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Bill W.



Dr. Bob

We here at the Bracer are continuing our work on putting out a quality publication for your enjoyment. We hope that you will find each issue to be interesting and enlightening. Your feedback, questions, and article submissions are always welcome. Spread the word to your friends and groups and help us grow our readership. This is your newsletter and we need your input and guidance to keep each issue fresh and exciting. Thank you for your continued service to NNIG.

KISS
keep it simple ...

“Simplicity, clarity, singleness: These are the attributes that give our lives power and vividness and joy as they are also the marks of great art. They seem to be the purpose of God for his whole creation.” -- Richard Holloway --

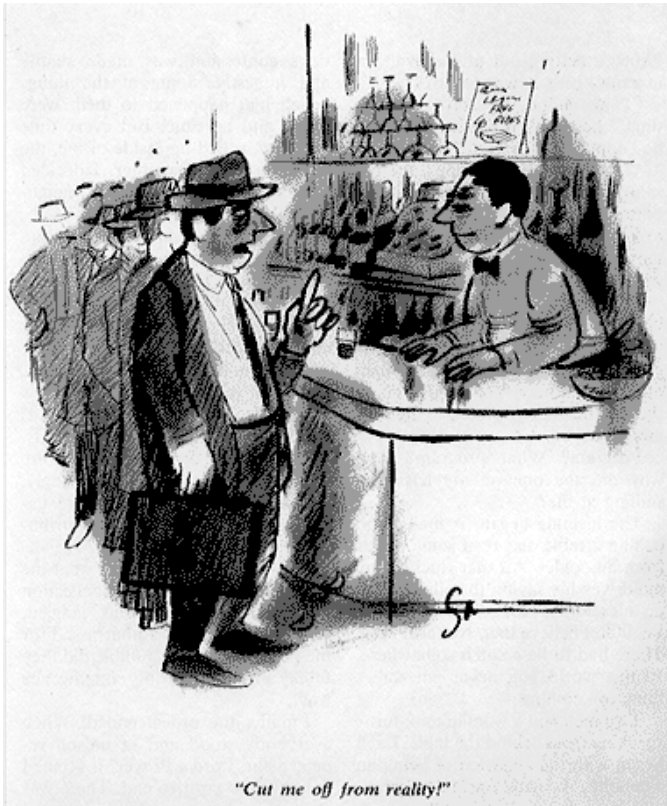
Changing the world begins
with the very personal process of changing yourself,
the only place you can begin is where you are,
and the only time you can begin is always now.

~ Gary Zukav ~

WE ARE NOT A GLUM LOT



"He's trying to find out if he can stop any time he wants to."



"Cut me off from reality!"

YOU MIGHT BE AN ALCOHOLIC IF:

The vodka you're drinking reminds you of the taste of a fine aftershave.

You're lying in your waterbed all warm and comfy when you remember you don't have a waterbed.

When a highway cop pulls you over and asks for your license, you offer him a beer.

J.B. OF TEXAS wondered if we'd heard about the drunk who locked his keys inside his car. It took him two hours to get his drinking buddies out.

Got a joke you just love to share? Send it along to the Bracer at nigbracer@gmail.com

Rule #62: Don't take yourself too damn seriously!

4th Step Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves

THE IDEA of "morals" scared hell out of me for years--the years before my drinking became unmanageable, then the alcoholic years, and even the first three or four years after I had found the shelter of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Nothing could dull the edge of what I realize now was simply cold fear. I was frightened at the very mention of "morality," because it posed too big a problem for me--big because it was simple. If I accepted the challenge that the consideration of morality hurled at me, I would have to begin dividing my life--and the things I did every day--into two long columns headed "right" and "wrong."

Try this simple experiment, and you'll discover exactly why I was scared. Pop into your neighborhood gin mill or a local cocktail party. Find the drunkest lush around and start a discussion about "right and wrong" with him (or her). What you will hear will be roughly equivalent to the confusion in which I lived for nearly a

quarter of a century. Or turn back your own psychic clock to those boozy meditations, crazy distortions, and amoeboid transformations of "rights" and "wrongs" by which you lived--or tried to live--while you were on the sauce.

