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"I have only just a minute
Only sixty seconds in it.
Forced upon me, can't refuse it,
Didn't seek it, didn't choose it.
I must suffer if I lose it,
Give account if I abuse it.
Just a fine little minute,
But eternity is in it."

Lifeline

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1979 - ONE DAY AT A TIME

YESTERDAY.....TODAY...and....TOMORROW

There are two days in every week about which we should not worry, two days which should be kept free from fear and apprehension.

One of these days is YESTERDAY with its mistakes and cares, its faults and blunders, its aches and pains. YESTERDAY has passed forever beyond our control.

All the money in the world cannot bring back YESTERDAY. We cannot undo a single act we performed; we cannot erase a single word we said. YESTERDAY IS GONE.

The other day we should not worry about is TOMORROW with its possible adversities, its burdens, its large promise and poor performance. TOMORROW is also beyond our immediate control.

TOMORROW'S sun will rise, either in splendor or behind a mass of clouds- but it will rise. Until it does, we have no stake in TOMORROW for it is yet unborn.

This leaves only one day- TODAY-. Any man can fight the battles of just one day, it is only when you and I add the burdens of those two awful eternities- YESTERDAY and TOMORROW- that we break down.

It is not the experience of TODAY that drives men mad- it is the remorse or bitterness for something which happened YESTERDAY and the dread of what TOMORROW may bring.

LET US THEREFORE, LIVE BUT
ONE DAY AT A TIME!

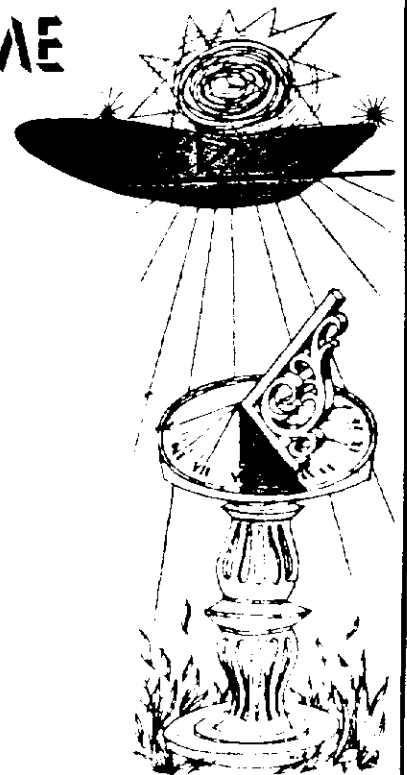
"I said to the man at the gate of the New Year, "Give me a light that I may find my way through the unknown." And he replied, "Go out into the darkness of the New Year and place your hand firmly into the hand of God. That shall be better for you than any light or any known way."

.....Minnie Louise Haskins

MAKE THIS NEW YEAR RESOLUTION NOW!

**KEEP YOUR SENSE OF HUMOR!
DON'T TAKE YOURSELF SO
DARNED SERIOUSLY!**

WEAR A HAPPY FACE!



"HELLO, THIS IS A.A....."

All the world's a stage, and the telephone in any AA Intergroup or Central Office is a lifeline to human drama.

The phone rang. I picked it up.

"Hello, AA, I said.

"I'm going to kill myself," announced an unknown voice.

"Have you been drinking?" I asked.

Certainly. I have one in my hand right now."

"Put it down and we'll talk," I suggested.

"Okay," the voice (a woman's) agreed.

The first time I had a call like this, I panicked. But now I realized that anyone who stops to make a drink and a phone call before she kills herself is still searching for a way to live.

"Why do you want to kill yourself?" I asked my caller.

"I'm lonesome," she said. "My husband despises me, and my kids hate me. I just stay in the finished basement, drinking by myself with the TV on full blast. 20 years of marriage, and he hates me. I'm so ashamed. I heard about Alcoholics Anonymous, but I can't be like them, can I?"

"You don't have to be on skid row to be an alcoholic."

"Are you a welfare worker?"

"I am a city policeman and a member of AA. These phones are answered by members who volunteer. Would you like to go to a meeting tonight? At least you won't be so lonesome." She started to cry. I got a woman volunteer on the phone to provide the female touch.

Our newcomer did make a meeting that night. She decided for herself that she was an alcoholic, and recently she celebrated a year of sobriety in AA. I went to that meeting. She smiled at me and said to her group, "On my first anniversary in AA, I have a lot to be thankful for. First of all, my friend over there, with his attractive young family. He was on the phones that night I called AA, ready to kill myself. He talked me into trying a meeting instead. My husband is here with my children tonight. We are a family again. Thank God for the AA telephones. I volunteer to answer telephones whenever I can."

This is only one story, one example of the calls that come into any Intergroup or Central Office. Another familiar type: A lot of people say that they are calling for a friend, when they really want help

for themselves.

But one night a guy did call for a friend.

"AA, huh?" he grunted when I answered.

"Well, my pal here is passed out. Come and get him."

"Does he want to talk to us? Is he an alcoholic?"

"Of course he's not an alcoholic. Who are you anyhow?"

"A sober member of AA. The father of four children. A city cop getting ready to take a promotion exam. All of this due to a phone call for help, like this one from you. Now, if your friend wants help----".

"Look, we had this bachelor party for him, and he has to be in Washington, DC tomorrow morning to get married. Can't you come over and clean him up? Feed him some coffee and doughnuts? Put him on the plane? We all have to go to work in the morning. He'll miss his plane for sure."

"I think you have the wrong idea about our function."

"Aren't you supposed to take care of drunks?"

"Not quite the way you mean."

"You bum! You creep! You get paid plenty to be there, I bet." He hung up.

For a moment I felt sorry for the prospective bridegroom with the prospective hangover. But I was sorer that the function of AA still remains a mystery to so many people.

The phone rang again, "Hello, AA? I'm calling about my daughter. She used to drink only a couple of quarts of wine a day. She was all right. But lately she is drinking whiskey. Whiskey! Do you hear? Her father's wine is no good anymore."

"Momma, calm down now", I said. Whiskey or wine, it's all the same to us. Let me talk to her. Will she speak to me?"

She did, and she came to meetings. Re-

cently I met Momma for the first time. She kissed my cheek and thanked me, but said she was worried about the large quantity of coffee her girl was drinking. I told her to buy a good brand of coffee. "Hello, AA? Please what can I do about my son?"

"What's wrong with your son?"

"He came home last night with beer on his breath. Getting just like his father. A drunk. He must be stopped."

"How old is he?"

"Eighteen."

"Does he get drunk very often?"

"He wasn't really drunk. This was the first time. I smelt his breath when he was sleeping. I always do. He drank some beer. I must stop him before he gets like his bum of a father."

"Madam, I have a son that age. He drinks. Goes out with girls too. But he is far from a candidate for AA."

"I won't have my only child out nights.

He must stay home and keep me company."

"I'll tell you what. We have family groups for the nonalcoholics. I'll give you their number."

This woman sounded as if she were the only one in the family who needed help. It happens. Al-Anon does wonders for the family. I used to say my wife had eyes that sparkled like champagne. They got to be more like flat beer before I threw in the towel...

"Hello, I'm lonesome. And very drunk. I saw a couple of movies about you people. How about sending somebody over?"

