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Gratitude Month and the Birthday Plan

Gratitude sits in the middle of A.A. — gratitude for a release from active alcoholism and, as Bill W. points out in Step Ten in Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions (p. 95), “a genuine gratitude for blessings received.”

There is no timeframe on an A.A. member’s gratitude, no expiration date, and A.A.s have long been focusing on Thanksgiving week (November in the U.S. and October in Canada) as a tangible time to highlight their gratitude for A.A. and recovery and to turn that gratitude into action.

“In order to stay sober, we have to get involved in our own sobriety,” says Steve T. of El Reno, Oklahoma, 1998 area delegate. “Alcoholics Anonymous is a program of action. I don’t believe that simply sitting in a meeting will make me sober, any more than sitting in a hen house will make me a hen. It is the action of working and living the Steps and Traditions that ensures sobriety.”

At the same time, Steve says he has found that “involvement in my own sobriety is not enough,” that “more important is involvement in the sobriety of others: Twelfth Step calls, sponsorship, going to meetings — as much for others as for me — and service work. These are the things that make life meaningful in A.A. Furthermore, carrying the message means contributing money — some thing we dislike talking about, perhaps because we have difficulty connecting money to spirituality.”

During his years in A.A., Steve points out, “I’ve heard literally hundreds of these discussions, even though Bill W. has made it perfectly clear that ‘there was a place in A.A. where spirituality and money would mix, and that was in the hat.’ (Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, p. 163) Too seldom, it seems, we focus on the cash itself and not on the results of our contributions to service.” Gratitude. It serves us best when it’s kept alive, in our individual lives and in our group conscience. Realizing this, countless A.A. groups over the years have used the months of October and November to open the door of gratitude ever wider. It’s a powerful way of insuring a continued healthy sobriety, group unity, and to avoid complacency and stagnation. Many groups observe Gratitude Month by holding Traditions meetings and taking up special contributions to the General Service Board for A.A. services worldwide.

So “what do our contributions provide?” asks Steve, answering his own question: “They pay for services to A.A. groups and fund the preservation of the artifacts of A.A.’s history so we do not have to relive the mistakes of the past. They provide for involvement in the sobriety of those in correctional facilities, treatment centers and hospitals. They help carry the A.A. message to our friends in medicine, psychiatry, religion and the community — friends whom A.A. has needed to survive. They make translations of the Big Book and other A.A. literature possible so that people in distant lands can have a chance at sobriety. They provide the means for communication, so that Loners can connect with other alcoholics. In short, they offer a chance at sobriety for suffering alcoholics.” Grateful for the sobriety they’ve been given and eager to pass it on, some A.A. groups hold topic meetings on the subject of gratitude, send money to the A.A. entity of their choice, or donate the A.A. Grapevine to someone home bound or in a treatment or correctional facility. Other groups may carry the message by preparing beginners kits — envelopes stuffed with a meeting book, a couple of pamphlets and perhaps a copy of Living Sober. Individual A.A.s may invite a sponsor or sponsee to lunch, or start a Step or Traditions meeting where there’s a need. Or they may make it a point to greet newcomers and out-of-towners who show up at their home group meetings.

Happy, Happy Birthday!

The Over Thirty Club

Keep Coming Back!

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.

DARRELL R. 39 YEARS NORTH OAK GROUP

DAVE A. 31 YEARS WING AND A PRAYER

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

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!

JERRY F. 40 YEARS NEJC

DARRELL R. 39 YEARS NORTH OAK
GROUP

DAVE A. 31 YEARS WING AND A PRAY-
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STARTING NOVEMBER 1st, 2019, THE SUBSCRIPTION RATE FOR THE CHANGING TIMES WILL BE \$15 PER YEAR.

Starting in January 2020, we will only be mailing out copies of the newsletters to those who have a paid subscriptions. Event flyers will not be mailed with the newsletter. After several months of discussions at CO delegates meetings and by the Board of Directors approval, we have voted in these changes. We are not stopping publication of the newsletter. Any individuals or groups wishing to receive the newsletter may have one mailed to them by subscription. The cost will be \$15.00 per year.

The newsletter will as always be available on our website and can be printed out at your convenience. Current monthly flyers will also be available next to the newsletter on our website and can be downloaded and printed, either together or individually.

Copies of the newsletter and flyers will be available at the CO for you to pick-up, free of charge. We will also have copies at the CO Delegates meeting. If you have any questions, please call the Office at 816-471-7229. This is a cost saving effort.

