A Newsletter for the Pikes Peak Region of Alcoholics Anonymous

October, 2016

~THE PIKES PEAK PINT~

Another Dose of Humility...and Just in Time!

In *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions*, it says, "humility is the foundation principle of each of A.A.'s Twelve Steps." Step Ten and Tradition Ten are definitely rooted in humility.

Step Ten teaches me to live my life and focus on keeping my side of the street clean. Meanwhile, Tradition Ten teaches me to keep my opinions to myself and focus on carrying God's message.

When I'm not practicing the principles of Step Ten and Tradition Ten, I can be a constant "grouch" and "brainstorm." Conversely, being accountable for myself is such a full time job that I don't have time for those things. When I'm doing it right, I pass judgment on others a lot less.

If I have the humility to repeatedly admit my failures to God and another human being, the outcome is compassion for myself that overflows to everyone around me.

Seeking true humility over and over again helps me see the futility of fighting the battle alone and to reach for that Power. And whenever I reach for God, I find out that He is really there.

Time and again, I learn the lesson that there is a God and it's not me. Recovery takes every bit of power that I have but my power alone is not enough. I have to tap into a Power that is bigger than I am and it has to be a Power that is life giving.

ANONYMOUS



NEW WOMAN:			
Kathy F.	39 Years		
Mariellyn M.	44 Years		
Angie N.	28 Years		
Susan S.	1 Year		
Patti T.	1 Year		
Cathy P.	24 Years		

WE ARE NOT SAINTS:		
Amy C.	29 Years	
Lee W.	27 Years	
Sandra D.	34 Years	
Wendy M.	7 Years	

STEEL MAGNOLIAS:		
Becky J.	23 Years	
Terri	3 Years	

FRIDAY WOMEN'S:			
Amy C.	10/30/1987		
Sherry M.	10/16/1998		
Bryana C.	10/18/2006		
Jenna B.	10/11/2009		
Rhonda G.	10/06/2011		
Bonnie	10/28/2014		

EASY DOES II:		
Frederick	10/01/2016	
Craig G.	10/07/1995	
Peggy S.	10/09/2013	
Tricia K.	10/11/1980	

DOWN TOW	N GROUP:
Jen B.	10/02/2013
Anthony D.	10/04/2012
Dave L.	10/04/2010
Annie S.	10/04/2004
Lauren C.	10/05/2013
Don T.	10/05/2011
Everett L.	10/08/1982
Mike H.	10/09/2011
Damian H.	10/11/2009
Angelica	10/15/2011
Ryan L.	10/17/2015
Dustin P.	10/19/2003
Donovan L.	10/19/2011
Joey B.	10/20/2003
Christine H.	10/20/2012
Tomas M.	10/22/2005
Michael R.	10/24/2014
Vince	10/26/2013
Jessica T.	10/31/2009
Miquel	10/31/2014
Mike M.	10/31/2015
Rhonda S.	10/31/2013
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CONCEPT 10:

Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authoritythe scope of such authority to be always well defined whether by tradition, by resolution, by specific job description or by appropriate charters and bylaws.

TRADITION 10 CHECKLIST:

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

- 1. Do I ever give the impression that there really is an "AA opinion" on Antabuse? Tranquilizers? Doctors? Psychiatrists? Churches? Hospitals? Jails? Alcohol? The federal or state government? Legalizing marijuana? Vitamins? Al-Anon? Alateen?
- 2. Can I honestly share my own personal experience concerning any of those without giving the impression I am stating the "AA opinion"?
- 3. What in AA history gave rise to our Tenth Tradition?
- 4. Have I had a similar experience in my own AA life?
- 5. What would AA be without this Tradition? Where would I be?
- 6. Do I breach this or any of its supporting Traditions in subtle, perhaps unconscious, ways?
- 7. How can I manifest the spirit of this Tradition in my personal life outside AA? Inside AA?

