



# sonoma county Intergroup Fellowship

# NEWS FEBRUARY 2007

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## REVOLUTIONARY NEW VALENTINE DANCE CURES LONELINESS ... FOREVER!

Is this an extravagant claim? *You betcha!*  
But that doesn't mean you still can't have fun  
— especially this one night.

It's that magical, rose-scented time of the year ...  
Valentine's Day!

To celebrate, we're having our Valentine's AA  
dance on Saturday, February 3 at the Sebastopol  
Community Center, located at 390 Morris St. just off  
highway 12 in Sebastopol.

Margie P. from Santa Rosa will speak at 8pm and  
the DJ Ken will kick off the dance at 9:30pm.

Suggested donation for the dance is \$10.

This also marks the end of my Activities  
Chairperson service commitment so if you're  
interested in an awesome way to be of service, this  
might be for you!

(A big thank you to Bob K., Larry O., and all of  
the guys that put up 800 balloons for the New Year's  
Eve Dance — not to mention Casey and his posse —  
for all your help).

For questions or to volunteer, call Monika.



### Valentine's Dance

Saturday, Feb 3  
Sebastopol Community  
Center  
390 Morris St.  
Sebastopol

8:00 P.M. Margie A. —  
Speaker  
9:30 P.M. — *DANCE!*  
Suggested donation: \$10

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**SOCYPAA 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL  
DAY IN THE SNOW**  
March 3, 2007  
Meeting @ 12 Noon  
(farthest corner of parking lot)

Bus trip \$92 includes lift  
ticket. Ski & snow board  
rentals not included.  
Sign-up deadline Feb 17.  
See flyers or call Jessica or  
Tom.

## H&I 36<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE — MORE FUN THAN JAILS OR HOSPITALS

**April 13, 14, 15**  
Petaluma Veterans  
Memorial Building  
1094 Petaluma Blvd S

Meetings, Workshops, Panels  
— and more!

Saturday night dance!

Speakers:

Michele A. from Santa Rosa,  
Ronnie C. from Camas, WA,  
Johnny H. from Long Beach,  
Rita C from Camas WA.



Pre-registration appreciated.  
See flyers or visit  
[www.norcalhandi.org](http://www.norcalhandi.org).

This conference is not funded in any way by money from the H&I Pink Cans.

## Women's Hat & Gloves Luncheon

Saturday, Feb 17  
12 Noon  
3950 Doubles Drive  
Santa Rosa 94584

Main Speaker:  
Diane C. from Marin

Prettiest Hat Contest  
Sobriety Countdown  
Chinese Cuisine  
Door Prizes  
Speakers  
Raffles

Tickets \$20

Contact Wynny B. or call the SCIF Bookstore.



# December 18, 2006 Sonoma County Intergroup Fellowship General Meeting Minutes

Meeting was opened with the Serenity Prayer

Readings:

Tradition 12: Sean

Preamble: Jeff

Concept 12: Jeremy

Introduction of New Representatives to Intergroup:

Kevin L. (KB) "How it Works" 7:00 PM Sunday, SR  
 Steve H. "Oaks Fellowship-Campobello" 8:00 PM Tues, SR  
 Kelly S. "Saturday Afternoon Winners" 2:00 PM Sat, SR  
 John P. "Early Birds" 6:30 AM Everyday, Petaluma;  
 Craig S. "12 x 12 Discussion Group" 8:00 PM Thurs, SR  
 Macy M. "Healdsburg Group" 8:00 PM Friday, Hbg.

December Birthdays:

Jeff S. 16 Yrs.

LIAISON REPORTS

H&I Report: Mark V. reminded folks that H&I representatives meet on the first Wednesday of the month at the Senior Center. A new rep. orientation, for those interested in this service commitment, is held at 5:30PM, followed by the business meeting at 6:00PM. The 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Conference will be held in Foster City (1221 Chess Drive) on March 16, 17, and 18<sup>th</sup> in 2007. The 36<sup>th</sup> Annual H&I Conference will be held in Petaluma on April 13, 14, 15<sup>th</sup> 2007. See Flyers for additional Details.

General Service: Padee McC. Reported district 18 held elections and she is the new DCMC. A good read is Box 459, which you can access on line at [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org) there is a great article about the origin of the pink can in Northern California.