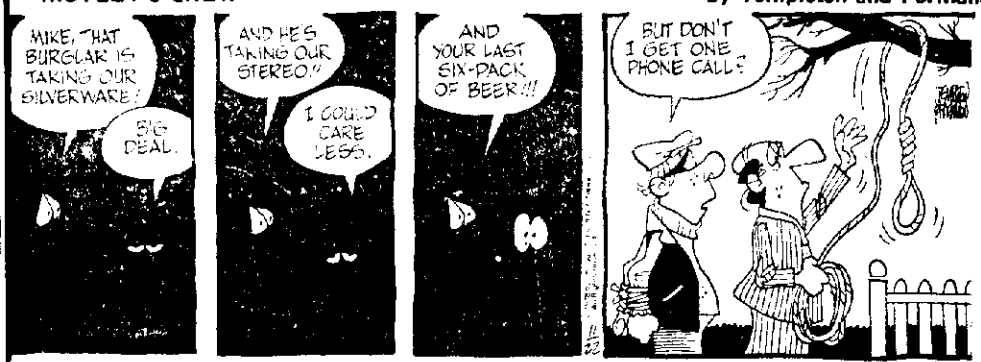
"There are no women here now. Give me your number. I'll have a gal call you shortly."

"Women! These movies showed guys. Eddie Albert and Jack Lemmon. How about you coming over? You sound kinda cute."

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MOTLEY'S CREW

by Templeton and Forman



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ORANGE COUNTY A.A. CENTRAL OFFICE



STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENSES..NOVEMBER 25, 1978

INCOME:	NOV.	YEAR TO DATE
GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 2,828.20	37,558.09
INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS	151.00	853.75
LITERATURE SALES	3,644.46	46,664.84
TRANSMITTAL TO NYGSO	12.00	132.00
LIFELINE SUBSCRIPTIONS	774.25	4,957.35
SPECIAL EVENTS	-0-	1,217.99
INTEREST INCOME	-0-	39.15
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	56.38	1,441.73
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 7,466.29	92,864.90

DISBURSEMENTS:		
ACCOUNTING	50.00	1,855.00
BANK CHARGES	12.93	32.83
INSURANCE	59.00	864.63
GROUP INFORMATION	84.75	857.41
MAINTENANCE, REPAIRS & SUPPLIES	34.50	1,104.44
OFFICE SUPPLIES & SERVICES	110.71	1,913.31
POSTAGE	16.29	256.40
PRINTING	103.05	611.42
PUBLIC INFORMATION	11.05	165.06
RENT	415.00	4,565.00
SALARIES & WAGES	1,923.38	19,681.61
PAYROLL TAXES	180.80	633.67
TAXES & LICENSES	-0-	196.45
TELEPHONE, OFFICE	192.05	3,005.87
TELEPHONE, T.A.B.	147.30	1,232.41
UTILITIES	154.00	919.47
TRANSMITTAL FOR NYGSO	12.00	132.00
LIFELINE EXPENSE	807.70	6,508.14
COST OF LITERATURE	3,097.79	39,971.25
FRANCHISE TAX BOARD	-0-	228.34
SPECIAL EVENTS EXPENSE	(38.90)	878.18
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	6.37	31.73
WRITE-OFF UNSALEABLE LITERATURE	-0-	667.27
WRITE-OFF PREPAID EXPENSES (1976-77)	-0-	241.80
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 7,379.77	86,553.69
GAIN OR (LOSS)	\$ 86.52	6,311.21

	ASSETS	LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE
CASH ON HAND	50.00	
CASH IN CHECKING ACCOUNT	10,614.54	
CASH IN SAVINGS ACCOUNT	1,500.00	
PRUDENT RESERVE ACCOUNT	4,784.15	
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	1,147.36	
INVENTORY	9,527.96	
PREPAID RENT	307.20	
OFFICE FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT	4,550.00	
LEASEHOLDS IMPROVEMENTS	266.00	
PAYROLL TAXES PAYABLE		235.00
FUND BALANCE		32,512.21
	\$ 32,747.21	\$ 32,747.21

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE 25TH OF MONTH WILL BE SHOWN ON NEXT MONTH'S REPORT. PLEASE MAKE CHECKS OUT TO CENTRAL OFFICE & BE SURE TO SHOW NAME OF GROUP MAKING CONTRIBUTION.

Excerpt from Tradition #7 (Long Form)
 "Then too, we view with much concern those AA Groups which continue beyond prudent reserves to accumulate funds."

Lifeline

We need contributions, cartoons, articles of your own experiences. For example, "What AA means to me," problems of getting rid of empties, hiding the jug, etc.

Also if you have any suggestions about Lifeline, send them in. We are trying to give you the best in Orange County news.

Please help us to keep the subscriptions up, by mentioning it in your group. We do need your help.

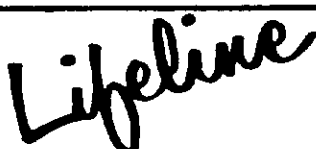
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DEADLINE FOR THE FEBRUARY ISSUE WILL BE JANUARY 9TH!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Thanks for your cooperation in getting the news in on time. It helps....Ed.

LIFELINE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR NOVEMBER..

INCOME	
Subscriptions	\$ 469.25
Alk-A-Thon Collection	305.00
As Shown(Financial Sheet)	774.25
EXPENSES	
Editor	\$ 250.00
Lifeline Printing	265.10
Lifeline 1979 Permit	40.00
	\$ 555.10
Lifeline Alk-A-Thon Breakdown-Collections	\$ 305.00
EXPENSES	
Coffee & Rent	\$ 190.00
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Cream, sugar & cups	9.95
	\$ 223.65
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GROUP NEWS & Speakers

ANAHEIM SUNDAY SPEAKER

Alano Club, 202 W. Broadway, 11A.M.

Speakers:

- Jan. 7- Norma H. (Anaheim)
- Jan. 14- James A. (W. Covina)
- Jan. 21- Ginnie B. (Pasadena)
- Jan. 28- Howard D. (Tustin)
-Jim P.

ANAHEIM TUESDAY SPEAKERS

Alano Club, 202 W. Broadway)

Speakers:

- Jan. 2- Jim W. (Garden Grove)
- Jan. 9- Rick S. (Laguna Beach)
- Jan. 16- Portia B. (Anaheim)
- Jan. 23- Henry & Paul W. (Temple City)
- Jan. 30- Keith P. (L.A.)
-Steve R.

ANAHEIM THURSDAY SPEAKERS

Alano Club, 202 W. Broadway.

Speakers:

- Jan. 4- Paul O. (Anaheim)
- Jan. 11- Cille G. (Costa Mesa)
- Jan. 18- Bob C. (Cypress)
- Jan. 25- Phil P. (Newport Beach)
-Lew W.

BUENA PARK SUNDAY SPEAKER

8150 Knott Ave.

Speakers:

- Jan. 7- Vince/Loretta Mc. (Tustin)
- Jan. 14- John E. (Indian Charlie Group)
- Jan. 21- Mike O. (Fullerton)
- Jan. 28- Bob S. (Stanton)
-Ed H.

COSTA MESA TUESDAY SPEAKERS

Alano Club, 2040 Placentia.

Speakers:

- Jan. 2- Karen G. (L.A.)
- Jan. 9- Dobby C. (Sherman Oaks)
- Jan. 16- Whitey B. (San Juan Cap.)
- Jan. 23- Marian W. (Upland)
- Jan. 30- Ralph S. (Corona del Mar)
-Jerry S.

