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NEW YEAR'S EVE DIXIELAND BALL

EMBASSY ROOM - EAST

DISNEYLAND HOTEL

(password- "joe's my sponsor!")

a real roaring 20's new year's eve
complete with a new orleans

DIXIELAND BAND

dinner \$7.50 per person

8:30 P.M.
coffeetails

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SANTA ANA, -OR CALL
542-7217- NOW!!!



ORANGE COUNTY A.A. CALENDAR

GROUP NEWS

ANAHEIM UNDER 40 GROUP

The Friday night Under 40 Stag Group(C), which meets at the Alana Club is now a Participation Group, and will meet at 8:30 PM.

BUENA PARK

The Friday Morning Children's Welcome Group has disbanded.

The Lineup Group which met Tuesday nights has disbanded.

COSTA MESA

The Costa Mesa Sunday Night Group which meets at the Oddfellow's Hall, 2476 Newport Blvd., presents the following speakers:

December 18	Hank H.
December 25	Melvin G.
January 8	Mitche H.
January 22	Phil P.

FULLERTON

The Fullerton Saturday Night Group, which meets at the Religious Science Church, 114 E. Wilshire, will have the following speakers for January and February:

January 7	Harry M.
January 14	Dorothy S. (B.P.)
January 21	Bob D. (L.A.)
January 28	Gil & Lona D'A. (L.A.)
February 4	Mary D. (Anaheim)
February 11	Rae B. (L.A.)
February 18	Michael Mc. (L.A.)

GARDEN GROVE PATIO GROUP

The Patio Group Breakfast meeting has both a time change and a location change. It now meets at Norton's Cape Cod House 11861 Harbor Blvd., (Opp. White Front), from 9:30 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. Sundays.

LAGUNA BEACH SUNDAY AM

The Sunday Morning Breakfasts, announced last month have been discontinued. The Noon meeting which formerly was a speaker meeting is now participation, held at the Canyon Club, 1945 Broadway.

"joe's my sponsor!"

NORWALK FRI. EVENING GROUP

The speakers for the Friday Evening Group for the forthcoming weeks are:

December 16	Princess D.
December 23	John E. (Huntington B.)
December 30	Jerry W.

Location- Carter Hall- Sproul & Clarkdale

ORANGE THURS. SPEAKERS

The following are the speakers for December and January:

December 15	Claude W.
December 22	Bernice M.
December 29	Felix
January 5	Ray & Bud O. (L.A.)
January 12	Joe H.
January 19	Cliff W.
January 26	Walt (G.G.)

This meeting is held at the Methodist Church 161 S. Orange Ave.

SANTA ANA TUES. NITE SPEAKERS

512 W. First St., Alano Club.

The following is the roster of speakers for December and January:

December 20	Joe Q. (Anaheim)
December 27	Chuck (Beach)
January 3	Ben & Roz D. (Westm.)
January 10	Hary C. Jr. (L.A.)
January 17	Mike K. (gal) Whittier
January 24	Frank O'R. (Santa Ana)
January 31	Red I. (L.A.)

NOTE: The speakers from now on are going to be new ones that haven't been speaking in this area. For any information call Vera 633-0335. Thankyou. Vera J. Secretary

SANTA ANA FRI. NITE SPEAKERS

1104 W. 8th St.

Speakers for the month of December and

January are:

December 16	Les C. (L.A.)
December 23	Jim A. "
December 30	Carolyn A.
January 6	Monte D. (North H.)
January 13	Courtney A. (Hollywd)
January 20	Rosalee M.

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NEW YEAR'S EVE DIXIELAND BALL



NEWCOMERS NOTICE!

It has been suggested to your editor by Dick B., Board member, that attention be given to the importance of newcomers attending the New Year's Eve Ball at the Disneyland Hotel. Imagine the miracle of the newcomer seeing 5 or 6 hundred AA members and their friends gathered together

on New Year's Eve, having a ball and not one drop of booze in sight... coffee by the gallons- punch- food- music and fun! Even your writer gets goose bumps thinking about it.. a really great thrill!! SO..NEWCOMER, GET WITH IT!! THE TIME IS NOW!!!!

COSTA MESA SUNDAY NIGHT NINETEENTH ANNIVERSARY

Jack H. will lead the meeting of the 19th Anniversary of the Costa Mesa Sunday Speakers Group, Sunday, January 15th. Some of the original members of this group will be there to help blow out the candles. SO COME ONE COME ALL AND HELP CELEBRATE THE BIRTHDAY OF ONE OF THE ORIGINAL GROUPS IN ORANGE COUNTY!!!!

ORANGE CO.

MASTER CALENDAR

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|---------------------|--|
| DEC. 16 | LAGUNA UNDER 40
XMAS DANCE AND
MIDNIGHT BUFFET |
| DEC. 24
XMAS EVE | CANYON CLUB SHOW
WOMANS CLUB -
LAGUNA BEACH |
| DEC. 31 | NEW YEAR'S EVE DIXIE-
LAND BALL -Disneyland
Hotel- Embassy Room |
| FEB. 12 | 5TH ANNIVERSARY
ORANGE COUNTY
CENTRAL OFFICE
Disneyland Hotel |

MORE GROUP NEWS SANTA ANA

A group of aged and disabled alcoholics meet at 2 P.M. every other Thursday at 719 West 4th St., Santa Ana. They invite all AA members to drop in and visit and participate in their meetings. Next meeting December 22nd.

