



# THE PIKES PEAK PINT

JULY 2020

A newsletter for the Pikes Peak Region of Alcoholics Anonymous

## Live, In-Person Intergroup Meeting Scheduled!

### NEW LOCATION AND TIME

- DATE: Tuesday, July 14, 2020
- TIME: 6:00 p.m.
- LOCATION: Highland Park Baptist Church Fellowship Hall  
2315 N. Circle Drive (enter the East Door labeled Fellowship Hall)
- On-time drawing at 6:00 p.m.
- Pepperoni and cheese pizza from Little Caesars will be served. Bring your own drink PLEASE.

**CANCELLED  
DUE TO INCREASE IN COVID-19**

## **A Lifetime Supply**

Coming into AA and finding the acceptance and love I'd sought in a bottle was a relief beyond description, but reading the Steps was a shock. Fortunately for me, my home group did not hammer the steps into newcomers. Rather, they talked a lot about the Slogans and the need to not drink a day at a time. I needed that.

During a discussion of Step Seven, I made the statement, "If my shortcomings and character defects are removed, there will be nothing left!" I need not have feared. What I've learned since then is that I have more than a lifetime's supply of character defects. My Higher Power and I can't get rid of them all in my allotted time on this earth.

More importantly, I've learned that if I simply let go of a character defect—release it—my Higher Power will replace it with a character asset. As I release anger, I find that I am friendlier. As I release hate, I become more loving. As I release fear, I become more secure.

I don't have to go out looking for friendliness, love, security, or any other trait that I desire. I just have to give up the feelings that are manifestations of my character defects and the good automatically flows into my life.....and I used to think that I would become hollow without my character defects!

So, how does it work? Daily. On a daily basis I choose not to drink—or to fear, hate, be angry, or indulge in any other defect that's raising its ugly head. They're all there waiting, and when given a chance, they charge into the center of my life and try to take over. But when I work Step Seven, I find that my life is filled with good and people actually like to be around me—something they never did in my drinking days.

C. Kathmandu



## July Celebrations Meeting Changes

Due to technical difficulties, we are unable to print these for July.

Please email your group's celebrations to [pint@coloradospringsaa.org](mailto:pint@coloradospringsaa.org)

### News For You

- 1) On June 23, 2020, the El Paso County Health Dept. reclassified our meetings as 3rd party classes and guided as personal services under the newest amended PHO.
- 2) The guidelines we must follow are: meetings may operate at 50% facility capacity or 50 people, whichever is fewer;
- 3) Must continue to maintain 6 ft distancing;
- 4) No shared foods;
- 5) High contact surfaces should be disinfected between uses as well as chairs/tables between meetings; and
- 6) A sign-in sheet and symptom checker is also strongly recommended, as well as mask use by all participants and available hand sanitizer.
- 7) Log onto [aa.org](http://aa.org) and click on this icon for a virtual 2020 International Convention.
- 8) Your Area Service Office currently has aluminum coins available for every month one through eleven! Cost is only 50 cents!

⇒ Red Cloud has become a group. Please log onto our website to see the topic and times.  
[www.coloradospringsaa.org](http://www.coloradospringsaa.org)

⇒ Please contact the Area Service Office with any updates regarding your Zoom Meetings and In-Person meetings so the website can be up-to-date.

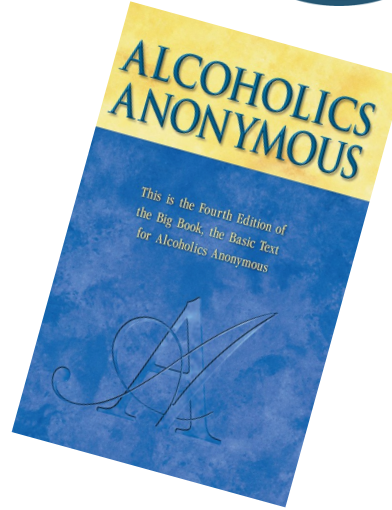
⇒ Clean Air Group has resumed in-person meetings on Fridays at 8 p.m. Legacy Wesleyan Church at 502 N. Walnut.

⇒ Please log onto our website and click "Find A Meeting" for in-person meetings. For Zoom Meetings, when you log onto the website do not click anything, just scroll down to Zoom Meetings.

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This month's "Pint Piece" for your personal reflection...

***"Faith without works is dead."***

Page 76 and 88 of the Big Book

**Examples of Group Contributions to A.A. Service Entities**

Distribution of funds from groups that support four service entities



**10%** to district

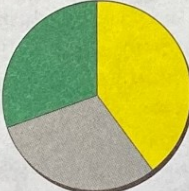
**10%** to area committee

**30%** to G.S.O.

**50%** to intergroup or central office

**AND**

If you have no intergroup/central office, distribution of funds from groups that support three service entities:



**40%** to district

**30%** to area

**30%** to G.S.O.

From the Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix Pamphlet

# STEP 7

“Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.”

## TRADITION 7

“Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting declining outside contributions.”



## CONCEPT 6

“On behalf of A.A. as a whole, our General Service Conference has the principal responsibility for the maintenance of our world services, and it traditionally has the final decision respecting large matters of general policy and finance.

But the Conference also recognizes that the chief initiative and the active responsibility in most of these matters should be exercised primarily by the Trustee members of the Conference when they act among themselves as the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous.”