COSTA MESA SATURDAY SPEAKER

Step House, 2015 Charle St., 8 P.M.

Speakers:

- Jan. 6- Chino Inmates
- Jan. 13- Red H. (Ventura)
- Jan. 20- Jack K. (Hollywood)
- Jan. 27- Chuck C. (Laguna Beach)
-Sheri McN.

COSTA MESA SUNDAY SPEAKERS

Oadfellows Hall, 2476 Newport, 7:30PM.

Speakers:

- Jan. 7- Lola K. (Bellflower)
- Jan. 14- John N. (La Habra)
- Jan. 21- Gordon D. (Newport Beach)
- Jan. 28- Lyn W. (Monarch Bay)
-Bill V.

CYPRESS FRIDAY SPEAKERS

5700 Orange, 8 P.M.

Speakers:

- Jan. 5- Father Frank M. (Norwalk)
- Jan. 12- Bill H. (Long Beach)
- Jan. 19- Virginia & Bob O. (Long Beach)
- Jan. 26- Bob G. (Costa Mesa)
-Bob C.

FOUNTAIN VALLEY SUN. SPEAKERS

Community Center, 10200 Slater, 8 P.M.

Speakers:

- Jan. 7- Cpen
- Jan. 14- Norm A. (Commerce)
- Jan. 21- Les A. (Baldwin Park)
- Jan. 28- Lois (Huntington Beach)
-Don M.

FULLERTON MONDAY SPEAKERS

Hosp., 101 E. Valencia Mesa Dr.

Speakers:

- Jan. 1- Margaret S. (La Habra)
- Jan. 8- Richard P. (Fullerton)
- Jan. 15- John A. (La Mirada)
- Jan. 22- Portia B. (Anaheim)
- Jan. 29- Suzy N. (Santa Monica)
-Nancie W.

FULLERTON SATURDAY SPEAKERS

Oadfellows Hall, Lemon & Amerige.

Speakers:

- Jan. 6- Lucette D. (Alhambra)
- Jan. 13- Dave/Dorothy H. (L.A.)
- Jan. 20- Bill B. (Palm Desert)
- Jan. 27- Phil L. (Monrovia)
-Jack H.

FULLERTON SUNDAY SPEAKERS

Alano Center, 705 N. Harbor, 10:30AM.

Speakers:

- Jan. 7- Mary & Roy B. (Garden Gr.)
- Jan. 14- Charles J. (Covina)
- Jan. 21- Jungle Don (Lakewood)
- Jan. 28- Al M. (N. Hollywood)
-Ray P.

GARDEN GROVE THURSDAY SPKRS.

Alano Club, 9636 Garden Gr. Blvd.

Speakers:

- Jan. 4- Les M. (La Palma)
- Jan. 11- Jody G. (Huntington Beach)
- Jan. 18- Jim G. (Huntington Beach)
- Jan. 25- Ruthy B. (Garden Grove)
-Ruth M.

ALL MEETINGS BEGIN AT 8:30 P.M.
UNLESS NOTED!

GARDEN GROVE SATURDAY SPKRS.

Alano Club, 9636 Garden Grove Blvd.

Speakers:

- Jan. 6- Hap G. (Redondo Beach)
- Jan. 13- Sara (Manhattan Beach)
- Jan. 20- Alix F. (Torrance)
- Jan. 27- Ancel C. (Lomita)
-Ron C.

GARDEN GROVE MON. WOMEN

9596 Garden Grove Blvd. #210, 8PM.

The speaker for the first Monday, Jan. 1, will be Julia F. (Long Beach).

.....Ellen Van T.

HUNTINGTON BEACH THURS. SPKRS.

Civic Center, 2000 Main St.

Speakers:

- Jan. 4- Lee P. (Costa Mesa)
- Jan. 11- John G. (Garden Grove)
- Jan. 18- Norm R. (Huntington B.)
- Jan. 25- Dyane (Huntington B.)
-Frank S.

HUNTINGTON BEACH FRIDAY

College View School, 6582 Lennox.

The speaker for the first Friday, Jan. 5th, will be Carol C. (Costa Mesa)

.....Beverly H.

IRVINE SATURDAY SPEAKERS

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Speakers:

- Jan. 6- Sheri B. (Dana Point)
- Jan. 13- Ann T. (Newport Beach)
- Jan. 20- Joe Q. (Laguna Beach)
- Jan. 27- Dave D. (Laguna Niguel)
-John P.

LAGUNA BEACH WEDNESDAY SPKRS.

Canyon Club, 1945 Broadway.

Speakers:

- Jan. 3- Betty W. (Costa Mesa)
- Jan. 10- Steve L. (Covina)
- Jan. 17- Phil P. (Newport Beach)
- Jan. 24- Virginia C. (Culver City)
- Jan. 31- John N. (La Habra)
-George Mc.

SOUTH LAGUNA SATURDAY SPKRS.

Hosp., 31872 Coast Hwy., 8 P.M.

Speakers:

- Jan. 6- Tom K. (Costa Mesa)
- Jan. 13- Liz I. (Lexington, Ky.)
- Jan. 20- Bob McL. (Palos Verdes)
- Jan. 27- Willie L. (Morro Bay)
-Lyn W.



LAGUNA NIGUEL SUNDAY SPEAKER

Crown Valley Sch., at Adelanto, 8PM.

Speakers:

- Jan. 7- Susan S. (Palos Verdes)
- Jan. 14- Bill & Ginny H. (El Monte)
- Jan. 21- Don G. (Culver City)
- Jan. 28- Walter O'K. (Rolling Hills)
-Whitey B.

LA HABRA FRIDAY SPEAKERS

631 N. Euclid, Church.

Speakers:

- Jan. 5- Jean V. (Pasadena)
- Jan. 12- Irv G. (L.A.)
- Jan. 19- Elaine S. (Diamond Bar)
- Jan. 26- Dr. Lou & Fran (Patton)
-Marilyn L.

NEWPORT BEACH SUNDAY SPKRS.

A new Speaker Meeting to begin at Advanced Health Systems Center Club on Sunday, January 7, 1979 at 8 P.M. OPEN MEETING! The Club is located at 1300 Bristol St. North, Newport B. There will be a Pot-luck dinner on the first Sunday of each month preceeding the meeting. Dinner will be served at 7:00 P.M. Please call Patti M. or April T. at the Club, 975-0700 for information on what to bring to the Pot-Luck.

Speakers for January:

- Jan. 7- Chuck C. (Laguna Beach)
- Jan. 14- Marian W. (Upland)
- Jan. 21- Bob E. (Santa Barbara)
- Jan. 28- Jim B. (Laguna Hills)
-Patti M.

ORANGE MONDAY SPEAKERS

Friendship Club, 2191 Orange-Olive Rd.

Speakers:

- Jan. 1- JoAnn A. (Tustin)
- Jan. 8- Basil Van B. (Orange)
- Jan. 15- Dan R. (Corona del Mar)
- Jan. 22- Bob M. (Tustin)
- Jan. 29- Joanne B. (Huntington Beach)
-Jim

ORANGE FRIDAY SPEAKERS

Children's Hosp/Aud., 1109 W. La Veta

Speakers:

- Jan. 5- Marge C. (Santa Ana)
- Jan. 12- Norm A. (Monrovia)
- Jan. 19- JoAnne A. (Tustin)
- Jan. 26- Jim N. (Laguna Beach)
-Wally S.

