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"Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity"

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A JUDGE'S THOUGHTS ON SANITY

Step Two - Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.

I have learned from AA in many ways, but one of the most unexpected is the deeper understanding and appreciation of sanity it has given me. This is not a backhanded compliment. I served on the bench for many years in Indiana. During the time I was a trial court judge, I issued mental commitment orders and reviewed the continuing commitment for cases on my docket. I, like most judges and lawyers, gained my knowledge about alcohol and mental illness from on-the-job experience.

I thought I understood sanity. I would have defined it as the absence of all the illnesses for which I committed people to treatment. You know, conditions like paranoia or manic depression, requiring the people illnesses concerned to be led into the court room in a strait jacket and prompting them during the ten-minute hearing to chew their shoelaces loose and take their shoes and socks off with their teeth. I conduct a commitment hearing and be struck by the sadness of the person and often of the families. I saw parents weep over a child who was not present except in body. But I never connected sanity or lack of sanity with alcoholism. I conducted only one commitment hearing for an alcohol-related psychosis. It was in

the dead of winter, and the man was in danger of freezing to death in the car he lived in. Most of the alcoholics I dealt with were in criminal or civil court for divorce or family matters, not the probate docket for mental illness. Alcoholics were drunk, not crazy. If one was not crazy, one was sane.

Or so I thought. But, as the saying goes, when the student is ready, the teacher will appear. My teachers appeared as AA speakers. Listening to them tell the stories of their drinking and their restoration to sanity, I began to understand that sanity is more than the opposite of insanity. Alcoholics may not live sane lives even when they are not insane. That is true for most of us. My own life has elements that can be restored to sanity, and I will share that with you in due time.

People have their idiosyncrasies. Who am I to call these occasional oddities manifestations of insanity? I love puns and good humor, but there is nothing funny about the suffering of an alcoholic who is not in recovery or about someone with mental illness. So when I talk about cases I handled in court, sometimes there is a natural humor in the story, but in no way is it meant to diminish the importance of the struggle in those lives for health and wholeness. It is also important to be clear that alcoholism is a distinct and separate disease.

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A JUDGE'S THOUGHTS ON SANITY

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There are mental illnesses and while an alcoholic may have a mental illness in addition to alcoholism, it is not a prerequisite in being restored to sanity.

And that brings us to Step Two, a Step of simple words. The words "restore us to sanity" are so affirming. All of us start out sane. These words give hope of returning to that health and saneness. Step Two is the restoration to a healthy life that is grounded in the reality of today. "One day at a time" is a phrase of sanity. It keeps me here and now. It is the opposite of sanity to fret and mourn over that which you can't undo, and it is equally unhealthy to live in tomorrow. Today is the only day anything will ever get done.

There are three parts to Step Two. The first part is coming to believe, the second is a higher power, and the third is the restoration to sanity. For Step Two to work, I have to believe in a higher power. Each member of the Fellowship has a different understanding of who or what that higher power is. My personal higher power is God. While I follow Christ, I understand that the details of my belief should not be imposed on anyone else. Indeed, AA is about attraction, not promotion. That prohibition against promotion includes making sure I do not use the AA fellowship as a way to promote or evangelize the outside issues of my personal faith. So for the Second Step to work, one needs a higher power of one's own understanding. (If anyone wants my higher power, I am happy to share when asked.)

Now to share about the third part of the Step, the restoration to sanity, I'd like to describe the preceding twenty-four hours of my life with this excerpt from an e-mail I just sent to my office: I left my laptop power pack in Chicago. No wait, the worse part is that I left my prescription glasses in a restaurant in Washington, DC. Oh, wait! Maybe the worst part is that I dropped chicken parmesan on my tan slacks and had to run over and buy a clean pair for the press conference. That was not what I intended to do with a hundred dollars. I will be back in the office and in town all next week. I will check e-mail as soon as I can find Internet connections. I will be in Huntsville until Sunday afternoon. In any case, the cell phone will get me--until I lose it.

