

"The point is, that we are willing to grow along spiritual lines"
From Chapter Five of the book, "Alcoholics Anonymous."

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Central Office Hosts 55th Anniversary Party And Open House

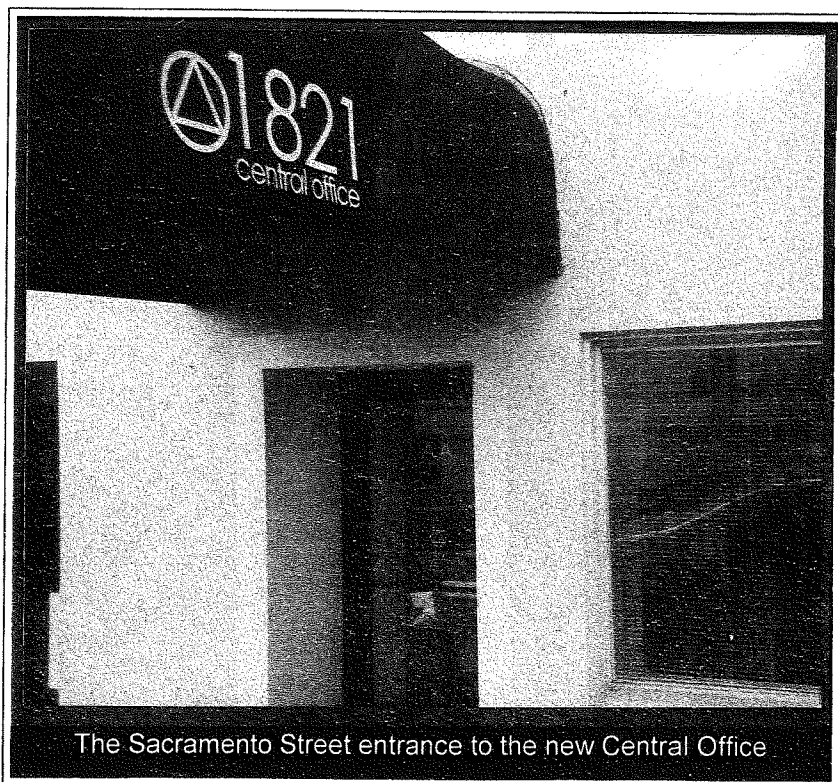
Saturday, January 26, 2002, 2:00 pm, 1821 Sacramento, San Francisco

The Central Office will host an open-house on Saturday, January 26 at its new location, 1821 Sacramento Street, just west of Van Ness Avenue. All A.A. members in San Francisco and Marin are welcome to attend the party, from 2 - 4 pm.

January 27 is the 55th anniversary of the San Francisco Central Office. On that date in 1947, after protracted debate, it was decided there was a need for an A.A. office that was *not* a club, but rather a service and business office for the Fellowship. (There

had been an Alano Club in San Francisco for about 2 years previous to this.) The first Central Office was set up at 693 Sutter Street (near Taylor Street), where it remained for about 4 1/2 years.

Our Central Office has undergone many changes over the years, and has moved five times now, but its primary purpose has never changed: to be a central point of contact for Alcoholics Anonymous in our community at large, and especially to the alcoholic who still suffers. ☺



The Sacramento Street entrance to the new Central Office

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
February 2002 ... In the Fellowship <i>Secretaries: Please make these announcements to your groups</i>					1	2
3	4	5	FIRST WED 6 * (IFB): Intercounty Fellowship Board: 1187 Franklin, SF 7:00 pm * Spirit of SF Committee 1329 Irving/7th (church) 7 pm	7	8	9
10	SECOND MON 11 * SF Public Information Committee: 1821 Sacramento, SF; 7:00p	SECOND TUE 12 * Bridging the Gap: 1101 O'Farrell , SF; 6:30pm * General Service: 1101 O'Farrell, SF Orientation: 7:00p Reg. Meeting: 7:45p * Marin H&I: Lagunitas & Shady Lane, Ross 7 pm	SECOND WED 13 * Marin Bridging the Gap 1360 Lincoln, (Alano Club) San Rafael, 7:15p	14	15	16
17	THIRD MON 18 * SF Teleservice 1821 Sacramento, SF; 6:30pm * Marin General Service 9 Ross Valley Rd. San Rafael 7:00pm GSR Sharing; 8:00pm District Mtg.	THIRD TUE 19 * San Mateo General Service: St. Andrews Ch. 15th & El Camino, San Mateo; 7:30p	20	21	22	FOURTH SAT 23 * General Service: CNCA Bus. Mtg: 320 N. McDowell Petaluma; DCMCs: 10:30am Main Meeting:12n
LAST SUN 24 * Living Sober 1668 Bush, SF; 5:30p * 2900 Steering Committee: 2900 24th St., SF 12:15 pm	25	FOURTH TUE 26 * Marin Teleservice 1360 Lincoln (Alano Club), San Rafael: 7:30p	27	LAST THU 28 * SF H&I Old First Church, Sacramento & VanNess Orientation: 7:15p Regular Meeting: 8pm FOURTH THU * Marin PI: 1360 Lincoln, (Alano Club) San Rafael, 7:15pm		

This calendar lists local AA service and conference planning *meetings*, as well as any local AA related *events* of which the Central Office has been notified. Please call Mark at the Central Office (674-1821) by the 19th of the previous month if you would like your event listed.

