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The Scoop

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AA in the AV 16

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In Memoriam, Linc H.

How appropriate. In last month's Scoop in this column the last line read "Because Linc H. believed in the traditions we survived as a group in spite of some of the sick individuals in it." How fitting.

Our dear and oldest long-timer Linc H. passed away at 2 a.m. on Thanksgiving morning with his wife Glenna at his side. He got sober in Lancaster October 28, 1956. From those of us who knew him before he moved to the Ventura area, I have gathered a few words in remembrance.

"I remember Linc sharing at meetings as a down-to-earth matter-of-fact kind of guy. I am better for knowing him and the example he set for long term sobriety" (John C. 11/17/73).

"When I was four and five years sober my first sponsor Whitey and Linc used to come by and pick me up and take me to meetings. I remember riding in the back seat while he and Whitey were in the front, chuckling and smiling, sometimes at my stupid remarks. I didn't realize at the time that Linc had thirty years! Loved that guy! (Bruce L. 6/20/81).

"The first time I encountered Linc was at the Men's Stag meeting at Ernie McBride's used car lot; Linc was there to claim his twenty-five year coin. After that, and through the time he lived in the A.V. and after he moved to Ventura, we kept in touch. I had the great and humble opportunity to take him to a meeting in Port Hueneme to celebrate his sixty-fourth A.A. birthday on October 28 2020, his actual birthday (David F. 11/4/81).

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In Memoriam

In Memoriam, Eddie D.

Our own Miracle Man! Eddie did most every service position there is from meeting level to area assemblies. He had a firm grasp of our program to include the concepts and was very passionate about our traditions! He practiced doing good deeds without getting caught. Eddie could come across as gruff, but his heart was huge. He was often heard saying, "It's in the book," "I haven't had a drink all day" and "Howya doin".

Eddie passed on Nov 27th with 38 years sober.

Quotable Quotes

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

- #1 "I knew that I had a spiritual awakening when I was sober and happy at the same time."
- #2 "Made a list of people that had harmed me and asked God to remove them."
- #3 "If you want to know what is happening on the rooftops of AA; there are no elevators; but there are steps you can take."
- #4 "Someone in AA told me, 'You're going to go a long way kid,' because you have a long way to go."
- #5 "When the grass looks greener on the other side of the fence, it's time to fertilize your own lawn."
- #6 "When I told him he was in alcoholic, Mr. Jones wanted a second opinion. So I told him he was in denial too."
- #7 "Blessed are those that don't have anything to say, and don't take too long to say it."
- #8 "Nothing consumes a man more completely as the passion of resentment." ~ Friedrich Nietzsche
- #9 "I know you told me... no new relationships for a year, but hes got 7 months and I've got 5... does that count as a year?"
- #10 "And on his tombstone it read, 'here lies John Doe who was in the midst of his 4 step, but he was a good man.'"
- #11 "I'm going to stop procrastinating tomorrow."
- #12 "Someone with 6 months of sobriety told me they were on their 4th step...Shoot !! I read them all by then."

Step 1

"We admitted we were powerless over alcohol and that our lives had become unmanageable."

Tradition 1

"Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity."

Concept 1 – Twelve Concepts of World Service

"The final responsibility and the ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship."