Like most enlightened moderns, I had come under the wing of Uncle Sigmund Freud. (My analyst's analyst had been analyzed by Freud in person, so I drunkenly thought of myself

So I did not see alcohol as a problem, except at the moments when I dimly noticed (with frequent amusement) that the stuff was killing me.

as a legitimate great-grandson of the great man himself.) Years of probing into the sexual enigmas of individual and collective living left me, like many of my generation, believing the vague dictum that bore the imprimatur of the Vienna school of psychology: "*Everything* has to do with sex." I knew, therefore, that I was somehow liberated from the repellent, antique morality of Queen Victoria. I was free, morally speaking, to pursue the truth of my own nature and to rise above the tyrannies of repressed (and therefore "wrong") sex.

Accordingly, again like many of my generation, I was literally *obsessed* by sex, an obsession (but not, thank God, a compulsion) only second in importance to alcohol in my life. Drinking, for at least a dozen alcoholic years, was not a moral matter at all; that is, it seemed to have nothing to do with right or wrong. Alcohol meant survival; anything that kept me alive, I assumed, was necessary and hence, in the philosopher's words, "beyond good and evil." So I did not see alcohol as a problem, except at the moments when I dimly noticed (with frequent amusement) that the stuff was killing me. But this subtle observation appeared almost totally irrelevant to the clear truth that booze was also

keeping me alive. Such a state of affairs is too much of a puzzle (a moral puzzle, when you get right down to it) for any man's gin-soaked brain, including mine.

What I am getting to (slowly) is that morality for me centered, I thought, on matters having to do mostly with sex. Drinking unleashed a panorama of sexual fantasies within me. (These fantasies, let me add, were rarely implemented in life. The business of living was just too jammed up with wide-screen and stereophonic hangovers, the

logistics of getting the next drink while battling for social survival, and the exhausting labor of achieving the maximum possible intoxication. There was just no time or energy left to turn those sex dreams into reality.)

Imagine, then, how I felt after a dry year in our Fellowship when I first bruised my sensitivities upon Step Four. A *moral* inventory! "Rights" and "wrongs"! Sex! More than this, it was suggested that I commit my inventory (one way or another) to writing. I made a few scratches on a yellow pad, thought a bit about the antipornography legislation being proposed in those days, and retired in a sulk to a closed AA meeting where questions could be submitted anonymously on slips of paper.

Before the meeting even began, I wrote, "Why does the Fourth Step ask us to take a *moral* inventory? Why not just an inventory?" I folded the paper discreetly and slid it under an ashtray on the speaker's table at the front of the room.

I had never seen the leader of that meeting before, and I have not run into him since. In his qualification, he explained that he was a professional gambler, whose usual beat was in Nevada, and that "business" (having to do, I gather, with the sport of kings) had brought him to the East for the current season. His story was nothing short of inspirational. His ten

years of sobriety--in the midst of the uncertainty of his particular occupation--were clearly a triumph of living a day at a time. He seemed to have absolute confidence that his higher power cared as much about decks of cards, dice, roulette wheels, and pari-mutuel machines as it did about more sacred and cultural artifacts. To me, that was both astounding and comforting.

Eventually, he unfolded my question and looked at it as if it were a hopeless poker hand. He

"The reason we take a *moral* inventory," he said carefully, "is because the word 'moral' forces us to divide into rights and wrongs the things we do--and have done--to ourselves and others.

read it aloud and repeated, "Why do we take a *moral* inventory?" He paused and examined the ceiling. Then a weary look overcame him, a look indicating that he had indeed thought about this before. His voice was so low I could hardly hear it, as if he were reluctantly sharing a sure thing on tomorrow's daily double.

"The reason we take a *moral* inventory," he said carefully, "is because the word 'moral' forces us to divide into rights and wrongs the things we do--and have done--to ourselves and others. This forces us to make

decisions--personal decisions--and asks us, in effect, where we stand as human beings, what we hold to be right and wrong, whether we're alone in the dark of night or with other people."