The email accounts at Central Office are :

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Calendar of Event—NOVEMBER 2020

DECEMBER 31, 2020 — A NEW YEARS EXTRAVAGANZA CLASBEY COMMUNITY CENTER SAVANNAH, MO 64485

APRIL 24 — 26, 2021 KCMO #1 GROUP 79TH ANNIVERSARY 311 W 80TH TERR KANSAS CITY, MO 64131

CENTRAL OFFICE WEBSITE

(www.kc-aa.org)

We have a new feature in the upper right hand corner. You can now view our website in Spanish & 13 other languages. PDF's and flyers will not translate.

The Kansas City Central Office publishes the "Changing Times". The views and opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the Central Office or AAWS, Inc. The editor reserves the right to edit for length and clarity, and for accuracy concerning the quoting of AA material. "Changing Times" is about, by, and for the members of the Fellowship of AA. Quotes from Alcoholics Anonymous, the Twelve Step and Twelve Traditions, The Service Manual and Conference Approved literature and pamphlets reprinted with permission of AA World Services, Inc. and the Grapevine, Inc. There is a subscription form on the back page of the issue. It is \$15.00 per year. Thank you all for your contributions and support of the Changing Times and your Central Office. We publish something for everyone, the mistakes are in the newsletter for a reason, so everyone will have something to appreciate.

Area Service Schedule

KANSAS AREA 25 COMMITTEE MEETING

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

MISSOURI AREA 39 ASSEMBLY

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

2021 SCHEDULE

- January 16 — 17
- March 27 — 28
- June 26 — 27
- September 18 — 19

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

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

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.

CECIL L. PASEO GROUP

JACK Q. NEWCOMERS GROUP

BARBARA N. RICHMOND GROUP

VICTOR W. GRASSROOTS



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 Church of the Resurrection. 8412 W. 95th St., Overland Park, KS 662212
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 2 MO 2:00pm.

Savannah Bootstraps, 511 W Market St., Savannah, MO 64485

DISTRICT 3 MO

2nd Sunday Every Month at 2PM at Liberty Group 1323 E. County Rd. H, Liberty, MO 64068

DISTRICT 4 MO

DISTRICT 6 MO.

3rd Sunday of the month at 1:30pm at KC Group 1, 311 W. 80th Terr., KCMO 64114

DISTRICT 7

at 2:00pm. Simple Sobriety, 1040 SW Luttrell St., Suite A, Blue Springs, MO. 64015

DISTRICT 8 MO

DISTRICT 10 MO

2pm, Englewood Winners, 2530 Crysler Ave. Independence, MO 64052

DISTRICT 11 MO

5:45PM, Eldorado Gr., 1305 S Park St., Eldorado, MO. 64774

DISTRICT 12 MO

2nd Sunday Every Month at 6:00pm Alano Club, 1800 E. 30th, St., Joplin, MO. 64804

DISTRICT 14 MO

2nd Sunday Every Month at 2pm. Hillcrest Presb. Church, 818 E. Norton Rd., Springfield, MO. 65803

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

KANSAS AREA 25
 KANSAS AREA ASSEMBLY
 PO Box 388
 Westmoreland, KS 66549
 Or online at www.ks-aa.org

WESTERN AREA MISSOURI AREA 39
 WAMO TREASURER
 5229 Fuller Dr.
 Kansas City, MO 64133
 Or online at www.wamo-aa.org

KANSAS DISTRICT 23
 Treasurer
 PO Box 1939
 Lawrence, KS. 66044

WAMO DISTRICT 4
 Treasurer / Lewis B.
 2020 Lake St.
 Sweet Springs, MO. 65351

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

WAMO DISTRICT 7
 Treasurer Patty G.
 115 Spring Street #302
 Belton, MO. 64012

KS DISTRICT 9
 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; Doni P.
 PO Box 1139
 Liberty, MO 64069

WAMO DISTRICT 17
 Treasurer
 424 Dickenson St.
 Chillicothe, MO 64601

NEW TREASURES, PLEASE LET US KNOW WHERE TO HAVE THE DONATIONS SENT FOR YOUR DISTRICTS

Tradition Seven

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

A 7th Tradition poster is now available on the KC Area Central Office website under the Announcements section.

It is 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

MEETING CHANGES

BETHEL GROUP SATURDAY 10:00 P.M. OPEN BEGINNERS MEETING

KANSAS CITY YOUNG PEOPLES CALL BRIDGET R. FOR MEETING LOCATION
913.980.3210

LAWSON GROUP CANCEL THE THURSDAY MEETINGS

NORTHEAST JOHNSON COUNTY GROUP 7:00 A.M. SATURDAY NO LONGER
MEETING

PASEO GROUP ALL MEETINGS SUSPENDED

Central Office Delegate Meeting October 11, 2020

Chair John absent. Tony S. opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.

