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CHANGING TIMES

IS YOUR GROUP BEING SUBSIDIZED?

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Is your group being subsidized? If your group is not contributing to the Central Office, District, Area, and GSO then, yes, your group is being subsidized. It is accepting services, but letting other groups foot the bill.

For example, if your group buys it's literature from Central Office, relies on Central Office to see that its meetings are correctly listed in the directory, and its GSR receives regular mailings from GSO, but the group does not contribute toward cost of those services, then that group is not fully self-supporting.

Newly formed groups that cannot afford it are not expected to contribute, but how many *really* fall into that category?

If we mean what we say about *"want the hand of A.A. always to be there,"* then we should be willing to help support A.A.'s efforts at all levels.

THE 7TH TRADITION, "**Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions,"** also means "your group is self-supporting through its own contributions." That means that we pay for our coffee, rent, literature and other group expenses. We also contribute to Central Office-Intergroup which responds to call for help and information. We contribute to our District and Area which is responsible for Public Information, Hospitals, Corrections and other activities. In addition, we contribute to GSO (General Service Office) in New York which is responsible for the printing of literature, A.A. material and **GUIDANCE**. The Tradition of Self-Support is essential to Alcoholics Anonymous.

Happy, Happy Birthday!

These are folks who have donated at least one dollar a year in gratitude for their sobriety to YOUR Central Office. There are birthday envelopes available at the office or you can get them from your Central Office Delegate. We appreciate the people who show their gratitude this way.

Congratulations!

Chuck M. 47 years Bonner Springs

Dennis H. 35 years Bonner Springs

Bob H. 33 years Bethel Group

Danny R. 33 years North Oak Group

David E. W. 31 years Simple Sobriety

Mike O. 27 years Shawnee Group

Please make certain to include your name and group when sending in your birthday donation.

The Over Thirty Club

Keep Coming Back!

All of these people got their names in the paper because someone took the time and trouble to let us know they were celebrating. Be proud of your old -timers! Call the office 816-471-7229 and let us know of anyone who is celebrating 30 or more years of sobriety. Let them know you care enough to share!

Harold F. 41 years Courage To Change

Lee L. 40 years Independence Group #1

BJ W. 37 years Bethel Group

Bob H. 33 years Bethel Group

Danny R. 33 years North Oak Group

David E. W. 31 years Simple Sobriety

"Our first duty, as a society, is to insure our own survival. Therefore we have to avoid distractions and multipurpose activities . . . Sobriety—freedom from alcohol—through the teaching and practice of the Twelve Steps, *is the sole purpose of an A.A. group* … We have to confine our membership to alcoholics and we have to confine our A.A. groups to a single purpose. If we don't stick to these principles, we shall almost surely collapse. And if we collapse, we cannot help anyone." Bill W. / Problems Other Than Alcohol—P-35

The email accounts at Central Office are :

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Calendar of Events— JUNE 2019

JULY 7th, 2019 TURNER GROUP 5th ANNIVERSARY, *4845 SHAWNEE DR., KANSAS CITY, KS. 66106* 5pm Dinner - 7pm Speakers

JULY 13, 2019 AA DANCE, AMERICAN LEGION, 499 7 Hwy, BLUE SPRINGS, MO. 7—11PM, $5.00 admission per person

JULY 27, 2019 NEW CHOOSEN FEW 14th YEAR ANNIVERSARY, 4501 TROOST AVE., KANSAS CITY, MO. 64110 2PM-6PM Speakers and food provided.

JULY 26-28th,2019 69TH ANNUAL MISSOURI STATE CONVENTION

JULY 27, 2019 NUTS & BOLTS 26th ANNIVERSARY, FOUNDRY CHURCH, 8835 LACKMAN RD., LENEXA, KS. 66219 Many events. See event flyer under events tab.

JULY 27th, 2019 Dist. 10 KS, QUARTERLY DIST. SERVICE WOOKSHOP MEETING
S. LEAWOOD GROUP (BASEMENT) 2-4 PM, 13300 KENNETH RD., LEAWOOD, KS.