COMING EVENTS

2002

Call 415-674-1821 or visit the Central Office for copies of any flyers of interest to you or your group.
Local events are shaded; flyers of current local events, if available, are printed on page 13.

Feb 1 - 3	27th Annual San Fernando Valley AA Convention - Burbank, CA
Feb 14 - 17	38th Annual International AA Women's Conference—Denver, CO
Feb 22 - 24	7th Annual Thailand Roundup - Pattaya, Thailand
Mar 16	San Francisco Public Information (PI / CPC) Workshop - Central Office, 1821 Sacramento, 11:00am
Mar 22	2900 24th St. 2nd Annual Anniversary Meeting & Potluck - 7:30pm Potluck; 8:30pm A.A. Speaker Panel; 9:30pm Raffle
Mar 29 - 31	Northern California Council of Alcoholics Anonymous (NCCAA) - Monterey, CA (Convention Center)
Apr 5 - 7	ACYPA 2002 (All California Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous) - Modesto, CA
Apr 12 - 14	14th Annual Big Island Bash - Kailua-Kona, Hawaii (email: kengold@aloha.net)
Apr 26 - 28	Southern California H&I Conference - Irvine (Orange County), CA
May 17 - 19	3rd Annual Olympic Roundup - Port Angeles, WA
June 28 - 30	30th Annual H & I Conference - Santa Rosa, CA (Veterans Memorial Bldg., 1351 Maple Av.)



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Letters to Point

Central Office 55th Anniversary

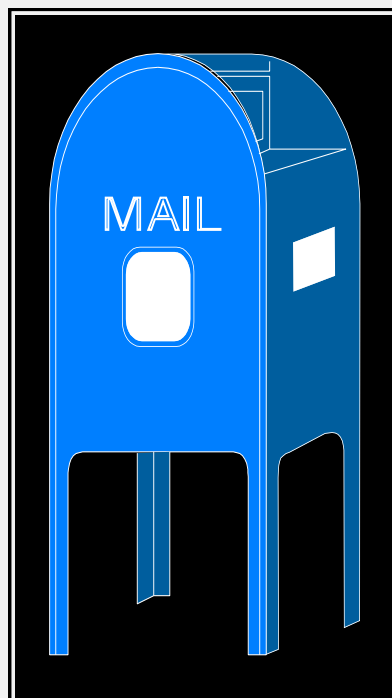
I want to take this opportunity to thank the staff at our Central Office for hosting a wonderful 'open-house' on Saturday, January 26, at our new office space on Sacramento Street.

The open-house was in recognition of the 55th Anniversary of the opening of the AA Central Office in San Francisco. It also served as an opportunity for folks to stop in and look around the new digs and view the many archival items on display.

Our interim Central Office Manager, Mark M. did a great job of preparing everything for the large crowd that turned out to enjoy food and fellowship. Everything was just perfect. Mark deserves accolades for his hard work in making it all possible. He was ably assisted by our interim Special Worker, Mike.

So, Mark and Mike, on behalf of the IFB, thank you for a job well done. And thanks to all the folks who took time out of their busy weekend afternoon to come by and fill the place with AA love.

Ben Niehaus
Chair,
Intercounty Fellowship Board



... then



An early letter written by Bill W. to Ray H., one of the original A.A. members in San Francisco. This was the era when Bill was 'stumping the country', trying to 'sell' the idea of the 12 Traditions and what eventually became the General Service Conference.

and now...

This letter was sent to the local fellowship from the A.A. General Service Office, in recognition of the 55th anniversary of the Central Office in San Francisco.



Central Office News

Tell us if you like the *Central Office News* page... (we're experimenting here!)

⊕ Central Office 55th Anniversary / Open House

The Central Office celebrated both its 55th Anniversary and its new home on Sacramento Street last Saturday, from 2 to 4pm. The turnout was particularly large this year, and everyone seemed to have a good time.

The staff and several board members have been busy sifting through many boxes of old archival material, and have built a major display in the new office, filled with interesting old newspaper and magazine articles, and old memorabilia from the very early days of A.A. in San Francisco. (If you are interested in A.A. history, drop by the office. The display will stay up for some time.) Mark M., Interim Central Office Manager, read a tribute to local A.A. written by Greg M., Manager of the General Service Office in New York (see page 5). He also noted how moving it is to listen to the 12th Step work going on in the background, day in and day out, at Central Office. Few of us ever know how we touch the lives of those just getting sober.

