

NNIG MONTHLY MEETING SPEAKER



July 10, 2021
Bob D, Las Vegas
Alano Positive Acceptance
Speaker at 7:00
Silver Barron Room A

July, 2021

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GENERAL WARRANTIES OF THE NORTHERN NEVADA INTERGROUP ASSOCIATION OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

In all its proceedings, the Intergroup Association observes the spirit of AA Traditions, taking great care that the Intergroup Association never becomes the seat of perilous wealth or power; that sufficient operating funds, plus a reserve be its prudent financial principal; that none of the Intergroup Association members shall ever be placed in a position of unqualified authority over any of the others; that all important decision be reached by discussion, vote and whenever possible, substantial unanimity; that no Intergroup Association action ever be personally punitive or an incitement to public controversy; that though the Intergroup Association may act for the service of AA Groups in the Northern Nevada area and parts of Northern California, it shall never perform any acts of government; and that, like the Society of Alcoholics Anonymous, the Intergroup Association itself will always remain democratic in thought and action.

(The above is adapted and modified from "The AA Service Manual", and AA Co-Founder Bill W's. Twelve Concepts for World Service; Concept XII, as adopted by the General Service Conference on April 26, 1962. This adaptation of copyrighted AA material has been approved by the General Service Board)

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The Bracer

NORTHERN NEVADA INTERGROUP

AA'S Tradition of Self-support

BY: BILL W. - OCTOBER 1967

AA's co-founder discusses the reasons why AA groups do not seek charity and why they support AA central services

AA.'s far-flung Twelfth Step activities, carrying the message to the next sufferer, are the very lifeblood of our AA adventure. Without this vital activity, we would soon become anemic; we would literally wither and die.

Now where do AA's services--world-wide, area, local--fit into our scheme of things? Why should we provide these functions with money? The answer is simple enough. *Every single AA service is designed to make more and better Twelfth Step work possible, whether it be a group meeting place, a Central or Intergroup Office to arrange hospitalization and sponsorship, or the World Service Headquarters to maintain unity and effectiveness all over the globe.*

Though not costly, these service agencies are absolutely essential to our continued expansion--to our survival as a fellowship. Their costs are a collective obligation that rests squarely upon all of us. Our support of services actually amounts to a recognition on our part that AA must everywhere function in full strength--and that, under our Tradition of self-support, *we are all going to foot the bill.*

We have long known that Alcoholics Anonymous has no need for charitable contributions from any source. Our Fellowship is self-supporting. Neither do AA groups try to meet the rehabilitation expenses of thousands of newcomers. Long ago we learned that that was impractical.

Instead, AA offers to the new person a spiritual way of life that can eliminate the alcohol problem. With this accomplished, the new person, in the company of his fellow sufferers, can then begin the solution of his personal problems--including the financial one.

Concept VII

The Conference recognizes that the Charter and the Bylaws of the General Service Board are legal instruments: that the Trustees are thereby fully empowered to manage and conduct all of the world service affairs of Alcoholics Anonymous. It is further understood that the Conference Charter itself is not a legal document: that it relies instead upon the force of tradition and the power of the A.A. purse for its final effectiveness.

This Concept attempts to clarify the relationship and “balance of powers” between the Conference and the General Service Board. “This . . . may look like the collision of an irresistible force with an immovable object.” On the one hand, “the board is invested with complete legal power over A.A.’s funds and services; on the other hand, the Conference is clothed with such great influence and financial power it could overcome the legal rights of the board. “Thus, the practical power of the Conference is, in the final analysis, superior to the legal power of the board. This superior power derives from the traditional influence of the Conference Charter itself; from the fact that the delegates chosen by the groups always constitute more than two-thirds of the Conference members”; and, finally from the ability of the delegates to cut off financial support by the groups. “Theoretically, the Conference is an advisory body only; but practically speaking, it has all the ultimate power it may ever need.” The Conference “recommends” — though its recommendations have the force of directives to the board. The board executes these recommendations. The board does have the legal authority to veto a Conference recommendation — but in actual practice, it never has done so. As Bill tactfully puts it, the trustees “simply refrain from using their legal right to say ‘no’ when it would be much wiser, all things considered, to say ‘yes.’

“If . . . the Conference will always bear in mind actual rights, duties, responsibilities and legal status of the General Service Board, and if the trustees . . . will constantly realize that the Conference is the real seat of ultimate service authority . . . neither will be seriously tempted to make a ‘rubber stamp’ out of the other . . . In this way, grave issues will always be resolved and harmonious cooperation will be the general rule.”

