be opening up 174 new beds to help pick up the slack. Pat B and I are in the process of doing a walk through with the director. // Step 2 now has three meetings going in and these are all covered. // River House has two meetings going in right now but will add one more next month. River House is covered by Linda J, with five years, who is our newly appointed coordinator, along with their transitional house, Hope House. Hope House is now covered. // High Desert prison will have a meeting going in their maximum security unit starting May first. // Empowerment Center has granted us Thursdays due to one of our other fellowships not showing up. There is a men's meeting on Sunday however since this facility is now all women they're giving us this day as well. They're requesting only women with preferably one year of sobriety.

-Rob L., Treatment Chair

### Bridging the Gap -- Pat B.

Group Representative/Group Name: Bridging The Gap

Date: May1, 2018

Chairperson/Officer: Pat Brennan Phone #: 707-483-7181 Note: This report form is for the following: NNIG OFFICERS, STANDING COMMITTEES, Ad-HOC COMMITTEES, CENTRAL OFFICE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CENTRAL OFFICE SERVICE COMMITTEE, AND GROUP REPRESENTATIVES. The Report Form will ensure that the Secretary will have a more accurate and precise set of minutes. **REPORT:** 

I am pleased to report that the Contact Coordinator position for the Bridging The Gap Committee has been filled by Anjuli K. The Committee is in need of volunteers, particularly women, to help make BTG presentations at the Bristlecone and West Hills treatment facilities. The Bristlecone presentation occurs every 5th Thursday from 7 - 8PM. The West Hills presentation is the first Thursday of the month from 2 - 3PM. Two years sobriety and working knowledge of the Traditions is suggested.

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), CrossRoads 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 BTG Temporary Contact Requests from clients. We also answer any questions clients may have about A.A. and try to correct any misconceptions that may exist regarding our Fellowship. 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 contacts a Temporary Contact volunteer of the same gender, zip code, and if possible, age as the person requesting our Service. As a result, Temporary Contact volunteers may not be called immediately or very frequently, but our volunteers are being of Service simply by making themselves available to help the newcomer when called upon. The committee thanks all of those who have volunteered to be of Service!

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: YES\_\_\_x\_\_

NO

Pink Can Treasurers Report – Anjuli K. – Position is open for election in June. Pink Can, financials submitted at NNIG business meeting. If interested in this position or corrections position, come to business meeting on the last Thursday of the month at CO.

Speaker Committee Chairperson – Brain A. – planning to schedule out speaker for a few months past elections. Mentioned putting together some sort of guidelines for his position, as requested at Steering Committee Meeting.

Sunshine Committee – Paul M. – he isn't receiving a lot of demand for Sunshine Meetings. He is planning on rotating out in June. Web Site Chair - Ollie - If you have comments or suggestions, email NNIGwebmaster@gmail.com

Northern Nevada Area 42 Liaison - Chris S. - discussed Hispanic Forum that would be presented in Las Vegas on the upcoming weekend. Also mentioned Corrections and Treatments panel workshop. On Sat. June 2, District 14 will host a meeting in Truckee at the Community Arts Center.

# NNIG BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES CONT'D

**<u>RENVYPAA Liaison – Christina stood-in</u> – upcoming events RENVYPAA is planning a bid for WACYPAA. For more information, email: committee@renvypaa.com: // In-Tents Sobriety Campout will be held from June 22 – 24<sup>th</sup> in Taylorsville, CA –** 

for info call Amber at 630-417-4602 or Dan at 775-741-6282. // RENVYPAA has a website: http://renvypaa.com/ Steering Committee Reports:

Intergroup Rep's. Report – Don T. / Tom M. – Don T was appointed interim liaison. / Tom has been announcing the elections at meetings.

Secretary's Report - Robin Y. - no report submitted.

Vice-chair Report - Cheryl Z. - was absent from meeting / no report submitted.

Chairman's Report – Ron T. – expressed his gratitude for being able to be of service to NNIG the past few years.

### New Business

Group voted on allowing Rhonda to be one of the signatory authorities on the accounts for writing checks at NNIG Central Office. The group voted unanimously to accept this proposition.

### Meeting Old Business

Robin Y. – Procedures Audit Report – committee meetings are the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month at Central Office from 4 - 6 pm, if you want to be of service in helping us to improve and streamline the Operating Procedures and Bylaws. For more information, call or text 775-770-0923.

\*Motion to Close the Meeting

### **NNIG STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES**

### **STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES**

April 24, 2018 held at Central Office

\*Serenity Prayer; Roll Call: Ron, Cheryl, Dawn, Robin, Tom, Don Rhonda, Brian (Speaker Committee) / Approve March Steering Committee Minutes

<u>**Treasurers Report – Dawn K.**</u> – financials are not finalized at this time, as it is not the end of the month. Current financial status reported on all accounts. Current bank accounts were shown (screenshots). Inventory at CO was discussed, and we are not in any emergency situations with ordering anything. The money generated at Corned Beef and Cribbage was discussed, and it was noted that one of the committee members who put the event on paid money out-of-pocket beyond what was budgeted. Steering Committee determined that the member may put request in writing for reimbursement; however, at this time, it is not clear whether he is seeking a reimbursement.

<u>Old Business Agenda Items</u> – Rhonda is currently unable to sign checks, and as the Temporary Office Manager, it is within the scope of her responsibility to get bills paid; however she does not have the authority. This is a problem that we will bring back to the body for a vote.

<u>New Business Agenda</u> – Brian A (Speaker Committee Chair) was in attendance, and we discussed his method for selecting a speaker as well as discussing the operating budget for these meetings. We recommended having a committee of more than one individual and requested that he put together some outline for a budget for the position, as there is not one right now. Also, we asked that he put in writing some sort of guidelines for his position that would be useful for the next person who takes on this commitment. // Ad-Hock committee, Robin Y.: Rewriting of the Operating Procedures: we received 10 volunteers and the committee is underway at this time. Don T. and Chris G. appointed co-chairs. We would like to un-intertwine the operating procedures from the By-Laws, as they serve two different purposes. At this time, they overlap and conflict frequently. More to report soon.

MEETING CONCLUDED.

NNIG Intergroup Office 436 S. Rock Blvd. Sparks, NV 89431 <u>Return Service Requested</u>