⊕ 12th Step list is Currently Being Updated

The 12th Step list is currently being updated. The San Francisco list, which is used both by office volunteers during the business day, and Teleservice volunteers during off-hours, currently has about 80 names on it. (The Marin Teleservice committee maintains the Marin 12th Step list). The folks on the 12th Step list occasionally receive calls from other 12-steppers, asking if they could call or connect with someone reaching out to A.A. for help. This year, we will be adding a new question to the list: Would you be willing to be a member of a small team that takes A.A. meetings to someone who is hospitalized? If you are interested in being on the 12th Step list, call Mark in the Central Office immediately, 674-1821. (The list will be finalized soon.)

Local A.A. Website is Being Remodeled

⊕ Just a reminder that our local A.A. Website is in the process of being remodeled. We have chosen two new domain names: www.aasf.info and www.aamarin.info. Both names point to the same site, and the old name (aa-san-francisco.org) will continue to also work for another year as well). To date, there is nothing new on the website - but a lot of work is being done in the background on the IFB's website committee. Very soon, the site will have a whole new look, with new features. Bearing in mind that the Traditions have a lot to say about what is wise website policy, we welcome input from interested members: Send email regarding this to: ideas@aa-san-francisco.org

Service in the Central Office: We're Looking for a Few Good Alcoholics...

⊕ The Central Office is always in need of a few more people to take phone shifts. If you have been sober for over a year, and have the kind of schedule that would permit you to commit to a regular shift of at least 2 hours a week, please call the office (674-1821) and talk to Mike or Mark. The office is also actively looking for someone who could donate a fair amount of time managing parts of our printing operation. If you're in your first year of sobriety, or between jobs, or otherwise have lots of spare time - perhaps you're wondering what on earth to do with the rest of your life? - this humble volunteer job might have your sponsor singing the Alleluia Chorus.

4th Edition of the Big Book Sales

⊕ What can we say! Sales are UP! Not that we're interested much in sales - we're interested in the BOOK, and getting it 'out there'! To date, 3,252 4th Edition Big Books have been sold locally.

Focus on the 12 Concepts

Concept TWO

CONCEPT TWO

"The General Service Conference of AA has become, for nearly every practical purpose, the active voice and the effective conscience of our whole Society in its world affairs.

What does this mean? I thought that WE, the individual members and groups of AA had the say so about everything. Well, they, and we, do. But it was recognized that there are certain functions that that must be accomplished that could not be done practically without a delegation of responsibility and authority. Without this, much of the important work of AA would not get done.

Therefore, the General Service Conference was established and the delegates effectively give voice to the overall group conscience of AA.

Okay, so what does that have to do with us, out here in San Francisco? How does it apply to our day to day life in AA?

While, strictly speaking, the Concepts of World Service don't apply anywhere but at the General Service Conference and its related entities, the principles contained in them are very sound, having been tested over and over again. Therefore, it behooves us, here in San Francisco and Marin, as well as other groups and intergroups around the country (and elsewhere) to follow them as trusted guidelines in our operations.

An example that leaps to mind is the one I mentioned last month in the discussion of Concept 1, the annual budget for the intercounty fellowship. I tried to show how, due to 'logistical' problems, it's not practical for the budget to be done in any way other than by the IFB.

But, the key element in this and other activities carried out by

the Board is that the delegate, or, in this case, the intergroup representative, be well attuned to the wishes of the group he or she represents. If the rep *is* well attuned, it can be assured that, when the rep votes at the IFB meeting, the voice of the rep's group is being heard.

Of course, there will be times when the rep has to operate outside the parameters of what is "known" as being the groups wishes. What then? Well, the rep then makes a decision, based on his or her best understanding of how the group 'might' vote.

I liken the process to this: Say we, all the fellowship in San Francisco were a group of investors in the private world, and we decided to construct an office building. We hire teams of architects, engineers and construction people to do the job.

Essentially, even though we, as the owners/investors have the final say so on everything, in reality, only the most major issues are brought to us, such as how the building will look, how many floors it will have, decor...that sort of thing.

However, we leave it up to the 'experts', the architects, engineers and construction folks to handle the specifics...distance between load bearing walls, spacing of rivets, where to run electrical conduits and plumbing...

If such matters were continually brought to our attention, even though we are the owners and ultimate bosses, our building would never get built. But, since we have told the 'experts' what we want, we can safely leave it to them to act in our best interests and make decisions to ensure the successful completion of our building.

And, so it is with our AA business here in San Francisco and Marin County. We trust our intergroup representatives to express our "group conscience" in matters coming before the Intercounty Fellowship Board and allow them to 'take care of business'...get our building constructed and running.

Respectfully submitted,

Ben N.

Ben N. is currently Chair of the Intercounty Fellowship Board

San Francisco Memories - Part IV

Time marches on - and yet another local Oldtimer is gone. May his experience strength and hope live forever.

My memories take me back to sometime in July 1945. I had been going each week on Wednesday nights to our group at 143 Bush Street, San Francisco. This was our Alano Club and also where we had our weekly A.A. meetings.

The only part of the A.A. program that I was willing consider for myself was the first step, at least part of the first step. I was powerless over alcohol and that was all. I wasn't ready to say that my life was unmanageable...

In the beginning I went to A.A. meetings to get my family, my boss and my friends off my back... thinking to be able to have a few beers and what not, later on when things cooled off a bit. I was a real phony, but I did stay sober with nary a drink of any kind.