On Zoom: Peter (Shawnee Group), Connor O, Dave A. (WAAP), Doni (Parkhill, Board), Melanie (Recovery Plus), Janet (Lenexa, Board),

In Person: Teresa, Michael, Tony S. (Board, Harrisonville), Susan G. (Board, Holden), Raciore T. (Board, NCF), Rhett B. (NEJOCO), Shawn K. (South Leawood), Diatra D. (NCF), Derrick (We are One), Doug (Board), Dawn (Parkhill)

Secretary Report - Tony asked for any corrections. Page one correction: Doni needs to be identified as a Board member. Doni also asked how to donate online. Teresa answered anyone can Donate on our web site using Pay-pal.

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Correction on page 2: "Roe" instead of "Rose". Minutes with corrections accepted.

Financial Report - Treasurer absent. Tony gave the financial report

Board Report – given by Tony S.

Office Report – given by Teresa. She noted that the shelves are stocked and that the bills are paid. She thanked the Paseo Group for again hosting and congratulated Derrick – he is now the new Area chair. She noted that as of October 1, employee time has been reduced. Michael is now working 3 days and Carl is working 2. She will be working 5 days with a salary lessened by a hundred dollars per week. She reported that it will save \$250 per week. She noted that the IT problem had been fixed. She thanked everyone for attending with the Chiefs playing. Doni asked if volunteers are needed. Teresa asked anyone interested to please call.

Old Business – The delegates were asked for nominations for alternate chair, secretary, alternate secretary. Diatra (New Chosen Few) was elected as secretary. An alternate secretary and alternate chair needed. There were questions about who could vote. Janet and Teresa clarified that board members do not get a vote at the delegate meeting.

New Business - Tony stated that he reached out to Derrick (Missouri liaison and new Area 39 chair) for information about the Area 39 hybrid meeting. Derrick put him in touch with Greg G., Dustin from District 14 and Debbie H. They are working to set up a similar setup. Teresa pointed out that buying a screen, speakers, etc. was not something the Office could afford at this time. Tony said that he wasn't expecting the Office to pay for it and that he would reach out to the groups. He said that his plan was to start with the board members and work his way out for funding.

Topic / Group Reports

Teresa asked for a topic.

Dave A. (WAAP): said that we have had issues with a couple of group members with face masks and that his group had asked him to bring it up.

Doni P. (Board Parkhill): was asked to bring up the same issue. She asked if there were any guidelines on face shields.

Teresa (WAAP): "It is still the same answer. Each group is autonomous."

Dave A. (WAAP): The group conscience voted that AAs could wear a face shield if they could not wear a mask.

Michael O. (Paseo Grp): **Topic:** In our business meeting yesterday, we were discussing our Alkathon, December 18-20. Because of covid, we talked about a Zoom Alkathon. We wanted feedback from the body about whether people would be interested in coming in person or would participate on Zoom.

Ray T. (Board NCF): I'd give it a shot. In person. Social distancing and mask wearing. It's working thus far. We are meeting MWF and Saturday 2pm. We do practice social distancing and wearing masks. We are not serving coffee and water. We also have an overflow room. We have a Group Inventory coming in January.

Shawn K. (South Leawood): I would be willing to do it. Why can't we do both like we're doing right now? We have 30 plus meetings on Zoom.

Joe W. (Board, Serenity Group): Ever since this has happened, we've been having meetings. Our primary purpose is to carry the message. I would go. I'm pretty sure I'm not going to get Covid today. You get it, you get it. I tried doing the Zoom thing. I'm going to keep trying to do the next right thing. My kids are all healthy and, my group.

Rhett (NE Johnson County): Club is doing good. As far as the Alkathon, I would have it as a hybrid. Uncertainty. Hard to plan. If both and if the numbers go higher, you can go all Zoom.

Doug (Board): My group has changed. I am now with "We Are Not Alone" in Riverside. I changed groups in Feb then covid hit. I have so many health problems. My doctor said, "don't go." This is the first meeting I've been to. The housekeeper brought it to me. I was sick over 2 months. I was hospitalized 5 different times. I'm good now. I've had 4 tests. Alkathon, Mike, I would be happy to be there in person. I hope I'm done with Zoom. I've already had the disease.

