



Published by Orange County Intergroup Association of Alcoholics Anonymous

Santa Ana

January 1995

Vol. XXXIII No. 1 USPS 312-680



Orange County Intergroup Association

FEATURE ARTICLE

SEMINAR REPORT

From

VANCOUVER, November 10th through 13th, 1994

What's Inside

Features

Off The Wall	4
Rule 62	7
Voices	7
Who Said	8
Missing Piece	12

Departments

AA Birthdays	3
Tradition of the Month	3
Calendar of Events	5
Subscriptions	5
Who-Where-When	6
A Chance to be of Service	8
Meeting Changes	8
Contributions	10

This year's conference provided again an invaluable insight into the problems facing many Intergroups, as well as sharing solutions to some of them. One *alarming* aspect was the fact that few office managers survive more than three years on this job: they burn-out rather quickly, getting caught in the middle of controversies and quarrels within their respective Intergroups. The good news (because it reflects my own concept???) is that most Intergroups still manage to rely on their own members for 24-hour telephone commitment rather than on costly commercial answering services. Our Main Office in Santa Ana has very expensive (utilities and salaries), and unusually long business hours. The few sales on weekends, holidays and late evenings do not justify these expenditures.

However, traditionally we have had a 24 hour hotline and should continue to serve the alcoholic. But should we not *try at least* to do so on a volunteer basis? This could easily be done by call forwarding. All that is necessary is intelligent organization, provided by a board member, and *your committed involvement*. Concerning the issue of the VOLUNTEER TELEPHONE SERVICE, I would encourage you to join the Group Relations Committee, chaired by Mary Alyce E.. This committee meets on the last Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm in our Central Office in Santa Ana. During the December meeting they will discuss the technicalities of how to organize this area. Please get active in this as we

Continued on page 2 ...

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS CENTRAL OFFICE

HOURS

Weekdays	8:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M.
Saturdays	9:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.
Sundays & Holidays	10:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

2712 S. Grand Avenue
Santa Ana, CA 92705
Phone (714) 556-4555

From San Clemente, Dana Point, Laguna Beach & Capistrano Valley Areas -
Phone (714) 581-2694
TDD 556-4559

