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AA in the AV 23

by Bruce L.
District 7 Archivist

The Antelope Valley Arid Club, incorporated January 17, 1967, was located at 44839 Yucca Street, on the west side of the street just south of Lancaster Boulevard.



View of the former Antelope Valley Arid Club

The District 7 Archives does not have a photo of the Arid Club when it was alive and functioning, but this picture shows the building after the Arid Club had closed. The right two thirds of the building, where the black car is parked, was the Arid Club; the left one third, the part painted white with the red lettering, was the office of the roofing company of R.K., one of the staunchest supporters of the Club and legendary AA long timer. **(To be continued.)**



Another view of the former Antelope Valley Arid Club.

Image source, Google 2021.

Step 8

***"Made a list of all persons we had harmed,
and became willing to make amends to them all."***

Tradition 8

***"Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever
nonprofessional, but our service centers may
employ special workers."***

Quotable Quotes

Heard in the Zooms of the AV and Beyond...

- #1** "If you can't practice these principles in all your affairs, then you have too many affairs."
~Bob E., Maryland
- #2** "I used to suffer from the high cost of low living." ~Bob K.
- #3** "The closer I get to my Higher Power, the bigger He gets."
- #4** "Humiliation...is something AA has an abundance of."
- #5** "We AAers can make going to the bathroom a story."
- #6** "I always got my medicine from the 'bottle' store." ~Brenden, U.K."
- #7** "Life does not happen to you, it happens for you!"
- #8** "I like to kill two birds with one stone. I was often running from the sheriff while chasing a drink!"
- #9** "In AA, the odds are good, but the goods are odd."
- #10** "We may not have it all together, but together we have it all."
~319 Zoom Group
- #11** "I wasn't at the end of the road, but I could see it from here."
~Bill, 93-year-old WWII Veteran
New Zealand 24/7 zoom
ID 292 371 2604, no PW
- #12** Newcomer says, "There doesn't seem to be any good news in this book!"

Concept 8 – Twelve Concepts of World Service

"The trustees are the principal planners and administrators of over-all policy and finance. They have custodial oversight of the separately incorporated and constantly active services, exercising this through their ability to elect all the directors of these entities."

Word Search

PRINCIPLES LOVE GRATITUDE
NONPROFESSIONAL COURAGE CONSIDERATION
SUCCESS GROWTH ATTRACTION



J	V	F	O	N	C	T	K	R	S	W	K	H
C	U	R	Y	O	W	S	C	X	A	G	G	W
O	P	R	I	N	C	I	P	L	E	S	X	N
N	D	R	U	P	I	M	B	G	W	X	F	O
S	S	R	L	R	B	Y	I	R	U	F	G	I
I	Y	O	E	O	D	U	Z	A	H	D	L	T
D	V	O	K	F	K	B	E	T	V	K	E	C
E	B	W	M	E	G	Q	G	I	L	C	S	A
R	Q	P	O	S	I	B	A	T	J	W	U	R
A	N	G	G	S	O	Z	R	U	M	F	C	T
T	D	X	R	I	G	H	U	D	J	T	C	T
I	A	G	O	O	Y	U	O	E	W	O	E	A
O	M	E	W	N	P	V	C	S	E	Z	S	A
N	W	W	T	A	R	A	Q	B	Z	K	S	V
O	X	C	H	L	A	Y	A	U	Z	E	B	T



Taking a Trip, Not Taking a Trip

by John H.

On the front of my trailer cap piece are the printed words "taking a trip, not taking a trip." As all of you know, this is a quote from the big book of Alcoholics Anonymous. It is a nifty way to meet other recovering Alcoholics as we travel. Of course, other people (non-alcoholic) will ask us what it means, and I tell them it means that no matter where you go you take yourself along. If you are an unhappy, resentful, and angry person you will take that with you no matter where you go. On the other hand, if you accept life's challenges as they come in a joyful way then you will take that as you go along the way.

Personally, for me it has a much deeper meaning, it is a reminder that I am and always will be an alcoholic. I cannot run away from my disease; it travels with me and that is a constant in my life. I am aware wherever I go I need to take the necessary steps to stay in remission from this deadly disease.

In *He Sold Himself Short*, from the Big Book pg. 258, the author talks about how he had to drive from Chicago to Akron, Ohio to attend a meeting. Today, I am so grateful that I do not have to drive long distances to attend a meeting. The APP Meeting Guide AA World Services, Inc. for Android and Apple is on my smart phone and lists



meetings all over the USA. While in River Ridge, a small town in Louisiana, I found a great meeting a mile from where I was staying. I attended a meeting at the cemetery office in Glendive, Montana. Buffalo, Wyoming had a great meeting where I met several of the local cowboys.

While visiting Bill Wilson's grave in East Dorset, Vermont, we found a meeting right next to the RV park we had our trailer in. If you want to know the best places to eat, fun things to see, or any other things you may want to see while in a town go to a local meeting and ask. We have been invited to roundups and other get-togethers by local members of AA Groups. Take a smile and an accepting attitude and remember, it is their meeting. While it may have a different format, it is still all about staying sober.

