

An Open Letter to our Valued Readers of “Slippery When Wet”

Dear Readers:

Intergroup would like to “make things right” with all who have a raised eyebrow, or who have been taken aback, or who have been outright insulted with the most recent issue (March 2017) of “Slippery When Wet”. Specifically referring to Page 5, where humor was intended but reached far short of that with many in the fellowship.

Intergroup cannot apologize enough as it is Intergroup’s goal to promote Unity amongst everyone and the individual groups of Alcoholics Anonymous. The Intergroup Officers feel we fell short of this goal and are taking measures to ensure the fellowship has checks and balances.

It is Intergroup’s responsibility to have safeguards in place and we did not; that will be rectified at our next meeting, where guidelines will be set and put into play to avoid future oversight by Intergroup. All are welcome to attend, the next scheduled meeting is Thursday April 13, 2017 at 6pm (Central Office location).

It was unfortunate to hear of the resignation of the Editor of Slippery When Wet, Brenda M. She has done an outstanding job in her time as Editor and we wish her the best in future service opportunities. We cannot thank her enough for her dedication and service to all of us.

Intergroup invites you to attend the next meeting should you have interest as the Intergroup Slippery When Wet Editor. Should you wish to offer others a chance to receive the Intergroup News Letter Slippery When Wet, free, please have them send an email to editor.slipperywhenwet@gmail.com.

Thank you for your time,

Steve C.
Chair, Intergroup Committee

“ Our primary purpose it to stay sober and to help
Others achieve sobriety.”

Slippery When Wet

Treasure Valley Intergroup Newsletter

Reflections on Step Three

*“Made a decision to turn our will and our lives
Over to the care of God as we understood Him”*

The first several chapters of AA's Big Book help us determine if we agree with three pertinent ideas, known as the "ABC's", at the end of How It Works. They are:

1. That we were alcoholic and could not manage our own lives.
2. That probably no human power could have relieved our alcoholism.
3. That God could and would if He were sought.

The Book goes on to say that if we are convinced of the ABC's we are at Step Three, which is that we decided to turn our will and our life over to God as we understood Him.

Examination of the Third Step can quickly evolve into deep questions about God, the meaning of life, free will and more. But really, the Third Step is quite simple. It is about making a decision. The turning over happens during the rest of the steps. There is a classic story in AA that illustrates this concept. If there are three frogs on a log and one decides to jump into the pond, how many frogs remain on the log? There will be three until one actually acts on the decision and takes the leap.

I arrived at the Third Step a desperate, but hopeful person. I was desperate for all of the usual reasons an alcoholic is desperate. Drinking excessively for seventeen years had ruined my life. I was hopeful because I had met sober members of AA and had come to believe that if this program worked for them, it might work for me. I took the Third Step in my third month of sobriety after nearly relapsing at a wedding. I had arrived at the wedding thinking I had solid sobriety built on reading the Big Book and attending meetings. I had yet to get a sponsor, though, and figured I was smart enough to work the steps on my own. After the near relapse, I returned to AA and asked a man who always spoke strongly of sponsorship and step work to be my sponsor.

I believe today, that the mere act of asking Tom to be my sponsor was an outward sign of my readiness to take the Third Step. It was an acknowledgment that I needed power and guidance. Tom's sponsorship came with some directions that were common to our Home Group. He wanted me to call him every day to check in, to attend our Monday night home group meeting, and to work the Steps with him. By following these guidelines I demonstrated the lengths I was willing to go to stay sober.

After a quick review of my ABC's, Tom and I took the Third Step together by saying the Third Step Prayer. "God, I offer myself to Thee-to build with me and to do with me as Thou wilt. Relieve me of the bondage of self, that I may better do Thy will. Take away my difficulties, that victory over them may bear witness to those I would help of Thy Power, Thy Love, and Thy Way of life. May I do Thy will always!"

Doing my best to look past the Thees, Thys and Thous, I focused on the deeper meaning of the prayer and saw its clear message to get out of myself and to be of service to others. Years later I took a sponsee through the Third Step on the day he was to begin a ninety-day jail sentence. With the wind of the Third Step in his sails, he turned his jail time into an opportunity to help others. He formed a growing cadre of men interested in exploring recovery. Each week, he brought more men to the weekly AA meeting at the jail. He turned what could have been a depressing time away from family, work, and friends into an opportunity to get out of himself and to help others. He demonstrated the "Third Step Promises" of becoming less interested in himself and his plans and more interested in seeing what he could contribute to life. He sailed through his jail time with a sense of purpose and a peace of mind that comes from helping others.