Quite suddenly, I realized that I was in the company of an extremely wise man, and I listened closely to the ensuing discussion. Nobody even brought up the topic of sex! Our gambling man had set the tone for the discussion; it centered mostly upon the maintenance of sobriety and upon the clear

thinking and strength required to stand up as a man or a woman, ready to be counted, ready to affirm, "This I believe to be right--this I believe to be wrong," and ready to try to live just that way.

I spent the rest of that evening with my copy of *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions*. I came to see,

first, that on the analyst's couch I was able to do a lot of things, but never to take (even with the help of a skilled therapist) a true moral inventory; then, that until I did I would be adrift in the contemporary relativism of wishy-washy, vaguely "scientific" amorality. I thought of the words "right" and "wrong" as they applied to the brilliant men who invented bacteriological warfare and nuclear warheads. I thought of Ernest Hemingway's "emancipated" notion that what was moral was what *felt* good, and I tried to think about, not only what felt good *now*, but what could be counted upon to

feel good tomorrow and the day after.

I thought about sex. Certainly, the wake of joy and sorrow we leave behind us in our pursuit of instinctual pleasure *is* a moral matter (and a measure of character), as Bill wrote. So are the numerous choices that the pursuit forces us to make in daily life. We must consider, not only whether we are adhering to a certain social concept of what is "right," but how we feel if we do not adhere to it, when (as sometimes happens) the spirit is willing, but the flesh commands otherwise. Certainly, I thought then (and still do), the implication of a willingness to "stand up and be counted," the *real* moral imperative of life, takes us far beyond the simple roster of "rights" and "wrongs"

concerning "genital commotion" (as psychologists often call it) and into the entire realm of human relationships.

In my solitude, I asked myself, "What *do* I believe in? What *would* I stand up and be counted for? What do I *really* consider right and wrong?" And immediately I understood that I had now begun to take a meaningful "searching and fearless moral inventory"!

That evening passed nearly five years ago. I am still trying to answer, to my own satisfaction, those three simple questions. How sorry I am to say that I do not yet know the final answers, even for myself--and certainly not for you. But I think I am on the track in pursuing them within our AA program, and I think I am pursuing them well,

because I am sober. I think the answers have something to do with love, a word I do not use freely. And they cleave close to Bill's observation that, when we were drinking, "Of true brotherhood we had small comprehension." Without love and brotherhood, I think, we might each turn into the sort of walking moral-disaster area that I was before I first met the Fourth Step.

G. N. G.
Queens,
New York



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Since Step Four is but the beginning of a lifetime practice, it can be suggested that he first have a look at those personal flaws which are acutely troublesome and fairly obvious. Using his best judgment of what has been right and what has been wrong, he might make a rough survey of his conduct with respect to his primary instincts for sex, security, and society. Looking back over his life, he can readily get under way by consideration of questions such as these:" (Twelve and Twelve, Step Four, pg. 50)

The Fourth Tradition

*Each group should be autonomous
except in matters affecting other
groups or A.A. as a whole.*

A member who does any amount of traveling finds the A.A. spirit much the same everywhere. But apart from this inward kinship, there are vast differences among groups. Here, the traveler finds three members discussing the Steps in somebody's living room; there, 300 listening to speakers in a church auditorium. In one part of the U.S., respectful silence greets the speaker who begins, "My name is Ann, and I am an alcoholic." In another, everybody happily shouts, "Hi, Ann!" And in many other places, she may introduce herself with her full name—at a one-hour meeting or a 90-minute meeting. In each neighborhood in every part of the world reached by A.A., the local group is free to work out its own customs.

As always, freedom brings responsibility. Because each group *is* autonomous, it's up to each group to avoid any action that might harm A.A. And there *have* been such actions—or this Tradition would be unnecessary. "Implicit throughout A.A.'s Traditions," Bill W. wrote, "is the confession that our Fellowship has its sins. We admit that we have character defects as a society and these defects threatens us continually."

