NORTH VALLEY INTERGROUP NEWS

What's New on all.org



their experience, strength and hope with each other ...

A separate post office box has been established for Seventh Tradition contributions

Effective immediately, please send contribution checks to: Post Office Box 2407 James A Farley Station New York, NY 10116-2407 Over the next few months, we will be updating and reprinting our contribution envelopes and literature to reflect this change. To help this change be embraced as fully and quickly as possible, we ask for your assistance in sharing this information with fellow A.A. members and groups. We have tried to anticipate and answer questions you may have about this change. If you do not see your question below, please contact our Member Services team for assistance at memberservices@aa.org or 212-870-3023.

Newly updated A.A. website

Coming soon, the launch of our newly updated A.A. website www.aa.org! In the meantime, to limit any unintended impacts for those members and entities that may link to our website, we are informing you now to watch for the new website and the formal go-live announcement.

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What does InterGroup mean in AA?

A central or intergroup office is an A.A. service office that involves partnership among groups in a community — just as A.A. groups themselves are partnerships of individuals. It exists to aid the groups in their common purpose of carrying the A.A. message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

Here at North Valley Intergroup we are in need of Intergroup Representatives for our Butte/Glenn County Meetings. There are many services that Intergroup provides for our AA community including answering service, literature and chips, quarterly speaker meetings, AA events and campout, monthly news letters, and carrying communications to all AA meetings. In order to help bridge the gap we are asking if your meeting doesn't already have an Intergroup Rep to please bring to your group so you can get someone voted in. It takes a village and we can't do this alone.



LITERATURE AND CHIPS!

If your group needs Literature or Chips please reach out to: Jan F 530-592-0200

NVIG ANSWERING SERVICE COORDINATOR

Email, Call, or text if interested in Service nvigansweringservice@gmail.com Stephanie (530) 781 2814

BUTTE/GLENN AA MEETINGS

There are updated lists for In-Person and Online Meetings on our website www.aabutte-glenn.org Our Area 31 H&I is need of H&I Representatives to help carry the message to Hospitals and Institution's. If your group doesn't already have a representative please bring to your meeting to vote someone in. Any questions you have you can leave a message for Roger at (530)570-6811

What is H&I AA?

What H&I Does

The Northern California H&I Committee is an independent Ninth Tradition service committee of Alcoholics Anonymous, carrying the message of recovery to the alcoholic who is confined.



- Provide AA Meetings: Two or more members bring an AA meeting into hospitals, recovery centers, rehabs, community facilities, jails and prisons in Northern CA. AA Literature is brought into the meeting and provided free to the members who attend; this is where approximately 90% of the money contributed to the H&I Pink Cans goes. There are a few ways to volunteer: in your local area or at a prison.
- Provide AA Sponsorship: at selected and authorized prisons, we provide Inside Visiting Sponsorship Services. We match prisoners requesting sponsorship with specially oriented, anonymity-protected volunteers. learn more about our program

H&I Purpose

The only purpose of the Northern California Hospital and Institution Committee is to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous to the alcoholic who is confined. The activities of this committee are governed by the Twelve Traditions and based on spiritual principles embodied within the Twelve Concepts of Alcoholics Anonymous. Our intention is to simplify and unify the procedures for those who are interested in this type of Twelfth Step work. It is the express desire of this committee that all persons selected for specific assignments have the length of sobriety and experience levels which are listed under the qualifications suggested for that position, remembering that these suggestions are based on "that which experience has taught us".

Our committee is organized to avoid confusion and duplication of effort. This is a service committee and our responsibility has many facets, most important of which are:

- To the patient or inmate group within a facility.
- To the facility: courteous acceptance of and compliance with its wishes.
- To the Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous: namely, conducting ourselves in a manner above reproach, to
 ensure that we will not say or do anything that will reflect unfavorably upon the Committee or A.A. as a whole.
 Since our public relations policy is one of attraction rather than promotion, we serve in these facilities at the
 invitation of the administration, ever conscious of the admonition, "COOPERATION, NOT AFFILIATION".
 As members of this committee, we cannot, and do not, speak for A.A.; however, each of us who participates is

automatically representative of A.A. We maintain our sobriety through adherence to the program embodied in our Twelve Suggested Steps of Recovery and try to practice these principles in all our affairs. In view of this, we:

- Refrain from swearing and the use of profanity, unrelated and off-color jokes, prolonged monologues of drinking stories and other types of self-indulgence.
- Respect full anonymity of inside members at all times.
- Respect all rules and regulations as outlined by the administration.
- Not intercede on behalf of any individual or group of individuals.
- Not engage in any controversy over management, treatment or personnel, being ever mindful of the single purpose of this committee.

DECEMBER 2021 NEWSLETTER



Our Mission

Butte County Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous (BUTTEYPAA) has one primary purpose, to carry its message to the alcoholic that still suffers. Upon this message, our common solution, we can join in harmonious action. Whether we are young in age or young at heart, we will trudge the Road of Happy Destiny as one.

Many service opportunities here!