This is not an exaggerated statement. It describes exactly what happened, and it doesn't even

mention that I am running late with the final copy for this article. But as the third part of Step Two says, my Higher Power has restored me to sanity. How do I know? Because the events of this week have not driven me crazy.

The word sanity is derived from the Latin, sanus, which means healthy, whole, and clean. The word sanitary is a close relative of the word sanity. I'm grateful for the lives of my AA friends. They are recovering, and they have shared their healthy way of approaching the challenges of life with me. I am grateful to one friend in particular, and if we lived a little closer to each other, I would seek her counsel even more.

When I came on the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous, I had the profound belief that the AA program really worked. That belief grew from knowing people who wrote me letters of amends after I sent them to jail, from seeing sober members of AA give their time to bring meetings to jails, and from the hard work and productivity of those in the community who were sober, thanks to the Fellowship of AA.

The passing on of health and wholeness, otherwise known as sanity, is part of the marvelous AA way. Hearing friends share their experience, strength, and hope has helped me make huge changes in my work life. Twice I have reinvented my career, risking my ego and financial security. The first time, my Higher Power nudged me to leave an unfilled term on the Indiana Court of Appeals to go to Purdue University. That turned out to be a wonderful experience, which has helped me grow. I worked with people whom I continue to love to be in projects with and conduct other work with. The first change opened the door to the second change, and now I work for both Purdue University School of Agriculture and the Indiana School University of Medicine. collaborative ways to improve public health and to face up to the challenges alcohol and addiction pose to the health of all of us.

That Second Step is all about getting healthy and getting real. Thank you, AA, for sharing Step Two.

- Linda L. Chezem, J.D.

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BLAST FROM THE PAST "MY QUIET TIME"

Dear God, the dawn is breaking through Another day begins anew. Another day You've given me God, may I start it just with Thee?

I Love this time of day, 'tis true 'Cause God, I am alone with You. With open heart, in my won way I speak the things I want to say.

I know too, God, that You're at hand 'Ere what I say, You'll understand And all this day I'll better be For having had this talk with Thee.

Now, first I give my thanks to You For yesterday, You helped me through, You gave what means the most to me Peace of mind and sobriety.

There was a time, dear God, 'tis true, When I had most forgotten You. My life I ran just by myself Without Your guidance or Your help.

Oh, life seemed great all was gay
As I drank and played the merry way.
More friends I had than I can tell
Who swore they'd stick by me through hell.

Life's game went on, the play got rough By then I'd learned to trick and bluff, To tell a lie and fudge a bit What I didn't like - "to hell with"

Twas then that hate and fear crept in, I licked 'em both with wine and gin. And, when the going got quite though, For courage I used whiskey bluff.

My troubles now were mounting fast I soon lost all that I once grasped.
And, this I hate to say though true
Yes, God, I blamed it all on you.

"Twas then I drank and drank some more Until I'd hit the bottom floor. Oh, then that day of great despair Those friends I'd made, not one was there.

Oh, God! I cried, "have You gone too?"

No. You were there to help me through,
For a messenger you sent to me

With plans for my sobriety.

A way of life he called A.A.

To help me live the sober way.

And then, to me he gave his hand

And helped me rise 'till I could stand

He taught me how to trust in you To find a happy life so new And give to others this great plan Inspired by You - a gift to man.

May I now ask this favor, God? Before down this day's path I trod, Please take my life; it belongs to Thee And run it just this day for me.

For this new day 'ere it may bring I thank you God for everything.
And, may I thank you once again
For the A.A. plan you gave to men.

- Clyde G.