AUGUST 3, 2019 OLTHE GROUP'S 66th ANNIVERSARY 716 HARRISON, OLTHE, KS 66061 DOORS OPEN AT 4 PM

AUGUST 9-11 32nd ANNUAL SUMMER HUMMER ELKS LODGE, 1802 W. 26th St, JOPLIN, MO. Many events. See event flyer under events tab.

SEPTEMBER 20-22nd, 2019 62nd ANNUAL KANSAS AREA 25 STATE CONFERENCE
HYATT REGENCY, WICHITA, KS

OCT. 4-6 24th ANNUAL WOMAN to WOMAN CONFERENCE TALL OAKS CONFERENCE CENTER, Many events. See event flyer under events tab.

THE CENTRAL OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY WEEKEND, JULY 4 & 5 2019

OVER 300 12-STEP CALLS THRU THIS OFFICE in 2018

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Area Service Schedule

KANSAS AREA 25 ASSEMBLY MEETING

JULY 19 - 21, 2019

- Hilton Garden Inn- Salina, KS 3320 S 9th St
  Salina, KS 67401 United States 785-309-0440

AREA 39 ASSEMBLY

SEPTEMBER 28—29, 2019

Best Western Inn 3120 S. Limit Ave. Sedalia, MO
1-660-826-6100

Would you please help us carry the message to our siblings behind the walls?

It's better to *get* to go to jail than to *have* to go to jail.

For further information, please contact us:

Missy M. 913-702-7348 Ted U. 913-940-0610

District Service Schedule

DISTRICT 9 KS

2nd Thursday of each month at Primary Purpose
3038 N. 52nd St., Kansas City, KS 66109.
Committees meet at 6:30PM, District meeting at 7PM.

DISTRICT 10 KS

1st Thursday of the month at Rolling Hills Pres. Church, 9300 Nall Ave., Overland Park, KS 66207
Committees meet at 6PM, District meeting at 6:30PM

DISTRICT 23 KS

2nd Saturday of the month at Westside Presbyterian Church 1024 Kasold, Lawrence, KS 66044 at 10AM

DISTRICT 3 MO

2nd Sunday Every Month at 2PM

Liberty Group 1323 E. County Rd. H, Liberty, MO 64068

We have found much of Heaven and we have been rocketed into a fourth dimension of existence of which we had not even dreamed.

Thelma B. Lenexa Group

YOU WILL BE MISSED

If you know of any member of the fellowship who has gone to the big meeting in the sky. Please send an email to:

themanager@kc-aa.org.

New Treasurers, Please let us know where to have the donations sent for your district!

GENERAL SERVICE OFFICE
PO Box 459
Grand Central Station
New York, NY 10163
Or online at www.aa.org

KS DISTRICT 23
Treasurer
PO Box 1939
Lawrence, KS 66044

WAMO DISTRICT 4
Treasurer Lewis B.
202 Lake Street
Sweet Springs, MO 65351

KANSAS AREA 25
KANSAS AREA ASSEMBLY
PO Box 8046

Topeka, KS 66608

or online at www.ks-aa.org

WESTERN AREA MISSOURI AREA 39
WAMO TREASURER
5229 Fuller Dr,
Kansas City, MO 64133

WAMO DISTRICT 6
Treasurer
PO Box 410894
Kansas City, MO 64141

YELLOW CAN FUND
AREA 25
PO Box 23117

Overland Park, KS 66283

WAMO DISTRICT 1
Treasurer Tim C.
PO Box 62
Rock Port, MO 64481

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Treasurer
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Odessa, MO. 64076

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Treasurer
PO Box 12518
Kansas City, KS 66112

WAMO DISTRICT 2
Treasurer
2619 Duncan
St. Joseph, MO 64507

WAMO DISTRICT 10
Treasurer
P. O. Box 453
Peculiar, MO. 64078

KS DISTRICT 10
Treasurer
PO Box 15436
Overland Park, KS 66285

WAMO DISTRICT 3
Treasurer
609 Central St. Unit #1310
Kansas City, MO 64105

WAMO DISTRICT 17
Treasurer
424 DICKENSON ST
CHILLICOTHE, MO 64601

New Treasurers, Please let us know where to have the donations sent for your district!