A A's

Recovery Step Seven:

“Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.”

Three

Unity Tradition Seven:

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

Legacies

Service Concept Seven:

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NNIG & AREA EVENTS

EVENTS HOSTED BY NORTHERN NEVADA
INTERGROUP TO SUPPORT CENTRAL OFFICE

NNIG Monthly Speaker Meetings

Silver Legacy – 407 North Virginia Street, Reno 89501



Monthly Speaker Meeting

Doors open at 6:30 PM
Speaker at 7:00 PM



All meetings located in Silver Barron Room 1-6
Unless otherwise noted

August 14, 2021

Host Group- Minden/ Gardnerville Group
Speaker- Alan J - Reno, NV

September 11, 2021

Host Group- A Way Home
Speaker- Cathi W - Reno, NV

October 9, 2021

Host Group – Carson City Sandbaggers
Speaker – Linda M- Dixon CA

December 11, 2021

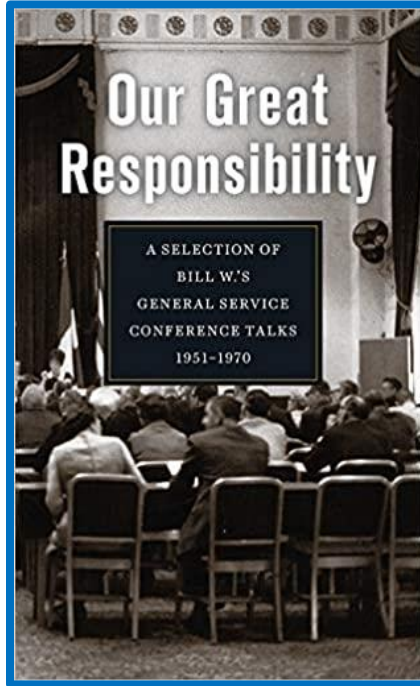
Host Group – District 2
Speaker - Luther B. San Jose, CA

January 8, 2021

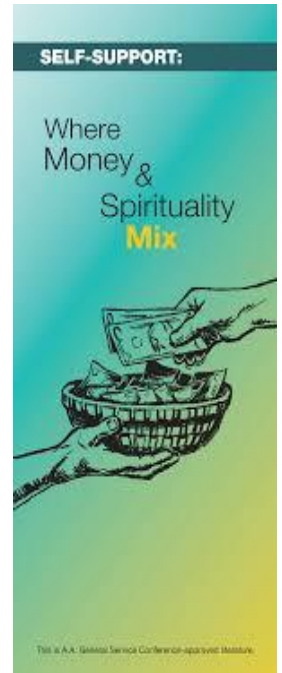
Host Group – Reno Happy Hour
Marilyn S. - Los Angeles CA

Speaker Chair – Kevin B. (775) 470-4614
Need more info call: Central Office – (775) 355-1151
Join us for dinner at Cafe Central inside the Silver legacy @ 5pm

**BOOK OF
THE MONTH \$13
FREE WITH PURCHASE GET
REPRINT OF ORIGINAL BIG BOOK**



**PAMPHLET OF
THE MONTH
WHERE MONEY & SPIRITUALITY
MIX FREE**



OTHER AREA EVENTS

Please send event flyers in .JPG format



NNIG 2021 Gratitude Dinner

This year's theme:

**"Anonymity,
Our Spiritual Foundation"**

November 13, 2021

Doors Open at 4:30 p.m.
Dinner Served at 6:00 p.m.
Speaker Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

@ The Atlantis Casino Resort
3800 S Virginia Street
Reno, NV 89502

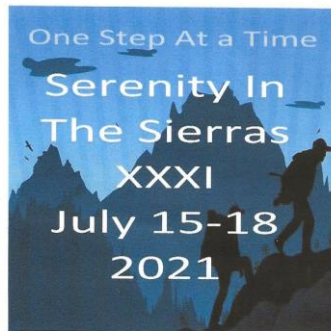
Includes dinner; raffle participation; guest speakers
& a mystery prize drawing!!

\$49/Tkt*

Ticket Sales Begin:
June 19, 2021

@ Central Office
436 S Rock Boulevard
Sparks, Nevada 89431

**Large events are currently subject to CDC and local government closures.
If this event is cancelled, tickets will be fully refunded.