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Do you have a local AA event or a new meeting you would like to add to the Central Office Website? Please contact

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Subscribe to Lifeline via email or USPS at www.saltlakeaa.org

Central Office Meeting Minutes - 01/14/2025 "Serving Our Community for Over 76 years"

January Rep Meeting Minutes

Chairperson: Brad C. — Opened the meeting

Attendees - Positions and/or Homegroup Representation

Roll Call:

Brad C. - Chair

Allen B. - Valley View/Co-Chair

Jennie S. - Speak Easy Ladies/Secretary

Nick C. - Sugarhouse Mens/Technology

Elan B. - We Agnostics/Outgoing Technology

Sharisse E. - Women in Sobriety

Chris G. - Spreading the Message/Treasurer

Tullivan - Sunday Morning BB

Jose G. - Sunday Morning BB (Alt)

Riley S. - Salt Lake Young People

Mark O. - Bog Irish BB Study

Liz M. - Up Group

Ben S. - Murray Group

LeAnne P. - An AA Group

Avery L. - 5:15 Happy Hour

Todd H. - 5:15 Happy Hour

Roger L. - 5:15 Happy Hour

Melissa E. - Stonewall/PI Chair

Kevin W. - West Jordan AA

Rafael C. - Group Libertaad

Sean L. - Balker BB Study

James P. - City At Seven

Rob G. - Hot Topic

Linsey B. - South Davis Group

Diane B. - Grapevine

Nick - Interested AA

Jason H. - Conscious Contact

Sue W. - Conscious Contact (Former)

Brian W. - Ashley's Angles/Outreach Chair

Blake S. - Sugarhouse Mens/Hotline Chair

Shane - Interested AA/Hotline Committee

Kyle A. - Stonewall Group

Jeremy L. - District 2 Liaison

Dan B. - 13th East A.A. Meditation

Julia M. - Hillcrest/Trustee Dist 13

Max - Outgoing Hotline, Incoming

Kim B. - Volunteer Chair

Vince S. - Activities Chair

Danny B. - Primary Purpose/Lifeline

Declan O'F. - Across the Room/Dist 10 Liaison

Jerry E. - 12th Step Chair

Laurie A. - South Valley Lunch Group

Jeff P. - Webservant

Jeff D. - Across the Room

Robin R. - Rise & Grind

Brian L. - Southenders

Samantha S. - Hope on 90th

Jamie K. - Every Night Firelight

Derek B. - Draper Group

Board of Trustees

Secretary: Jennie S. asked everyone to sign the attendance sheet on the clipboard circulating around the room. Announced that flyers of the open Central Office positions will be emailed with the minutes. Chris G. made a motion to approve December Central Office Rep Minutes, passed unanimously.

Treasurer: Chris G. announced Group Donations finished strong, up 25% from last December, which means we were up 1.45% in 2024 vs 2023 with a grand total of \$45,564.53. We also received some large end-of-year donations from individuals, so total contributions for the month were roughly \$6500. The operating income for the month was \$5,300, which is fairly high for our operations.

As of the end of December, we have about \$90k in cash or cash equivalents, which is well over our required prudent reserve. Also, our tax documents for 2023 were filed on time by the CPA. We have roughly \$154 K in total assets, with a good chunk as inventory. Our prudent reserve is \$40K.

Declan wanted to know if there are any risks having such a large cash balance. It was mentioned that we need to negotiate new rent this year so it's good to have an excess (see New Business). Declan made a motion to approve the 2024 December Financials, passed unanimously.

Trustee at Large (District 2 liaison): Jeremy L. announced we have one District Committee Member position still open, and four alternate DCM positions open. The District has a surplus in funds. Refer to District 2 Newsletter.

Trustee at Large (District 10 liaison): Declan Ó F.

The District Ten GSR meeting was held on the first Monday of the month. It was well-attended, and they covered a lot of business. Open positions include DCMs for Sections One and Two, alternate DCMs, and Grapevine Chair. Sue, the literature chair, mentioned that new service manuals are available. They're here on the literature racks for four dollars! Rick, the immediate past BTG chair is working with treatment to get meetings into Salt Lake Behavioral Health. It's a fun program, and I'd encourage it to anyone interested in service positions.