I was very lucky and fortunate to have Ray H. for my sponsor and he was very patient with me. Physically I was feeling very good. My biggest problem was the terrible dreams I was having. I would dream of drinking and lying to Ray and my A.A. friends in A.A. that I was sober. I talked to Ray, my sponsor, about my problem and my dreams. His response was "What do you mean your life was manageable? You said you were a steady customer at the San Francisco drunk tank, you lost time from work, physically and financially you were having a very

difficult time." We talked at length several times and also about

the second step - that a power greater than myself could restore me to sanity. To me that power was the A.A. group I was a member of and the members that had become my friends.

Ray also told me about his being able to be honest with his sponsor and accepting with reservations the first three steps. He felt without honestly accepting and applying these steps to his daily life he would no longer be accepting the A.A. program as a way of life and he did not want any part of the hell he went through before A.A..

I became totally honest with Ray and got rid of most of the crap and B.S. I had stored up in my mind and honestly accepted the first two steps with the knowledge they would have more meaning as I practiced the principles involved in those steps.

The third step, *Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him* was harder. I was probably an agnostic at that time so I did not understand God. Having to become honest about the first two steps and having to admit a power greater than myself could restore me to sanity wasn't easy. Ray and I were talking about this power one night and he admitted having made a decision to turn his life over to God as he understood him through the meetings and

members of A.A.. He suggested, "Why not thank God for this day of sobriety?" I was tired and went home and to bed - my family was already asleep. I will never forget, I did thank God for this day of

sobriety and I went to sleep. The most peaceful sleep I had ever had. When I awoke the next morning I was so at peace with myself - at peace mentally and in every way. My life had a very new and meaningful feeling of really being alive.

There became a crusade within myself to really get acquainted with "God my father" and seek His guidance each day and to seek knowledge of His will for me. This has been a gradual process in my search for Spiritual meaning in my life. I never go to sleep until I thank God for the day of sobriety and the beauty of His world.

I feel it is very important to have a sponsor...

Chip F. died near Yreka on October 4, 2001 - 3 months shy of 57 years sober. This is the fourth of five "Memories" articles written by Chip about Alcoholics Anonymous in San Francisco in the 1940s

The Central Office Archives contains many items from this early era, including numerous writings of Chip's sponsor, Ray H.

IFB Meeting Minutes

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Regular Monthly Meeting Inter-County Fellowship Board

Unitarian Center
1187 Franklin Street
San Francisco, California

December 5, 2001 Minutes

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The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Ben N. followed by the Serenity Prayer.

ROLL

Alex H.	Too Early	A	Margaret H.	Fairfax 7 am	A ***
Anne G.	Friday Sunset Niners	A **	Mark M.	Central Office Manager	P
Ardis J.	As Bill Sees It – 7 AM Fri	P	Pat M.	Treasurer & As Bill Sees It	P
Ben N.	Sunset Speaker Step	P	Patrick C.	Work in Progress	P
Bill R.	Castro Discussion	P	Paul C.	Waterfront Group	P
Bob B.	Tuesday Daily Reflections	Resigned	Paul P.	PI/CPC	A
Casey L.	Tiburon Monday Night Stag	P	Ray M.	Sunday Rap	P
Charles M.	Federal Speaker	P	Reginald J.	On Awakening – Daily	A
Damon B.	Tuesday Downtown	P	Samuel S.	New Wednesday High Noon	P
Danny F.	Each Day A New Beginning	P	Shannon O.	A Step Beyond	A
David D.	Fell Street Step Study	Resigned	Smithy B.	10 Years After	P
Ellen C.	Big Book Basics	P	Steve P.	Richmond Big Book	A **
Frank B.	Sun Each Day a New Beginning	P	Stu S.	No Reservation	P
George S.	S.F. General Service	P	Tim H.	SF Teleservice	P
J. E.	Friendly Circle Beginners	A	Tim M.	San Mateo General Service	A
Jay H.	Gay Beginners Q&A	P	Tom K.	Common Welfare	P
Jeff T.	Sunday Sober Sunday	P	Tracy R.	Tuesday Sunset Niners	P
Jim D.	Happy Joyous & Free	P	Zoe B.	Mill Valley 7AM	Visitor
Jim H.	Alta Plaza CPMC	P			
John Y.	First Place	P			
Kade H.	Fireside Chat	P			
Ken C.	Marin General Service	P			
Ken Y.	As Bill Sees It	P			
Larry F.	Mid-Morning Support	A			
Luis M.	Tuesday 7 am Smokeless	A **			
Manuel S.	Sesame Step	A			

* Asterisks indicate number of consecutive absences recorded. (Only group reps or their designated alternates vote—others, liaisons, visitors from SF/Marin fellowship, etc. are non-voting attendees.)

A. REVIEW OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved with the following change: Damon B.'s request that ASL assistance for Tuesday Downtown come ahead of any other business. The Chair noted it would come immediately after elections and Budget.