ORANGE SUNDAY SPEAKERS

Hospital, 401 S. Tustin, 8 P.M.

Speakers:

- Jan. 7- Bob J. (San Bernardino)
- Jan. 14- Dave D. (Laguna Niguel)
- Jan. 21- Wally S. (Huntington Beach)
- Jan. 28- Jerry B. (Orange)
-Frank P.

STANTON TUESDAY SPEAKERS

Step House, 10936 Dale Ave., 8 P.M.

Speakers:

- Jan. 2- Ed M. (Buena Park)
- Jan. 9- Ralph & Laverne W. (Rancho M.)
- Jan. 16- Keith C. (Tarzana)
- Jan. 23- El Monte)
- Jan. 30- John McA. (Fountain Valley)
-Bob S.

STANTON SUNDAY SPEAKERS

Step House, 10936 Dale Ave., 1 P.M.

Speakers:

- Jan. 7- Lois B. (Huntington B.)
- Jan. 14- Bebe E. (Santa Ana)
- Jan. 21- Grace M. (Anaheim)
- Jan. 28- Jim R. (Malibu)
-Marion G.

TUSTIN SATURDAY SPEAKERS

Hosp., 14662 Newport Blvd., 8 P.M.

Speakers:

- Jan. 6- Jeanne B. (Huntington B.)
- Jan. 13- John O. (L.A.)
- Jan. 20- Sue G. (Villa Park)
- Jan. 27- Ray P. (Garden Grove)
-Bill S.

TUSTIN SUNDAY SPEAKERS

Club House, Devonshire at Sycamore off Red Hill, 9:02 A.M.

Speakers:

- Jan. 7- Muriel Z. (Laguna Beach)
- Jan. 14- Ken C. (Laguna Beach)
- Jan. 21- Frank O'R. (Santa Ana)
- Jan. 28- John A. (Laguna Beach)
-Paul O.

NEW GROUPS.....

NEWPORT BEACH SUNDAY

Speaker Meeting, 8 P.M., 1300 Bristol St., N.

MISSION VIEJO MONDAY

Closed Womens, 7:30PM, 24772 Chrisanta.

SANTA ANA THURSDAY

Closed Discussion, 10 A.M. 409 West Casper.

LAGUNA NIGUEL TUESDAY

Step Study, Crown Valley Community Park, Crown Valley Parkway.

NEW LOCATIONS.....

FULLERTON THURSDAY

Participation, formerly at E. Valley View Rd., now moved to Chapman Park, 2515 San Carlos.

LAGUNA NIGUEL FRIDAY

Discussion, formerly at Crown Valley School, now moved to Capistrano High School, 20381 Via Escalar.

DISBANDED.....

LAGUNA NIGUEL TUESDAY

Discussion at 30121 Niguel Road.

IN MEMORIAM

Heartfelt sympathy and love to the family and friends of

FATHER BARNEY NIXON

(Portland, Oregon)

FATHER BARNEY NIXON

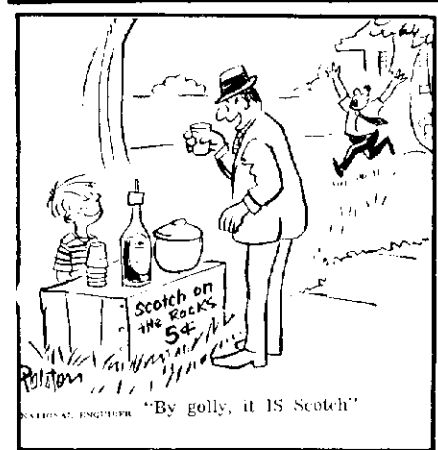
Father Barney Nixon has made our program. He slipped away at 5:00A.M., Thanksgiving Day. Rosary was held at 7:00P.M. Sunday, and Mass was at 11 A.M. Monday at the Sisters of the Holy Name Church in Santa Cruz. Both of these services were attended by capacity crowds of his friends in that area. On Tuesday evening the 28th of November this area held a memorial service at the Manresa Retreat House in Azusa. Lyn W. did most of the work and chaired the meeting. Eight priests and probably 20 or 25 of us took part in expressing our love for Barney.

The chapel was too small for the turnout so we used the large dining room. I believe this was Father's 50th year as a Jesuit priest, and he was in his 27th yr. of sobriety.

For some 18 years he had been giving retreats for members of A.A., and their families both at Manresa and at Redlands. Manresa retreats were both Stag and couples. Redlands was for ladies only- who formed their own A.A. group calling it Barney's Broads. The group is still going strong.

To know Barney was to love him. We will miss him terribly, but we will not grieve for we know he is now a member of our Celestial Group.

.....Submitted by Chuck C. (Laguna)



The Fantastic Golfer, Joe Q., Laguna Beach, shot a 2 at San Clemente to edge out Arnold P.

INTERGROUP COUNTY CALENDAR

INTERGROUP MEETING	Jan. 9, 1979	Annual Picnic	June 24
O.C.C.O. Open House	Feb. 25	O.C. Anniversary	August 19
Easter Meeting	April 15	Alk-A-Thon	Nov. 17, 18

31 GROUPS REPRESENTED AT DECEMBER INTERGROUP MEETING

Anaheim:- Tues. Part.-(Club) Sun. 11AM Spkr.- Thurs. Spkr.	Huntington Beach:- Mon. 12&12- Tues. Disc. We Care-Wed. Part.-Thurs. Spkr. Part.
Buena Park:- Tues. Step Study-Sun. Spkr.	Irvine:- Mon. Step Study-Wed. Part.
Cypress:- Fri. Spkr.	Mission Viejo:- Tues. 8PM-
Dana Point:- Tues. Part.	Orange:- Fri. Spkr.-Mon. Womens-
Fountain Valley:- Sun. Spkr.	Placentia:- Mon. Part.
Fullerton:- Mon. Hosp. Spkr.- (Club) Sat. 11:30AM	San Juan Capistrano:- Mens Stag Thurs.
Garden Grove:- Wed. Bixby- Mon.	Santa Ana:- Thurs. Disc.
Disc.-(Club) Thurs. Spkr.-Tues. Part.- Sat. Spkr.	Tustin:- Mon. Stag Part.
(31 Groups out of 360)	Wandering Groups:- Fri.- Sat.
	Yorba Linda:- Topic Disc. Wed.

ORANGE COUNTY CENTRAL OFFICE STATISTICAL REPORT!!!

CENTRAL OFFICE	NOVEMBER	YEAR TO DATE
REQUEST FOR SPEAKERS, SCHOOLS, ETC.	11	105
INFORMATION FOR AL-ANON	61	484
MAIL LITERATURE INFORMATION	7	176
PUBLIC INFORMATION	600	5537
REQUEST FOR MEETING: TIME & PLACE	628	6052
A.A. MEMBERS CALLING CENTRAL OFFICE	313	2426
NEW INQUIRY ABOUT SELF	108	1105
12 STEP CALL: MALE	59	747
12 STEP CALL: FEMALE	62	565
VISITORS TO CENTRAL OFFICE	383	3606
TELEPHONE ANSWERING SERVICE (T.A.B.)		
PUBLIC INFORMATION CALLS	166	1163
AL-ANON CALLS INFORMATION	24	204
REQUEST FOR MEETINGS: TIME & PLACE	482	4474
CROSS CONNECT: MALE	52	525
CROSS CONNECT: FEMALE	16	346
TOTAL CALLS TO T.A.B. & C. O.	2589	23,907
TOTAL CONTACTS	2972	27,515

INTERGROUP HIGHLIGHTS . . .