Dawn (Parkhill): We've just been doing what Platt County health department says. I don't see anything wrong with a hybrid meeting if you can socially distance.

Derrick (We Are One): Our delegate had some mechanical issues. We are doing fine. We never shut down. We found a way to social distance. We are serving coffee. One person is handling that. We did an Area hybrid assembly and it made everything fit, to be inclusive. Moving forward . . . with the "thing". It is real. To be responsible and inclusive, right? I would like to see everything back to normal. But I've got a mask on because of the "thing". I go to the grocery store, Home Depot. I wear a mask. Alkathon, you aren't going to get the numbers. If you can set up Zoom then set it up, good luck. We want you to have it. We want to participate. We want to participate in everything, but the "thing" won't let us. The Zoom thing is a plus. I am not a technical person. If it's there, it's a benefit. Way to be inclusive, to allow people to participate. To love, to embrace and wrap their arms around AA. Let's do Alkathons. I don't think the numbers are going to change. The total and the current. Doesn't reflect the current. Doug is well. I'm for the Alkathon. Sign us up.

Dee (NCF): Ray has already given our spiel. I'm for Zoom. Go for it.

Susan G. (Board Holden): My county is going back to mandatory masks on Monday. My group will probably not wear masks, they didn't before. So, I'm going to have to decide if I'm going. I'm bad at peer pressure (if no one else is wearing a mask, I probably won't) so I will probably stay at home because I don't want to break the law. I would attend the Alkathon and I'm sure my home group members would wear a mask.

Connor: (Alive Again) Passed

Dave A. (WAAP): On the subject of the Alkathon, we'll be there. Nothing else, I will be there. I would like to see it a hybrid. I will bring it back to the group and we'll have somebody. I'm a fan of these Zoom, hybrid meetings.

Doni (Board): Rep for Parkhill is here. I was at an Area 25 Zoom meeting about carrying the message during Covid. They talked about following government guidelines. Finding out city and county guidelines. All it takes is one snapshot in a meeting, boom, we're on the news and we're talking about AA as a whole. Alkathon? I have been on numerous conventions and speak-a-thons. We are in a pioneering phase. Important that we follow the law. We are representing AA as a whole. It's not about what I want
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GROUP ATTENDANCE

SEPTEMBER 2020

HARRISONVILLE	ROE CENTER
HOLDEN	SERENITY
LENEXA	SOUTH LEAWOOD
NEW CHOSEN FEW	TURNER GROUP
NORTHEAST JOHNSON COUNTY AA	UNITY ON THE PLAZA GROUP
OLATHE GROUP	WE ARE ONE
PARKHILL	WING AND A PRAYER
PASEO GROUP	YOU ARE NOT ALONE
PRIMARY PURPOSE	Total attendance 20

We need email addresses for you group treasurer or someone in your group we can email statements to.