Taking the Third Step is a big deal. But if I don't want to end up like a frog stuck on a log, I need to get into action with the Fourth Step and all that follows. The Big Book reminds us that: "Though our decision (Third Step) was a vital and crucial step, it could have LITTLE PERMANENT EFFECT unless AT ONCE followed by a STRENUOUS EFFORT to face, AND to be rid of, the things in ourselves which had been blocking us."

In Service,
Bill M.

Spiritual Toolkit

Go to Meetings

“...scarce an evening passed that someone’s home did not shelter a little gathering of men and women, happy in their release, and constantly thinking how they might present their discovery to some newcomer.”— *Alcoholics Anonymous 159*

When I was new in sobriety, a meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous was one of the only places I felt safe from drinking or going crazy. I knew how cunning and baffling this disease was, and I knew I didn’t have a defense against the first drink. I was afraid AA wouldn’t work for me. I didn’t understand much of what people said, but my sponsor told me to listen for similarities.

Something happened for that hour that I sat and listened while drinking coffee out of a styrofoam cup. I heard my own pain and insanity in the stories of others. I also heard hope, and I began to think this might work for me. I was temporarily lifted out of my own misery and fear, and by the end of the meeting, I felt lighter. I had made it through another hour of not drinking, and I believed I could make it through the rest of the day. Sometimes, by the time we were putting away chairs, I was laughing with others.

Meetings have been the most constant spiritual tool of my sobriety. I haven’t practiced all of the parts of the program perfectly—for quite a while I thought meditation was too hard for me, and there was a stretch of about two years I went without a sponsor. But I have never in 35 years stopped going to meetings. I go to meetings to stay sober, and to be of service, and because that is where my friends are. I go to meetings because I still identify with the insanity of the disease, and when I go to meetings, I can quickly identify the insanity when it arises in my own mind. Today, I also identify with the solution.

I cannot tell you how often I have entered the doors of a meeting thinking about a problem with one of my family members or a situation at work that is keeping me up at night. Often I walk in thinking I will talk about this current, very important problem. Occasionally I share it, but far more often, I do not. And it’s not because I feel shy. It is because by the time the meeting leader calls on me, I am no longer thinking about myself or my problem.

I’m thinking there is a newcomer who looks frightened, and I remember when to include some of the details and feelings from my early sobriety when I share because that is all I related to in the beginning. I’m thinking, I want to talk with the woman who is going through a divorce and has young children, because I’ve been through that sober and I know how painful it is. I see my longtime friend celebrate 25 years of sobriety, and I am thinking of the gifts of this program that include friendship and being able to see the program do its work over and over again.

There is a line in the third step prayer that says, “Relieve me of the bondage of self.” For me, attendance at Alcoholics Anonymous meetings provides an almost instantaneous answer to this prayer. When I walk into a meeting, I am no longer here just for me. I’m here for all of us—for the “we” that we talk about in “How it Works.” I’m reminded that my purpose is to be of maximum service, and of how good it feels to have something to give. I’m reminded that when I am in a meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous, I am home.

In service,
Laura S.



Got TSNAC?

<http://handi.idahoareal8aa.org/>

Treatment, Special Needs/Accessibilities, Corrections = TSNAC

Learn more at the **Volunteer Meetings** held the 3rd Saturday of the month (except December) at 9:40 am at 324 S Meridian Rd #25 by the bowling alley in Meridian. Come meet our Committee Chairpersons and ask your questions! Monthly business meetings immediately follow at 10:00 am.

The Treasure Valley Subcommittee of TSNAC needs your help in carrying the message of hope to those who cannot go to regular meetings on the outside. Here are some of the ways YOU can support your fellows in recovery.