B. REVIEW OF MINUTES: The minutes of the November 2001 meeting were approved.

C. IFB REPORTS:

Chair's Report: Ben N. announced that he is new to the position of Chair and asked for the Board's patience as he learns the job. He introduced Tracy R. as Acting Secretary for tonight and made available the resignation letters of Bob B., Past Chair, and David D., Past Secretary. Ben encouraged everyone to read the St. Francis Prayer on page 99 of the *Twelve and Twelve*.

Treasurer's Report: November Group Contributions, October 31 Balance Sheet, Year-to-Date and October Profit & Loss Statement were distributed. Pat M. remarked that October contributions fell short although we are self-supporting for the year. We depend on group contributions as literature sales comprise an insignificant portion of income. Cash flow mechanics for move expenses were explained. Pat requested that we ask our group Treasurers to forward Gratitude Month contributions without delay and that we lead by example by contributing \$2 or more when the basket is passed. Bill R. asked if it were possible to have year-to-year comparisons on

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the P&L.

Central Office Manager's Report: Mark M., Interim Manager, submitted a written report. He provided an update on the move, which overall is good although some details are still being worked out. The 4th Edition of the Big Book is expected at any time, schedules and *The Point* are printed on schedule, an update to the 12th Step list is underway, and phones are fully staffed. Mark solicited assistance for the December 15 Holiday Party and Auction with Ben N., Mark M., and Ray M. volunteering for the Host Committee and Alex H., Charles M., and Paul C. volunteering for the Market Street Cleanup Committee. Mark also discussed having total group contribution reporting in *The Point* showing current month and year-to-date contributions by all groups. Although no motion was made, the Board was generally in consensus with this suggestion.

Central Office Committee Report: Stu S. reported for the Committee, noting that Mark provided an update on the move and that most of the meeting was spent discussing the events at the November IFB meeting and the COC's part in them, which culminated in an invitation to the IFB to discuss the events at group level. There was no discussion.

D. SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

1. Election of Vice Chair. Ardis J., Bill R., Danny F., and Paul C. made themselves available for this position. Using Third Legacy procedure, Bill R. was elected on the fourth ballot. This caused the vacancy of an at-large member of the Central Office Committee.
2. Vacancy on COC. Ardis J., Danny F., Jeff T., Paul C., and Sam S. made themselves available for this seat. The Nominating Committee, comprised of Frank B., Ellie C., and Reggie J., will poll IFB members absent tonight and report the names of those qualified to serve at January's IFB meeting.
3. Election of Secretary. Ken Y. was elected Secretary by acclamation.
4. 2002 Budget. Bill Rowe presented the proposed 2002 budget, explaining how numbers were arrived at, emphasizing that a budget is a journey, not a destination. He fielded questions. Ardis J. moved "that the budget be taken back to the groups for feedback and approval at the January IFB meeting." Charles M. seconded. After deliberation of the merits and liabilities of taking complex matters back to groups and restatement of the motion, it failed with a vote of 5 for, 19 against, and no abstentions. Ben N. called for a motion "that the IFB adopt the 2002 budget as presented," Danny F. seconded and this motion passed with a vote of 22 for, none against, and 2 abstentions.
5. ASL Assistance for Tuesday Downtown. Damon B. noted that his group was not meeting their expenses and resulting from an inventory, they would like assistance from the IFB to pay half the cost of ASL translators which presently averages \$88 to \$95 per week. Discussion ensued as to what the group's expenses are, how many benefit from the service, and the absence of a written request per the Special Needs Policy adopted in August. Damon's motion, "for support from AA as a whole through the IFB for ASL translator fees of \$44 per week for budget year 2002" was seconded by Frank B. and failed with a vote of 5 for, 13 against, and 5 abstentions. Sam S. joined the Special Needs Committee, which due to resignations was comprised of Damon and Jeff T. Bill R. moved and Pat M. seconded a motion, "that this matter be referred to the Special Needs Committee for consideration and recommendation to the IFB." This passed with a vote of 19 for, 2 against, and 1 abstention.

D. OTHER REPORTS

Due to elections and discussion of the budget, there was no time for reports from committees, liaisons, or representatives.

Sam S. read the 12 Traditions and \$61.00 was collected. The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm.

SUMMARY

January 2002 IFB Meeting

The following is an unofficial summary of actions, information, upcoming business, and service opportunities discussed at the January 2002 IFB meeting. It is provided for your convenience and is not intended to be the complete **or approved** minutes.

A. Business Conducted

1. Elected Danny F. to Central Office Committee.
2. Elected Jeff T. as Secretary.
3. Approved funding half of Tuesday Downtown's ASL costs for six months (approximately \$1,170).
4. Approved Website Guidelines modeled on General Service guidelines.
5. Filled vacancies on the Open House and Bylaws Review Committees.

B. Information

1. The 55th Anniversary Party and Open House will be held at Central Office, 1821 Sacramento Street, on Saturday, January 26 from 2-4 pm.
2. 2,225 hardcover 4th Edition Big Books were sold in December.
3. The next IFB meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on February 6 in San Francisco at the Unitarian Center, Franklin and Geary Streets.