STEP 10:

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

Easier-Softer-Understanding

A Near Miss

Long-road-of-recovery is the experience

New definitions require dedication of time

Words become polluted with false definition

Powerless is how ill meanings appear

Reasons stand steadfast behind the term, "Shrink"

Adjustment requires first two important aw-haws

Recovery paths become much easier to follow, when

Petrified are men using the term

Misinformed are the women attempting to cause happening

Manhood is at stake while relationships must be created

True identity fails denial

People alike are of this very energy

Be and Be-Ing become the lesson

Love is a founding entity instead of creation

Upset is the result

"Self" the outcome

Disagreement with this Higher-Power is cause

Distorted perception of life the existence

Souls abandon worn out bodies

Material forms simply deteriorate

Experience goes on infinitely

Eternal life is the lesson

Death is simply fear of Good-Orderly-Direction

I went for a drive one day while I was visiting my hometown in the beautiful wine country of California. For some reason, I ended up driving by my old stomping grounds and my old bar.

It was Sunday morning and I thought, "Wow...a Bloody Mary would be amazing right now! Who would know but me and the bartender."

I hit my blinker...Damn traffic...move truck! I looked closer and the truck in front of me was bearing the A.A. symbol, glowing as bright as the Northern Cali. sun.

I canceled my blinker, got along side of him and motioned him to roll down his window.

I said, "Hey! You just saved my sobriety!"

He responded, "Don't do it sister! Do not drink!"

I promised him that I wouldn't and I didn't.

I thought that I was crazy but he hadn't judged me. In all reality, he saved my life and I made his day.

SALLY M.

D.R.S.

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

CDOUD MARK (2010 2015)	TIME TIME		GROVE VALUE (2014 2015)	TIME	ATTOTTOM
GROUP NAME (2016-2017)	YTD	AUGUST	GROUP NAME (2016-2017)	YTD	AUGUST
A Common Solution	\$62.73		Northwesters	\$231.49	
Above the Bar Group			Off The Wall	\$63.43	
Apex	\$131.65		Old North End Study Group	\$95.68	
Back to Basics	\$391.64	\$ 33.24	One Six Four	\$30.00	
Beacon Light Group	\$100.00		Pre-Dawn Meeting		
Big Book Action	\$300.00		Primary Purpose		
Big Book Study UPH			Progress Not Perfection	\$80.25	
Black Forest	\$341.42		Recovery in Action	\$293.50	
Broadmoor			Recovery, Unity, Service Group		
Brown Baggers			Saturday Early Morning Mtg.	\$304.40	
Central			Security Eye Opener	\$125.00	
Clean Air Group	\$80.00		Serenity Hour	\$325.00	\$ 50.00
Don't Worry Be Happy	\$68.17	\$ 51.05	Serenity Riders	\$188.80	\$ 188.80
Down By The Creek			Serenity Sisters	\$126.46	\$ 126.46
Downtown Group	\$1,001.52		Sober Sisters	\$58.45	\$ 58.45
Drylander's Group			Solutions at Noon		
Easy Does It			Sought Through Prayer & Meditation	\$128.40	
Ellicott Group			Steel Magnolias	\$131.76	
4th Dimension Rocketeers	\$50.00		Stepping Stones		
Foxhall Group	\$250.00		Sunday Morning Speaker	\$745.00	\$ 325.00
Freedom From Bondage			Sunlight of the Spirit - Women's 12x12	\$300.00	
Friday Night Live			Taking Steps	\$376.62	\$ 145.62
Friday Women's Group			The Doctor's Opinion	\$100.00	
Good Ole Boys	\$100.00		The Garage Meeting	\$129.00	\$ 31.80
Happy Destiny	\$87.76		Then and Now	\$60.00	
Happy Heathens			Thursday Men's Group	\$340.00	
Happy Hour			Thursday NoonWoodland Park	\$72.00	
Happy, Joyous & Free			Traditions Only	\$92.00	
High Noon	\$80.00		Treating The Illness		
H.O.W.	\$300.00		Turning Point		
Into Action	\$240.00		Ute Pass Breakfast Group		
Keystone to Recovery			Veterans for AA		
Lake George Group			Walk the Talk	\$475.00	\$ 200.00
Little Log Church Group	\$237.00	\$ 112.00	Walking on Water	\$60.00	\$ 60.00
Living Free	\$57.00		We Are Not Saints	\$1,352.45	
Living Sober South	\$169.70		Westside Eye Opener		
M.A.G.	\$367.97		Women of Grace	\$95.00	
Meditation Group	\$234.00		Woodland Park Beginners		
Natural High			Woodland Park Book Study	\$157.33	
New Beginners	\$205.39		Woodland Park Women's Step Study	\$84.00	
New Woman	\$318.84		Young People	,	
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MEETING CANCELLATION:

Easy Does It Group (EDIG)

2:00 Sunday, Open Discussion 3760 Astrozon Blvd, 80910 (West Of Academy at Vickers and Tuckerman Lane) Only the 2:00 Sunday meeting will be cancelled.

Friday Nite Bar Exams

5:30 Friday, Open Discussion 315 Lake Avenue, 80906 Cancelled

MEETING CHANGE:

Central Group Speaker Meeting

(kid friendly room available) Tuesday at 7:00, Open 309 S. Hancock Avenue, 80903 (West side of Memorial Park)

Time has changed from 8:00pm to 7:00pm

Women of Grace

Wednesday at 6:00pm, Open
St. Stephens Episcopal Church
601 N. Tejon Street, 80903
2nd floor, Weir room
Entry door has changed to glass doors on
northwest side.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Downtown Women's Meeting

Tuesday at 5:30
210 N. Corona Street, 80903
(Behind McDonald's on Wahsatch)
This is a great meeting with service positions available and is held at a very convenient time.
Will be forced to close if attendance does not pick up by the end of October.

NEW MEETING:

Primary Purpose

Saturday at 4:00pm, Open Grapevine 3425 Van Teylingen Dr., Unit I, 80917 (West of Academy between Rebecca Ln. and Carefree Cir. North.)

In the month of August

the Service Office received

4 Grateful Giver contributions.

2 Personal contributions.

and

1 Birthday contributions!



DO YOU HAVE A SUBMISSION FOR THE PINT?

Articles
Cartoons
Event Fliers
Jokes
Poems
Birthdays
Even feedback

PLEASE SEND SUBMISSIONS TO: pint@coloradospringsaa.org

Cordially Invited to Attend the 2016 Graditude Dinner

Hosted For the First Time On Collaboration By: Colorado Springs Ontergroup & Colorado Springs Al-Anon Group

November 12th from 3pm to 6pm at Odd Fellows Hall

Eautlake Blvd

Suggested Contributions

Full Pasta Bar with Several Different Sauces to Choose From!

As Well As Salad, Garlic

Prospect Lake Propert Rd

As Well As Salad, Garlic

Bread and Desert.

There will be an A.A. and Al-Anon Speaker during the dinner.

575 S Union Blvd, Colorado Springs, CO 80910

For Any Questions Ask Your Intergroup Rep or email programs@coloradospringsaa.org

Looking to be of Service? Call Kevin M. (719) 424-2333 or Text/Call Molly E. (719) 482-6790 Tired of riding *on* the fellowship and want to get inside?

Sponsor pestering you to do some service work?

Want to get involved but just don't know what to do?

Then jump right in and start answering the phone!

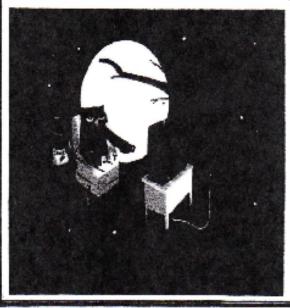
That's right ladies and gentlemen, NIGHTWATCH needs YOU!



Nightwatch is one of the most rewarding service positions available.

Thanks to the spirit of rotation we all get a chance to do a little service that has a HUGE impact.

You might make a new friend or run into an old one. You could even save a life simply by answering the phone!



For more information please contact the Nightwatch Chair at 719-538-6017

OR E-Mail
nightwatch@coloradospringsaa.org
Or contact the
Area Service Office
at 719-573-5020

HEY.!?!