Craig, the treatment chair, is looking for experienced AAs to chair treatment centre meetings. And he's looking to visit at least one treatment centre per week. Catherine, the corrections chair, reported issues with construction on pods. Right now, pod B is expected to be closed through part of February. Two chairs from District Ten will be attending PRAASA in Alaska this upcoming March. District Ten is introducing the practice of alternating printed and verbal standing chair reports every other month, to give GSRs more time to actively lead the meeting.

CENTRAL OFFICE MEETING MINUTES - 01/14/2025

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Having talked with Brad and the rest of the board, I know in Central Office we're always looking for ways to better encourage our own bosses – you, the CO Reps – to take charge, and this is one of the ideas brought to the floor at our board meeting. So, I thought I'd float that idea by you, and let you know that if you're interested, this is your meeting, and you have every right to raise that idea for consideration.

Trustee at Large (District 11 liaison): OPEN Elections: No one stood.

Trustee at Large (District 13 liaison): Julia M. Robust meeting, well-attended. The December 2024 meeting with District 13 was well attended by the GSRs. Alan and Julia both attended and folks had a good opportunity to connect with Julia and wish Alan well as he continues to be of service at the Central Office. The District is trying to fill three open positions; at this time, the treasurer position remains a critical seat to fill. The outgoing treasurer's report was reviewed in detail - which included a rundown of expenses and a proposed budget. Most representatives talked about their respective meetings growing with the Herriman High School meeting suffering due to cancellations as the result of their location.

Alternate Trustee At Large #1 and #2: OPEN

Elections: No one stood.

Standing Committee Chairs

Hotline: Blake S. - Max gave the report and brought info Blake needs. One group decided to quit doing Hotline so he needs volunteers the 4th and 5th Saturdays of each month from 6 pm to midnight.

Twelfth Step: Jerry E. Kevin, alternate, spoke for Jerry. They have a list they are validating, would like to expand to Magna, Provo, Tooele, and Bountiful.

Activities: Vince S. Nothing to report at this time.

Newsletter: Danny B. Newsletter committee puts together the Lifeline at Central Office on the last Thursday of the month so feel free to join! We have funds for bulk rate mail for 6 months. Would love stories on Step 3 for March - deadline to submit is the 20th of each month. Also, please send Group Birthdays! lifeline@saltlakeaa.org

Outreach: Brian Nothing to report at this time.

Website: Jeff P./OPEN Elections: No one stood. Please take this to your groups. Very important!! Mark O. inquired about the requirements and skill-set. The position requires 2 years sobriety, experience with WordPress preferred. Declan has someone interested in being on the committee who is very technically advanced.

Jeff's report: web traffic has been very consistent; for the past year we've averaged roughly 5000 visitors/month, with most looking for meetings.

By-Laws: Max D. Wants to make the By-Laws process more democratic so thinking of taking them to the groups

to see what they want changed. Needs about 2-3 weeks to get this off the ground. Would love an assistant!

Volunteer: Kim B. Remember the volunteer party at Central Office this Saturday Jan 18th from 11-3 pm to celebrate our all- volunteer anniversary. There will be food, a raffle, speakers, and an opportunity to explore service positions. We need volunteers at Central Office! All shifts are needing 2-3 more people and are very flexible - you can work a full day or few hours. Email volunteer@saltlakeaa.org if interested or you have any questions. Need people for Wed Thurs Fri. 10-5 Mon-Fri 10-2 Sat.

Literature: Charlie T. By-laws require inventory twice a year - needs help with that in February, probably on Sunday.

Archives: Jose stood for Archives chair, and was unanimously approved. His sobriety date is 1/1/2014 and his Home Group the Sunday Morning Big Book Study. He has been a GSR and Central Office Rep in the past and has some Archival experience.

Treatment Facilities and Accessibilities: OPEN Elections: No one stood.

Corrections: OPEN Elections: No one stood.

Cooperation with Professionals: OPEN

Public Information: Melissa - Made contact with David, incoming PI for one of the districts as well as District 2 PI Dan B.; looking for the other 2 PI contacts. We have a PI Facebook page - please take a look and let Melissa know if there is anything else we want to see. Looking to track down a large bag of literature she used while she was the P.I. chair a while back, Kim responded that it was in storage - yay! Needs people for her committee. Melissa's number: 801-915-3573.