Forrest O., New Chairman, opened the meeting at 8 P.M. to an attendance of approximately 31 Reps. The most important business was the presentation of a new Fact Sheet, assembled and written by Brendon B. and Forrest O. when he was P.I. Chairman. Pat B., the present P.I. Chairman, explained that copies of this fact sheet explaining all the facts about AA will be given to the newspapers, radio and TV stations, so they will be properly informed as to the policies and traditions of the program. Copies were given to each Rep. to be taken back to their respective groups. Much credit should be given to those who compiled these sheets.

Whitey B., mentioned that rents of meeting places are being raised in several areas of the county and wondered if other groups were having the same problem. George D., announced the dates for the 1979 special events, shown on the Calendar. **NEXT MEETING JANUARY 9TH!!!**

SPECIAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING

At a special service board meeting on November 27 the following members were selected for the different positions on the board. Forrest O., Chairman; Whitey B., Vice-Chairman; Lois W., Secretary; Joanne B., Treasurer; Jim C., Central Office; Pat B., Public Relations; Russ P., Special Projects; George D., Special Events; Sandra D., Group Relations; and Milt S., H. & I. Director.

WHAT A.A. MEANS TO ME..

Dear Lifeline:

I just received my copy of your December issue asking for feedback on what A.A. means to us. I look back over the past three and a half years of sobriety, of changing negatives into positives through the love and sharing and caring that I find and I came up with a summary (a paraphrase of something else, I must admit--this is an honest program) like this: We must have a sense of wonder and belief in those gifts that we are. The greatest gift that God has given us is our sobriety and the A.A. program. That is who we are. We must not allow ourselves to let these gifts become things. They are us. We must let ourselves hear deeply in our hearts that we are the message--we are the medium--we are the program--we are A.A. We are the living incarnation of sobriety and serenity through the working of the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions.

Thanks to A.A. and my H.P.

Frank W., Santa Fe Springs

P.S. Have a Merry and Sober Christmas.

Lifeline

Dear Editor:

Most of us recognize that our recovery is based on the ability to live a program that has as its cornerstone the one day at a time concept. And we have all heard one or more of our members (usually the newer ones) say that the longest sobriety in the room belongs to whom ever got up earliest that day. Never the less, we as a fellowship do respect and revere those of our members who have put together long years of continuous sobriety, and rightly so.

Accordingly, I would like to suggest a new column in the Lifeline, to run monthly, consisting of the names and years of those of our members who have stayed sober in AA for more than 25 years. For starters we could list the following: Wayne S. - Orange Dec. 1-37 yrs. Chuck C. - Laguna Beach Jan. -33 yrs. Don J. -Huntington Beach Nov. -31 yrs. Ione B. -Garden Grove Dec. -30 yrs. I am sure there are many others, and if we ask, perhaps our readers will phone in the information on others.

.....Gordon F., Tustin.

CORRECTION

In the letter sent in by Don J. with a check for a dollar for each year of sobriety it should have read 31 dollars instead of 3 dollars. My apologies..Ed.

It doesn't seem possible that a year has gone by and we are again in preparation for the 1979 General Service Conference. (I can remember when one of my biggest concerns in getting sober was what would I do with my time.)

Next month I will be asking the membership in our Mid-Southern California Area to share with me on the various agenda items to be discussed at this year's Conference. Perhaps there are some who question the time it takes to fill out a questionnaire or to discuss the agenda items within the group to arrive at a group conscience.

Our First Concept tells us that the final responsibility and authority for A.A. rests with the whole Fellowship's collective conscience--the voice of every single A.A. member as it is expressed through participation in his or her A.A. group.

Every person should be given the opportunity to express an opinion and when this is done we can arrive at a true expression of group or area conscience. However, this opportunity carries with it a certain responsibility for each member to become as well informed as possible before expressing his opinion. We must always remember that we have a deep and abiding responsibility to all of A.A.

The greatest enemy of A.A. is apathy. Too often we tend, as we go along in A.A. to take the line of least resistance, the "peace at any price" attitude.

I remember a meeting I was attending some time ago when the group was attempting to arrive at a decision through group conscience. Each person around the table was asked to express his or her opinion which they did. When it came to the last man he stated he had the feeling somehow that the A.A. members were not really expressing how they felt. The discussion continued around the table for the second time with the majority expressing a different view than that previously expressed. They all admitted to being fearful of hurting the feelings of some in the group. That is "peace at any price".

Feelings that our voice is not important simply is not true. How many times throughout the history of A.A. has just one small voice changes the whole course our Fellowship was taking into right action.

One of the presentations at the Conference last year was titled "Who Establishes Policy in A.A.? You, That's Who". The Conference plan assures each of us a voice in the overall affairs of A.A. It is not only a responsibility but a privilege afforded to each of us as sober members of Alcoholics Anonymous.

.....Goldene L., Mid-Southern -California Area Delegate.

NOTICE- DISTRICTS 5-6-7!

Districts 5-6-7 will meet the first Tuesday of every month (Workshops every other month) at St. Simon & Jude's Church, Corner of Magnolia and Indianapolis, Huntington Beach at 7:30 P.M.

Next meeting will be Jan. 2nd.

This includes the following cities:

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| Garden Grove | Santa Ana |
| Cypress | Tustin |
| Stanton | Seal Beach |
| Westminster | Fountain Valley |
| Midway City | Sunset Beach |
| Orange | Newport Beach |
| Huntington Beach |Andy R. |

7TH ANNUAL "S O S" SYMPOSIUM OF SERVICE SATURDAY FEBRUARY 1, 9:00 AM To 4:00 PM

FOUNTAIN VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER

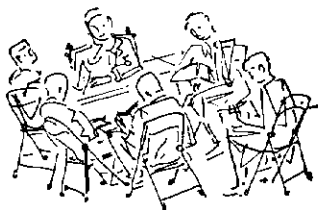
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"SERVICE BEGINS WITH SPONSORSHIP"

BUFFET- Everybody will be asked to bring something for lunch. You will be contacted by the food committee. "Hot Dishes- Cold Dishes- Meat Dishes Salads- Deserts-etc." Coffee will be provided. Tickets are \$2 per person.

Some of the speakers that have accepted: George D. from Tiburon, Chuck C. from Laguna Beach. (Will have more on this later.) Past Delegates will be available to answer your questions on the why and the How of the Program. Ask It Basket. Topic suggestions are welcome Please contact Ethelyn with your suggestions. (714)770-5549.