PI/CPC Report: Nick R. filled in for Dave R. Nick encouraged anyone wanting to be of service to this committee, that they meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month at SR City Hall lounge w/speaker training at 7:00PM and the business meeting at 7:30PM. They are in need of volunteers. He explained the function of the group is to provide accurate information about A.A. and

to distribute literature to hospitals, police stations, hotels, jails, libraries, etc. They are in need of speakers for the County's drinking/driving program. This commitment requires two years of sobriety.

Bridging The Gap: Silvana B. stated the purpose of BTG is to introduce newly released residents of treatment facilities to AA within their local communities. They use a list of AA volunteers to coordinate with newly released AA newcomers and take them to their first meeting. A volunteer should have 6 months of sobriety and a working knowledge of the steps; also having transportation is helpful. The Business Meeting is held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at the AA Bookstore at 7:00 PM.

SOCYPAA: Sean M. reported SOCYPAA meetings are listed in the Newsletter Calendar and that SOCYPAA Game Night was a success. Two SOCYPAA events are upcoming, the SOCYPAA Roller Skating Party and the 2nd Annual Day in the Snow—see flyers.

Access Sonoma County: Diane W. reported that ASC meets at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the Month at 6:30 PM at the Bookstore. If you have questions or input, join us at the meeting or call Diane at 526-1466. Please return Survey Forms.

OFFICER REPORTS

Intergroup Chair: Bob K. thanked all for their service to Intergroup. Reminded all reps. of the elections for new officers in January 2007 and Committer Chairs in February 2007.

Vice Chair: Tim P. no report.

Treasurer: John S. reported the financial outlook is grim. He asked that meetings send any monies available to Sonoma County Intergroup ASAP.

Bookstore: Gloria stated that volunteers are needed to work every other Friday from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM at the

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**INTERGROUP OFFICERS**

CHAIR	Bob K.
VICE-CHAIR	Tim P.
SECRETARY	Bob P.
REGISTRAR	Susy E.
TREASURER	John S.

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

SEMINARS	Jim B.
ACTIVITIES	Monika G.
OUTREACH	Victoria H.
COMMUNICATIONS	Dave H.
ALCATHONS	Jeff S.

TELESERVICE Stephen I.

**AA TELESERVICE**

PHONE LINE COORDINATOR	Dave R.
12 STEP COORDINATOR	James C.

**AA HOTLINES**



SANTA ROSA  
 LONG DISTANCE  
 PETALUMA  
 SONOMA  
 SPANISH

Tuesday 10 P.M. – 8 A.M. Thursday 10 P.M. – 6 A.M.  
 Wednesday 10 P.M – 8 A.M.

# PI/CPC REPORT

## PI/CPC Needs Help

The number of Public Information presentations needed at drinking driver programs has declined over the past few years so the need for additional Public Information speakers is not as great as it has been in the past. HOWEVER, volunteers are still badly needed.

There is a need for volunteers to distribute meeting directories in North County, and the Petaluma and Sonoma areas.

A volunteer is needed to work with the media to distribute AA Public Service Announcements to local radio and television stations.

A volunteer is needed to coordinate contact with hospitals, with libraries, and with senior centers.

The Cooperation with the Professional Community arm of the committee is gearing up to contact the clergy to give them information about AA. Suggestions have been made for CPC to reach out again to doctors and to the judicial system.

There is much work that needs to be done and volunteers are needed to make it happen. If you are interested in helping, please attend the PI/CPC meeting at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month in the employees' lounge underneath City Hall.



## **Beth A. Accepts Position as Curator of Birthday Records**

Beth A. has agreed to undertake the daunting task of collecting AA birthday information for publication in the SCIF Newsletter. She plans to enlist the aid of group-level Birthday Record Officers (BRO's).

I want to thank Beth for taking on this important and difficult challenge.

*Dave H.*  
Editor

## **Goodbye To Good Friends**

As the year 2006 came to a close, it took with it some of our dearest friends.

Goodbye Cynthia M., Cynthia N, Lou Z., and Gerry B. You made a difference in our lives. We count ourselves lucky to have known you.

## **SCIF General Meeting**

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**Bookstore.** One year sobriety is required.