◆ Be a Home Group or District representative who shares information about TSNAC TV Subcommittee with your group and/or district. As a group or district representative you can help:

- ✓ Elect committee members
- ✓ Maintain accurate guidelines.
- ✓ Make decisions about literature purchases and distribution.
- ✓ Decide how your group's money is spent
- ✓ Plan workshops

◆ Be a Temporary Contacts with AA Inmates in Idaho and other states. Imagine the difference a letter makes.

◆ BBQ Awareness organizers. Every year the TSNAC TV Subcommittee holds an Awareness BBQ with games, raffle/auction, music/entertainment and FOOD! This is a great opportunity to help a lot or a little, help all year, one week, or one day. There is always room for more help. No sobriety requirement necessary for most responsibilities.

◆ Be a volunteer to help carry the message inside the walls of Treatment Centers, Hospitals, Jails and/or Prisons.

◆ Work with other AA committees such as Special Needs/Accessibilities and Cooperation with the Professional Community/Public Information (CPC/PI).

◆ Be available at AA and other functions to spread the message of recovery that TSNAC has to offer the community.

◆ Create flyers and pamphlets. Maintain accurate contact lists. Help with the many functions of the literature committee. Help maintain the TSNAC website.

◆ Be a "bridge" for people being released from Treatment Centers, Hospitals, Jails and Prison.



Monthly Business Meetings

DISTRICT 3

First Tuesday - 7:00 PM
Collister United Methodist
4444 Taft, Boise

DISTRICT 8

Fourth Thursday - 7:00 PM
First Presbyterian Church
950 W. State, Boise

TREASURE VALLEY INTERGROUP

Second Thursday - 6:00 PM
TVICO Central Office
1111 S. Orchard, Ste 180
Boise, ID 83704

DISTRICT 4

Second Saturday - 4:00 PM
619 12th Ave S.
(First Christian Church)

TVICO Board of Trustees (STEERING COMMITTEE)

Tuesday before Intergroup Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
TVICO Central Office
1111 S. Orchard, Ste. 180
Boise, ID 83704

TSNAC "12th Step in ACTION" (formally H&I) Third Saturday

Group & District Reps 10:00 AM
324 S. Meridian Rd. #25, Meridian
VISITORS WELCOME!
Q&A at 11:15 a.m.

CPC/PI

3rd Tuesday—7:00 PM
3852 N Eagle Rd, Eagle

DISTRICT 9

Third Saturday 4X/yr
Feb, May, Aug, Nov
Call Dennis for location
(208) 315-3506

DISTRICT 5

Third Sunday - 3:00 PM
324 S. Meridian Rd. #25
Meridian

Seventh Tradition WHERE TO SEND YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

IDAHO AREA 18 TREASURER

P.O. Box 5152
Twin Falls, ID 83303

GSO

(General Service Office)
P.O. Box 459
Grand Central Station
New York, NY 10163

TVICO (Central Office)

1111 S Orchard St. Suite 180
Boise, ID 83705

DISTRICT 3

P.O. Box 7892
Boise, ID 83707

DISTRICT 4

P.O. Box 1408
Caldwell, ID 83606

Treasure Valley TSNAC (formally H&I West)

P.O. Box 2513
Boise, ID 83701

DISTRICT 5

P.O. Box 190754
Boise, ID 83719

CPC/PI

PO Box 190341
Boise, ID 83719

DISTRICT 8

P.O. Box 696
Boise, ID 83701

DISTRICT 9

District 9 Treasurer
PO Box 177
Cascade, ID 83611



Treasure Valley Intergroup Central Office Cash Flow, February, 2017

INFLOWS

Archives	\$ 267.30
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Gross Sales

GSO Sales	\$ 5,907.08
Non-GSO Sales	\$ 3,219.30
Meeting Schedules & NCP	\$ 6.47
In House Merchandise	\$ 40.00
Gift Certificates	
Refunds	

TOTAL Gross Sales	\$ 9,172.85
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Member Donations

District Donations	\$ 223.81
Group Donations	\$ 4,805.46
Individual Donations	\$ 1.01
Donation Can	\$ 0.33

TOTAL Donations	\$ 5,030.61
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Miscellaneous Revenue

Restitution	
Interest Income	\$ 0.71
Shipping & Handling	\$ 9.00
Printing	\$ 4.80
Slippery When Wet	