C. Upcoming Business

1. Hiring permanent Central Office Manager.
2. Changes to Group Contribution Reports in *The Point*.
3. IFB Meetings in Marin.

D. Service Opportunities

1. Teleservice volunteers.
2. H&I Volunteers and Coordinators.
3. Central Office Phone volunteers.

CONTRIBUTIONS

To the Central Office were made

December 21 to January 20

Honoring the following members

CURRENT MEMORIALS

Carol S.

ONGOING MEMORIALS

RW M.

ANNIVERSARIES

*Helen A. - 36 Years
David D. - 22 Years
Michael D. - 8 Years.*

Birthdays
for
Endless
Summer
Group

*Alan - 1 Years
Corrine - 1 Years
Andre - 2 Years
Dan - 2 Years
Mary - 2 Years
Peter - 2 Years
Mike - 3 Years
Rudie - 3 Years
Kris - 4 Years
Abel - 7 Years
Laurie - 7 Years.*

**Thanks to all who
honor their sobriety
through giving!**



Recent Deaths

*Bill R. - 32 Years Sober
(Homegroup: Stonestown)*

*Carol S. - 16 Years Sober
(Homegroup: Island Group, Belvedere)*

Financial Statement

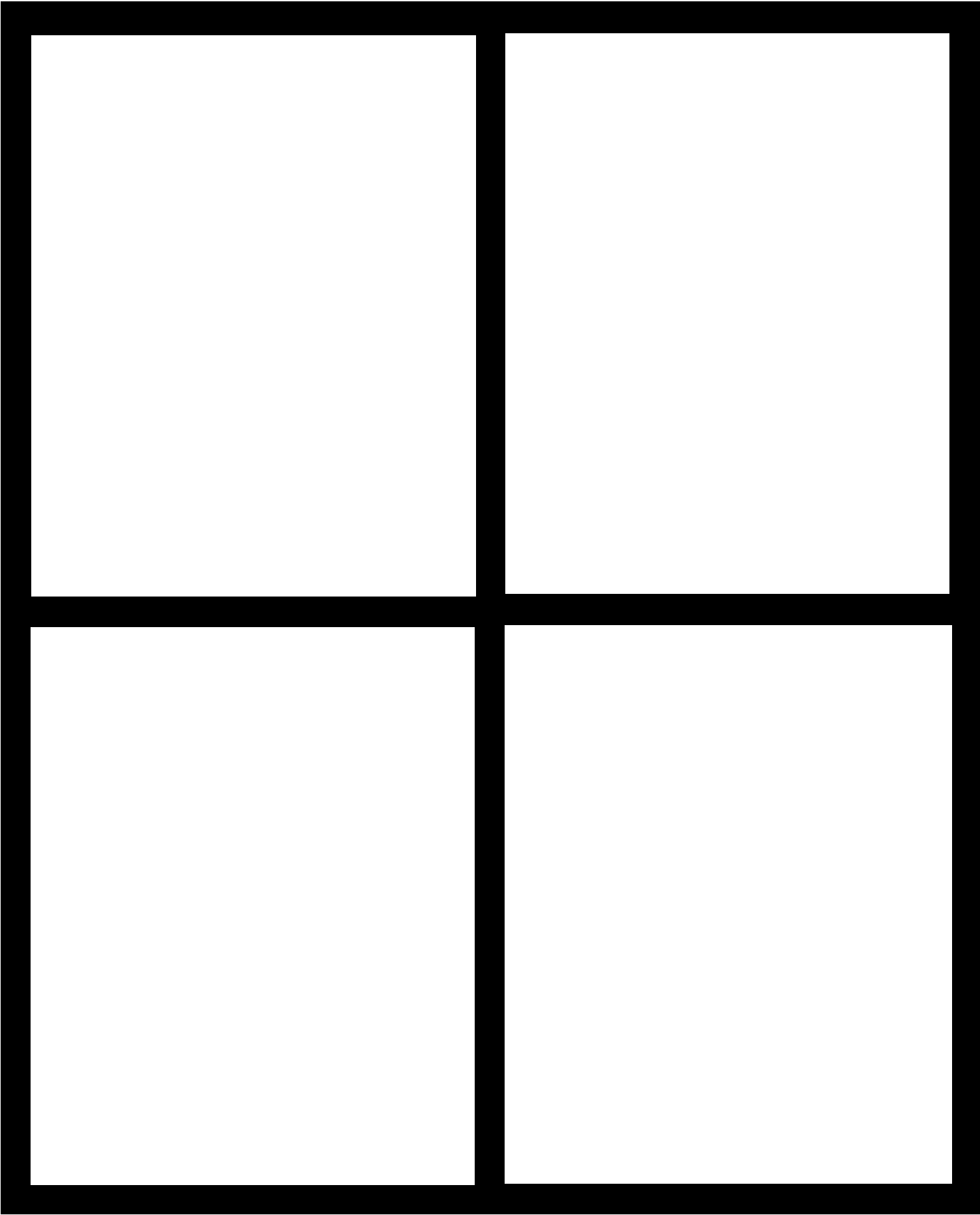
November 2001 - Intercounty Fellowship of AA