**Registrar:** Susy E. reported there are 345 meetings in Sonoma County and 131 were represented last month.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Outreach:** Victoria H. is promoting Intergroup to the meetings she is attending.

**Activities:** Monika G. reported the next dance will be the New Years Eve Dance at the Veterans Hall in Santa Rosa. There will be an AA Meeting at 8:00 PM, followed by the dance starting at 9:30 PM. Volunteers are needed.

**Seminars:** Susy E. filled in for Jim B. and reported the next seminar will be in January 2007 at the bookstore. The topic will be "Sponsorship".

**Alcathons:** Jeff S reported the next two alcathons will be the Christmas Alcathon from 6:00 PM Sunday December 24<sup>th</sup> until 12:00 Midnight December 25<sup>th</sup>. The New Years Eve Alcathon will be from 6:00 PM Sunday December 31<sup>st</sup> until Monday 12:00 Midnight January 1<sup>st</sup>. Each

Alcathon will have an AA meeting every two hours. Volunteers are needed!

**Teleservice:** Dee Dee reported that the business meeting is held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 6:00PM at the Bookstore. Volunteers are needed for various shifts. (Refer to the Newsletter) He asked that Intergroup Representatives announce at meeting level that volunteers are needed at Teleservice.

**Newsletter/Communications:** Dave H. reported the Newsletter Committee meets at the Bookstore at 6:30 pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month. Dave is looking for articles to print in the Newsletter.

**Old Business:** Should the Al-Alon Hotline be posted in the AA meeting directory? Intergroup Representatives are asked to get AA member feedback and report voting results.

**New Business:**

**Group Concerns/Sharing:** None

**Summation:** Bob P. outlined the meeting.

Closed with the Serenity Prayer  
Gratefully In Service,  
Bob P.

# QUESTION BEFORE THE GROUPS

Last year, the groups approved a motion allowing Al-Anon to include the AA Hotline number in the Al-Anon meeting schedule. That motion met with near-unanimous approval.

At the next SCIF business meeting, a reciprocal motion was proposed—one to include the Al-Anon Hotline number in the AA meeting schedule. This motion has generated a bit more controversy.

Following are points of view on both sides of the question.

Dave H.  
Editor

## Our Singleness of Purpose

"Our 12th Step, carrying the message, is the basic service that the AA fellowship gives. This is our principal aim and the main reason for our existence. Therefore, AA is more than a set of principles. It is a society for alcoholics in action. We must carry the message, else we ourselves can wither and those who have not been given the truth may die."

Bill W. from "What is the Third Legacy" AA Grapevine July 1955.

We alcoholics come with many "related disorders" of drugs, gambling, overeating, sex, depression, anxiety, and so on, but by choosing to join AA we have chosen a common ground on which to relate to one another—alcoholism and recovery from alcoholism. Given the diversity of people and problems in AA, the unity necessary to function as a group would be impossible and our effectiveness with newcomers diminished if we did not keep our focus on our common problem.

AA is not all-inclusive, nor was it ever intended to be. We developed from a narrowing of the broad objectives of the Oxford Group to focus on helping alcoholics only. We are still strong, the Oxford Group is not. Many fine organizations have come and gone because of their inability to stick to one thing they do well. Many organizations have failed because they lacked the humility to realize their limitations. Tradition Three states "our membership ought to include all who suffer from alcoholism." Members may have as many "related disorders" or problems as they wish, but to be a member of Alcoholics Anonymous, one must have alcoholism and a desire to stop drinking.

Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety. Many alcoholics are dual addicted, illegal drugs, prescription medication, cigarettes, gambling, relationships, eating disorders—the list goes on and on. AA cannot and is not a cure all for all people with various disorders, we must draw the line at some point. Should NA, SA, OA and GA listings also be in the AA meeting directory? I think not.

It is also known that alcoholism is a family disease; it affects all family members related to the alcoholic. A sad fact indeed, but does this mean that the AA meeting Directory should list meetings other than AA meetings, which are not for alcoholics, in the AA

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## Not Our Only Purpose

Yes! Put the Al-Anon number on our meeting directory.

Having the Al-Anon number on the AA meeting directory does not constitute affiliation with Al-Anon. Cooperation with Al-Anon is found across the country. Many AA directories list both AA and Al-Anon meetings in the same book! Al-Anon contact information can be found in our big book on page 121.