It suggested that each group pay its bills and establish a prudent reserve based on monthly expenses. Once this is done, the excess amount may be distributed as follows:

50% to Central Office

30% to General Service Office

10% to District

10% to Area Committee

This is one suggested distribution plan from the pamphlet, "Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix. F-3. It is available here at the office.

GROUP CHANGES

NEW GROUPS

OLATHE GROUP DEAF/HARD of HEARING MEETING
222 S. KANSAS AVE., OLATHE KS. 66061 See Meeting Directory-Olathe Group

MEETING CHANGES

SIMPLE SOBRIETY-Blue Springs has cancelled it Thursday, noon, women's meeting.

CAME TO BELIEVE is no longer meeting until further notice.

SOBER @ 7 has dropped it Wed. 7am meeting and changed it's Monday 7pm to 7am

VILLAGE INITIATIVE has updated meeting times. See meeting directory.

BETHEL GROUP HAS MOVED
New address: 7540 Leavenworth Road, Kansas City, KS. 66109

3 L—LANSING LIVLEY LOT NEW MEETINGS TUE/THUR 11:30AM CLOSED

ALIVE AGAIN — SATUDAY 4:30 P.M. NO LONGER MEETING

SEDALIA AA GROUP NEW MEETING CHANGE AND ADDRESS
2401 W. Broadway (Denny's backroom) 6pm Closed Meeting

Central Office Delegates Meeting Minutes at the Wyandotte County Lake

Sunday June 9, 2019

Shaun M., the Delegates Chair, opened the meeting at 10:00 am with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. He reminded everyone to sign in, and for new delegates to sign in and get a newcomer packet.

Matt N., gave the Secretary's report. The minutes were provided and e-mailed out to the delegates. The minutes were reviewed page by page by the body. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Bill B. and was seconded by Peter. The minutes were approved by vote.

Bill B., gave the Treasurer's Report for May 2019. Total Income for Month was $ 15,347.61, less Expenses of $ 15,611.01 leaving a net loss of $ 263.40. It was noted that the numbers in the news letter were in error, but that these numbers are correct.

John J., Noted that there has been no board meeting since the last one yet.

Office Report – Teresa A., Central Office Director, gave the Office Report. The shelves are stocked and the bills are paid. She noted that the bills are being setup for payment through bill pay. She also mentioned that a committee has been formed to organize the fiftieth anniversary celebration of the Central Office. She told everyone about the new book released by AAWS "Our Great Responsibility," a collection conference talks by Bill W.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Front Door - There is a new front door at the Central Office, provided by the landlord.

Emailing News Letter - The question was asked if the news letter was going to be emailed to the groups now. It was stated that it would not, but that the mailing addresses were updated to the address listed in the directory to ensure that it's getting to the group at least.

Group Discussions in the newsletter - It was mentioned that the group discussion last month and that the discussion was not included in the newsletter version of the minutes. It was suggested that a condensed version of the discussion be included in the newsletter version of the notes. It was stated that the reason the group discussion is not included with the Newsletter version of the notes is that this adds about two or three pages to the notes, but that this is something that can be done.

Meeting Locations - Shawnee Group offered their group for the October meeting at 10:00 AM. Pflumm Sober is checking to see if they can host the meeting in November.

Group Reports:

Topic: Due to the picnic, there was no group discussion, but everyone did go around and introduce themselves and briefly state how their group is doing.

Next Meetings:

The next month is set for The July 14th meeting will take place at the Harrisonville Group starting at 10:00 am. On August 11th the meeting will be held at Chapter 5 starting at 12:00 PM.

The meeting adjourned at 10:29 am. Delegates present: 17. Board members present: 4. Donations: $ 94.25, reported by Bill B.