	November	Year-to-Date
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
41000 · Group Contributions	9,951.50	111,038.37
41200 · Individual -Unrestricted	248.35	4,440.29
41300 · Gratitude Month-Groups	408.45	444.20
41400 · Gratitude Month -Individual	2,100.00	2,100.00
41500 · Individual - Restricted	0.00	1,500.00
43000 · Newsletter Subscript.	24.00	293.00
44000 · Honorary Contributions	50.00	1,230.00
45000 · Sales - Bookstore	4,056.00	60,575.14
Total Income	16,838.30	181,621.00
Cost of Goods Sold		
50000 · Cost of Goods Sold	2,910.52	45,517.79
Total COGS	2,910.52	45,517.79
Gross Profit	13,927.78	136,103.21
Expense		
60000 · Employee Expenses		
60500 · Workers Comp Ins.	251.98	951.25
60200 · Employer Tax Expenses	418.60	5,362.05
60150 · Employee Accomodation	0.00	0.00
60050 · Wages & Salaries	4,750.00	54,343.70
60100 · Benefits/Pension	217.00	4,529.22
60000 · Employee Expenses - Other	0.00	0.04
Total 60000 · Employee Expenses	5,637.58	65,186.26
60001 · Credit Card Clearing	0.00	30.31
61100 · Accounting Fees	0.00	1,739.43
61200 · Computer Consulting	250.00	1,755.60
61600 · Outside Services	0.00	378.00
61700 · ASL- Net -SHBB	0.00	674.05
61800 · ASL- Net- Fri All Grps	53.50	1,428.15
61900 · Insurance	0.00	2,231.00
61950 · Miscellaneous Expense	0.00	280.82
62000 · Bank Charges		
61650 · Processing Fee- Payroll	37.05	704.92
62000 · Bank Charges - Other	12.50	134.84
Total 62000 · Bank Charges	49.55	839.76
62001 · Office Supplies	100.54	5,424.57
62100 · Filing Fees	0.00	95.00
62300 · Postage		
62400 · Bulk Mail	325.00	1,415.00
62300 · Postage - Other	45.00	718.80
Total 62300 · Postage	370.00	2,133.80
62500 · Shipping	-32.53	-200.10
63000 · Printing	1,120.39	1,120.39
64000 · Rent - Office	3,312.70	33,127.00
64500 · Rent - Other	50.00	550.00
64700 · Security System Rental	0.00	527.50
66000 · Telephone	558.44	6,011.12
67100 · Travel	0.00	695.44
68000 · Equipment Lease	47.66	5,262.75
Total Expense	11,517.83	129,290.85
Net Ordinary Income	2,409.95	6,812.36
Other Income/Expense		
Other Income		
80000 · Interest Income	89.84	2,762.72
Total Other Income	89.84	2,762.72
Other Expense		
70000 · Depreciation Expense	0.00	1,144.20
Total Other Expense	0.00	1,144.20
Net Other Income	0.00	1,528.93
Net Income	1,978.50	7,423.44

AA Group Contributions – November 2001

Intercounty Fellowship – San Francisco / Marin

Miscellaneous & Out-of-Area	
Brisbane All Star 12&12	\$69.00
Brsibane Breakfast	\$30.80
IFB	\$52.16
St. Francis Group (Willits)	\$19.19
Miscellaneous & Out-of-Area Total	\$171.15
Marin County Groups	
Attitude Adjustment Hour	\$52.72
East San Rafael Book	\$327.38
Gratitude	\$200.00
Gratitude Group	\$185.20
Intimate Feelings	\$87.00
Island Group	\$181.50
Monday Night Stag (Tiburon)	\$650.00
Saturday Serenity	\$80.30
Serendipity	\$609.00
Six O'Clock Sunset	\$136.80
Step Sisters	\$60.00
Steps to the Solution	\$161.02
Stinson Beach Fellowship	\$50.00
Strawberry Discussion	\$471.51
Streetfighters	\$15.30
Terra Linda Group	\$180.00
Terra Linda Thursday Night Stag	\$250.00
Thursday Night Speaker	\$875.00
Tuesday Twelve Step	\$27.20
Total Marin County Groups	\$4,599.93
San Francisco Groups	
60 Minutes	\$100.00
7am Grab Bag	\$4.00
Acceptance Group	\$43.38
Afro-American Beginners	\$26.07
All Together Now	\$360.00
As Bill Sees It	\$104.09
Bernal Big Book	\$163.49
Big Book Study	\$236.12
Endless Summer	\$4.00
Eureka Step	\$27.40
Friday Big Book	\$229.42
Friday Lunchtime Steps	\$140.00
Goldmine	\$132.75
Haight Street Blues	\$96.00
High Noon (Fri)	\$289.18
High Noon (Mon)	\$166.80
High Noon (Wed)	\$90.78
Lush Lounge	\$106.20
Marina Discussion	\$260.70
MV Original Smokeless Step Study	\$54.00
New Hope Big Book	\$42.00
Nooners	\$86.49
North Beach Happy Hour	\$45.22
Richmond Big Book Study	\$193.98
Rose Garden Big Book (Grat.Mo.)	\$28.40
Saturday Easy Does It	\$382.04
Second Chance	\$66.41
Serenity Seekers	\$392.10
Sunset Speaker Step	\$60.00
Sutter Street Beginners	\$316.80
Thursday Night Women's	\$300.00
Unidentified Group	\$444.00
Women's 10 Years +	\$188.60
Total San Francisco Groups	\$5,180.42
San Francisco Gratitude Month	
As Bill Sees It (19th/Judah)	\$65.00
Each Day A New Beginning (Tue)	\$57.70
Early, Joyous & Free (Grat.Mo)	\$100.00
High Noon (Mon)	\$83.00
Sunset Speaker Step	\$57.25
West Portal	\$45.50
Total SF Gratitude Month	\$408.45
TOTAL INTERGROUP	\$10,359.95