TOTAL Misc. Revenue	\$ 14.51
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TOTAL INFLOWS	\$ 14,485.27
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Cash on Hand	\$ 7,656.24
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Less Pre-Paid Accts Payable	\$ -
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Less Liabilities Owing	\$ (1,693.21)
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Cash Available for Operations	\$ 5,963.03
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Cash Drawer	\$ 150.00
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Prudent Reserves:

Operations Prudent Reserve	\$ 9,998.70
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Literature Prudent Reserve	\$ 5,000.00
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Inventory on Hand	\$ 19,621.22
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Amounts due from Groups	\$ 968.89
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OUTFLOWS

Cost of Goods Sold	\$ 6,193.00
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Office Expenses

Answering Service	\$ 7.50
Assembly Expense	\$ -
Bank/Merchant Serv. Fees	\$ 110.29
Coffee, Water, Etc.	\$ 34.93
Copy Machine	\$ -
Insurance: Liability	\$ 349.00
Mileage Reimbursement	\$ 7.20
Office Expense/Supplies	\$ 483.62
Over-Under	\$ (0.14)
Phone/Internet Service	\$ 284.34
Postage & Delivery	\$ 10.40
Printing & Reproduction	\$ 1.12
Professional Fees	\$ 281.25
Rent	\$ 1,088.00

TOTAL Office Expense	\$ 2,657.51
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Payroll Expense

Includes Employer Taxes	\$ 1,986.26
Workman's Comp Insur.	\$ 89.00

TOTAL Payroll Expense	\$ 2,075.26
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TOTAL OUTFLOWS	\$ 10,925.77
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NET CASH +/-	\$ 3,559.50
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NOTES:

A) Office Expense includes payroll tax service renewal

B) Telephone/Internet includes CableOne & Integra

C) Copier Payment not paid until renegotiation with copier vendor is completed.

TREASURE VALLEY INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE
GROUP DONATIONS FEBRUARY, 2017

<u>Date</u>	<u>Group Name</u>	<u>Donation Amount</u>
Group Donations		
02/01/2017	Touchstones Men's Meeting	20.00
02/02/2017	Stepping N2 Serenity	240.63
02/03/2017	His and Hers Speaker Meeting	50.00
02/07/2017	Women In Fellowship	120.00
02/07/2017	Saturday Night Live	20.00
02/08/2017	Seekers	28.97
02/09/2017	LEST WE FORGET	100.00
02/11/2017	Sobriety Seekers	166.00
02/11/2017	Serenity Seeking Sisters	40.00
02/13/2017	District 5	2,471.07
02/13/2017	As Bill Sees It	243.35
02/13/2017	As Bill Sees It	293.30
02/15/2017	Welcome Home Nampa	20.00
02/15/2017	How It Works-Nampa	25.00
02/17/2017	Happy Hour Group	0.57
02/18/2017	Serenity Seekers	200.00
02/21/2017	Mark McD.	55.10
02/21/2017	Primary Purpose	30.00
02/21/2017	Happy Hour Group	125.00
02/24/2017	Live & Let Live	100.00
02/24/2017	This Too Shall Pass Meeting	200.00
02/24/2017	Lunch Bunch	75.47
02/27/2017	High Nooners	56.00
02/28/2017	McCall Back to Basics	125.00
Total Group Donations		<u>\$ 4,805.46</u>

THANK YOU SO MUCH TO THE GRATITUDE DINNER (DISTRICT 5) AND
THANK YOU SO MUCH, TO ALL HOME GROUPS FOR DONATIONS!