Many AA conferences and regional conventions are held with Al-Anon participation; like the 36<sup>th</sup> annual H&I conference coming to Petaluma this April.

In my experience of having a shift on our AA Hotline for 9 years, at least ten percent of the calls were from people in need of Al-Anon. We have freely provide people with the Al-Anon number. I have heard many long time sober members of AA say that Al-Anon has helped them and their families. Many of our membership have alcoholic people in their lives and find the Al-Anon program helpful. One of our alcoholic members told me that while attending Al-Anon she was introduced to A.A. by an Al-Anon member. She has been sober now for years.

In Chapter 9 of the big book, "The Family Afterward," it states, "the entire family is, to some extent ill." We know full well that alcoholism is a two-sided coin. Not only has it affected our lives as problem drinkers, but it has also severely impacted the lives of our families, friends, and acquaintances.

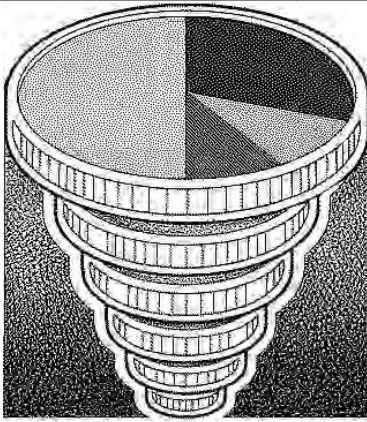
Chapter 9 goes on to state: "We grow by our willingness to face and rectify errors and convert them into assets. The alcoholic's past thus becomes the principal asset of the family and frequently it is almost the only one! This painful past may be of infinite value to other families still struggling with their problem. We think each family which has been relieved owes something to those who have not".

This was written before Al-Anon became an established program, yet the founders of A.A. Clearly recognize that non-drinkers also suffered and were in need of help.

Some may feel this is in conflict with our

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# SCIF FINANCIAL SUMMARY DECEMBER 2006



## Example of Suggested Group Contributions to AA Service Entities

- 50-70% to Intergroup
- 10-30% to Local General Service
- 10-20% to CNCA
- 10-20% to GSO New York

Oct., Nov., & Dec. = 4th Quarter of 2006

YTD

	Income	Expense	Net	Income	Expense	Net
Central Office						
Groups						
Individuals						
Office Rent						
Teleservice						
Web Site						
Newsletter						
Interest						
<b>Subtotal</b>						
Bookstore						
Activities						
Alkathons						
Seminars						
<b>TOTAL</b>						

### Assets & Liabilities

Cash in Bank & Petty Cash		<b>Memo:</b> Cash in Bank & Petty Cash	
Prepaid Expenses		Prudent Reserve	
Liabilities		Liabilities	
Subtotal		Operating Reserve	
Literature Inventories			
Property			
<b>Total Assets &amp; Liabilities</b>			

## GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

Meetings	Dec	YTD	Meetings	Dec	YTD	Meetings	Dec	YTD
11th Step Meeting			Healdsburg Women's Book Study			Simply AA		
12 X 12 @ 12 Group			Here and Now			Single Purpose Group		
12 X 12 Plus			Hessel Big Book Study Group			Sober Sisters		
5th St. Light			Higher Power Group			Sober Sunday Group		
A Vision For You			Highlander Group			Sonoma Valley Fellowship		
AA Cache Creek Group			How It Works Group			South Park Survivors		
AA Check It Out Group			Just For Today			Spirit of Akron		
AA Health Professionals			Keep It Simple			Steps To Serenity Group		
AA of Sonoma, Thursday 11th Step Group			Kenwood Group			Sunday Morning Smiles Group		
AA of Sonoma, Tuesday Big Book Group			Kenwood Step Study			Sunday PM Closed Discussion Group		
AA Step Study Group			Let's Discuss It Group			Sunday Sanity		
Acres Fellowship Group			Lunch Bunch Group			The Shuman Fellowship		
Alive & Well In Fulton			Mature & Sober Group			The Sunday Night Group		
Any Lengths Group			Moment of Silence			There Is A Solution		
As Bill See's It			Monday Mood Swings			Think About It Group		
Attitude Adjustment Group			New Hope Book Study Group			Third Step Group		
B.Y.O.B.B.			New Women In AA			Thurs. AA Alano Club		
Be What You Want To See			Newcomers & Oldtimers			Thurs. Big Book Step Study		
Big Book & Step Study, Sebastopol			Not Just Another Newcomer's Meeting			Thurs. Night 12 X 12 Discussion Group		
Big Book Review			Oaks Fellowship			Thurs. Night Womens AA		
Bodega Bay Fellowship			Occidental Tonight Group			Tuesday Afternoon Delight		
Book & Discussion, Sonoma			Open Door			Tuesday Night Big Book Study - Pet		
Breakfast Club			Out of the Ashes Group			Tuesday Nite Beginners AA		
Came to Believe Group			Petaluma Fellowship			Tuesday River Discussion		
Cazadero Group			Petaluma Valley Group			Up Group		
Cloverdale Fellowship Hall			Prayer & Meditation, Sebastopol			Up The Steps		
Daily Reflections Group			Promises Group			Warm Springs Fellowship-Mt. Vista Farm		
Early Bird Fellowship of Petaluma			Quitting Time Group			Wednesday Matinee		
Expect A Miracle			Redwood Winners			Wednesday Night Men's Stag		
Faha Home Group			River Grace			Wednesday Wonders		
Fourth Monday			Round Barn Big Book Study			We're In The Now		
Friday 10am Book Study Meeting			Round Table Discussion Group			Women's Book Group		
Friday Nite Live Group			Saturday AM Fellowship			Women's Growings Pains of Alcoholics		
Friday Nooners of AA			Saturday Men's Meeting, Healdsburg			Women's Perspective AA Group		
Gay Newcomers Group			Saturday Morning Beginners			Women's Step Study & Discussion Group		
Good Neighbors, Geyserville			Saturday Night Living Right			Women's Step Study, Sonoma		
Graton Fellowship			Saturday Serenity			Women's Tuesday At Noon		
Gualala Group			Sebastopol Men's Stag			Working Winners		
Happy Hour Group			Sebastopol Step Study Group			Young & Young At Heart		
Healdsburg Group			Serenity Fellowship Hall			(group name not on check or money order)		
Healdsburg Sunday Morning AA			Sharing & Caring			(group name not on check or money order)		
						<b>Total</b>		

## HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS

“We must never be blinded by the futile philosophy that we are just the hapless victims of our inheritance, of our life experience, & of our surroundings - that these are the sole forces that make our decisions for us. This is not the road to freedom. We have to believe that we can really choose.” [Bill W., *Grapevine*, November 1960

Kelly T. was the five-minute chair. She shared her experiences in AA and H&I and the strength and hope she has found here.

Come in out of the cold! The H&I meeting place is nice and cozy and always welcoming. The next meeting—open to all—takes place on Wednesday, February 7 at 6:00 p.m. All are invited to attend the brief orientation at 5:30. It's not hard to find the Santa Rosa Senior Center. It's located on the corner of Bennett Valley Road and Rutledge Avenue, one block east of Santa Rosa Avenue.

Chris, Morning Light Group; Anthony, Light Lunch; Wayne, Early Birds Fellowship (Petaluma); Mike, Oaks Fellowship; Jan, Stein Group; Kathy, There Is a Solution; Jeff, Redwood Winners; Dick, Gay Newcomers Group; Mark, Petaluma Stag; and Kim, Saturday Morning Beginners.

In service,  
Mardi

We had total of 96 years, 3 months of sobriety being celebrated by Jack, with 7 years; Brian, 11; Natalie, 3; Nancy, 11; Cindy, 21; Dick, 28; Allison, 6; Gretchen, 4; Mark, 2; Kim, 2; Wayne, 9 months; and Ken, 6 months;

Calamity, n. A more than commonly plain and unmistakable reminder that the affairs of this life are not of our own ordering.  
~Ambrose Bierce, *The Devil's Dictionary*

Common sense and a sense of humor are the same thing, moving at different speeds. A sense of humor is just common sense, dancing.  
~William James

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### NO LONGER MEETING

#### Petaluma

No longer meeting at Alano Club,  
955 Petaluma Blvd S.