INTER-GROUP, HOSPITAL-INSTITUTIONAL GENERAL SERVICE

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

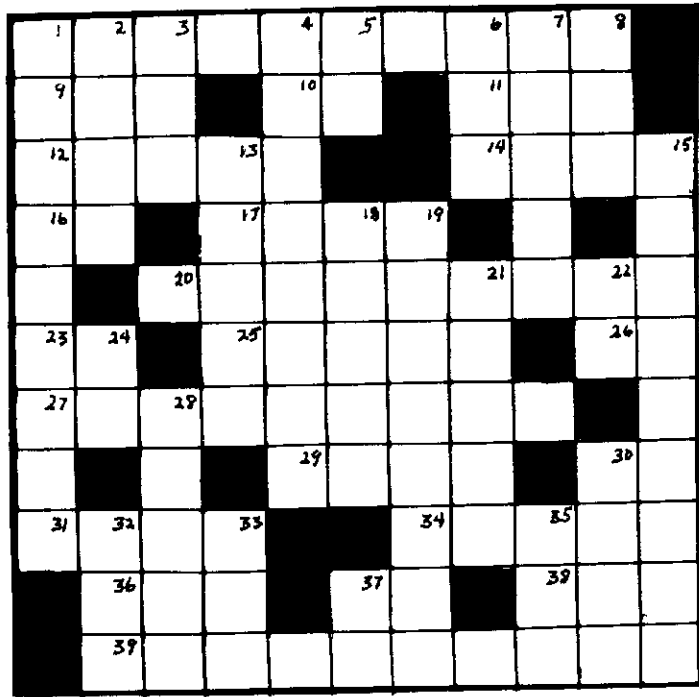
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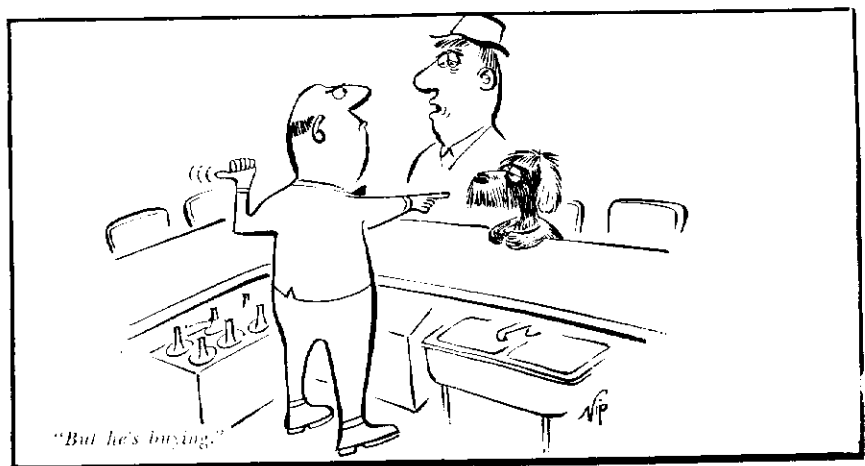
- 1) Step 2: _____ and guidance from a Higher Power
- 2) Olde McDonald had a farm
E-I-
- 10) Physicians dealing with childbirth
- 11) I would give my left _____ to undo the harm done.
- 12) Icy residue
- 14) Do they give these medals for chugalugging vodka?
- 16) French for the'
- 17) Inquiries about
- 20) We had to change our _____ (pl)
- 23) He (Dr. Bob) had me down _____ the office.
- 25) North Dakota City
- 26) Each of us asking to have these _____ facts taken away.
- 29) Step 3: Moral
- 30) Latin for left eye: Oculus Sinister (Abbr.)
- 31) Close by
- 34) South American Creeping Plants (pl.)
- 36) What we'r best at giving- Tender Loving Care (abbr.)
- 37) If you _____ alcoholic like me.
- 38) Unit of conductance.
- 39) Step four.

DOWN

- 1) Step 1: Complete _____.
- 2) Sean O'Faolain's Home
- 3) Expression of contempt.
- 4) My breath does _____ like booze.
- 5) Relative sound measurement.
- 6) Negative expression.
- 7) A set of fundamental beliefs.
- 8) Electro-Magnetic Radiation (abbr.).
- 13) My sponsor _____ down that we might talk.
- 15) Drinking had passed from habit to _____.
- 18) My relatives claimed they were no _____ me.
- 19) Tattlers _____
- 21) Plumbing fixture.
- 24) _____ my trips back to Akron to get my spirits recharged.
- 28) Italian Baby Beef dish.
- 30) Spanish for eight.
- 32) Additional items (Latin abbr.)
- 33) Red Cross Nurse (abbr.)
- 35) Electro Magnetic Interference (abbr.)
- 37) Do not _____ discouraged.



ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S PUZZLE...



RELATED FACILITIES

CANYON CLUB 1945 BROADWAY, LAGUNA BEACH
Sunday Brunch
HAM-EGGS-PANCAKES-COFFEE
ADULTS: \$1.50 KIDS: \$1.00
THIRD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH 10 A.M. - 1 P.M.
NEXT DATE: JANUARY 21ST



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8 A.M. - 11 A.M. HOT CAKES
Adults: \$1.75
Kids: \$1.00
NEXT DATE: JANUARY 14TH

"HELLO, THIS IS A.A."
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"I'll have a gal call you. Just give me your number."

Click! The silence assured me that I was not handling a sick person poorly. I was selling sobriety, not romance. And for free! The only thing necessary on the part of the customer was a desire to stop drinking.

Many a bad night, the phone kept me sober. I was working hard to take an examination. I studied long hours. If I passed, I'd be a lieutenant. I would have to work very closely with our Captain, and that was worrying me. For some reason, he was avoiding me. He had seemed to like me better when I was a happy-go-lucky drunk, the stationhouse clown. Nevertheless, now I was sober, I had had to change or die a slow death. So I tried to forget the captain, and the phone helped quiet my fears.

"Hello, AA?" "I have a flat tire."

"You are short one A, my friend."

"Isn't this AA?"

"Yes, Alcoholics Anonymous."

"Boy, have I got the wrong number!"

One night a man called from 300 miles away. "I don't want anyone in this town to know I have this problem," he said.

"Do they ever see you drunk?" I asked.

"All the time. But I wouldn't want them to know I'm that bad."

I sent him some literature and the address of a local group. I hope he went.

Then there are the real heartbreakers: the people who call, but won't talk.

They just hang on at the other end, and

hang on and hang on as long as I keep talking. Maybe my voice represents the voice of doom—the end of their drinking. I don't know.

Once, all I heard was sobbing. I couldn't coax a response out of the anguished caller. Whoever it was finally hung up. That night, I said a prayer of thanksgiving for not being the poison on the other end of that phone. . . .

"Hello, listen, I'm only 21 years old. I'm too young to be an alcoholic, right?"

"Wrong. Why don't you come in? We'll talk about it." He did. At 21 he had been in three jails, and twice committed to mental institutions by his family. They were horrified when he started to attend meetings. But now he has been sober six months. He has had no further trouble and is a very, very sane young man. Then, last winter, came a call I shall never forget. The voice said, "I'm awfully sick. Going crazy! Used to drink moderately. No more!"

"You called the right place," I said.

"One thing I want to get straight; I'm well-known. I can't let my problem get

out. Will my identity be protected?"

"Absolutely", I assured him.

"Well, you see, I'm a Captain with the city police. . . ."

I had someone else handle that call. A week later, I met my captain at a meeting, and now we are the warmest of friends. One night, I brought him over to answer the AA phones. Most big cities have manned phones. Ready. Waiting. One of them rang. He tensed up, looked at me nervously. "You take it, Lieutenant. I'll listen."