Excerpt from *As Bill Sees It*

195 The Language of the Heart –

Why, at this particular point in history, has God chosen to communicate His healing grace to so many of us? Every aspect of this global unfoldment can be related to a single crucial word. The word is "communication." There has been a lifesaving communication among ourselves, with the world around us, and with God.

From the beginning, communication in A.A. has been no ordinary transmission of helpful ideas and attitudes. Because of our kinship in suffering, and because our common means of deliverance are effective for ourselves only when constantly carried to others, our channels of contact have always been charged with the language of the heart.

A.A. Today, pp. 7-8

Upcoming Events

AV Intergroup Meeting

When: Thurs. Aug. 5, 7:00 PM
Location: 43619 17th Street West
Lancaster, CA 93534

High Desert Big Book Group 18th Anniversary Banquet Dinner & Speaker Meeting

When: Sat. Aug. 21, 5 PM
Location: Growing Valley Baptist
44818 20th Street West
Lancaster, CA 93534

Meeting @ 6:30pm is free.
Dinner ticket: \$14 starts at 5pm.

How Do I Make a Contribution to AV Intergroup?

Scan the
QR code
to use
CashApp



Or, visit
www.avcentraloffice.org
for the link to AV Intergroup
on PayPal

August 2021 Office Manager Report

	Jan - Jun '21	Jul '21	YTD Total
Sales of Goods	\$11,469.84	\$3,912.68	\$15,382.52
Expenses	(\$6,925.51)	(\$1,765.56)	(\$8,691.07)
Cost of Goods	(\$8,012.10)	(\$2,049.37)	(\$10,061.47)
Contributions	\$15,412.63	\$9,315.52	\$24,728.15
Net Income	\$11,944.86	\$9,413.27	\$21,358.13



Contributions			
Group	Jan - Jun '21	Jul '21	2021 Total
A Gathering of Women	\$0.00		\$0.00
AM/Mid-Day Mod	\$1,126.12	\$5,214.00	\$6,340.12
Anonymous	\$2,266.10	\$1,513.11	\$3,779.21
Any Lengths Group	\$0.00		\$0.00
AV Hospital - Rm #CR7	\$0.00		\$0.00
AV Men's Stag	\$2,323.00	\$311.00	\$2,634.00
AV Round-Up	\$0.00		\$0.00
AVYPBYOC	\$0.00		\$0.00
Birthday	\$150.00	\$27.00	\$177.00
Came to Believe	\$0.00		\$0.00
Crown Valley Grp	\$0.00		\$0.00
Daily Reflection	\$0.00		\$0.00
Dare to be Different	\$0.00		\$0.00
Faithful Fiver	\$140.00	\$35.00	\$175.00
Friday Noon - Alano	\$0.00		\$0.00
H & I	\$2,664.00		\$2,664.00
High Desert BB Grp	\$0.00		\$0.00
High Desert Hospital	\$0.00		\$0.00
I Am Big Book Study	\$40.00		\$40.00
Intergroup Fundraisers	\$487.09		\$487.09
Into Action	\$0.00	\$75.00	\$75.00
Joe & Charlie Book Study - Alano	\$403.58		\$403.58
Lake Hughes Group	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Last Call	\$0.00		\$0.00
New Beginnings	\$0.00		\$0.00
Open Door	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00
Palmdale Grp	\$693.00	\$878.97	\$1,571.97
Pearlblossom Grp	\$0.00		\$0.00
PM Mod	\$0.00		\$0.00
Quartz Hill Unity Grp	\$468.50	\$120.00	\$588.50
Rainbow Grp	\$0.00		\$0.00
Recovery @ The Ranch	\$499.00	\$514.00	\$1,013.00
Rosamond Sun Night	\$0.00		\$0.00
Rule 62 Grp	\$0.00		\$0.00
Sat AM Men's Stag	\$0.00		\$0.00
Sat Spkr Mtg - Alano	\$0.00		\$0.00
Sobriety Rocks - Alano	\$0.00		\$0.00
Spiritual Sunday - Alano	\$0.00		\$0.00
Steps in Depth	\$0.00		\$0.00
Steps Workshop	\$0.00		\$0.00
Sun Night BBS	\$0.00		\$0.00
The Promises - Alano	\$0.00		\$0.00
Tuesday Topic Mtg - Alano	\$0.00		\$0.00
We Care Grp	\$0.00		\$0.00
Westside Grp	\$20.00	\$60.00	\$80.00
Women in Progress	\$0.00		\$0.00
Women in Recovery	\$0.00		\$0.00
Women Seeking Serenity	\$0.00		\$0.00
Sober Sisters	\$72.00		\$72.00
Digital Contributions	\$3,060.24	\$467.44	\$3,527.68
TOTALS	\$12,280.39	\$9,315.52	\$21,128.47