Camp Richardson
"Eagle's Nest"
South Lake Tahoe, CA
July 15-18, 2021
Any questions or
would like to volunteer?
Contact us on
Facebook @
Serenity in the Sierras
or
Call Susan H. (775)762-0507
or Annette G. (775)220-3127

20th Annual Fernley KISS Picnic in the Park

Sunday, August 15th 11am to 4pm
Please bring your favorite side dish or dessert. Hamburgers, hotdogs, sodas, and waters will be provided.
There will be a 50/50 Raffle and game prizes, too!

For more info
Mike (775) 575-9317

Central office report from Ronda H. July 2021

The book of the month is still *Our Great Responsibility* with purchase you will receive **FREE** the reprint of the first big book. The reprint contains the stories of the first members that got sober. We have 13 to sell to meet our goal! Volunteers are doing great, there is even a back up volunteer! All computers are put in and working great. Thank you, Joseph. The office seems to be getting busier this last month with 12 step calls. Please help us keep up to date on meetings. We love to see the office busy with the meeting changes and Gratitude Dinner tickets on sale.

Volunteer Hours: 121

Calls into Central Office:

- Calls for AA help - 12
- Calls for Alanon/Alateen - 4
- Meeting information- 92
- Retail / merchandise- 17
- Other 12 step programs - 5
- Events - 27
- New to AA - 2
- Business/Central office- 89
- Total Calls- 248
- Visitors - 274

Ronda
Central Office Manager



Previous Birthdays

MAY BIRTHDAYS
Joan S. 26 Years
Ron T. 10 Years
Ann G. 1 LOT
Donn T. 31 Years

MARCH BIRTHDAYS
Kent L.
59 years
Kimmi 44 YEARS

February
Tom E. -- 40 Years
Skip P. -- 21 years

January 2021
Joan H. 50 Years
December 2020
Cindy M. 32 Years
Anonymous 33 Years

November 2020:
Rich H. 34 Years
Leslie S. 23 Years

October 2020:
Nancy H. 33 Years, Pete F. 27 Years
Sharon F. 36 Years

September 2020:
Linda G. 28 years, Dan S. 19 years
Phil S. 19 years, Michael H. 25 years

August 2020:
Sandra P. 25 years

July 2020:
Joanne 8 Years, Laurie 9 Years,
Barbara 45 Years

June 2020:
Ann G. 16 Years, Dave S. 43 Years
Nancy S. 29 Years,
Deanna S. 36 Years,
Kyle L. 38 Years, Paul C. 29 Years
John L. 33 Years, Donn T. 30 Years,
Bill Mc. 31 Years

MAY 2020:

JUNE BIRTHDAYS
Donn T - 31 Years!!!

Mmmm..
No
Drinking
for 24
hours
you
say?



Did you know you can share your sobriety and gratitude in a practical way by joining the A.A. Birthday Club? Sign Up today and be featured in the Bracer Birthday Club section of the Bracer. Show your Support for your NNIG & Central Office, Join the Birthday Club. A donation of only one dollar for every year of your sobriety. Envelopes available at Central Office, NNIG Business Meeting or Intergroup Representatives

Please respect all meeting place mandates about face coverings.

Sunlight of the Spirit
FISH Building
921 Mitch Dr
Sunday 12:30pm

Minden

Wednesday Beginners
July 14 in person
Wednesday 6:30
St Johns Presbyterian
1070 West Plumb Lane
Reno

AA ANSWERING SERVICE NUMBERS

Reno, Sparks, Carson City and all of Northern Nevada: (775) 355-1151
Las Vegas and all of Southern Nevada: (702) 598-1888
Mammoth Lake: (760) 934-3434
North Lake Tahoe: (530) 546-1126
South Lake Tahoe: (530) 541-1243
Susanville, CA: (775) 355-1151

Sunnyside Group
Saturday
9:30am
627 Sunnyside Dr.
First Congregational Church

Reno

Crystal Bay Nooners
Mon, Wed, Fri
Tahoe Biltmore Lodge & Casino
5 NV-28
Crystal Bay NV

N.N.I.G. STEERING COMMITTEE
 Last Tuesday of each month, 5:30 PM
 Central Office, 436 S. Rock Blvd., Sparks

N.N.I.G. BUSINESS MEETING
 First Tuesday of each month, 6:30 PM
 Alano Club, 1640 Prater Way, Sparks