Blown up to multiple size, the Big Ego may inspire one group to take over all the public information work for its area, without consulting any of the other local groups. Once the group has decided, "*We* have all the answers," the lid's off. The group may then decide that, let's say, the Eleventh Tradition is an outdated technicality: "This is a competitive age! We're going to come right out and give A.A. some good, vigorous promoting!" To the general public, this one conspicuous group *is* A.A. Its antics reflect, not only on the ignored neighboring groups, but on the entire Fellowship.

In a way, the Fourth Tradition is like the Fourth Step: It suggests that the A.A. group should take honest inventory of itself, asking about each of its independently planned actions, "Would this break any Tradition?" Like the individual member who chooses to make the Steps his or her guide toward happy sobriety, the wise group recognizes that the Traditions are not hindering technicalities—they are proved guides toward the chief objective of all A.A. groups...

And you
are a member
if you say
you are!



UPCOMING EVENTS

NNIG MONTHLY SPEAKER MEETING

Grand Sierra Resort 2500 East 2nd St.

Lower Level, Nevada Foyer

Second Saturday of every month at 7:00 P.M.

Reminder!

The April NNIG speaker meeting will be held on April 16th instead of the 9th due to the Spring Festival.



"EASY DOES IT"

CAMP OUT @ CAMP RICHARDSON, SO. LAKE TAHOE

July 14-17, 2011

Questions: Call Central Office 775-355-1151

Email: sierraserenity2011@hotmail.com

OASIS FESTIVAL in FALLON
2011

Presents *'Came to Believe'* an A.A. Round up.
October 15th, 2011 at the Fallon Convention Center
Ed V. (Granite Bay, Ca.) - Main Speaker

- ★ young peoples panel
- ★ old timers panel
- ★ hospitality room
- ★ fellowship
- ★ speakers
- ★ dinner
- ★ raffle
- ★ event will be audio taped

Event time: 9:15 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Address: 100 Campus Way (off of Auction Rd.)
Who can attend?: everyone is welcome
Event registration: \$20 per person (includes dinner.)

for more info you can contact:
Liz R. 775-427-1113 Or Dustin S. 775-287-8465
email us at: OasisFestivalinFallon2011@yahoo.com

Register soon - seating is limited to the first 300 people!

Make checks payable to: Mailing address
'Oasis Festival in Fallon'
P.O. Box 497
Fallon, Nv. 89407

Registration deadline is September 31st

Oasis Festival in Fallon October 15th, 2011	
REGISTRATION FORM	
NAME _____	Registration fee \$20⁰⁰
ADDRESS _____	Number of people registering _____
CITY, STATE, ZIP _____	Number of people attending the dinner _____
EMAIL _____	Total amount enclosed \$ _____
PHONE (optional) _____	
Mailing address: Oasis Festival in Fallon, P.O. Box 497, Fallon, Nv. 89407	
* Registration fee includes dinner	

Oasis Festival

Now is the time to mark your calendars for Saturday, October 15th, 2011

The committee for the Oasis Festival in Fallon, NV is proud to bring you "Came to Believe", the theme for this year's Fallon AA roundup. There will be speakers, marathon meetings, old-timers panel, young people's panel, dinner and more! Come be a part of the food, fun, and fellowship on October 15th, 2011 in Fallon, NV. Registration is \$20 (includes dinner) and seating is limited; so reserve your spot soon and join the great fellowship in Fallon, NV this fall. For more information see the Oasis flyer or email us at oasisfestivalinfallon2011@yahoo.com. You can also contact Dustin S. (committee chair) at (775)287-8465 or Liz R. (treasurer) at (775)427-1113.

6th Annual Young Peoples Campout

Friday, June 24, 2011

Speaker Meetings, Resentment Bonfire, Saturday Potluck Dinner, Sunday Breakfast, Hiking, Biking, Fishing, Volleyball, Horseshoe Pits, Swimming and so much more!

MORE INFO TO COME!

Contact Info:

Dan...