LLOYD D. REELECTED DIRECTOR OF ORANGE COUNTY INSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEE....

At the regular monthly meeting of the Institutional Committee, Sunday, Dec.11, the following officers were elected:

Director	Lloyd D.
Co-Director	Ralph S.
Secretary	Mary C. (reelected)
Treasurer	Ruthie B.

RESULTS OF ORANGE COUNTY INTER- GROUP ELECTION.....

The following were elected to the Central Service Board of the Intergroup:

Dick B.	John M.
Christie S.	

Those remaining on the Board are: Ed S., Bill T., Ed Z. and Dean H.



IN MEMORIAM

Heartfelt Sympathy to the Families and Friends of

JACK GLEDHILL (Anaheim)
BARBARA MOORE (Costa Mesa)
TOD WALTERS (Newport Beach)
BILL BATH (Orange)

G.S.O.



" HINTS FOR HAPPY HOLIDAYS "

(a letter appropriate now)

Dear G.S.O.

Holiday parties without liquid spirits may still seem a dreary prospect to new A.A.s. But many of us have enjoyed the happiest holidays of our lives sober— an idea we would never have dreamed of, wanted, or believed possible when drinking. Here are some tips for having an all-round ball without a drop of alcohol:

1. Line up extra A.A. activities for the holiday season. Arrange to take newcomers to meetings, answer the phones at a clubhouse or Central Office, speak, or help with the dishes or visit the alcoholic ward at a hospital.
2. Be host to A.A. friends, especially newcomers. If you don't have a place where you can throw a formal party, take one guy to a diner and "spring" for his coffee.
3. Keep your A.A. telephone list with you all the time. If a drinking urge, or panic, comes— postpone everything else until you've called an A.A.
4. Find out about special holiday parties, meetings, or other celebrations given by groups in your area, and go. If you're timid, take someone newer than you are.
5. Skip any drinking occasion you're nervous about. Remember how clever you were at excuses when drinking? Now put the talent to good use. No office party is as important as saving your life.
6. If you have to go, and can't take an A.A. with you, keep some candy handy.
7. Don't think you have to stay late. Plan in advance an "important date" you have to keep.
8. Go to church. Any church.
9. Don't get tired, hungry, or lonely. Catch up on those books, museums, walks and letters.
10. Don't start now getting worked up about all those holiday temptations. Remember— "A Day At A Time".

11. Enjoy the true beauty of holiday lights tinsel and joy. Maybe you cannot give material gifts— but this year, you can give love.

12. "Having had a..." No need to spell out the Twelfth Step here, since you already know it.

(signed) Happy Holidays

CONFERENCE AGENDA:

Already important topics are headed for discussion at the 17th General Service Conference in New York next April (pending final approval by the new Conference Agenda-Admissions Committee). They are:

1. Presenting the spiritual side of A.A. to the newcomer.
2. Choosing Conference Delegates for 3-year terms (effective 1970) instead of 2-year ones, as at present.
3. More effective message-carrying about world services by Delegates.
4. Instead of the present ceiling of \$100 for any member's support of world-wide 12th-Step work, raising the acceptable limit to \$200. Although costs and wages have risen during A.A.'s 31 year history, the pre-inflation limit on how much an A.A. can help support services has never been changed.

Your group may want to start discussing these matters at once, and share your ideas with your Delegate, so he can share them with the rest of us at the Conference.

.....From Holiday Issue 1966— Box 4-5-9
(Formerly the A.A. Exchange Bulletin)

NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

Sunday January 15th— Alana Club
202 West Broadway — Anaheim

REMEMBER! YOUR SHARE IN A.A.'S
FUTURE IS

25¢ PER MONTH

YOUR CENTRAL OFFICE

SENDS

Season's Greetings

TO ALL

"Good Morning- Alcoholics Anonymous- May we help you?"

This, or a similar phrase, has greeted some 7000 persons who called YOUR Central Office during the first eleven months of this year.

Almost 700 of these callers asked for, and received help in the form of a visit from an AA member.

YOURS may not have been the voice which answered the phone-

YOU personally may not have made any of these visits- BUT

YOUR contribution to any Group which supports YOUR Central Office made YOU and indispensable party to these services.

YOUR donation is vital to the continued operation of YOUR Central Office.

Why not add YOUR Central Office to your Christmas list?

A very Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year to each and every one of you.

..... Jim

WEEKEND PHONE COVERAGE

With the Central Office telephone coverage 5 days a week from 9 AM to 8 PM, and 9 to 1 on Saturdays... some more has been added. We wish to extend our gratitude to those people who so generously are giving of their time on Sunday morning. They are:

Thelma G.
Dave Y.

Dee M.
Phyllis F.
Fay T.
Bill S.

Craig (Alternate days)

These are screened AA members with good solid sobriety behind them, and we can be assured that all calls will be properly handled.

From The Grapevine



"... and when you think that six years ago she was packed up ready to leave me..."