Word Search

ADMISSION				HONESTY				POWERLESS									
BANKRUPTCY				NEWCOMER				SURRENDER									
BEDROCK				OBSESSION				UNITY									
B	N	V	S	A	U	D	L	N	S	C	Z	B	O	M	G	C	Y
K	N	E	L	R	A	G	O	P	L	S	E	N	V	A	Y	R	O
G	E	P	W	E	T	I	V	H	D	D	E	R	V	D	M	L	H
T	X	R	Q	C	S	Y	V	K	R	A	K	L	E	P	W	Q	Z
U	Z	Q	J	S	O	A	L	O	H	B	X	C	R	D	J	E	B
I	T	I	I	V	Q	M	C	N	O	I	C	B	Q	E	C	T	M
N	B	M	B	G	H	K	E	W	N	P	A	R	W	M	W	B	C
S	D	J	N	M	N	D	W	R	E	W	M	E	D	M	I	O	K
A	P	H	M	O	W	W	X	C	S	X	X	D	U	Q	Z	Y	P
V	C	X	I	J	R	C	K	R	T	K	C	N	Y	T	L	M	V
E	D	T	D	E	W	R	D	A	Y	T	S	E	Z	V	T	X	E
O	B	S	E	S	S	I	O	N	E	Y	T	R	S	O	D	P	E
L	T	B	G	G	U	W	H	Y	H	U	N	R	K	T	A	Z	R
E	P	F	P	W	D	S	W	B	A	C	Y	U	G	L	G	Q	D
B	Q	Q	S	V	G	L	N	T	J	N	J	S	Y	T	I	N	U
M	W	P	Y	N	N	K	D	F	Z	Q	D	S	L	V	D	C	Z
Z	G	E	C	F	I	X	D	L	O	R	Q	T	W	N	C	O	V
N	V	O	R	R	Y	C	T	P	U	R	K	N	A	B	J	H	U



Excerpts from As Bill Sees It

20 Light from a Prayer – “God grant us the serenity to accept the things we cannot change, the courage to change the things we can, and the wisdom to know the difference.”

We treasure our “Serenity Prayer” because it brings a new light to us that can dissipate our oldtime and nearly fatal habit of fooling ourselves.

In the radiance of this prayer we see that defeat, rightly accepted, need be no disaster. We now know that we do not have to run away, nor ought we again try to overcome adversity by still another bulldozing power drive that can only push up obstacles before us faster than they can be taken down.

Grapevine, March 1962

238 Maudlin Martyrdom – “Self-pity is one of the most unhappy and consuming defects we know. It is a bar to all spiritual progress and can cut off all effective communication with our fellows because of its inordinate demands for attention and sympathy. It is a maudlin form of martyrdom, which we can ill afford.

“The remedy? Well, let’s have a hard look at ourselves, and a still harder one at A.A.’s Twelve Steps to recovery. When we see how many of our fellow A.A.’s have used the Steps to transcend great pain and adversity, we shall be inspired to try these life-giving principles for ourselves.”

Letter, 1966

Where do I find sobriety? Twelve steps past any lengths.

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

In Memoriam, Pat C.

Some of Pat's sayings...

“I’m glad to see all the sober vehicles in the parking lot.”

“It’s not the big things that will get you...it’s the piss ants”

“I could be drunk by noon and be dead by dinner.”



Upcoming Events

Intergroup Meeting

When: Thurs. January 7, 7:00 PM

Location: Zoom Meeting

Code: 839 3817 5299 PW: 812426



In Memoriam, Linc. H

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“Linc was a big part of my early sobriety and he always made me feel welcome. He was a great example of how it works. And I will be forever grateful to him for saving a seat for Diana. (Glenn C. 4/20/84).

“I knew Linc for many years before my sobriety. His daughter worked for me and is a dear friend. Being at their home and around him was magical; he was kind, funny and spiritual. His zest for life was profound and he had an easygoing attitude for life, which I didn’t know at that time was AA. When I finally hit bottom in 1987 and walked into the Thursday night meeting at the trailer park, Linc got up, hugged me, and said I’ve been saving you a seat! I am so glad he did! He was an example of life lived on the AA principles with a God that he served. RIP Linc (Diana C. 7/25/87).

“I remember his combination of humor, humility, and wisdom. He was unique how he could come across with those, his wry humor was bigger than life. One of his wife’s friends asked why he still went to those meetings, and he answered “why do you still go to church?” He was such an icon here, it’s hard to imagine AA without these long-timers” (Steve L. 2/5/86).