N.N.I.G. MONTHLY SPEAKER MEETING
 7:00 PM Silver Legacy - Silver Baron A
 2nd Saturday of the month

N.N.I.G. H&I
 First Monday of each month, 5:30 PM
 Central Office 436 S. Rock Blvd., Sparks



District Meetings

DISTRICT-2 2nd Tuesday of each month, 6:30 Central Office

DISTRICT 4 First Thursday of each month, 7:00 PM-
 Zoom ID: 876 7717 4234 PW: District4

DISTRICT 6 2nd Sunday of even numbered months-
 For information email district6@nevadaarea42.org

DISTRICT 8 First Sunday, 3:30 p.m. on odd months
 Call (760) 937-8407

DISTRICT 10A Third Sunday of every other month, 1:30 PM
 680 River St. Elko, NV

DISTRICT 10B Dark since 2017

DISTRICT 11 Only holds meetings 4 time a year, call DCM

DISTRICT 12 2nd Saturday of each Month at 5:00 PM- 457
 Esmeralda Street Wolf Center, Fallon NV

DISTRICT 14 3rd Wed of each "Odd" month at 6:00 PM -265
 Bear Street in Kings Beach CA

DISTRICT 16 Meeting is held 3rd Tuesday of the month
 Sparks Family Christian Church 510 Greenbrae
 Blvd 6:00PM-7:00PM

DISTRICT 18 DARK DISTRICT

DISTRICT 20 Third Saturday of Jan, Mar, May, Aug & Oct
 10:30 AM- Contact DCM @ district20@nevadaarea42.org for location

DISTRICT 22 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month 6:30 PM @
 Central Office

AREA CLUBS

Reno / Sparks Clubs
 Alano Club Sparks, 1640 Prater Way (775) 359-2727
 Driars Club Reno 345 S. Wells Avenue (775) 324-9210
 Triangle Club Reno 635 S Wells Avenue (775) 324-7977

Clubs outside Reno/Sparks Area
 Alano Club Carson City, 1800 HWY 50 East (775) 882-0443
 Bishop Alano Club (760) 873-6700
 Elko Alano Club (775) 738-4747
 Las Vegas Triangle Club (702) 435-0597
 South Lake Tahoe (530) 541-1243
 Susanville (775) 355-1151

The office will be closed on the following holidays

Monday September 6 - Labor Day
 Friday October 29 - Nevada Day
 Thursday November 11 - Veterans Day
 November 25 & 26 - Thanksgiving & Family Day
 December 24th & 25th - Christmas Eve & Christmas Day
 December 30th & 31st - Inventory
 January 1 - New Year's Day

Drink Like A Fish

by Rick M.

I have found that the process of discovering who I really am begins with knowing who I really don't want to be.

8th Annual* Sober Girls Just Wanna Have Fun

Friday Night at the Aces

Join us for a fabulous night of fellowship and fun with 50+ Sober Women

Friday, August 27th—6:00pm to receive your tickets & take group photo

Free Raffle with lots of fun prizes!

Complimentary Aces Hat for everyone!

Tickets: \$22 per person

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO **EVENTBRITE** USING THE LINK BELOW:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/8th-annual-girls-just-wanna-have-fun-registration-153837878235>

You can also pay on **Venmo**—

Be sure to tell me how many tickets you are purchasing.