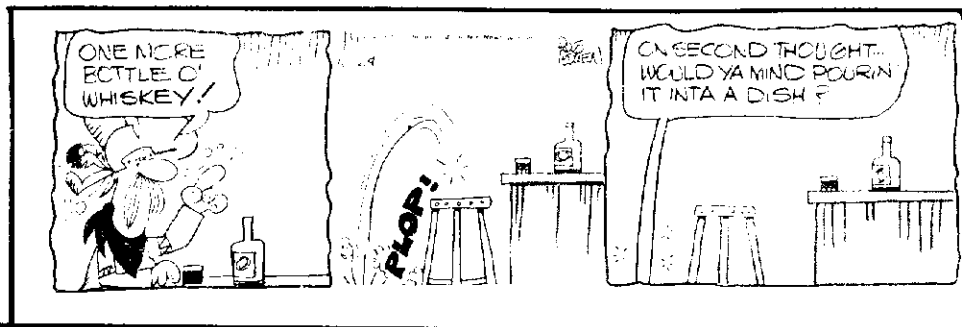
"You pick it up, Captain. Believe me, something wonderful happens on that phone when you help somebody."

So he did, and he sounded just fine. Later, he said, "I was afraid you were looking down your nose at me after you stopped drinking. That's why I kept away from you."

The phone rang again, and he looked at me. "It's all yours," I said. You're sober, and it's only a phone call from a drunk."

..E.S., Brooklyn, N.Y.

..Grapevine, December, 1969



GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS.. JANUARY 1, 1978 - NOVEMBER 25.

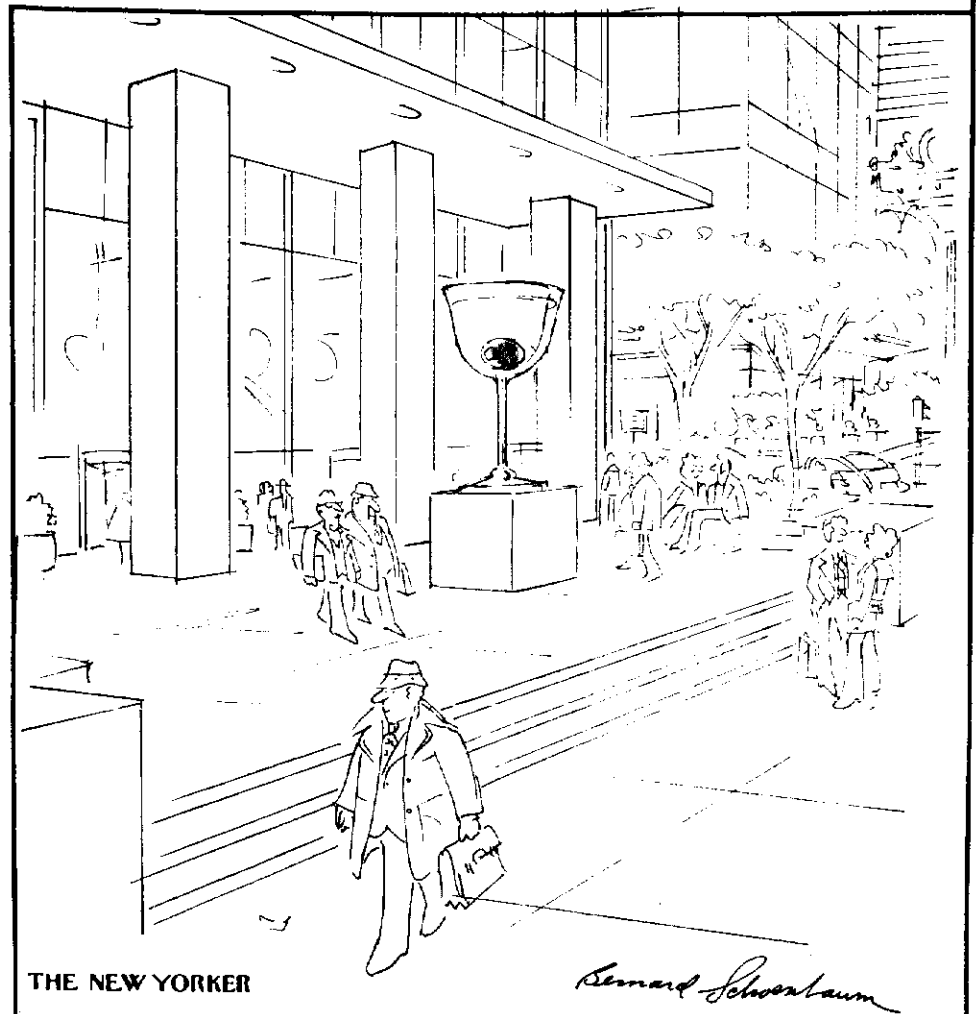
ANAHEIM			FOUNTAIN VALLEY			IRVINE		
	NOV.	YEAR		NOV.	YEAR		NOV.	YEAR
MON. RETREADS		77	WED. DISC.		60	MON. STUDY		127
TUES. SPKRS. (CLUB)		180	SUN. SPKRS.		315	TUES. (C)WOMEN		24
TUES. SPKRS. (ELKS)		60	FULLERTON			TUES. MENS STAG	10	167
TUES. SURVIVALS		102	MON. SPKRS.	276	714	WED. BEGINNERS		320
WED. NOON WOMENS	10	35	MON. (CLUB)		41	WED. NOON		100
WED. SPKRS.		575	TUES. PART.		168	FRI. AM WOMEN		25
THURS. PIONEER	48	530	TUES. 11:30AM (CLUB)		48	FRI. LITTLE GRP. PART.	30	300
FRI. STAG		111	WED. NOON (CLUB)	32	92	FRI. PM DISC.		116
FRI. SPKRS. (HOSP.)		40	WED. PM SPKRS. (CLUB)		125	SAT. SPKRS.	75	285
FRI. 11TH STEP		25	THURS. WOMEN (CLUB)		9	SUN. DISC.		460
FRI. LATE MEETING		80	THURS. WMN. (CHAPMAN)		106	<u>LAGUNA BEACH</u>		
SAT. PM SPKRS.		80	THURS. STAG		210	MON. WOMEN		200
SUN. MORN. HISPANO		20	THURS. STUDY		72	MON. DISC. (HOSP.)		115
SUN. MORN. 11AM (CLUB)	90	206	FRI. DISC. (CLUB)	36	72	MON. DISC. 7:30PM		115
SUN. PM BEGINNERS (CLUB)		27	FRI. STUDY		96	MON. STUDY		5
<u>BREA</u>			SAT. 2PM BEG.		24	MON. STAG		300
MON. DISC.	20	91	SAT. SPKRS.		396	TUES. NOON		60
THURS. DISC.	50	187	SUN. SPKRS. AM (CLUB)		116	TUES. 11TH STEP	45	131
<u>BUENA PARK</u>			SUN. PART. (CLUB)		23	WED. DISC.		40
TUES. STUDY		145	SUN. DISC.	36	72	WED. SPKRS. S. COAST		660
SUN. FIRESIDE		150	<u>GARDEN GROVE</u>			WED. Q&A SPKRS.		84
CORONA DEL MAR			MON. STAG STUDY		5	FRI. HOSP.		97
TUES. NOON-A-TICKS		684	MON. STAG (CLUB)		90	SAT. SPKRS. HOSP.		450
MON.	5	5	MON. DAYLITE		120	SAT. SPKRS. (CLUB)		60
FRI. REBELS		267	MON. 7:30AM DISC.		70	SUN. DISC. (CLUB)	20	70
<u>COSTA MESA</u>			MON. EASTGATE PART.		20	<u>LAGUNA HILLS</u>		
MON. STAG		18	MON., TH., FRI., WMN.	20	120	MON. STUDY	50	474
MON. BEG. (CLUB)		35	TUES. PART. (CLUB)		80	<u>LA HABRA</u>		
MON. NOON (CLUB)		70	TUES. NOON (CLUB)		30	MON. WOMEN	25	135
MON. 6PM (CLUB)		48	WED. WOMEN (CLUB)		10	WED. STAG	8	23
MON. DISC.	21	98	WED. BELFAST STAG		110	FRI. SPKRS.	50	525
MON. WOMEN (CLUB)		20	WED. BK. STUDY		150	<u>LAGUNA NIGUEL</u>		
TUES. GRANGE	25	25	WED. SERENITY		150	TUES. MOVIE DISC.		30
TUES. NOON DISC.		89	THURS. BEGINNERS		40	FRIDAY NIGHT		225
TUES. SPKRS. (CLUB)		108	THURS. BEAT CLOCK		270	SUN. SPKRS.		180
TUES. NEWPORT MESA		32	WED. YNG PEOPLE		93	LA MIRADA		
WED. WOMEN (CLUB)	50	50	THURS. SPKR. (CLUB)		180	MON. DISC.	30	174
WED. STEP STUDY (CLUB)		15	FRI. 10:30AM WMN.		207	TUES. (WINNERS CRCLC)		10
WED. PM STAG		12	FRI. STEP STUDY		40	WED. WOMEN	10	100
WED. Q&A		40	SAT. NOON		240	LA ULTIMA ESPERANZO		6
THURS. (CLUB)		9	SAT. PM SPKRS. (CLUB)	60	460	LOS ALAMITOS		
THURS. DISC. (HOSP.)	30	140	SUN. 5:30PM		52	WED. 12&12 STUDY		35
FRI. NOON (CLUB)	18	48	SUN. NOON SPKRS.		15	MIDWAY CITY		
FRI. SPKRS. (CLUB)		100	<u>HUNTINGTON BEACH</u>			FRIDAY		50
FRI. STUDY		37	MON. 12&12	52	227	MISSION VIEJO		
FRI. DISC. (MESA VERDE)		40	MON. DISC.		119	WED. AM WOMEN		190
SAT. 1:30 (CLUB)		10	TUES. WMN. (Barneys)	21	96	NEWPORT BEACH		
SAT. AM STAG	30	163	TUES. WMN. (Harmony)	48	417	MON. DISC. (CLUB)		60
SUN. SPKRS. (Oddfellow)	2	11	TUES. WMN. STUDY	25	176	MON. WOMEN		54
SUN. NOON	20	50	TUES. WE CARE	25	380	MON. DISC. (BAYWOOD)	31	61
SUN. 7:30 (CLUB)		60	TUES. DISC.		173	TUES. STAG	25	75
LAMPLIGHTERS		25	WED. WMN.		46	TUES. STEP STUDY		19
CYPRESS			WED. PART.		225	TUES. SPKRS.		330
MON. PM		67	THURS. PM SPKRS.		152	TUES. WOMEN (CLUB)		90
WED. STUDY		130	THURS. NOON DISC.		256	WED. (BAYWOOD)	50	50
THURS. STUDY		36	THURS. BOOK STUDY		20	WED. BOOK STUDY		26
FRI. EZ DOES IT		95	FRI. (Downtowners)		229	WED. NOON		120
DANA POINT			FRI. REBOS		233	THURS. BEG. (CLUB)		20
BREAKFAST MEETING		200	FRI. (Lennox)	42	701	THURS. SPKRS. EBELL		810
TUESDAY	50	200	FRI. OHIO DISC.		15	FRI. (CLUB)	34	139
THURS. STAG		133				SAT. HOSP.		1065
						SUN. AM		111