## TRADITION 7 CHECKLIST

1. Honestly now, do I do all I can to help AA (my group, my central office, my GSO) remain self-supporting? Could I put a little more into the basket on behalf of the new person who can't afford it? How generous was I when drunk in a barroom?
2. How do I (or my group) support our International Journals of Alcoholics Anonymous, Grapevine and La Vina?
3. If GSO runs short of funds some year, wouldn't it be OK to let the government subsidize AA groups in hospitals and prisons?
4. Is it more important for a group to get a big AA collection from a few people, or a smaller collection in which more members participate?
5. Is a group treasurer's report unimportant AA business? How does the treasurer feel about it?
6. Does my group have a "prudent reserve"? If yes, do I know what that amount is?
7. If a family member, work colleague or close friend who is not an AA member wants to make a financial contribution to my group, should the group accept it? What if my group is short on funds?



## LOCAL SERVICE OFFICE

Open: Tuesday - Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Closed: Saturday - Monday

1353 South 8th Street, Suite 209

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## JOIN A COMMITTEE MEETING!

These are suspended until further notice.

### BRIDGING THE GAP

7:00 pm, 4th Tuesday of the month, Area Service Office  
1353 South 8th Street, Suite 209, Colorado Springs

### PIKES PEAK PINT

### CORRECTIONS

9 a.m., 3rd Saturday of the month Sacred Heart Parish Room 10,  
southeast corner of 21st & Colorado Ave.

### PI (PUBLIC INFORMATION)

9:00 am; 2nd Saturday of each month  
Area Service Office  
1353 S. 8th St Suite 209

### CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community)

Meets the 4th Saturday of the month from 1:00-2:30  
Penrose Main Hospital—2222 N. Nevada Ave.  
We meet in the Volunteers Conference Room.  
You can also call in on our conference line at:  
(515) 604-9925, access pin: 311273#

### PROGRAMS

6 pm Wednesdays  
Chadbourn Community Church  
402 Conejos St. 80903

### NIGHTWATCH

7 p.m., 1st Tuesday of the month  
Sacred Heart Parish, 21st and Pikes Peak Ave.  
Room 10, following the New Beginners' meeting

### DISTRICT 7

7 p.m., 3rd Tuesday of the month  
First United Methodist Church,  
420 N. Nevada, Room 135 (Boulder Street access)

## WHERE TO SEND CONTRIBUTIONS

Please include your group name  
and group number on the check

### ~ AREA SERVICE OFFICE ~

Payable to: Colorado Springs  
Area Service Office  
1353 South 8th St., Suite 209  
Colorado Springs, CO 80905

### ~ GENERAL SERVICE OFFICE ~

Payable to: GSO  
P.O. Box 459/Grand Central Station  
New York, NY 10163

### ~ AREA 10 ~

Payable to: Area 10 Treasurer  
12081 W. Alameda Parkway, #418  
Lakewood, CO 80228

### ~ DISTRICT 7 ~

Payable to: District 7,  
P.O. Box 26252,  
Colorado Springs, CO 80936

### ~ PINK CAN CONTRIBUTIONS ~

Payable to: Area 10 Corrections Committee  
P.O. Box 40368,  
Denver, CO 80204

## How much did *YOU* spend on a drink?

*Please help others.....*

Consider putting \$2 in a jar/cup/basket  
each time you log onto a Zoom Meeting.  
Then consider splitting the money  
accumulated and give 1/2 to your group  
when they begin meeting again, and 1/2 to  
your Service Office.

Contribute at  
[coloradospringsaa.org](http://coloradospringsaa.org)

## Group Contributions

April 1 – June 30, 2020

<b>Group 2020-2021</b>	<b>Fiscal YTD</b>	<b>April</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>June</b>
12 Steps from the Morgue	\$116	\$116		
164 Group	\$103			\$103
A Common Solution	\$150		\$150	
APEX	\$91			\$91
Back to Basics	\$116	\$116		
Black Forest Group	\$205	\$205		
Don't Worry Be Happy	\$60	\$60		
Easy Does It	\$117	\$117		
Friday Night Live	\$50	\$50		
Friday Women's	\$80		\$80	
High Nooners	\$100			\$100
H.O.W.	\$100	\$100		
Into Action	\$100	\$100		
Keytone to Recovery	\$130			\$130
Little Log Cabin	\$320	\$320		
Living Sober South	\$32		\$32.00	
New Beginner's			\$185.00	
New Woman	\$144		\$144	
Northwester's			\$43	
Off the Wall				\$5
Recovery In Action	\$168	\$168		
Recovery Systems	\$100	\$100		
Serenity Hour			\$16	
Steel Magnolias	\$106		\$106	
Sunlight of the Spirit				\$114
Thursday Night Men's	\$1,874	\$1,834	\$40	
Walk the Talk	\$2,457	\$1,607	\$425	\$425
We Are Here	\$45	\$45		
We Are Not Saints	\$748	\$748		
WP Book Study			\$176	
WP Thursday Noon	\$19	\$19		
WP Tuesday Women's	\$108		\$108	
<b>Monthly Totals</b>	<b>\$7,639</b>	<b>\$5,705</b>	<b>\$1,505</b>	<b>\$ 968</b>

Programs Committee Presents!

# SUMMER BBQ

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**On all books and  
Recovery Bling!**

**DATE: Saturday, August 1, 2020**

**TIME: 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

**WHERE: Area Service Office at 1353 S. 8th Street**

**BRING: Dessert or other dish to share, and mask**  
Programs will supply everything else.

**All Longtimers with 18+ years of sobriety will receive their  
Longtimer's Mug**