Or Contact: Jami Fornelli 775 303-5885 jamid4nell@yahoo.com

Jami Fornelli
 @Jami-Fornelli

venmo

*we missed 2020

NNIG/Central Office Group Contributions 2021

Group	June	YTD	Group	June	YTD
3rd Tradition Secular Group			Happy Hour Reno	400.00	800.00
A Vision for You			Incline to be Sober		
A Way Home		302.50	Incline Village Fellowship		
Alano Afternoon Serenity			Jamesville Moment to Moment		
Alano Brown Baggers			Kings Beach AA Golden Group		
Alano Dawn Patrol			Ladies of the Evening		
Alano Jaywalkers	175.71	351.24	Ladies of the Lake		127.59
Alano Sunday Morning Speaker			Mammoth Good Life Group		
Alano Sunshine Group			McGill NV Freedom Group		
Alano Women in Recovery			Minden Language of the Heart		40.00
Amen Maintenance Meeting		276.00	Minden Saturday Night Fever		
Back Room Group		175.58	Minden Stephanie Way Group		226.00
Back to Basics Saturday Night			Minden Wednesday Night Live		100.00
Battle Mountain Fellowship	10.00	10.00	Minden/Gardnerville Group	50.00	177.07
Blairsdon Graeagle Sister in Recovery			Mt Rose Recovery Room		1889.57
Beginners are Winners On-Line Grc	825.00	1039.50	NNIG Business Meeting	27.37	69.87
Caring & Sharing in Stead		568.97	Our Common Welfare		
Carlin Crystal Light Group			Our Group Big Book	25.00	75.00
Carson AA Way of Life			Out and Sober		
Carson After Shifters		250.00	Portola Group		
Carson Airport			Positive Acceptance Group		94.53
Carson Big Book Experience		118.00	Pyramid Way Discussion Group		60.00
Carson Brown Baggers		962.80	RENVPA		
Carson Dr. Bob Nightngales			RTC Afternoon Delight	40.00	190.00
Carson Early Birds		1976.72	RTC Almost Heaven	150.00	900.00
Carson Happy Hour		1166.56	RTC Aloha Group		1500.00
Carson Jay-Walkers Men's		200.00	RTC Beginners are Winners		
Carson Happy, Joyous and Free	30.00	30.00	RTC Big Book Study	75.00	259.00
Carson Men's NO BS Stag			RTC Coffee with Bill		81.00
Carson Sandbaggers		200.00	RTC Don't Trip Music Meeting		151.00
Carson Sisters in Sobriety			RTC Grapevine/Big Book	60.00	85.00
Carson Sunday Morning Fire Station			RTC How We Stay Stopped	70.00	130.00
Carson Sunday Night Step Study			RTC Just for Today Women		113.25
Carson Women's Night Out		200.00	RTC Mid-Day Group		67.26
Crystal Bay Nooners	50.00	350.00	RTC Little Rascals	100.00	197.50
Chester Fellowship		250.00	RTC Recien Liegados		
Chester Saturday Night Group		200.00	RTC Mid-Day Group ON-LINE	61.69	218.19
Choices		150.00	RTC Monday Night Men's		
Cornerstone Group			RTC New Awakenings Group		620.11
Dayton Fellowship Hall			RTC Seniors in Sobriety	100.00	250.00
Dayton Friday Night Rule 62		400.00	RTC Sober N Sane	75.00	105.00
Dayton Sunday Morning			Serenity Sisters Big Book		
Deer Park Rebels		66.00	Serenity on Sundays		150.00
District 12			Silver Springs Groups		
District 14	50.00	550.00	Sisters in Sobriety		199.40
District 2		600.00	Sisters of Sobriety SOS		81.00
District 22	52.00	270.00	Sober Readers		
Driars 4th Dimension- ON-LINE	28.06	123.27	South Reno on Sunday		70.39
Driars 4th Dimension		30.00	South Shore Group		60.00
Driar's Positive Step			Southside Group	270.04	1004.22
Driar's Oldtimer, Newcomers		50.00	Step 1		
Eye Opener		301.60	Sunnyside Group		538.60
Fallon Grapevine Group		65.00	Susanville Fellowship		
Fallon Grapevine Group-Online		40.00	Susanville Thursday Night		
Fallon The Real Lunch Bunch	24.15	24.15	Susanville Wed Womens		
Fernley Groups		400.00	Tahoe City Fellowship	62.50	62.50
Fireside Group		540.00	The Rock Group	125.00	209.50
First Responders			The Twilight Zone	25.00	75.00
Galena Friday Night		133.00	Truckee Dawn Patrol	200.00	1200.00
Ground Zero		1200.00	Truckee Fellowship		235.80
Grupo Accion		60.00	Truckee River Men's Stag		1462.00
Grupo Fe Y Esoeranza		20.00	Verdi Bookies		
Grupo La Nueva Luz	10.00	60.00	Virginia City Plug in the Jug		212.00
Grupo Latino			Wednesday Night Beginners Meeting		
Grupo Nueva Vida		20.00	Westwood AA		
Grupo Solo Por Hoy			Whitaker Park		
Jamesville God Grant Me		141.27	Whole in the Ground Sunnyside		275.00
Jamesville Women's Monday Nigh	103.00	103.00	Willing to go to any Lengths	269.00	899.00
			Winnemucca Serenity Seekers		
			Women's 24 Hours A Day		
			Women's New Beginnings	250.00	250.00
			Women's New Harmony		155.00
			Yerington Group		
			Young at Heart		
			Total	3,793.52	29,641.51

Into Action

I used to wonder how long it would take to be rid of my character defects. I remember complaining to my sponsor about the pain and suffering they still caused after being sober several years and about the fact that some of them seemed to be as bad as ever. What would it take to be rid of these negative emotional ties to the past? Would I have to drink again and get a good case of the jitters, as described in the Big Book, or was I going to straighten out some day?