AnnaMarie M	8/4/2017	4	Bob S.	8/16/2005	16
Valerie D.	8/1/2016	5	Charise P.	8/25/2005	16
Morgan	8/7/2016	5	Ron H.	8/12/2003	18
Katlyn R.	8/9/2016	5	Stacy C.	8/25/2003	18
Sandra V.	8/28/2016	5	Chris N.	8/30/2002	19
Julie	8/9/2015	6	Chris S.	8/17/2002	19
JoAnne G.	8/21/2015	6	Mvrtle O.	8/29/2002	19
Erick V.	8/28/2015	6	Barbara S.	8/20/2001	20
Chris K.	8/17/2012	9	Cassandra P.	8/14/2001	20
Dee Dee G.	8/9/2012	9	Susie B.	8/31/2001	20
Paul E.	8/1/2012	9	Boyce H.	8/19/2000	21
Richard A.M.	8/23/2012	9	Joe P.	8/13/2000	21
Richard K.	8/23/2012	9	Marlene G.	8/16/2000	21
Robert R.	8/17/2012	9	Pamela P.	8/13/2000	21
Wendy W.	8/20/2012	9	Robert G.	8/25/2000	21
Amv D.	8/8/2011	10	Julio C.	8/28/1999	22
Jeff M.	8/15/2011	10	Lisa B.	8/16/1999	22
Joe S.	8/8/2011	10	Joe L.	8/10/1997	24
Laura	8/30/2011	10	Carmen L.	8/16/1996	25
Molly M.	8/9/2011	10	Marv M.	8/11/1996	25
Terry R.	8/5/2011	10	Robert R.	8/12/1996	25
Amanda G.	8/15/2010	11	Emma W.	8/20/1994	27
Christine L.	8/29/2010	11	Lamont W.	8/1/1994	27
Janet D.	8/10/2010	11	Richard B.	8/2/1993	28
Liz C.	8/17/2010	11	Steve K.	8/20/1993	28
Michele S.	8/22/2010	11	Stephanie M.	8/8/1992	29
Tom M.	8/23/2010	11	Alvin F.	8/17/1991	30
Wayne S.	8/24/2010	11	Julie P.	8/31/1991	30
Alex W.	8/28/2009	12	Tracy B.	8/2/1991	30
Jan P.	8/22/2009	12	Linda S.	8/16/1990	31
Janie G.	8/23/2009	12	Jerry L.	8/28/1989	32
Jason S.	8/22/2009	12	Ken K.	8/13/1988	33
Jim W.	8/8/2009	12	Sonny C.	8/10/1988	33
Judith C.	8/17/2009	12	Lem J.	8/3/1987	34
Michael T.	8/20/2009	12	Ona J.	8/29/1987	34
Miguel R.	8/13/2009	12	Ralph H.	8/24/1987	34
Rick B.	8/15/2009	12	Tom M.	8/7/1985	36
Daniel M.	8/27/2008	13	Carolyn C.	8/5/1984	37
Debra B.	8/7/2008	13	Bill L.	8/24/1983	38
Diane E.	8/15/2008	13	Clark S.	8/11/1983	38
Ernie S.	8/9/2008	13	Doug M.	8/10/1982	39
James S.	8/28/2008	13	Eddie Duffv	8/9/1982	39
Johnny M.	8/15/2008	13	Mvrtis S.	8/15/1981	40
Larry L.	8/13/2008	13	Steve N.	8/9/1981	40
Stephanie S.	8/5/2008	13	Jim P.	8/25/1980	41
Deborah A.	8/31/2007	13	John F.	8/19/1980	41
Havdan M.	8/8/2007	14	John H.	8/19/1980	41
Nicole J.	8/31/2007	14	Maggie P.	8/23/1980	41
Robert M.	8/15/2007	14	Mike S.	8/5/1980	41
Sandra P.	8/6/2007	14	Robert D.	8/17/1980	41
Shara B.	8/1/2007	14	Roberta G.	8/10/1979	42
Dano	8/16/2006	15	Clara W.	8/1/1976	45
Kristy T.	8/19/2006	15	Pat L.	8/12/1976	45
Kurt L.	8/3/2006	15	Jav P.	8/5/1974	47
Lisa M.	8/29/2006	15	LaRue A.	8/8/1969	52
Mardy G.	8/17/2006	15			
Michaela O.	8/18/2006	15			
Total Years = 2,304					

Managers Corner

Thanks to all who contributed to Central Office for Founder's Month! If you don't see your birthday on our monthly list please have your group pass a roster around and forward it to the office so we can get it straightened out. Our information is only as good as what is provided!

Thank you for all who are joining the growing Faithful Fivers Club and being part of the SOLUTION!

Thank You Saturday Volunteers!!

- 1st ~ Larry W. & Maureen O.
- 2nd ~ Wendy W. & Yanina
- 3rd ~ Vacant & Reggie J.
- 4th ~ Katie H. & Vacant
- 5th ~ Stephanie S. & Chante D.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service!!

Jeffrey Harlow

Don't forget to visit us on the Web!