[Read more...](#)

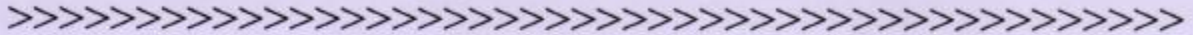


Congratulations to the ladies of Northern Nevada for winning the bid for 49th International Women's Conference. The conference will be held at the Silver Legacy Resort and Casino on February 14-17, 2013. It's too early to tell what will be required to assemble this remarkable event. The Executive Committee is currently working on an Organizational Chart and the where-with-all to pull off a successful assembly. More will be revealed in the near future. Stay tuned to the Bracer (your local NNIG newsletter) and your local fliers to stay in touch with this significant event.



The Annual AA
11th Step Prayer &
Meditation Retreat

Friday May 6th through Sunday May 8th, 2011
Zephyr Point, Lake Tahoe



Purpose...To Practice AA's 11th Step:

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

Zephyr Point Conference Center: located 4 miles South of Cave Rock on the right-hand (lake) side of US Highway 50. Fully equipped kitchen, dinning and meeting rooms....2, 3 or 4 person room accommodations, Lakeside Amphitheater.

\$100.00 Registration Fee includes: 5 full meals and plentiful snacks and beverages. Friday and Saturday night accommodations (you bring your own sheets, towels & toiletries)

Beautiful Tahoe Spirituality

No pets or smoking permitted. The Retreat Center is a smoke-free facility. Smoking is allowed outside, but only in designated areas.

Register early to insure your reservation. Maximum attendance – 40 first come, first serve. Room assignments and special request roommates made in order received.

Make checks payable to DISTRICT 16. Contact Sharon at 331-6774 or 453-3403. Sharon is handling all payments. Bruce is in charge of the Eleventh Step Retreat Committee and can be reached at 378-7946 should you have any questions.

Registration Form

First and Last Name:

Mailing Address or Email to confirm your registration:

Please indicate if you wish to share a room with someone:

Make checks or money orders payable to DISTRICT 16

Total Enclosed: _____

Her own part

It was years before I could do an honest Fourth Step. But I guess since I kept trying to get it right, that counted as a desire to be honest. My sponsor would say to me, "This is the same stuff you brought in last year--when are you going to let this go?" The problem wasn't letting it go; the problem was that I couldn't be honest about it. I kept trying to be honest and to find my part in my failed relationships, but I was compelled to blame others and to stay the victim. This went on for years, and it was painful. I had an ego that wanted to be right all the time, and I was miserable.

The main resentment I had was toward my ex-husband. I believed I had wasted my youth on a drunk who had battered me physically and emotionally throughout our marriage. I tortured myself with this

resentment for the first 10 years of my sobriety. I was exhausted and ashamed for not having let it go like I heard other people do in meetings.

For a while I blamed my parents for not empowering me, but I knew they'd done the best they could. I had to stop blaming others. When the pain of holding onto the resentment got greater than the fear of looking at my part in it, I had to get rigorously honest and put the blame where it belonged--on myself--for allowing the abuse to go on and for not leaving my husband the first time he laid a hand on me. My resentment wasn't about my ex. It was about how I betrayed and abandoned myself by staying in the abuse and by numbing out on alcohol. I was told in AA that once I owned my part, I could forgive myself because I had been impotent to protect myself at the time.

I kept hearing it was an "inside job," so I got busy learning how to take care of myself, empower myself, and protect and love myself. The women in AA were my teachers, and some wonderful books on codependency helped.

Every morning I go to the mirror, look myself straight in the eyes and say, "I love you, and I promise I'll never abandon you." With this empowerment and without the weight of resentments, I am truly happy, joyous and free. God willing, I am finally able to be of service to others.

*BETH P.
Santa Barbara, Calif.*

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Men soon the faults of others learn
A few their virtues, too, find out;
But is there one—I have a doubt—
Who can his own defects discern?