This weighed heavily on me, so I asked my sponsor what to do. He said, "I have good news and bad news." (Whenever he uses that phrase, I want to become invisible.) I asked him for the bad news first. He said, "The bad news is, the day we put you in the ground, providing you stay sober that long, you will be the same person you were the day you came here. The good news is you will enjoy that a lot less." He went on to explain that, like most people, alcoholics have the usual set of character defects, but we hone them to a razor's edge and use them to cut our lives to ribbons. Just because we get sober does not mean that these traits will disappear. On the contrary, they become more noticeable than ever, because when we shed light on our defects, they become easier to see and more difficult to practice.

It turns out that the reason I still revert to my old ways is because I still value them, much as I hate to admit it. As Step Six says, some of my character defects may be lifted as the desire to drink was; but as for the rest, I will have to be content with patient improvement.

When I took inventory and looked at the nature of my wrongs, I also learned that everything brings forth its own kind. For example, anger brings forth more anger; it never brings forth happiness. The same is true with love. It never brings forth hate; it can only bring forth affection. Seeing this was a real wake-up call, because when I now look around at what I have created, be it good or bad, I'm forced to take responsibility for it. When my life is full of happiness and joy, it means that happiness and joy are important to me, and anger and depression are valueless. Originally, I could not accept this simple truth because it was too easy, and I'd been taught that anything worthwhile is hard. I mean if it were that simple, then everyone could have it. But I eventually learned that this was the basic truth I had been seeking, and it has given me the ability to change my life.

The next question was, How could I bring about this change when all I've known is chaos? Experience has shown that when I combine one thought with another thought, I get a headache; but when I combine a thought with action, it always produces a result. The paradox that says I have to give it away to keep it is true enough; however, it is also true that I must give it away to get it.

When I give love, then I am able to experience love, and the more I give, the more I have. The old tape that says I must receive love to have love is false. The truth is, I must give love so that I may truly experience it. God makes that possible.

I find it amazing how capable I am of overlooking the obvious. I mean, this is what the literature has been telling me all along. I guess my receiver was off the hook, or maybe I just had to hear the message on a different frequency. Whatever the case may be, I have gained much freedom from this simple truth. What's more, just as I have the freedom to use the God of my understanding or not, I have that same freedom to practice my character defects or not. God also makes that possible.

So it would seem that I am a product of my actions more than my thoughts, and through action I possess the ability to cause change in my life.

LARRY H. | PUYALLUP, WASHINGTON

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A Friendly Dog Story

During my last years of drinking, I developed many phobias, and some of these irrational fears persisted well into my sobriety.

One in particular was my fear of dogs. I do a lot of walking for exercise, and for a long time, whenever I heard a dog barking I would immediately change course. During one period in my life, I walked to my favorite restaurant for lunch every day,



about a mile away. I did not take the most direct route after finding out that there was a big dog at a house along the way. The dog was not tied up. My fear and avoidance of dogs was really bothering me, and finally I decided to use Steps Six and Seven on this fear. I said my prayers and proceeded to walk past the house with the dog. As I went by, I waved and said a friendly "Hi" to the dog. The dog barked but did not chase me.

For a number of days, I continued giving my friendly greeting, and the dog barked as I went by until one day, it did not bark; it just looked at me. More days passed with the dog no longer barking, and I continued my friendly greeting. Then one day as I was passing by, the dog walked up to me and let me pet it. This was a spiritual experience for me, an awareness of God working in my life as the dog and I became friends. In the days that followed, even though the dog did not come up to me again, I felt its friendliness whenever I passed by. It was as if we understood and accepted each other. JOE R. | INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

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Amendment to NNIG Bylaws

The proposed amendment:

To eliminate the Webmaster position as mentioned in the NNIG By-Laws Article XV-15.1.16. This would lead to a change in the NNIG Suggested Operating Procedures Article 16.2.1.9 & 16.34 to keep these aligned. It would also necessitate an addition to NNIG Suggested Operating Procedures Section 12.3.3.