**Treasure Valley Intergroup Meeting Minutes
February 21, 2017**

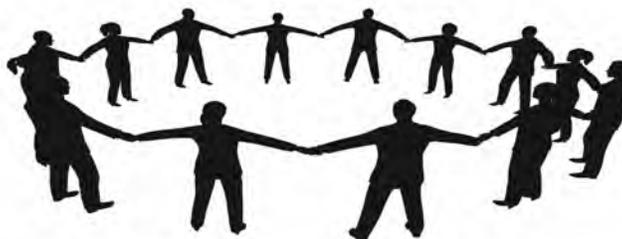
1. Steve C/Intergroup Chair opened meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.
2. Intergroup Statement of Purpose not available at this time. 12 Traditions recited by members in attendance.
3. Secretary: Elaine B:
Elaine reported minutes were emailed and two changes were made and emailed again. Mark S. motioned minutes be accepted as emailed, seconded, motion carried.
4. Treasurer Report, Christine C.:
Christine reported bank balance of \$622.20. The change of account and signature change from Janice Mc. to Christine C. occurred on Saturday. Steve will meet up with Christine to be added to the account for signature purposes. Mark S. motioned for treasurer's report to be accepted as written, seconded, motion carried.
5. Assistant Intergroup Chair – Mark S.
5.1 EIN number 1738 was posted in Slippery When Wet newsletter. A flyer will be sent out to members to share with their home groups. Conflict is: this is the last 4 digits of EIN number for Central Office and groups need to have their own for tax purposes. **(OPEN)**
6. Intergroup Chair – Steve C.
7. Entertainment Chair – Mark S.
 - 7.1 Mark reported event was well attended with good feedback. Financial breakdown report distributed for Super Bowl Extravaganza. Net received from event: \$65.53. **7.1.1** Left-over pork frozen for Mack's Creek Campout. **7.1.2** Mark suggested not supplying main dish next year but have chili cook-off and potluck instead. **7.1.3** Mark thanked those who volunteered to help with the event. It was greatly appreciated.
 - 7.2 Founder's Day Picnic: waiting for a call back from lady asked to be Sunday Speaker, but Ed L. confirmed as speaker for Saturday at the picnic.
 - 7.3 Lefty Callahan Float was suggested to be a picnic/cookout in the park. Mark suggested it be taken to groups for feedback. **(OPEN)** **7.3.1** Marti H. stated Lefty Callahan float has outgrown its original members and its original format. AA events tend to be individual oriented rather than family and members are supporting other activities that incorporate families. Suggestion made to re-invent the event and maybe make it more family-friendly.
 - 7.4 Halloween event – Mark asked if members could take it to groups and see if one would like to host the event. If interest is made, it was suggested a lead time with a save-the-date flyer be submitted. **(OPEN)**
 - 7.5 New Year's Solution – Mark asked if Intergroup should pursue this, maybe a simple buffet dinner with dancing and having limited tickets for sale. Suggestion made to take it to groups for feedback. **(OPEN)**
 - 7.6 Mark continues to look for home groups and individuals to help for all events. Anyone interested can call Mark at (208) 559-5891 or email him at markaa2005@gmail.com **(OPEN)**
8. Webmaster – Travis S.
 - 8.1 Website 122 page visitors and had 177 visitors. Registration for visitors is up and running.
 - 8.2 Domain name transfer issues - a lot of time invested to get a new name. One hosting company has offered to give 1yr free domain in order to give Intergroup time to notify fellowship of change in website address. Currently, TVICO.net is still available. Web hosting and domain name would go through Central Office so they have full control of content. Having an SSL certificate secures the site with personal information. This will allow for an online store. We are currently using a shared domain name and SSL certificate. Mark motioned to move to TVICO.net and obtain SSL certificate, seconded, motion carried. **(OPEN)**
9. Slippery When Wet Editor – Brenda M. **9.1** Need approval for financial clearance, obtained by vote from Steering Committee members in attendance. Approval granted to print financials.
10. Answering Service – Suzanne A.
 - 10.1 Answering service changed from Integra to Cable One. **10.1.1** Issues remain for transferring calls from one volunteer to another. It was determined the issues lie with Cable One service. Mark suggested sending an email to volunteers taking calls to have the person who is going to take calls contact Cable One to get calls transferred to them. Steering Committee will look into this issue for resolution. **(OPEN)** **10.1.2** Everyone on calendar is currently active in participation. There are 130 volunteers on the 12-Step Call list.
 - 10.2 Suzanne will be absent from Intergroup attendance starting March 27th. She will email report each month.
 - 10.3 12-Step Workshop attendance was low with 6 attendees, but participation was good. **10.3.1** District 4 asked if one could be held in Nampa/Caldwell area possibly in June. Currently this will be on hold. **(OPEN)**
 - 10.4 Chili cook-off: District 5 is in planning mode and getting a panel ready for the cook-off. It was suggested to have a theme for the cook-off and a panel of 4. **(OPEN)**
11. TSNAC Representative: Vacant – Steve B read Susanna M/TSNAC Chairperson's report for TSNAC
 - 11.1 The March/April 2017 TSNAC Events Calendar submitted to Intergroup Reps. Monthly TSNAC Business Meetings listed. April event includes April 22nd IDOC (Idaho Dept of Corrections) Volunteer training, Saturday 8:30-3pm at 1301 N. Orchard, Boise. Susanna will be at the training and is inviting and encouraging interested volunteers to join her. There is a strong need for both men and women volunteers to help bring meetings to all the prisons.
 - 11.2 Our TSNAC West Area Chair, John H. will be presenting at the Area 18 March Pre-conference Assembly, discussing the need for ASL signers through TSNAC. Treasure Valley TSNAC has a 2017 goal for at least one open meeting in the valley to offer ASL signing for our deaf members. The need is there.