Send info to: thedirector@kc-aa.org

“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**

GROUP DONATIONS

GROUP NAME	AUGUST	YTD 2020	GROUP NAME	AUGUST. 2020	YTD 2020
449 GROUP	20.00	200.00	EXCELSIOR SPRINGS GROUP	45.00	180.00
6th CHAPTER GROUP	0.00	100.00	EYE OPENER GROUP	120.00	484.00
A VISION FOR YOU GROUP	0.00	110.00	FAMOUS BALDWIN GROUP	0.00	150.00
ACORN GROUP	0.00	181.25	FREEDOM 11 GROUP	0.0	100.00
ALIVE AGAIN	50.00	500.00	FRIENDS OF SOBRIETY –PERRY, KS.	0.0	0.0
BASEHOR GROUP	0.00	40.00	GALLITAN UPPER ROOM	0.0	25.00
BETHEL GROUP	100.00	800.00	GRASSROOTS GROUP	0.0	0.0
BEYOUND SOBRIETY WOMENS MTG	0.00	166.01	HARRISONVILLE GROUP	40.00	220.00
BILL'S FRIENDS	30.00	255.00	HIGGINSVILLE GROUP	0.00	304.00
BLUE SPRINGS GROUP	800.00	1550.00	HOLDEN AA GROUP	0.0	15.00
BONNER SPRINGS GROUP	234.00	452.00	HONEST DESIRE	10.00	100.00
CAME TO BELIEVE—GLADSTONE BLVD	0.0	0.0	HOPE GROUP	293.84	1134.04
CAME TO BELIEVE-O.P.	0.0	0.0	HUMBLE BEGINNINGS A.A.	0.00	100.00
CAMERON CROSSROAD GROUP	0.0	200.00	INDERPENDENCE #1 AA GROUP	0.0	5.00
CHAPTER FIVE GROUP - CLAYCOMO	0.00	680.51	IT'S NEVER TO LATE GROUP	39.00	39.00
COLLEGE BLVD. NOONERS	0.0	0.0	JAYWALKERS GROUP	96.00	575.00
CORE GROUP	200.00	300.00	JUST US GIRLS	0.0	193.00
COURAGE TO CHANGE	0.0	0.0	KANSAS CITY GROUP #1	0.0	0.0
DESOTO GROUP	0.0	25.00	KEEP IT SIMPLE GROUP—O.P.	169.22	782.00
DISTRICT 4 MO.	0.0	50.00	KNIGHTS OF SOBRIETY	20.00	200.00
DISTRICT 7 MO.	0.00	30.00	KNOB NOSTER GROUP	0.0	0.0
DISTRICT 11 MO.	0.00	30.00	LATHROP GROUP	0.00	100.00
DOWNTOWN BASEMENT GROUP	0.00	200.00	LEAVENWORTH GROUP #1	0.00	666.61
EASY DOES IT—LAWERNCE	0.0	100.00	LEAWOOD/PRAIRIE VILLAGE GROUP	0.00	225.00
ENGLEWOOD WINNERS GROUP	20.00	187.00	LEE'S SUMMIT GROUP	0.00	25.00
ENTIRELY READY GROUP	0.0	0.0	LENEXA GROUP	100.00	650.00
EUDORA MIRACLES GROUP	0.0	100.00	LIBERTY GROUP	100.00	1000.00
ARCHIE GROUP	6.00	6.00	LIVE AND LET LIVE GROUP	0.00	90.00
COMMON SOLUTION	41.22	41.22	LIVING MIRACLES	0.0	60.00
			GARDEN CITY #1	0.00	95.00
			GRAND AVENUE DOWNTOWN NOONERS	200.00	200.00

GROUP DONATIONS

GROUP NAME	AUGUST. 2020	YTD 2020	GROUP NAME	AUGUST.	YTD 2020
MARCELINE GROUP	0.0	0.0	PRIMARY PURPOSE GROUP	30.00	235.00
MI GROUP	0.0	0.0	RECOVERY PLUS	251.71	1007.10
MONDAY NIGHT TURKEYS	0.0	0.0	ROE CENTER GROUP	40.00	360.00
MUSTARD SEED GROUP	0.0	0.0	SECOND CHANCE—WARRENSBURG	25.00	105.00
NEVADA GROUP	0.00	10.00	SEDALIA 12 X 12	0.0	0.0
NEW BEGINNINGS—MARSHALL	0.0	7.00	SERNITY GROUP	0.0	0.0
NEW CHOSEN FEW GROUP	0.0	0.0	SHAWNEE GROUP	0.00	379.17
NEW FELLOWSHIP	0.0	40.00	SIMPLE SOBRIETY GROUP	0.0	50.00
NEW TONGANOXIE GROUP	0.0	0.0	SIMPLY AA—KC	67.44	104.44
NEW VISION GROUP	30.00	90.00	SLATER GROUP	0.0	2.00
NORTH KANSAS CITY GROUP	49.65	422.75	SOBER SKIRTS	0.00	67.34
NORTH OAK GROUP	95.00	844.30	SOBER AT 7 GROUP	0.00	20.00
NORTHEAST JOHNSON COUNTY GR	100.00	1000.00	SOBRIETY FIRST GROUP	35.00	245.00
NORTHLAND MIRACLES GROUP	0.00	50.00	SOUTH KANSAS CITY GROUP	50.00	500.00
NUTS AND BOLTS—LENEXA	100.00	400.00	SOUTH LEAWOOD GROUP	1304.50	2567.04
OLATHE GROUP	80.00	490.95	SUNFLOWER ROUNDUP		
ONE DAY AT A TIME GROUP	0.0	0.0	SUNSHINE GROUP—LAWRENCE	275.00	1025.00
OUR PRIMARY PURPOSE	0.0	0.0	SWEET SPRINGS GROUP	0.00	62.00
OVERLAND PARK FELLOWSHIP	0.00	340.40	THE WAY OUT GROUP	0.0	0.0
P III	0.00	280.00	TICKLED NOT TO BE PICKED	0.0	1000.00
PARKHILL GROUP	100.00	1005.00	TONGIE GROUP	0.0	0.0
PASEO GROUP	25.00	250.00	TURNER GROUP	0.00	90.00
PFLUMM SOBER	108.60	789.60	TWELVE AND TWELVE GROUP	0.0	15.00
PLATTE CITY SOLUTIONS	0.00	250.00	UNION HOUSE #1	0.0	0.0
PLEASANT HILL GROUP	0.0	0.0	UNITY ON THE PLAZA	100.00	1100.00
M.C. GROUP	0.00	50.00	WARD PARKWAY GROUP	0.00	700.00
New Path AA Group	317.50	317.50	WARRENSBURG GROUP	0.0	0.0
			WE ARE ONE GROUP	0.00	320.00
			WING AND A PRAYER	0.0	0.0
			WITH NO RESERVATION	0.00	380.00
			TOTAL	5049.47	31,157.33