*“Instead of thinking
less of yourself,
Think of yourself less.”*



January 2021 Office Manager Report

	Jan - Nov '20	Dec '20	YTD Total
Sales of Goods	\$49,739.24	\$928.82	\$50,668.06
Expenses	(\$44,059.17)	(\$1,091.84)	(\$45,151.01)
Cost of Goods	(\$29,200.26)	\$0.00	(\$29,200.26)
Contributions	\$30,933.43	\$2,442.98	\$33,376.41

Net Income	\$7,413.24	\$2,279.96	\$9,693.20
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Contributions

Group	Jan - Nov '20	Dec '20	2020 Total
A Gathering of Women	\$50.00		\$50.00
AM Mod	\$3,462.44	\$321.09	\$3,783.53
Anonymous	\$6,816.23	\$1,404.79	\$8,221.02
Any Lengths Group	\$25.00		\$25.00
AV Hospital - Rm #CR7	\$0.00		\$0.00
AV Men's Stag	\$665.00	\$529.00	\$1,194.00
AV Round-Up	\$0.00		\$0.00
AVYPBYOC	\$0.00		\$0.00
Birthday	\$277.46	\$42.00	\$319.46
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	\$405.00	\$50.00	\$455.00
Friday Noon - Alano	\$470.00		\$470.00
H & I	\$0.00		\$0.00
High Desert BB Grp	\$4,187.91		\$4,187.91
High Desert Hospital	\$0.00		\$0.00
I Am Big Book Study	\$0.00		\$0.00
Intergroup Fundraisers	\$100.00		\$100.00
Into Action	\$150.00		\$150.00
Joe & Charlie Book Study - Alano	\$90.00		\$90.00
Lake Hughes Group	\$170.00		\$170.00
Last Call	\$0.00		\$0.00
Little Red Book	\$90.00		\$90.00
Mid-Day Mod	\$1,226.00		\$1,226.00
New Beginnings	\$80.20		\$156.30
Open Door	\$291.41		\$311.41
Palmdale Grp	\$209.00		\$209.00
Pearlblossom Grp	\$574.00		\$574.00
PM Mod	\$1,157.36		\$1,157.36
Quartz Hill Unity Grp	\$829.76		\$829.76
Rainbow Grp	\$40.00		\$40.00
Recovery at the Ranch	\$784.87		\$784.87
Rosamond Sun Night	\$340.00		\$340.00
Rule 62 Grp	\$0.00		\$0.00
Sat AM Men's Stag	\$0.00		\$0.00
Sat Spkr Mtg - Alano	\$200.00		\$200.00
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	\$71.00		\$71.00
We Care Grp	\$0.00		\$0.00
Wed Night BBS @ Grange	\$19.12		\$19.12
Westside Grp	\$0.00		\$0.00
Women in Progress	\$0.00		\$0.00
Women in Recovery	\$0.00		\$0.00
Women Seeking Serenity	\$50.00		\$50.00
Sober Sisters	\$20.00		\$20.00