Tues 8:30 PM (O)(W) The Way Out

Sat 8:00 PM (O)(W) Last Chance

#### Santa Rosa

Mon 7:30 PM Greatful Gluttons

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SCIF Bookstore .....750 Mendocino Ave. Suite 10 Faith Lutheran Church.....4970 Newanga Ave. St. Luke Lutheran Church.....905 Mendocino Ave . S.R Senior Center .....704 Bennett Valley Rd. S.R. City Hall Employee Lounge...First St. and Santa Rosa Ave.				1	2	3 <b>Valentine's Dance</b> Seb. Comm. Cntr 390 Morris St 8:00 Spkr, 9:30 Dance
4 <b>SOCYPAA</b> 1551 Montgomery 7:15 Business Mtg.	5 <b>General Service</b> Faith Lutheran Church 6:45 Service Manual Study 6:45 New Rep Orientation 7:30 Business Meeting	6	7 <b>Hospitals &amp; Institutions</b> S.R. Senior Center 5:30 New Rep Orientation 6:00 Business Meeting	8 <b>Access Sonoma County</b> SCIF Bookstore 6:30 Meeting	9	10
11	12 <b>SCIF Bookstore</b> 6:00 Teleservice Meeting 7:00 ICSC Meeting 8:00 Intergroup Steering Committee Meeting	13	14 <b>PI/CPC</b> S.R. City Hall 7:00 Speaker Training 7:30 Business Meeting  <b>Newsletter</b> 6:30 SCIF Bookstore	15	16	17
18 <b>SOCYPAA</b> 1551 Montgomery 7:15 Business Mtg.	19	20 <b>Bridging The Gap</b> SCIF Bookstore 6:30 New Rep Orientation 7:00 Business Meeting	21	22	23	24 <b>General Service</b> <b>CNCA Area 06</b> Area Committee Mtg 321 N. McDowell Blvd 12:30 PM – 3:30 PM
25 <b>Happy Trails</b> 10:00 SCIF Bookstore	26 <b>Intergroup</b> St. Luke Lutheran Church 7:30 Newsletter Collating 7:30 New Rep Orientation 8:00 Business Meeting	27 <b>General Service</b> District 12 Officers Meeting 6:15 SCIF Bookstore	28			

# SONOMA COUNTY SOBRIETY BIRTHDAYS

Chelsea	1/28/1973	34	Andrea L	1/24/1996	11	Matt P	1/20/2001	6	Brian W	1/28/2003	4
Carl	1/31/1976	31	Connie	1/1/1996	11	Norma F	1/3/2001	6	Charles L	1/13/2003	4
John McM	1/18/1984	23	Cathy T	1/24/1998	9	Pete	1/?/2001	6	Rafael O	1/22/2003	4
Dale R	1/25/1988	19	Dennesa	1/20/1998	9	Denise L	1/12/2002	5	Rebecca S	1/27/2003	4
Dan P	1/16/1988	19	Ryan Lynn	1/1/1998	9	Jesse F	1/17/2002	5	Tim D S	1/15/2003	4
Larry O	1/22/1989	18	Eric W	1/24/1999	8	Julianne S	1/30/2002	5	Terry	1/29/2005	2
Laurie E	1/2/1990	17	Mary C	1/1/1999	8	Liz K	1/2/2002	5	Christy S	1/23/2006	1
Dee S	1/15/1991	16	Ron K	1/3/1999	8	Scotty O	1/18/2002	5	Gene	1/18/2006	1
Donna K	1/24/1992	15	Tony S	1/7/1999	8	Shannon L	1/1/2002	5	Karen	1/29/2006	1
Berry S	1/4/1994	13	Carl P	1/21/2000	7	Tara C	1/1/2002	5	Sylvana	1/29/2006	1
Chip B	1/4/1994	13	Adam C	1/3/2001	6	Amy E	1/29/2003	4			
Larry S	1/2/1994	13	Bob A	1/29/2001	6	Andrew S	1/18/2003	4			

I want to thank Barbara C. for contributing the AA birthdays from Cloverdale this month.

Thank you, Barbara.