Coins: Kathy/OPEN Elections: No one stood.

Technology: Nick Working out the kinks out for Zoom. Incoming chairs - come get access to your Central Office email.

Alternate Technology: OPEN

OLD BUSINESS: For all open position descriptions, please visit <u>www.saltlakeaa.org</u> at About/Bylaws PDF.

NEW BUSINESS: Declan expressed concern over our excess, referenced By-Laws; suggested we come up with a formal way to go about budgeting. Brad suggested a sub-committee and wants to address it next month. Kim asked when the meeting with the landlord would take place; our Lease is up in June. Brad will talk to the building owners and report back next month. Meeting closed at 7:22 PM with the Responsibility Statement.

Next Central Office Rep meeting will be held on

2/11/2025 @ 6:30 pm.



STEP 2 OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

"Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity." The moment they read Step Two, most AA newcomers are confronted with a dilemma, sometimes a serious one.

How often have we heard them cry out, "Look what you people have done to us! You have convinced us that we are alcoholics and that our lives are unmanageable. Having reduced us to a state of absolute helplessness, you now declare that none but a Higher Power can remove our obsession. Some of us *won't* believe in God, others can't, and still others who do believe that God exists have no faith whatever He will perform this miracle. Yes, you've got us over the barrel, all right—but where do we go from here?"

First, Alcoholics Anonymous does not demand that you believe anything. All of its Twelve Steps are but suggestions. Second, to get sober and to stay sober, you don't have to swallow all of the Step 2 right now. Looking back I find that I took it piecemeal myself. Third, all you really need is a truly open mind.

Step 2 may not happen overnight. The belief in a "Higher Power" will gently and very gradually begin to infiltrate your life. Many have substituted a "Higher Power" for AA itself. In this respect it is certainly a power greater than ourselves.

AA is a very large group of people who have solved their alcohol problem. In this respect they are certainly a power greater than you. Surely you can find faith in them. Even this minimum of faith will be enough.

Few indeed are the practicing alcoholics who have any idea how irrational they are, or seeing their irrationality, can bear to face it. Some will be willing to term themselves "problem drinkers" but cannot endure the suggestion that they are in fact mentally ill.

They are abetted in this blindness by a world which does not understand the difference between sane drinking and alcoholism. "Sanity" is defined as "soundness of mind." Yet no alcoholic, soberly analyzing his destructive behavior, whether the destruction fell on the dining-room furniture or his own moral fiber, can claim "soundness of mind" for himself.

Therefore, Step Two is the rallying pint for all of us. Whether agnostic, atheist, or former believer, we can stand together on this Step. True humility and an open mind can lead us to faith, and every AA meeting is an assurance that God will restore us to sanity if we rightly relate ourselves to Him.

- Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions

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JOKE OF THE MONTH

Solitary Confinement

Three men are sentenced to twenty years of solitary confinement. However, they're each is allowed one luxury to take to their cells. The first man asks for a stack of law



books. The second man asks for a pile of medical books. And the third man asks for two hundred cartons of cigarettes. At the end of the twenty years, they open up the

first man's cell. He comes out and says, "After all the learning I can now become a lawyer." They open up the seconds man's door. He says, "After all the learning I can now become a doctor." They opened the third man's door. He comes out and says, "Anybody got a match?"

Golf in Heaven?

An avid golfer is so obsessed with the game he can't stand the idea of not playing when he's dead. To put his mind at rest he goes to a psychic to try and find out if there's golf in Heaven. The psychic communes with the spirits and



says, "I have good news and bad news." "What's the good news?" asks the man. "Heaven does have a golf course," say the psychic. "It's a beautiful course with 36 holes, 24 - hour access, and the most magnificent clubhouse you can imagine."

"Wow says the man. "So what's the bad news?" The psychic replies, "You're booked in for a game next Tuesday."