Group Speakers for February 2002

TUESDAY DOWNTOWN *

St. Mary's Cathedral, Geary & Gough, San Francisco
Tuesday, 8:30pm

DATE	SPEAKER	HOME GROUP / Sobriety
Feb 5	Louie D.	Tuesday Downtown / 2 yrs.
Feb 12	Leslie S.	Artists & Writers / 6 yrs
Feb 19	Mike C.	Bernal Big Book / 5 yrs.
Feb 26	Dawn H.	Friday Tweak'n'Freak / 11 yrs.

FRIDAY ALL GROUPS

1101 O'Farrell, St. Mark's (basement), San Francisco
Friday, 8:30pm

DATE	HOST GROUP	SPEAKER	HOME GROUP
Feb 1	Friendly Circle Beginners	Gabi R.	Ham & Eggs
Feb 8	Sat. Easy Does It	Paul H.	4th Step Workshop
Feb 15	Park Presidio	Marion A.	El Cerrito Fellowship
Feb 22	Fog Watch	Craig J.	Friendly Circle

All *open* speaker meetings are welcome to publish their month's listing in The Point. The deadline for submission of the information is the **19th** of the month preceding publication. Please call Mark at Central Office, 674-1821 or fax 674-1801.



ANNOUNCEMENT

Tuesday Downtown and Attendance Verification Cards

The Tuesday Downtown Steering Committee reached an important group conscience on November 13.

While not opposed to the signing of court or 'attendance verification cards' in principle, the group felt that given the size of the group, and the attendant challenges of trying to host such large numbers, it would be best to discontinue the practice of signing attendance cards at the big 8:30 speaker meeting, and transfer this effort to the 7:15 Beginners meeting.

Starting November 20, 2001, cards will be collected before the 7:15pm meeting begins, and signed after the meeting ends at 8:00pm.

Attendance cards will not be signed at the regular 8:30 speaker meeting

Groups!

Please consider publishing your speakers in The Point. This is a great way to build Unity in our Fellowship - and may be a great way to build interest in your Group!

MEETING CHANGES

NEW MEETINGS

(NONE REPORTED)

MEETING CHANGES

Sun	12:00n	Mill Valley	TIBURON HAVEN - 118 E. Strawberry, MV (was at 11am)
Tue	05:30pm	Castrpl	A.A. AS YOU LIKE IT - 1874 Market St. / Laguna (was at 152 Church St.)
Thu	08:00pm	McLaren Park	EPIPHANY GROUP - 600 Italy / Naples (add: "No entrance after 8:10pm; door is locked")
Fri	12:00n	West.Addition	FRIDAY LUNCHTIME STEPS - 1600 Divisadero (change time; was 12:10pm)
Sat	08:30pm	Mission	HOME GROUP - 19th / Dolores (add: "No attendance slips signed")

IN ADDITION, IT HAS BEEN REPORTED THAT ALL 8:30PM MEETINGS AT THE ALANO CLUB IN SAN RAFAEL HAVE CHANGED THEIR TIME TO 8:00PM.

NO LONGER MEETING

Sun	07:30pm	Marina	WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY - Marina Dock, 2118 Greenwich
Sun	06:30pm	Haight/USF	WOMEN'S GROUP - 766 Stanyan
Thu	07:30pm	Laguna Honda	FOREST HILL - 250 Laguna Honda Bl.
Fri	06:00pm	Sunset	PROMISES, PROMISES - 19th/Judah

REPORTED MISSING

(None Reported)



Please Note: The Central Office frequently receives reports that meetings listed in our schedules are actually not there. Sometimes these reports turn out to be mistaken—and sometimes they are not. The office relies primarily on information that is given to us by AA groups, but when a group disbands, informing the Central Office is a common omission. We are therefore going to start reporting 'Missing' meetings in this space.

If you know anything about a meeting that is reported missing, please call the Central Office immediately (674-1821). If we hear no objections during the month following publication here, the meeting will be assumed disbanded, and removed from the schedule.

Thank You!

FEBRUARY 2002