Dave H.  
Editor

## ASL INTERPRETERS - QUARTERLY REPORT

"Concerning any given service, we therefore pose but one question:

'Is this service really needed?' If it is, then maintain it we must,

or fail in our mission to those who need and seek A.A."

Bill W., "AA's Legacy of Service."

*Together we can! Thank you for your support!*

## GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS

Meeting	4th Qtr	YTD
Xmas & New Years Alcathons		
Single Purpose Group		
Hessel Group		
Third Step Group		
Up The Steps Group		
Young & Young At Heart		
Serenity Fellowship		
Wed Night Women's Step Study		
TBDME For Young People		
Saturday Night Living Right		
Women's Perspective AA Group		
Sunday 5:30 Discussion Meeting, RP		
BYOBB		
Thursday Big Book Study		
Harmony Group		
Moment of Silence		
Saturday Afternoon Winners		
Signs of Sobriety		
<b>Total</b>		

Paid to interpreters:\*

Prudent Reserve:

\*To date, Interpreters (who are non-AA members) are graciously donating 1/2 hour of their services for fellowship following the meeting (Signs of Sobriety).



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Meeting Directory? I think not!

Listings of all types of support groups can be found in the AT&T Yellow page and the Internet. Doctors, Judges, and other professional people can direct an individual to the appropriate support group they may require, the information can easily be found! Let's not open the door for the AA Meeting Directory to become a catch all directory for all disorders. Let it remain exactly what it is—The AA Meeting Directory.

Bob P.



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traditions. Tradition 5 states that "Each group has but one primary purpose - to carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers." It does not say this is our only purpose. It is quite possible that an alcoholic's suffering may be lessened by the introduction of a family member or friend to 12-Step recovery in Al-Anon.

The 6<sup>th</sup> tradition is concerned with "problems of money, property, and prestige" which may result from endorsements, financial support or "lending the A.A. name to outside enterprises. A.A. and Al-Anon can never be affiliated, by definition, because they are separate, independent organizations and neither is a subsidiary of nor subordinate to the other. Both organizations are fully self-supporting, so this action would cause no problems with money. Simply placing the Al-Anon Hotline number on the A.A. meeting directory is not an endorsement; it is information available to be used or not by families and friends of alcoholics.

If placing this number on our meeting directory helps even one person suffering from the effects of alcoholism then it is a worthwhile, kind practice.

Bob k.

Give a man a fish, and you'll feed him for a day; give him a religion, and he'll starve to death while praying for a fish.

~Author Unknown

## NEW MEETINGS

### Petaluma

New meetings at Alano Club,  
955 Petaluma Blvd S.

Wed 12 Noon (O)(W) Women's Meeting  
Speaker-Discussion/Children Welcome

Sat 7:00 PM (O)(W) Celebrate Sobriety  
No meeting 3rd Saturday of month

### Sebastopol

New meetings at Community Church,  
1000 Gravenstein Hwy

Fri 12:15 (O)(W) Freedom Friday  
Discussion

Sat 12:15 (O)(W) Sober Saturday  
Speaker-Discussion

## MEETING CHANGES

### Petaluma

Moved from Lucchesi Park to Alano Club,  
955 Petaluma Blvd S.

Mon 12 Noon (O)(W) O God It's Monday

Tues 12 Noon (O)(W) Tuesday Noon

Wed 12 Noon (O)(W) Women's Meeting

Thu 12 Noon (O)(W) Chair It or Air It

Fri 12 Noon (O)(W) TGIF Nooners

Time changes at Alano Club,  
955 Petaluma Blvd S.

Previous Time New Meeting

Wed 8:00 PM 7:30 PM Sometimes Slowly

Thu 8:30 PM 7:30 PM Big Book Study

Fri 7:00 PM 6:15 PM Pit Stop

### Santa Rosa

Previous Time New Meeting

Tues 8:30 PM 8:00 PM Yulupa Lodge Group

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## MEETING CODES

- (C) Closed meeting, alcoholics only.
- (O) Open meeting, anyone can attend.
- (W) Wheel chair access to meeting area.

To report meeting changes:  
Contact Russell

## Gloria's Corner

Openings: MON 2-6 PM every other week  
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I want to thank all the Volunteers that helped  
last year! We couldn't do it without you!

No one showed up for inventory!



Best Wishes,

*Gloria*

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