GROUP ATTENDANCE

JUNE 2019

24 & 7 GROUP

ALIVE AGAIN

BASEHOR GROUP

BETHEL GROUP

BONNER SPRINGS GROUP

BUTLER GROUP

HARRISONVILLE GROUP

KEEP IT SIMPLE—OP

LEAVENWORTH GROUP #1

NE JOHNSON COUNTY GROUP

NEW VISION GROUP

OLATHE GROUP

PARKHILL GROUP

PFLUMM SOBER GROUP

PRIMARY PURPOSE

SERENITY GROUP

SHAWNEE GROUP

SIMPLE SOBRIETY GROUP

TURNER GROUP

UNITY ON THE PLAZA

WE ARE ONE GROUP

WING AND A PRAYER

Group Donations

	JUNE 2019	YTD
449 GROUP	0.00	120.00
ACORN GROUP	60.00	300.00
ALIVE AGAIN	212.42	675.17
BETHEL GROUP	100.00	600.00
BEYOND SOBRIETY WOMENS MTG.	0.00	343.58
BILL'S FRIENDS	25.00	150.00
BLUE SPRINGS GROUP	0.00	850.00
BONNER SPRINGS GROUP	137.50	252.50
DESOTO KS GROUP	0.00	150.00
DISTRICT 11	0.00	40.00
DOWNTOWN BASEMENT GROUP	100.00	200.00
ENGLEWOOD WINNERS GROUP	20.00	60.00
ENTIRELY READY GROUP	0.00	10.00
EXCELSIOR SPRINGS GROUP	0.00	75.00
EYE OPENER GROUP	0.00	110.22
HIGGINSVILLE GROUP	0.00	240.00
HONEST DESIRE	10.00	60.00
HOPE GROUP	275.11	1096.25
KEEP IT SIMPLE GROUP O.P.	0.00	491.13
KNIGHTS OF SOBRIETY	20.00	140.00
KNOB NOSTER GROUP	40.00	60.00
LENEXA GROUP	85.00	260.00
LIBERTY GROUP	100.00	600.00
LIVE AND LET LIVE GROUP	30.00	90.00
MARCELINE GROUP	30.00	50.00
NORTH KANSAS CITY GROUP	37.70	223.65
NORTH OAK GROUP	80.00	480.00
NORTHEAST JOHNSON COUNTY GROUP	140.00	760.00
NUTS & BOLTS — LENEXA	0.00	100.00
OLATHE GROUP	524.64	1739.05
OUR PRIMARY PURPOSE	0.00	40.00
P III	0.00	560.00
PASEO GROUP	25.00	150.00
PFLUMM SOBER	0.00	375.00
PLATTE CITY SOLUTIONS	0.00	300.00
PLEASANT HILL GROUP	50.00	50.00
PRIMARY PURPOSE	55.00	175.00
RECOVERY PLUS	235.96	820.82
ROE CENTER GROUP	40.00	240.00
SEDALIA 12 X12	0.00	100.00
SHAWNEE GROUP	37.50	344.77
SIMPLE SOBRIETY GROUP	0.00	100.00
SIMPLY AA KC	0.00	50.00