Reach out to Kristy C (Chair) or Zak K (Co-Chair) or visit web site butteypaa.org

Open Position Co-Treasurer	•	Responsibilities Assists Treasurer and completes tasks as delegated. Attend all event subcommittees to present a financially conscious viewpoint and to help with planning the sbudget.
Events Co-Chair	 1 year Must have completed a 5th step and have knowledge of the 12 Traditions of AA 	Works closely with the Events Chair to carry out or delegate any duties that are deemed necessary to ensure BUTTEYPAA events run smoothly.
Oroville Liaison	 6 months Must have completed a 5th step and have knowledge of the 12 Traditions of AA 	Goes to local meetings and business meetings in Oroville/greater area and announces our events and offers our services.
Prayer Chair	 6 months Must have completed a 5th step and have knowledge of the 12 Traditions of AA 	Responsible for reminding BUTTEYPAA members of the spiritual element of our service work during our business meetings.
Service Chair	 6 months Must have completed a 5th step and have • knowledge of the 12 Traditions of AA 6 months 	Responsible for keeping BUTTEYPAA updated on all opportunities for service with local groups by attending their business meeting, where applicable, and offering
Hospitality Chair	 Must have completed a 5th step and have knowledge of the 12 Traditions of AA 	our availability to be of service, Shows up for each event and business meeting 30 minutes early to set up coffee and refreshments. Coordinates the purchase and sale of snacks, drinks and supplies for BUTTEYPAA events.
H&I Liaison		Attend monthly H&I business meetings. Report back to BUTTEYPAA the needs/services of H&I.
GSR	• Must have completed a 5th step and have •	Attend District meetings. Attend Area Assembly. Report back to BUTTEYPAA the needs/services of the Districts and Area Assembly.

MONTHLY AA SERVICE MEETINGS

A DECLARATION OF UNITY

This we owe to A.A.'s future: To place our common welfare first; to keep our fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives and the lives of those to come.

I am responsible...

When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there.

And for that: I am responsible.



Butte County H&I Meeting Information:

1st Monday of every month at 6PM Monday: December 6th 2021 St. John's Episcopal Church 2341 Floral Ave Chico CA 95926 Area: 31 Butte https://www.handinorcal.org/contact-us?recipient=area_31

Region: 30 Northern Interior https://www.handinorcal.org/contact-us?recipient=region_30

District 15 Online Business Meeting

4th Monday of every month, 6:30pm Monday: December 227th 2021 Meeting ID: 552 880 9650 Passcode: 4PYU4U

Chico Central Business Meeting

1st Tuesday of the Month at 06:45 PM Tuesday: December 7th 2021 Chico Central Building 1102 Mangrove, Chico, CA 95926

North Valley Intergroup

2nd Tuesday of the Month at 6:30 PM Tuesday December 14th 2021 295 E Washington Ave, Chico, CA 95926 https://aabutte-glenn.org/

BUTTEYPAA (Butte County Young People in AA)

4th Sunday of the Month at 9:00 PM Sunday December 26th 2021 Zoom Meeting Info- Meeting ID: 539 759 619 Passcode: 532511 https://www.butteypaa.org/

DECEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Want to be of service?

Set Up Come to the church at 12:00 PM on the day of the event and you can help with set up!

Volunteer Servers Help with serving food to our guests. All servers must be masked

Clean Up Stay after the Midnight meeting and help with cleaning up the church.



NYE Silent Auction Baskets

The NYE Committee will be displaying Silent Auction Baskets that meetings will donate. Get together with your groups to pick a theme and fill a fun basket! Any questions contact Ellen NYE Basket Coordinator or Kristy C NYE Speaker Meeting Chair

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DECEMBER INSPIRATION

Step 12

"Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs."

P	ractice These Principles In All Our Affairs
	The 12 Steps
	Unity
	Anonymity
	Recovery
	Acceptance
	Surrender
	Faith
	Open-mindedness
	Honesty
	Willingness
	Moral Inventory
	Amends
	Humility
	Persistence
	Spiritual Growth
	Service



Twelfth Step Prayer

Dear God, My spiritual awakening continues to unfold. The help I have received I shall pass on & give to others, Both in & out of the Fellowship. For this opportunity I am grateful. I pray most humbly to continue walking day by day On the road of spiritual progress. I pray for the inner strength & wisdom To practice the principles of this way of life in all I do & say. I need You, my friends, & the program every hour of every day. This is a better way to live.

Tradition 12 Short Form

"Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles above personalities."

Tradition 12 Long Form:

"And finally, we of Alcoholics Anonymous believe that the principle of anonymity has an immense spiritual significance. It reminds us that we are to place principles before personalities; that we are actually to practice genuine humility. This to the end that our great blessings may never spoil us; that we shall forever live in thankful contemplation of Him who presides over us all."



Declaration of Unity

This we owe to A.A.'s future: To place our common welfare first; To keep our fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives; And the lives of those to come.

From Bill's last message*....

If I were asked which of our blessings I felt was most responsible for our growth as a fellowship and most vital to our continuity, I would say, the "Concept of Anonymity."

*Read by Lois at the 1970 Annual New York Intergroup Dinner

DECEMBER INSPIRATION

In April of 1946, Bill W. wrote an article for the Grapevine entitled "Twelve Suggested Points for A.A. Tradition," an early presentation of what would become known simply as The Twelve Traditions. With his usual foresight, Bill had looked around the program some ten years after he and Dr. Bob met in Akron in 1935, and realized that, as A.A. grew, it was important to preserve its unity and singleness of purpose. During the 1940s, Bill received hundreds of letters from the A.A. groups that were springing up all over the country, letters asking him sometimes contentious questions about group autonomy, anonymity issues, A.A. endorsement of outside enterprises, and the like.

These letters, which described what Bill would call a "welter of exciting and fearsome experience," played a key role in helping him formulate the Twelve Traditions. Published one by one in the Grapevine, from December 1947 to November 1948, and adopted at the First International Convention in Cleveland, the Traditions provided guidelines (not rules) that would help A.A. groups then and in the future conduct themselves in their relationship with the outside world and with Alcoholics Anonymous itself. "I offer these suggestions," Bill wrote in that first April 1946 article, "neither as one man's dictum nor as a creed of any kind, but rather as a first attempt to portray that group ideal toward which we have assuredly been led by a Higher Power these ten years past."

Today, A.A. groups continue to use the Traditions to strive towards that group ideal as they carry their message of hope to still-suffering alcoholics around the world.