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The Scoop

R.I.P.

**Tina D. died
in a car wreck on
Tues. Sept. 4,
2018. She will
be missed. She
was 16 years
sober. Our
prayers are with
her family!**

Step 10

***“Continued to take
personal inventory and
when we were wrong
promptly admitted it.”***

As we work the first nine Steps, we prepare ourselves for the adventure of a new life. But when we approach Step Ten we commence to put our A.A. way of living to practical use, day by day, in fair weather or foul. Then comes the acid test: can we stay sober, keep in emotional balance, and live to good purpose under all conditions.

A continuous look at our assets and liabilities, and a real desire to learn and grow by this means, are necessities for us. We alcoholics have learned this the hard way. More experienced people, of course, in all times

and places have practiced unsparing self-survey and criticism. For the wise have always known that no one can make much of his life until self-searching becomes a regular habit, until he is able to admit and accept what he finds, and until he patiently and persistently tries to correct what is wrong.

The 10th Tradition

***“Alcoholics
Anonymous has no
opinion on outside
issues; hence the A. A.
name ought never be
drawn into public
controversy.”***

Never since it began has Alcoholics Anonymous been divided by a major controversial issue. Nor has our Fellowship ever publicly taken sides on any question in an embattled world. This, however, has been no earned virtue. It could almost be said that we were born with it, for as one oldtimer recently declared, “Practically never have I heard a heated religious, political, or reform argument among A. A. members. So long as we don’t argue these matters privately, it’s a cinch we never shall publicly.”

Daily Reflections excerpt on the 10th Step

Daily Monitoring

Continued to take personal inventory.... 12 Steps & 12 Traditions, p. 88

The spiritual axiom referred to in the Tenth Step – “every time we are disturbed, no matter what the cause, there is something wrong *with us*”—also tells me that there are no exceptions to it. No matter how unreasonable others may seem, I am responsible for not reacting negatively. Regardless of what is happening around me I will always have the prerogative, and the responsibility, of choosing what happens within me. I am the creator of my own reality.

When I take my daily inventory, I know that I must stop judging others. If I judge others, I am probably judging myself. Whoever is upsetting me most is my best teacher. I have much to learn from him or her, and in my heart, I should thank that person.

Concept X

Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority with the scope of such authority well defined.

Winners of the Central Office Birthday Raffle

July winner: Dano B..

Drop into Central Office during your birthday month and get your ticket for your free Birthday Raffle.

Quotable Quotes

Collected by Dano B.

So far today, I'm not agitated, but I haven't left the mountaintop yet. *Fred H.*

I drink and I pull the whole house down.

I renovate houses and now I've renovated my life. *Joe*

A.A. does bring the dead back to life. *Lupe*

Character is something you do when no one is watching. *Larry M.*

When I came into A.A., I was disarmed when I was treated with curiosity, respect and appreciation,

Blame is not a conversation.

The truth makes my eyes water. *Rob*

God's favorite thing is to hear a stranger voice.

I would have followed that bottle right off a cliff.

God gave me the opportunity to get here and I don't want to take that for granted. *Debbie H.*

Word Game

PURPOSE, PRAYER, SOBRIETY, SPONSORSHIP, WILLINGNESS, SPIRITUALITY, VIGILANCE, SERENITY, UNIQUENESS, TRUSTED, SERVANTS, PROGRESS, SURRENDER, REALITY, SERVICE, SLIPS, UNITY, SANITY, TIME

S	A	E	L	T	R	U	S	T	E	D	N	I	S
S	E	R	V	I	C	E	T	G	N	E	P	S	P
P	S	P	I	H	S	R	O	S	N	O	P	S	I
T	I	M	E	R	Y	H	N	E	N	S	S	E	R
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A	R	P	E	I	N	S	A	O	Y	R	N	N	U
Y	O	U	R	T	E	S	L	B	T	E	E	I	A
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P	E	O	N	S	S	P	Y	E	A	E	I	I	T
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P	S	E	S	E	I	L	E	Y	I	R	U	L	S
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Quotable Quotes continued

The Creator doesn't want you to leave without Him.

Business meetings

A.V. Intergroup: 1st Thursday of each month at 7pm at Central Office, 43619 17th Street West, Suite 106, Lancaster

District 7 (General Service): 2nd Saturday of each month at 9am at the Agua Duce Women's Club, 33201 Agua Dulce Canyon Road, Agua Dulce (link located on AV web site)

H&I: 2nd Sunday of each month at 10am at the Alano Club 104 E. Ave K-4, Suite J, Lancaster (Orientation at 9:30am for newcomers.) (link located on AV web site)

Coming Events

Local Events

Sorry – no local events are listed for October or November. Please check the website later for more information.