	JUNE 2019	YTD
SOBER SKIRTS	0.00	4.60
SOBRIETY FIRST GROUP	0.00	150.00
SUNSHINE GROUP LAWRENCE	25.00	215.00
THE WAY OUT GROUP	0.00	12.50
TURNER GROUP	0.00	250.00
UNITY ON THE PLAZA	100.00	600.00
WARD PARKWAY GROUP	0.00	1000.00
COURAGE TO CHANGE	0.00	300.00
FREEDOM II	0.00	100.00
JAYWALKERS GROUP	50.00	380.00
JUST US GIRLS GROUP	240.00	640.00
LEAVENWORTH Group #1	0.00	93.10
LEAWOOD/PRAIRIE VILLAGE GROUP	0.00	250.00
LIVING MIRACLES	0.00	120.00
NEW BEGINNINGS — MARSHALL	0.00	16.58
NEW FELLOWSHIP	0.00	20.00
NEW TONGANOXIE GROUP	0.00	20.00
PARKHILL	0.00	120.63
SERENITY GROUP	0.00	240.00
SWEET SPRINGS GROUP	0.00	545.00
TWELVE AND TWELVE GROUP	0.00	20.00
WITH NO RESERVATION	0.00	137.00
A VISION FOR YOU GROUP	0.00	60.00
6th CHAPTER GROUP	0.00	100.00
CAME TO BELIEVE—GLADSTONE BLVD.	0.00	50.00
CAMERON CROSSROADS GROUP	0.00	150.00
HUMBLE BEGININGS A.A.	0.00	100.00
KANSAS CITY GROUP #1	0.00	120.00
LEE'S SUMMIT GROUP	200.00	300.00
NEW CHOSEN FEW GROUP	40.00	240.00
NEW VISION GROUP	0.00	10.00
SECOND CHANCE - WARRENSBURG	0.00	80.00
SOBER AT 7 GROUP	0.00	87.50
COLLEGE BLVD. NOONERS	0.00	375.00
TONGIE GROUP	0.00	20.00
SOUTH LEAWOOD GROUP	0.00	1063.74
WARRENSBURG GROUP	0.00	20.00
WING & PRAYER GROUP	0.00	381.82
NORTHLAND MIRACLES GROUP	0.00	50.00
OVERLAND PARK FELLOWSHIP	0.00	43.22
SUNFLOWER ROUND-UP	0.00	1000.00
WE ARE ONE	0.00	80.00
NEVADA GROUP	10.00	10.00
TOTAL	3,155.83	23,227.83

Tradition Seven — "Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions."

"Our growth continuing, the combined income of Alcoholics Anonymous members will soon reach the astounding total of a quarter of a billion dollars yearly. This is the direct result of AA membership. Sober we now have it; drunk we would not.

When reflecting on these things, why should not each of us tell himself: "Yes, we AAs were once a burden on everybody. We were 'takers.' Now we are sober, and by the grace of God have become responsible citizens of the world, why shouldn't we now about-face and become 'thankful givers'! Yes, it is high time we did!"

Bill W.

Grapevine / June, 1948

ONLINE DONATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE. GO TO WEBSITE WWW.KC-AA.ORG

TRY THE NEW FAITHFUL FIVERS DONATION PLAN. CALL THE OFFICE FOR DETAILS

(816) 471-7229

Central Office June Finances

Income $12,451.32

Expense $14,221.46

Net (Loss)/Gain = ($1,770.14) **These are preliminary numbers*

We now have a five month prudent reserve. At the October, 2015 Board of Directors meeting a motion was made, seconded and passed that Central Office establish a six month prudent reserve. We are almost there.

2019 JUNE DONATIONS	$3,923.85
2018 JUNE DONATIONS	$2,401.88

Each group has the ability to make these numbers change If you do not see your home group listed here, it is because Central Office has not received a donation. Please ask why. If your group feels we need to be of more service in some area, please let us know. We cannot change that of which we are ignorant.

As per your request, we are now publishing a more complete financial report. I hope this pleases those of you who have asked for it. If not, please let me know what else you would like to see. After all, this is *your* money! We at Central Office try to be good stewards of it.

Our Accountant, Janet B. of the Lenexa Group tries to come in as soon after the first of the month as possible so you can get final numbers. There will be months, however, that we will print preliminary numbers because of the publishing date. That will be noted above.

CENTRAL OFFICE CALLS

GROUP INFORMATION	204	DETOX/TREATMENT	2
12 STEP	5	MISC.	130
BRIDGE THE GAP	0	EMAIL/WEBSITE	176
ALANON	9	WET DRUNKS	0
OFFICE INFORMATION	229	VISITORS	619
NA/CA/OTHER	0	AFTER HOURS HOTLINE	312

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