Peter: We've had a lot of the same discussions. We are a mandatory-mask county. We have a Zoom schedule. Light attendance at our noon meetings. It is normally attended by retired AAs. Dip in funds. I think on the Alkathon, the hybrid is what my group would support depending on our numbers, cases for December. We will certainly have several people more comfortable in person. We are in a pioneering time. Continuing into the future, with or without Covid, we need to abide by the law, so AA doesn't look like a bunch of yahoos or law breakers. A lot of people are still really scared of Covid.

Janet (Board): I'm from the Lenexa group. I don't believe our representative is here. Holding meetings online and some in person. Following social distancing. Some are meeting outside. I'm not sure what they are doing for the indoor meetings. I'm not comfortable yet going to indoor meetings. Alkathon, doing the hybrid would be a fantastic idea. I would definitely, participate on Zoom. Being more inclusive by doing hybrid. Not everyone is comfortable with in person. Not everyone is comfortable with Zoom.

Candy and Julian, not able to get connected.

Michael (Paseo Grp): I was just wanting to know what you guys thought. I was all for the Alkathon. Not planning on serving any food. We have contact tracing, hand sanitizer, masks. Hotspot would cost something.

Dawn (Parkhill): said that Parkhill had a television donated and they had a laptop hooked up. Made it seem like everyone was there.

Tony (Board Harrisonville Grp.): We've had live meetings since Day 1. Never had any Zoom meetings. As far as the Alkathon, I would be one of the people that would show up but don't do it because I said I would show up. The Alkathon on Zoom would cost something.

Tradition 7: \$35.29

Doni (Board Parkhill): Please contact Area 25 with questions about hybrid. Assistance is out there.

Joe W. (Board Serenity Grp.): I truly believe. Our primary purpose . . . as safely as possible. Mandate not a law. Comes down to a personal choice. That's all I have to say.

Doni P. (Board Parkhill): Following mandates makes us good citizens and good representatives of AA.

Meeting closed with Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Susan G.

*****NEW POLICY*****NEW POLICY*****

CENTRAL OFFICE WILL BEGIN A NEW POLICY WITH CREDIT BALANCES. THE CUSTOMER WILL BE NOTIFIED AT 60 DAYS TO USE THE CREDIT WILL EXPIRE AND BE CONVERTED TO A "CENTRAL OFFICE ANGELS" DONATION.

CONCEPT XI

While the trustees hold final responsibility for A.A.'s world service administration, they should always have the assistance of the best possible standing committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs and consultants. Therefore, the composition of these underlying committees and service boards, the personal qualifications of their members, the manner of their induction into service, the systems of their rotation, the way in which they are related to each other, the special rights and duties of our executives, staffs and consultants, together with a proper basis for the financial compensation of these special workers, will always be matters for serious care and concern.

In this, the second longest of the Concepts, Bill explains in great detail the composition, functions a this, the second longest of the Concepts, Bill explains in great detail the composition, and relationships of the standing committees of the General Service Board, its subsidiary operating boards, the General Service Office and AA Grapevine — as they existed in 1962. As A.A. has grown and changed, many of the descriptions would be different today, and some of the issues that are addressed are no longer relevant. Nevertheless, the full text is valuable as a historical document, and many of the principles still apply, as summarized below.

Central Office SEPTEMBER Finances

Income \$11,132.17
Expense \$10,299.05

2020 OCTOBER GROUP DONATIONS \$5,049.47
2019 OCTOBER GROUP DONATIONS \$4,572.86

Net Gain = \$833.12 *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.

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.

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GROUP INFORMATION	401	DETOX/TREATMENT	9
12 STEP	3	MISC.	104
BRIDGE THE GAP	0	EMAILS	4
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OFFICE INFORMATION	397	VISITORS	647
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