Other So. Cal Events

Sorry – no other So Cal events are listed for October. Please check the website later for more information

31st Inland Empire Convention
Nov 9, 2018, ends Nov 11, 2018
285 E. Hospitality Lane
(Doubletree) San Bernardino,
cost \$20

For additional info, go to:
www.avcentraloffice.org

***Show your gratitude,
contribute \$1 to Central
Office on your sobriety
birthday for each year you
have been sober.***

From As Bill Sees It

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*

Foundation for Life

We discover that we receive guidance for our lives to just about the extent that we stop making demands upon God to give it to us on order and on our terms. *12 & 12, p. 104*

In praying, we ask simply that throughout the day God place in us the best understanding of His will that we can have for that day, and that we be given the

grace by which we may carry it out. *12 & 12, p. 102*

There is a direct linkage among self-examination, mediation, and prayer. Taken separately, these practices can bring much relief and benefit. But when they are logically related and interwoven the result is an unshakable foundation for life. *12 & 12, p. 98*

Seeking Guidance

"Man is supposed to think, and act. He wasn't made in God's image to be an automaton.

"My own formula along this line runs as follows: First, think through every situation pro and con praying meanwhile that I be not influenced by ego considerations. Affirm that I would like to do God's will.

"Then, having turned the problem over in this fashion and getting no conclusive or compelling answer, I wait for further guidance, which may come into the mind directly or through other people or through circumstances.

"If I feel I can't wait, and still get no definite indication, I repeat the first measure several times, try to pick out the best course, and then proceed to act. I know if I am wrong, the heavens won't fall. A lesson will be learned, in any case." *B.W. letter 1950*

I Am Responsible

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

*Declaration of 30th Anniversary
International Convention 1965*

October 2018 Office Manager Report

	Jan - Aug '18	Sep '18	YTD Total
Sales of Goods	\$34,769.27	\$3,792.73	\$38,562.00
Expenses	(\$30,012.95)	(\$2,974.24)	(\$32,987.19)
Cost of Goods	(\$26,035.80)	(\$1,418.06)	(\$27,453.86)
Contributions	\$15,910.96	\$2,047.80	\$17,958.76
Net Income	(\$5,368.52)	\$1,448.23	(\$3,920.29)



Contributions			
Group	Jan - Aug '18	Sep '18	2018 Total
A Gathering of Women	\$50.00		\$50.00
Alano Club	\$0.00		\$0.00
AM Mod	\$2,589.88	\$424.43	\$3,014.31
Anonymous	\$876.83	\$138.22	\$1,015.05
Any Lengths Group	\$0.00		\$0.00
Arbor Court	\$120.00		\$120.00
AV Hospital - Rm #CR101	\$100.00		\$100.00
AV Men's Stag	\$989.04	\$170.00	\$1,159.04
AV Round-Up	\$0.00	\$673.78	\$673.78
AVYPBYOC	\$62.50		\$62.50
Birthday	\$229.00	\$115.00	\$344.00
Cal City Clubhouse	\$0.00		\$0.00
Clubhouse Meeting	\$57.00		\$57.00
Crown Valley Grp	\$320.00		\$320.00
Gathering of Women	\$50.00		\$50.00
H & I	\$0.00		\$0.00
High Desert BB Grp	\$1,729.23		\$1,729.23
High Desert Hospital	\$0.00		\$0.00
Intergroup Fundraisers	\$1,031.00		\$1,031.00
Into Action	\$186.00		\$186.00
Lake Hughes Men's Stag	\$60.00	\$120.00	\$180.00
Lake Hughes Friday Night	\$0.00		\$0.00
Lake Hughes Monday Night	\$0.00		\$0.00
Little Red Book	\$0.00		\$0.00
Mid-Day Mod	\$1,380.23	\$268.37	\$1,648.60
New Beginnings	\$0.00		\$0.00
Open Door	\$0.00		\$0.00
Palmdale Grp	\$1,002.56	\$18.00	\$1,020.56
Pearlblossom Grp	\$843.01		\$843.01
PM Mod	\$78.39		\$78.39
Quartz Hill Unity Grp	\$660.90	\$120.00	\$780.90
Rainbow Grp	\$8.49		\$8.49
Rosamond Sun Night	\$98.39		\$98.39
Rule 62 Grp	\$260.00		\$260.00
Sat AM Men's Stag	\$0.00		\$0.00
SCV Sun Night Spkr	\$0.00		\$0.00
Spiritual Sunday - Alano	\$30.00		\$30.00
Step Workshop Mtg	\$0.00		\$0.00
Sun Night BBS	\$15.00		\$15.00
Thurs Night BBS @ Alano	\$0.00		\$0.00
We Care Grp	\$0.00		\$0.00
Wed Night BBS @ Grange	\$271.56		\$271.56
Westside Grp	\$0.00		\$0.00
Women in Progress	\$0.00		\$0.00
Women in Recovery	\$20.00		\$20.00
Women Seeking Serenity	\$275.00		\$275.00
TOTALS	\$13,394.01	\$2,047.80	\$15,441.81