ORANGE	NOV.	YEAR
SUN. PART.		45
SUN. SPKRS.	100	950
MON. PM WOMEN		200
TUES. DISC.		54
TUES. STEPSTUDY		84
WED. DISC. HOSP.	275	510
THURS. WOMEN(C)		6
THURS. DISC. HOSP.	48	153
FRI. CHOC.	120	965
ORANGE (CLUB)		
SUN. DISC.		65
SUN. AM DISC.		51
MON. SPKRS.	45	250
TUES. NOON		126
WED. NOON DISC.		175
WED. PM		48
THURS. NOON		20
THURS. BEGINNERS		50
FRI. LATE SHOW		60
SAT. 2PM DISC.		105
SAT. PART.		50
PLACENTIA		
MON. PART.		275
SAN CLEMENTE		
MON. DISC.		320
FRI. PM SPKRS.		177
SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO		
WED. 11TH STEP		50
WED. WOMEN		42
THURS. STAG		485
FRI. STUDY		175
SANTA ANA		
MON. NOON (CLUB)		10
MON. SPKRS.		200
TUES. DISC.		30
TUES. BK. STUDY		17
TUES. TAKE OR LEAVE		24
TUES. NOON		186
WED. DISC.		39
WED. WOMEN (VILLA)		20
THURS. NOON DISC.		280
FRI. NOON CLUB		70
SAT. SPKRS. VILLA		5
SUN. 11AM DISC.		95
HISPANO (LA VIEVA)	25	85
SUNSET BEACH		
SAT. 9PM		120
SEAL BEACH		
THURS.		431
SUN. AM		67
STANTON		
WED. DISC.		50
TUSTIN		
SUN. SPKRS.	60	1070
SUN. AM BRKFST.	50	127
MON. STAG		300
TUES. STUDY	50	240
WED. PM WOMEN		56
THURS. STEP STUDY	60	670
FRI. (C) WOMEN STUDY	10	10
FRI. DISC.	150	690
SAT. VISIT SPKRS.		720

YORBA LINDA	NOV.	YEAR
WED. DISC.	30	220
WESTMINSTER		
SUN. PART.		26
WHITTIER		
THURS. SPKRS.		30
MISCELLANEOUS GROUPS & DONATIONS		
INTERGROUP SERVICE FORUM		78
INTERGROUP MEETING	36	375
FRI. WANDERING GRP.		85
SAT. WANDERING GRP.	24	146
EVERY OTHER SAT.		
WANDERING GRP.	27	97
CPC CPMMITTEE		35
PICNIC COMMITTEE		13
YNG. PEOPLE ROUNDUP		100
DESERT ROUNDUP		100
LOVE ANOTHER		6
SCAD GROUP		450
BILL'S STORY FILM		69
MID-SO.-CAL. AREA		10
ANAHEIM THANKATHON 23		23
FRIENDSHIP		
THANKSGIVING SPKRS.	9	9
TOTALS	2827	37140

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS IS A SPIRIT.....

A.A. is a Spirit. It cannot be touched nor can it be completely understood. It is wide as the world, yet small enough to fit snugly into the mind and heart of man. It has brought light where only darkness dwelt. It has given greatness to the common. It has spurred to higher goals those who strove for nothing. It has transformed sorrow into a weapon of happiness. It has given purpose to the trackless and shelter to the lost. It has taught patience to the hurried and action to the slothful. To youth it has given vision. To the aged, promise. To the restless, rest. To the sick, it has given a doctor. To the dying it has revived the desire to live. To those who have fallen it has given a helping hand. It has no judgement against the unteachable, nor has it praise for those who learn. To the outcast it has been a family. To the childless it has given children. To the ignorant, wisdom. To the wise, tolerance. It has given to all men that which is most precious— it has given love for truth with enough left over to share with each other.



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