Sanskrit Proverb

NNIG BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

NORTHERN NEVADA INTERGROUP ASSOCIATION

INTERGROUP BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 1, 2011

Central Service Committee (CSC) Members Present

CHAIR	Jason R	VICE CHAIR	Van D
SECRETARY	Rene P	TREASURE	Elisa
COM/ EXEC DIR	Judy (alt)		

Intergroup Representative's, Committee Chairs and Guests Present

Steve W	Ground Zero	ED de P	Sunshine Committee
Frank S	SS Group SLT	Noel W	Carson After Shifters
Pete R	Ground Zero	Anna H	Kings beach
Steve M	Shakem up	Greg S	ANNYPAA
Linda B	Mon Night Womens	Richard	Young at Heart (Alt)
Randy M	Slide Mtn Serenity	Jesse A	Young at Heart
Linda T	Mt Rose Recovery	Lee P	Truckee fellowship
Judy M	CT&BTG NNIG.COM	Russ G	Fernley KISS
Fletcher	NAGL	Bill M	Sat Night Fever
Roger H	Silver Springs Area Liason	Dod	Happy Hour
Olaro K	Webmaster	Richard B	Young at Heart
John J	Roadside	David S	Ground Zero
Ted G	Pyramid Way Group	Daryl N	Eye Opener
Larry B	Wed Night Live	Craig R	Treatment
Mark R	Almost Heaven/Speaker co-chair	Sharon B	Eyeopener
Sean N	District 2	Mike C	P.I. Chair
Tracy V	Southside	Cathie L	Caring and Sharing
David S	Ground Zero	Matt S	Serenity on Sunday
Mark K	Caring and Sharing	John J	Roadside
Sean A	Positive Acceptance	Fred T	Minden/Gardnerville
Pete B	Southside	Regina P	District 4
Mark K	Caring and Sharing	Larry B	Wed Night Live

...Meeting opened at 7 p.m. with serenity prayer, Rene P read the bi-laws. Jason R motioned to approve February minutes... minutes were approved.

CENTRAL SERVICE COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS (Administrative)

- **CHAIR (JASON R):** Looking for a Central office Exec. Director. Resumes must be submitted by March 11,2011. A link on the website has been set-up for resumes.
- **VICE CHAIR (Van D):** Van stressed the importance of Intergroup alternates for chair positions as chair responsibility. The Bracer will be sent out sometime in March. You can find guidelines and pamphlets at CO for group/sec responsibilities. New schedules are coming out in March, be sure your meeting is updated.
- **SECRETARY (RENE P):** please be sure to fill out a written report. I would prefer to get your written report before we open the meeting. Thank you.
- **COM/EXEC DIRECTOR (BEV C):** Absent due to illness. No written report.
- **TREASURER (ELISA R):** Profit loss for Feb was -721.59 due to double pay at CO. Groups, please re-visit your contributions as prudent reserve continues to be in the high negatives. Profit/Loss report available at CO.
- **ACTIVITIES CHAIR (JOEL B)** Absent. Speaker for the Corned Beef and Cribbage is Shawn W. Central Office and Joel will be collecting raffle prizes, which are needed. Founders day Picnic committee will meet in April. Volunteers needed.
- **WEBMASTER (Olaro K):** Been cleaning up the website for easier access and ability top update meeting schedules as needed in the future. Continue to e-mail webmaster with any changes and suggestions to the website.
- **CORRECTIONS (Steve W):** Were able to provide books and literature to several treatment/facilities due to pink can contribution. Financial report deferred till next month due to computer malfunction.
- **TREATMENT/BTG (Craig R):** No report.
- **ANSWERING SERVICE (LAURA):** Absent with report. Answering Service is in need of volunteers to take calls on Fridays 9-11pm, Sat 5-7pm, Tues 6-9am,
- **AREA 42 LIAISON (Roger H):** No report submitted.
- **NNIG STEERING COMMITTEE LIAISONS:** No report submitted.
- **PUBLIC INFORMATION (MIKE):** Working on presentation board for events to hold pamphlets, sobriety chips and other AA related items.
- **SPEAKER MEETING (Mark):** TRMS will host Mike M from LA @ GSR, Rm 123 Lower section. April's speaker meeting will be held on the third Sat of April due to Spring Fling overlapping.
- **INTERGROUP REP (Scott M):** Absent
- **BRACER (no chair):** No report and currently no chair.
- **CPC (?):** No report
- **SUNSHINE COMMITTEE (Ed De P):** Responsibilities for committee were administered from 2/14-2/27. Bi-monthly newsletter was published and distributed. Averaging 1.5 calls per week. Meeting held Thurs 3/3/11 @ St Mary's for committee introductions.