Denise M.	10/8/2015	3	Terry K.	10/28/2003	15
Shaylin M.	10/2/2014	4	Rick M.	10/1/2002	16
Adrienne R.	10/16/2012	6	Spike H.	10/18/2002	16
Aira	10/11/2012	6	Julie W.	10/29/2001	17
Scott E.	10/19/2012	6	Sean C.	10/22/2001	17
Colleen J.	10/29/2011	7	Debbie L.	10/10/2000	18
Garv G.	10/28/2011	7	Ken C.	10/22/2000	18
Mitchell C.	10/15/2011	7	Mary D.	10/17/2000	18
Christina C.	10/13/2010	8	Mimi G.	10/22/2000	18
David Y.	10/1/2010	8	Raymond H.	10/20/1997	21
John M.	10/15/2010	8	Carmen L.	10/15/1996	22
Michael H.	10/23/2010	8	Jim C.	10/17/1996	22
Onar	10/30/2010	8	Sue B.	10/16/1996	22
Robert R.	10/17/2010	8	Terry C.	10/4/1996	22
Craig M.	10/5/2009	9	Ginni F.D.	10/22/1995	23
Fran	10/21/2009	9	Andra M.	10/7/1994	24
Jennifer H.	10/28/2009	9	Tori B.	10/28/1994	24
Jenny R.	10/11/2009	9	Jon B.	10/12/1993	25
Marty C.	10/23/2009	9	Robin W.	10/22/1993	25
Michele L.	10/3/2009	9	Shannon D.	10/1/1993	25
Nancy B.	10/11/2009	9	Dave S.	10/1/1992	26
Samantha M.	10/1/2009	9	Garv W.	10/25/1991	27
James K.	10/19/2008	10	Judy Y.	10/17/1991	27
Jerry B.	10/14/2008	10	Linda P.	10/15/1991	27
Joe A.	10/7/2008	10	Bob H.	10/3/1990	28
Nancy A.	10/31/2008	10	Chuck Y.	10/10/1990	28
Ryan A.	10/3/2008	10	David L.	10/16/1990	28
Sean B.	10/7/2008	10	Ken C.	10/6/1990	28
Virginia I.	10/20/2008	10	Stan U.	10/3/1990	28
Will F.	10/11/2008	10	Craig C.	10/2/1988	30
Bryan L.	10/11/2007	11	Pat J.	10/23/1988	30
Felipe R.	10/6/2007	11	Kevin S.	10/19/1987	31
Garv S.	10/3/2007	11	Randy P.	10/31/1987	31
Jason F.	10/23/2007	11	Stacy W.	10/1/1987	31
Johnny B.	10/2/2007	11	Jim B.	10/23/1986	32
Michelle J.	10/26/2007	11	Roger W.	10/15/1986	32
Mike M.	10/15/2007	11	David P.	10/14/1985	33
Mike W.	10/14/2007	11	Eileen V.	10/29/1983	35
Soncherray	10/17/2007	11	Betty W.	10/6/1983	35
Steve F.	10/25/2007	11	Bob B.	10/25/1983	35
Barbara S.	10/13/2005	13	Brent H.	10/16/1983	35
Mike L.	10/25/2005	13	Garv W.	10/6/1983	35
Stacy S.	10/21/2005	13	Stephanie S.	10/12/1983	35
Cheryl B.	10/5/2004	14	Dan G.	10/10/1980	38
Morgan J.	10/24/2004	14	Tim D.	10/23/1980	38
Brian W.	10/21/2003	15	Danny M.	10/18/1978	40
Francis F.	10/18/2003	15	Willy B.	10/9/1978	40
John E.	10/2/2003	15	Debbie R.	10/4/1976	42
Johnny F.	10/30/2003	15	Peggy D.	10/3/1975	43
Kathy B.	10/5/2003	15	Bill P.	10/6/1974	44
Michele S.	10/10/2003	15	Ed Reel	10/25/1974	44
Stuart N.	10/31/2003	15	Link	10/28/1956	62

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

Total Years = 2,034

Managers Corner

Your Intergroup office is striving towards fulfilling our Primary Purpose of helping the suffering alcoholic. We are not able to do this without your generous contributions. Collectively we say, **"I Am Responsible"**! We are asking all groups to encourage members to step up to the **7th Tradition Challenge** . . . if you don't know what this is contact the office and get a flyer.

Thanks to all!!

Thank You Saturday Volunteers!!

1st ~ Larry W. & Juan A.
 2nd ~ Wendy W. & Michaela O.
 3rd ~ Stephanie S. & Karen
 4th ~ Debbie L. & Martin L.
 5th ~ Christine F. & Chris T.

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Don't forget to visit us on the Web!