(Intergroup Minutes Continued)

- 11.3 2017 “TSNAC Awareness BBQ” June 3rd ‘Save the Date’ flyer submitted to TVICO Webmaster for posting on the TVICO event page. Travis reported flyer has been added to the event page.
- 11.4 Our Corrections Chair is stepping down the end of March. The Corrections Sub-Committee will be split between Men and Women’s Correction services. TSNAC has a woman member step up as the new Women’s Correction Chair and be approved at the March TSNAC Business Meeting. TSNAC is still recruiting for a willing member to step up and serve as the Men’s Correction Chair.
- 11.5 Marti mentioned Owyhee, Nevada has had a couple AA members calling in to mention they do not have any members with sobriety in attendance at their meetings to chair the meeting. They are also asking for donation of books, sponsors, chairpersons. It’s unsure if District 2 or District 4. Someone has volunteered to take books down so shipping costs would be avoided. Marti asked if Steve could take it back to TSNAC and see if they would donate some books.
12. CPC/PI Representative: Vacant
13. BACYPAA Representative – Graham F. and Steven B.
- 13.1 Valentine’s Day Dance had low attendance
- 13.2 Members show interest in volunteering for Spring Assembly, maybe entertainment. Mark suggested they follow up with District 4.
14. 7th Tradition - \$42.00
15. Group Announcements
- 15.1 Mark reported District 4 is hosting 2017 Spring Assembly. Volunteers still needed.
16. Central Office Financial Breakdown, Teri K.
- 16.1 January report read by Teri K. See attached report.
- 16.2 Northpoint is planning to start bulk ordering from Central Office. We will be delivering to two treatment facilities.
17. Steering Committee Report, Marti H.:
- 17.1 We have made a lot of changes this past month in order to save the groups money.
- 17.2 We negotiated a new photocopier contract. 17.2.1 The contract for the new copier is a saving of \$206.40 per month.
- 17.2.2 We switched the phone service to Cable One dropping the answering service. 17.2.3 Total Savings to the fellowship: \$410.24
- 17.3 We lowered the soft cover Big Books to \$10.00 and the hard cover Big Books to \$10.50. We also lowered the soft cover Twelve by Twelve to \$9.00 and the hard cover Twelve by Twelve to \$9.50. We have made the GSO Mark-Up 30% to pass on further savings to the fellowship.
- 17.4 Central Office’s new employee is Jeanette J. We now have Margo, Tony, and Jeanette.
- 17.5 Rent increased per month, but we are still in the black.
- 17.5.1 Thank you to the Gratitude Dinner donation \$2,471.07!!! Thanks to all the groups for your continued support.
18. Old Business
- 18.1 Committee to Re-Write By-Laws update – Mark asked for input on draft for updated By-Laws emailed to members. Several members made recommendations on changes to wording, suggestions for clarification on items, and grammatical errors. Suzanne motioned to table topic until March meeting, seconded, motion carried. **(OPEN)**
- 18.2 Passport program revisited – Brett asked about the program as some members showed an interest in this program. Mark stated it has been tabled and will be revisited after Spring Assembly event is over. **(OPEN)**
19. New Business
- 19.1 Steve C proposed a change Intergroup Meeting date to original time slot 2nd Thursday of the month.
- 19.2 Mark proposed to change meeting start time to 6pm rather than 7pm. This would allow members to still have personal time at home in the evening.
- 19.3 Steve C also proposed the keep Steering Committee Meeting as scheduled on the Tuesday prior to the Intergroup Meeting. This would allow more discussion time for the members and time for financial report to be approved prior to submitting it to Intergroup.
- 19.4 Mark motioned to change Intergroup Meeting to 2nd Thursday of the month starting at 6pm, seconded, motion carried. Next Intergroup Meeting will be March 9th at 6pm at Central Office. **(CLOSED)**
- 19.5 Grapevine shut down: Mark will update meeting schedule. Pending new location will be placed on all meetings affected by Grapevine shutdown. Notify Mark S. of any updates to the meeting locations. **(OPEN)**
20. Mark motioned for meeting to adjourn, seconded, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine B/Intergroup Secretary