Gratitude	\$20.00		
Alano Club		\$76.10	
Bingo		\$20.00	

TOTALS | \$22,851.76 | \$2,442.98 | \$25,224.74



Marlene J.	1/29/2017	4	Spencer	1/29/2002	19
Belinda T.	1/9/2016	5	Juan L.	1/1/2001	20
Rich M.	1/9/2016	5	Randy H.	1/19/2001	20
Lynn Z.	1/6/2014	7	Nonna W.	1/21/2000	21
Katie D.	1/19/2014	7	Tvrone C.	1/18/2000	21
Valerie D.	1/30/2014	7	David S.	1/21/1999	22
Chaz	1/7/2013	8	Jeanne C.	1/10/1999	22
Jenni J.	1/6/2013	8	Sheila G.	1/15/1999	22
Kelli D.	1/24/2013	8	Little Joe	1/3/1998	23
Tina R.	1/12/2013	8	Shalaby B.	1/6/1998	23
Deborah A.	1/14/2012	9	Dan P.	1/7/1997	24
Doug H.	1/10/2012	9	Danceen D.	1/4/1997	24
Jennifer C.	1/13/2012	9	Harvey S.	1/21/1997	24
Josie	1/4/2012	9	Tony V.	1/6/1997	24
Nicole S.	1/21/2012	9	Barry O.	1/13/1995	26
Patty T.	1/17/2012	9	Dawn Marie	1/14/1995	26
Ray E.	1/21/2012	9	Jan H.	1/13/1995	26
Terrance C.	1/1/2012	9	Ruth Lewis	1/18/1995	26
Dave K.	1/29/2011	10	Teresa P.	1/2/1995	26
Jennifer M.	1/28/2011	10	Melvin B.	1/7/1994	27
Jessica Z.	1/31/2011	10	Ralph L.	1/20/1994	27
Kim G.	1/12/2011	10	Nani	1/12/1993	28
Michelle S.	1/15/2011	10	Dan H.	1/15/1992	29
Morena	1/1/2011	10	Dave L.	1/2/1992	29
Ross W.	1/31/2011	10	Mike G.	1/23/1992	29
Steve T.	1/31/2011	10	Robert H.	1/1/1992	29
Tanya S.	1/10/2011	10	Sharon G.	1/15/1992	29
Bob D.	1/1/2010	11	Kathy M.	1/27/1991	30
Kevin K.	1/12/2010	11	Sue M.	1/21/1991	30
Kristin E.	1/10/2010	11	Tess H.	1/4/1991	30
Nico O.	1/15/2010	11	Janis P.	1/8/1990	31
Robert V.	1/7/2010	11	Mark C.	1/1/1990	31
Henry	1/18/2009	12	Bob K.	1/24/1989	32
Terry M.	1/29/2009	12	Jennifer S.	1/10/1989	32
Jenni J.	1/5/2008	13	Martha D.	1/22/1988	33
Jim B.	1/2/2008	13	Mike S.	1/20/1988	33
Lisa Marie W.	1/2/2008	13	Scott H.	1/30/1988	33
Nancy T.	1/21/2008	13	Steve W.	1/29/1988	33
Turhan D.	1/3/2008	13	Diane V.	1/17/1987	34
John O.	1/22/2007	14	Ray M.	1/2/1987	34
Rennie T.	1/20/2007	14	Margaret R.	1/4/1986	35
Robert W.	1/29/2007	14	Steve S.	1/29/1986	35
Rose L.	1/3/2007	14	Rick B.	1/13/1985	36
Soraveh J.	1/8/2007	14	Steve I.	1/23/1985	36
Susie B.	1/2/2007	14	Aurora	1/5/1984	37
Jill M.	1/16/2006	15	Christine M.	1/7/1984	37
Jim A.	1/4/2006	15	Tom C.	1/10/1984	37
Sandi P.	1/1/2006	15	Sandy M.	1/31/1983	38
Eddie G.	1/18/2005	16	Mike J.	1/18/1981	40
Jack F.	1/15/2005	16	Ellen B.	1/29/1980	41
Monique J.	1/3/2005	16	Ken S.	1/19/1980	41
Ruth M.	1/2/2005	16	Vito	1/15/1980	41
Tony F.	1/23/2005	16	Sybil	1/19/1968	53
Michelle P.	1/15/2003	18			
Jackie O.	1/17/2002	19			

**Get your groups birthday list to Central Office
... That's how they appear here!**

Total Years = 2,208

Managers Corner

Happy New Year everyone!! Start the year off right by making a commitment to be a Faithful Fiver. It's a great way to show your gratitude for all that AA has done for you!

Thank You Saturday Volunteers!!

1st ~ Larry W. & Vanessa D.
2nd ~ Wendy W. & Jason D.
3rd ~ Debbie L. & Cindy D.
4th ~ Stephanie S. & Karen M.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service!!

Jeff H.

Don't forget to visit us on the Web!