NEW BUSINESS

Reno won the bid for the 2013 International women's conference. We need the support of all the women in the area to host this event. Volunteers needed.

OLD BUSINESS

Nothing to report

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Truckee River Men's Stag has moved to the California Bldg @ Idlewild Park.
- ACCYPAA, March 17-20th in San Francisco
- Suggested that Chairs look for Co-Chairs to mentor through the spirit of rotation.
- Young @ Heart has moved, again, to 627 Sunnyside.
- Corrections Chair needs female volunteers
- Need volunteers speakers for marathon meetings during Springfest, April 8-10th
- Meetings at California and Arlington are moving for a year due to church remodel. Location to be announced at next NNIG meeting.
- Campout will be held on the lower portion of the campground. We will not have the upper portion available to us this year.
- Elisa looking for an alt treasurer.
- ADHOC needs another member. See Jason for details.

...Motion to close. Meeting commenced at 8:00 p.m. with the Lords Prayer.



NNIG FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Northern Nevada Intergroup Profit & Loss March 2011

	<u>Mar 11</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Birthday Contributions	5.00
Event Revenues	
Speaker Meeting	
Speaker Meeting Revenue	977.39
Speaker Meeting Expenses	<u>-326.80</u>
Total Speaker Meeting	650.59
Cribbage & Cabbage	
Costs	-866.98
Cribbage & Cabbage - Other	<u>1,225.00</u>
Total Cribbage & Cabbage	<u>358.02</u>
Total Event Revenues	1,008.61
Faithful Fivers	15.00
Group Contributions	2,030.12
Individual Contributions	55.50
Merchandise Sales	3,650.50
Other Uncategorized Income	<u>20.00</u>
Total Income	6,784.73
Cost of Goods Sold	
Cost of Goods Sold	<u>2,350.96</u>
Total COGS	<u>2,350.96</u>
Gross Profit	4,433.77
Expense	
Reconciliation Discrepancies	0.60
Storage Unit	63.00
Compensation & Benefits	780.00
Copier Lease	604.78
Office Supplies	209.24
Outside Office Help	640.00
Paper	179.03
Payroll Tax Expense	-77.07
Rent	671.00
Taxes & Licenses	25.00
Telephone	69.04
Trash	21.63
Utilities	<u>172.07</u>
Total Expense	<u>3,358.32</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>1,075.45</u>
Net Income	<u><u>1,075.45</u></u>