ALL YOU'Z DRUNKS OUT THERE.!

I just wanted to remind you that **YOUR** Area Service Office sells books! **THAT'S RIGHT FOLKS**, **BOOKS!**!

Imagine that.!! ...and, that's not all...

For **YOUR** convenience they also stock medallions, stickers, pamphlets and (...wait for it...) BOOKMARKS! **WOW!!**

Did you know that if you buy five or more Big Books you'd get a discount.? Yup, it's true...

Not only that, if you buy five or more select books, you'll get the same break. (call or come by for details)

So, why support the big corporate machine? You can keep your money working for <u>YOU</u> right here in <u>YOUR</u> backyard. By purchasing your books 'n stuff locally you help keep Nightwatch answering phones, you help Programs organize events and most importantly, you help keep the Service Office doors open to help the alcoholic that still suffers. Now, isn't that what we're all about?

Colorado Springs Area <u>Service</u> Office

1353 South 8th Street, Suite 209, Colorado Springs, CO 80905 ~ (719) 573-5020 ~

Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed: Saturday and Sunday



SAVE THE DATE 2016 OCSoberfest

Oct. 7-9, 2016
Pueblo Convention Center - Pueblo, CO



* Speakers

Friday night - Kathy H., Taos, NM
Saturday morning - Longtimers trio of speakers
Saturday lunch - Laurel L., Wichita (AlAnon)
Saturday night - John K., Dallas, TX
Sunday morning - Ericka M., Cedar Rapids, IA

Workshops & Continuous Meetings Saturday Lunch, Dinner & Dance Hospitality Room & Ticketed Drawings

If you attended last year's OcSoberfest, you will receive a registration form by mail or email. To request a registration form, email your name and address to boos_964@yahoo.com
Online registration at www.ocsoberfest.org after Aug. 1, 2016

LOCAL SERVICE OFFICE

Hours: Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

SAT.-SUN.: CLOSED

Location: 1353 South 8th Street, Suite 209

Colorado Springs, CO 80905 Contact the Service Office 719-573-5020

E-mail: serviceoffice@coloradospringsaa.org

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ARCHIVES:

NO MEETINGS SCHEDULED **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

PUBLIC INFORMATION:

2:00pm, 1st Saturday of the month 1st floor Penrose Main Hospital 2222 N. Nevada in Volunteer Coordinator Conference Room

C.P.C.:

(Cooperation with the Professional Community) Second Sunday of the month Conference Call: Dial 641-715-0700 Access Code 740427

District 7:

7:00pm, 3rd Tuesday of the month First United Methodist Church 420 N. Nevada, Room 135 (Boulder St. Access)

TREATMENT:

12pm, 2nd Saturday of the month Penrose Hospital Volunteer Conference Room 2222 N. Nevada.

SPECIAL NEEDS:

NO MEETINGS SCHEDULED **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

NIGHTWATCH:

7:00pm, 1st Tuesday of the month Sacred Heart Parish 21st and Pikes Peak

Room 10 - Following the New Beginners meeting

For more committee information, please go to coloradospringsaa.org

CONTRIBUTION **ADDRESSES**

~ AREA SERVICE OFFICE ~

Payable to: Colorado Springs Area Service Office 1353 South 8th St., Suite 209 Colorado Springs, CO 80905 (Include group name and number on check)

~ GENERAL SERVICE OFFICE ~

Payable to: GSO P.O. Box 459 - Grand Central Station New York, NY 10163 (Include group name and number on check)

$^{\sim}$ AREA 10 $^{\sim}$

Payable to: Area 10 Treasurer 12081 West Alameda Parkway #418 Lakewood, CO 80228 (Include group name, number and District 7 on check)

~ DISTRICT 7 ~

Payable to: District 7 P.O. Box 26252 Colorado Springs, CO 80936 (Include group name, number and district 7 on check)

~ PINK CAN CONTRIBUTIONS ~

Payable to: Area 10 Corrections Committee P.O. Box 40368 Denver, CO 80204 (Include group name and number on check)

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