TVICO Special Steering Committee (S.C.) Meeting Minutes For February 13, 2017

1. Meeting called to order by Marti H./Chairperson.
2. Committee members present. Marti H. Chairperson/District 3 S.C. Representative; Stan N. District 4 S.C. Representative; Kathie W. District 8 S.C. Representative; Christine C. Intergroup Treasurer/S.C. Representative; Mark S. Intergroup Co-Chairperson/S.C. Representative; Steve C. Intergroup Chairperson/S.C. Representative; and Teri K. S.C. Accountant.
3. Old Business. 3.1. The committee discussed the new copier contract from Valley Office Systems. Kathie W. motioned to accept the proposal, motion seconded, motion carried. (CLOSED) 3.2. Marti H. informed the committee that Jeanette was hired as a part time employee, hours to be determined. (CLOSED)
4. New Business. None
5. The next committee meeting will be February 28, 2017 at 6:00 pm in Central Office.
6. Meeting Adjourned.

//SIGNED// Mark S. Acting Steering Committee Secretary

The Final Draft of the new Bylaws for Intergroup and the Treasure Valley Intergroup Central Office are currently being reviewed by groups for input. The new Bylaws will be approved soon. Here is what the Preamble looks like:

In all its proceedings, Intergroup and the Treasure Valley Intergroup Central Office (TVICO) Steering Committee shall observe the spirit of Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) tradition's, taking great care that it never becomes the seat of perilous wealth or power; that sufficient operating funds, plus ample reserve, be its prudent financial principle; that none of its members shall ever be placed in a position of unqualified authority over any of the others; that all important decisions be reached by discussion, vote, and whenever possible by substantial unanimity; that no Intergroup action ever be personally punitive, or an incitement to public controversy; that though it may act for the service of Alcoholics Anonymous groups in the greater Treasure Valley, it shall never perform any acts of government; and that, like the society of Alcoholics Anonymous, it will always remain democratic in thought and action.

(The above is adapted from The Third Legacy Manual of A.A. World Service and co-founder Bill W's Twelve Concepts of World Service as adopted by the General Service Conference on April 26, 1962.)

Coming Events

April 8. 10 A.M., 2017 Service Workshop and Chili Cook-Off. Five Mile Church of the Nazarene, 2701 S. Five Mile Rd., Boise ID.

April 22. 5th Annual Women's AA Luncheon. Courtyard Marriott Hotel, 1789 S. Eagle Rd., Meridian. Jeanette J. 867-7631.

May 12-14. Idaho Area 18 Spring Assembly. Nampa Civic Center 311 3rd St. South, Nampa, ID. Online Registration: TVICO.INFO/Idaho Area 18 AA 2017 Spring Assembly. Mark S. 559-5891 or Christine C. 629-6029.

June 3. 4 P.M.—8 P.M. 14th Annual TSNAC AWARENESS FUNDRAISER BBQ. <http://handi.idahoarea18aa.org>

June 9-11. Founders Day Picnic and Campout. Mack's Creek Campgrounds, Lucky Peak, ID. Mark S. 559-5891. Reserve camp site at: www.recreation.gov/MacksCreekPark.