8:43 AM
4/05/11
Accrual Basis

Northern Nevada Intergroup
Transaction Detail By Account
March 2011

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount	Balance
Group Contributions						
Sales Receipt	3/1/2011	022817	Almost Heaven	Group Contributions	10.00	10.00
Sales Receipt	3/1/2011	022817	Almost Heaven	Group Contribution	10.00	20.00
Sales Receipt	3/1/2011	022820	Afameon Delight Reno	Group Contributions	94.00	114.00
Sales Receipt	3/1/2011	022822	How We Stay Stopped	Group Contributions	35.00	149.00
Sales Receipt	3/2/2011	03021	W'ld Bunch	Group Contributions	10.00	159.00
Sales Receipt	3/2/2011	03024	NNIG Business Meeting	Group Contributions	31.00	190.00
Sales Receipt	3/2/2011	03027	Guapo Accion	Group Contributions	10.00	200.00
Sales Receipt	3/2/2011	03029	Dawn Patrol	Group Contributions	94.31	294.31
Sales Receipt	3/8/2011	030803	Happy Hour/Reno 02010	Group Contributions	100.00	394.31
Sales Receipt	3/8/2011	030806	Mens Closed Big Book Study	Group Contributions	75.00	469.31
Sales Receipt	3/9/2011	030815	Pyramid Way Group	Group Contributions	25.00	494.31
Sales Receipt	3/9/2011	030817	Almost Heaven	Group Contributions	75.00	569.31
Sales Receipt	3/14/2011	31401	M: Rose Recovery Room Group	Group Contributions	180.69	750.00
Sales Receipt	3/14/2011	31402	Sunday Serenity Meeting	Group Contributions	35.00	785.00
Sales Receipt	3/14/2011	31404	Alter Shifters Meeting	Group Contributions	100.00	885.00
Sales Receipt	3/14/2011	31406	Hillview Terrace Big Book Study	Group Contributions	90.00	975.00
Sales Receipt	3/14/2011	31409	Serenity on Sunday	7th Tradition	50.00	1,025.00
Sales Receipt	3/16/2011	31420	Fl'eside Big Book Study	Group Contributions	97.25	1,122.25
Sales Receipt	3/16/2011		There is a Solution	Group Contributions	22.72	1,144.97
Sales Receipt	3/17/2011	031703	M: Rose Recovery Room Group	Group Contributions	67.74	1,212.71
Sales Receipt	3/18/2011	031805	Net A Glum Lot	Group Contributions	10.00	1,222.71
Sales Receipt	3/18/2011	031806	Southside Group	Group Contributions	301.91	1,524.62
Sales Receipt	3/21/2011	031811	Susanville Fellowship	Group Contributions	200.00	1,724.62
Sales Receipt	3/28/2011	32802	Young At Heart	Group Contributions	135.00	1,859.62
Sales Receipt	3/28/2011	32805	Net A Glum Lot	7th Tradition	10.00	1,869.62
Sales Receipt	3/28/2011	32806	Net A Glum Lot	7th Tradition	30.00	1,899.62
Sales Receipt	3/31/2011	33101	Silver Springs	Group Contributions	10.00	1,909.62
Sales Receipt	3/31/2011	33102	Buena Vista Group	Group Contributions	25.00	1,934.62
Total Group Contributions					1,934.62	1,934.62
TOTAL					1,934.62	1,934.62

TREASURER'S REPORT

	<u>March</u>	<u>Year to Date 2011</u>
Income	6,785	20,426
Expense		
Cost of Goods Sold	2,351	5,806
Operating	3,358	13,767
Net Income/Loss	1,075	853
Cash Balance at March 31, 2011:		
<u>Account</u>	<u>Current Balance</u>	<u>Goal Balance</u>
Checking	1,600.00	4,036.89
Savings	1,035.00	2,000.00
Prudent Reserve	8,000.00	24,147.55

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We ask for a \$5.00 monthly or \$60.00 yearly contribution, but no amount is too small. Donate whatever you can afford. Many members use their sobriety date as a reminder to send in their contributions. Please send your check today to:

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FIRST MEETING IN OUR NEW LOCATION:

APRIL 1, 2011

AA Meeting in Need of Support

Mondays and Fridays 10:00 A.M. at the Senior Center in Reno

9th and Sutro in the Art Room

Refreshments are provided!

Easy Does It

The 'Easy Does It' group invites you to join us in an open AA meeting.

Where: 24/7 TLC, 1035 E. 8th St. Reno

When: 7 PM - 8 PM Saturdays

Contact: Michael R. (775) 393-0100

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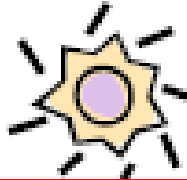
This is your newsletter and your contributions are greatly appreciated!

Sunshine Committee!!

Sobriety requirement – 1 year

We will work to your schedule

Call Ed @787-7730 or email at eddiboi@gmail.com



What is the Sunshine Committee you may be asking yourself? The Sunshine Committee takes meetings to sober members of Alcoholics Anonymous who are either hospital or home bound due to illness or inability to get out to a meeting.

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