The purpose for this amendment is:

To enhance the ability of the Central Office Coordinator to most effectively serve the groups that make-up the body of the Northern Nevada Intergroup and newcomers yet to meet A.A. through the meeting fellowship by including the “right of authority” as defined by the 12 Concepts of World Service to include the responsibilities of The NNIG.org website to the Central Office Coordinator.

Background:

As websites grow in the function of their ability to provide the most current information to the newcomers, as well as, established members of A.A. more and more central offices in the worldwide A.A. fellowship have taken over custodial operations. This helps to ensure that Concept 8, 10, & 11 are observed and to best to honor Tradition 5. By doing this when there is a change to a meeting it is reflected more quickly into what is today an area's meeting directory (aka their website) in the scope of the Internet age. The current NNIG Operating Procedures already ask that the Coordinator maintain all of the information that is then included of the website such as events, minutes, reports, and overall operation of the website. By giving the “right of authority” to the Central Office Coordinator we eliminate the two-headed process of the coordinator needing to convey that information to the webmaster. These responsibilities already expected are not aligned with proper authority or right of decision. Therefore, by re-examining this we provide for even greater honor towards the Concepts and Traditions.

The financial impact to the whole of NNIG or Central Office would be nothing.

The following changes would be made to the current By-Laws and NNIG Suggested Operating Procedures (In Red and Struck through)

Amendment to the Northern Nevada Intergroup By-Laws version November 2, 2018
Article XV-Northern Nevada Intergroup of A.A. Central Service Committees CSC:

15.1 There will be a Central Service Committee composed of:

~~15.1.16 Web Master~~

NNIG SUGGESTED OPERATING
PROCEDURES:

Revised: October 30, 2019

16.2 LIST OF CENTRAL SERVICE COMMITTEES CSC):

~~16.2.1.9 Webmaster~~

~~16.34 WEBMASTER:~~

~~16.34.1 The Webmaster shall have two years of continuous sobriety, Shall have served as a Group Secretary, Group Representative, or Officer/Committee Chairperson to NNIG.~~

~~16.34.2 The Webmaster is elected at the regular June Representative Meeting each year and assumes office at that time. The term of office is one year and no more than two years in succession.~~

~~16.34.3 Is a voting member of NNIG, only if they are Group Representatives. The Webmaster should have a working knowledge of the Twelve Traditions, Twelve Concepts, NNIG By Laws, and Suggested Operating Procedures.~~

~~16.34.4 Requirements: Access to a computer, computer knowledge, and time to work on the Website.~~

~~16.34.5 Required skills: knowledge of Web technologies such as HTML, Cascading style sheets, FTP and image manipulating tool (Photoshop, The Gimp, etc.). Cell phone, laptop computers, and other mobile devices are desirable for the Webmaster to be contacted if the Web site is inoperative. Spanish language knowledge is helpful.~~

~~16.34.6 Responsibilities include: Maintains up-to-date NNIG meeting schedules consistent with the hard copy printed by Central Office. Adds/removes events from the event schedule page. Adds/removes committee meetings from the committee meeting schedule. Posts "The Bracer" on the Website as new editions become available. Will publish the minutes of the Board of Directors, regular Intergroup Business Meeting, and Special Meetings as submitted by the NNIG Secretary or CoCenOf. Add monthly financials submitted by the CoCenOf. Responds to all e-mails. Monitors and maintains as necessary the existing site and presents a report at the monthly NNIG Business Meeting. Works closely with the CoCenOf.~~

~~16.34.7 The Webmaster creates a special event calendar for NNIG Web page (flyers).~~

The following would be additions to the NNIG Operating Procedures

SECTION XII: COORDINATOR FOR THE CENTRAL OFFICE: (CoCenOf)

12.3 OFFICE COMPUTER NETWORK:

12.3.1 CoCenOf maintains the NNIG business computer network and workstations.

12.3.2 Establish and maintain a properly licensed operating system and application software.

12.3.3 Update NNIG.org website with meeting schedule changes, event flyers, new editions of the Bracer newsletter, business meeting minutes, other pertinent reports and By-Law/Operating Procedure revisions in a timely manner once any new information is received. CoCenOf would also report on number of website visitors to the page to the monthly NNIG Business Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

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