For more Intergroup information please visit: <http://tvico.info/> or Idahoarea18.org

SUCCESS

IN THE GARDEN OF TEMPTATION

5th Annual Women's AA Luncheon

Saturday
April 22, 2017

GUEST SPEAKER

Author Lorie Dwinell, celebrating 40 years of sobriety

10:30am — Social hour and silent auction

11:30 — Buffet

2:00pm — Event conclusion

\$32.95 registration fee includes:

- ♥ soup and salad buffet
- ♥ surprise gift
- ♥ entry into drawing for \$500 prize
- ♥ "home group" basket contest
- ♥ raffle and auction items

(debit and credit cards accepted for raffle tickets and auction items)

Register by April 18, 2017

Pay online through PayPal (use friends and family to avoid charges)
or detach and return bottom portion with check payment

Courtyard by Marriott
1789 S. Eagle Road
Meridian, Idaho



Make checks payable to Women's AA Luncheon and send to P.O. Box 191246, Boise, ID 83719

Pay with credit/debit card at PayPal.com

Amount enclosed \$ _____ (\$32.95 per person)

Name: _____ Home Group: _____

Phone: _____ Address: _____

E-mail: _____ Scholarship Donation: _____

Contact Jeanette at 208-867-7631 for registration information or details on donating raffle items, auction items, or baskets

Idaho Area 18 AA Spring Assembly/Convention

SUPPORTING OUR FUTURE

Nampa Civic Center
311 Third Street South
Nampa, Idaho 83651



Individual meals
may be purchased
without
registration.

Hosted by District 4

For more information, contact Mark S. (208) 559-5891 or Christine C. (208) 629-6029

Friday, May 12 th , 2017		Saturday May 13 th , 2017	
1:00 pm	Registration Open	6:00 am	Hospitality Suite Opens
1:00 pm	Hospitality Suite Open	9:00 am	Business Meeting
4:00 pm	Alkathon begins	9:30 am	Morning Roundtables Begin
7:00 pm	Speaker: James B. and George S. Roundtable Workshops (DCM, GSR, TSNAC, CPC/PI, Grapevine, SICYPAA and Archives)	11:00 am	Morning Roundtables End
8:30 pm	Registration Closed	11:30 am	Business Meeting Break
9:00 pm	Hospitality Suite Closed	11:30 am	Al-Anon Luncheon Speaker TBD
11:00 pm		1:00 pm	Business Meeting Resumes
		1:30 pm	Afternoon Roundtables Begin
Sunday, May 14 th , 2016		3:00 pm	Afternoon Roundtables End
6:00 am	Hospitality Suite Open	5:30 pm	Business Meeting Ends
9:00 am	Alkathon ends	7:00 pm	Banquet
	Spiritual Breakfast	8:00 pm	Speaker: Bob W.
9:00 am	Speaker: Nellie L.	9:45 pm	Entertainment: 30's to Now Music
		11:00 pm	Hospitality Suite Closed

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION ENDS APRIL 15th

AA District #: _____ Home Group: _____

Al-Anon District #: _____ Service Position: GSR DCM
 Delegate Past Delegate
 Area Committee

Please let us know if you have special needs. It will be our honor to assist you.

Special Needs: _____

Event	Early	Regular	Name: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Registration	\$20	\$25	Address: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Al-Anon Luncheon	\$18	\$22	Phone: () _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Dinner Buffet	\$32	\$35	Email: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Beef <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian			
<input type="checkbox"/> Spiritual Breakfast Buffet	\$20	\$24	
<input type="checkbox"/> Coffee Mug	\$6	\$6	

Total: \$ _____ | \$ _____

Mail completed Registration forms with check or money order to: Idaho Area 18 2017 Spring Assembly, P.O. Box 1408, Caldwell ID 83606

SAVE THE DATE!

SATURDAY June 3rd 4PM-8PM
Kleiner Park, Meridian

TSNAC  AWARENESS



14th Annual Fundraiser

100% Proceeds Support Our
PINK CAN Literature Fund

TSNAC  12th Step in ACTION

Contact us: http://handi.idahoarea18aa.org/contact_us.html

*We Bring Meetings to those who cannot reach us
and We Build Bridges to those in transition.*

Special Thanks to our 2017 Planning Committee "BROAD HIGHWAY" Meeting, STAR



Treasure Valley Intergroup
Central Office
1111 S. Orchard Suite 180
Boise, ID 83705

It's Coming! Remember to set your clocks an hour ahead on Sunday, March 12th! Time to Spring Forward!

First Day of Spring is March 20th!!