CENTRAL OFFICE FINANCIALS - DECEMBER 2024

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Income Statement	2024	2023
<u>Revenue</u>		
Group Contributions	\$4,709.46	\$1,193.74
Contributions - Other	\$1,751.86	\$1,892.73
Purple Can Contributions	\$46.00	\$322.83
Sales of Product Income	\$7,398.40	\$7,149.18
Total Income:	\$13,905.72	\$10,558.48
Cost of Goods Sold	\$5,185.99	\$5,649.06
Gross Profit	\$8,719.73	\$4,909.42
<u>Expenses</u>		
Accountant	\$630.00	\$630.00
Bank and Square fees	\$156.51	\$166.63
Office Supplies, Snacks and Water	\$120.90	\$170.94
Cash Over Short	\$(518.73)	\$(855.42)
Licenses, Permits and Insurance	\$86.54	\$571.50
Newsletter	\$ -	\$51.23
Printing, Paper & Reproduction	\$380.72	\$310.01
Purple Can Expenses	\$ -	\$100.00
Rent	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Security Alarm	\$ -	\$74.85
Software and Hardware	\$407.97	\$342.57
Utilities, Electrical and Garage	\$436.70	\$522.08
Phone & Internet	\$252.08	\$217.20
Website	\$23.99	\$75.54
Total Expenses:	\$3,476.68	\$3,672.28
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$5,243.05	\$1,237.14
Interest Income	\$56.50	\$74.12
Net Income:	\$5,299.55	\$1,311.26

Please Note: According to the Central Office Bylaws it is required to have 6 months overhead in the prudent reserve. Average monthly costs are \$5,000 per month, or \$30,000 for 6 months.

Thank you everyone for your donations!!

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS - DECEMBER

BIRTHDAYS

7th Up Group	\$25.00
12 O'Clock High	\$150.00
Ashley's Angels	\$121.00
By the Book	\$214.00
Early Beginnings	\$200.00
Flying High	\$100.00
Fresh Air Serenity	\$50.00
Garden Variety	\$290.00
HillCrest Zoom	\$100.00
Magna Friendly Bunch	\$200.00
Non-Smoking Sobriety Hour	\$430.00
Old Fashioned AA	\$140.00
Park City Group	\$30.10
Primary Purpose	\$72.00
Stepping Stones	\$23.00
Sugarhouse Men	\$318.30
The Right Stuff	\$54.00
Unknown	\$150.00
Weekend Get AA	\$150.00
Women in Sobriety	\$75.00
Young and Alive	\$50.00
Monthly Total	\$2,942.40
2023	\$2,361.17
Year Over Year Change	24.62%

Thank you so much for all the groups and individuals who donated.

Donate here





Tradition Seven

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

GRAPEVINE GROUP (OCT/NOV)

Alex - 30 Days	Laura - 30 Days
Valen - 90 Days	Cam - 90 Days
Sonny - 90 Days	Weston - 6 Mos
Preston - 18 Mos	Vaughn - 1 Yr
Michelle - 5 Yrs	Spencer - 5 Yrs
Tiffany - 2 Yrs	Murek - 10 Yrs
Mark- 8 Yrs	Kevin – 10 Yrs
Kathy 37 Yrs	Peggy - 30 Yrs
Kyle - 13 Yrs	Aiht - 19 Yrs
Dustin - 15 Yrs	

GRAPEVINE GROUP (DEC/JAN)

Travis - 9 Mos	Jackie – 2 Yrs
Alex - 1 Yr	Emilee – 2 Yrs
Leslie - 3 Yrs	Davey - 18 Mos
Spencer - 1 Yr	Fabian - 1 Yr
Matt - 15 Yrs	Melissa – 16 Yrs
Bill – 32 Yrs	

THUNDER HEART

Chris L 1 Yr	Connie M 7 Yrs
Danny B 11 Yrs	John S 41 Yrs
Jerald L 17 Yrs	Julia T 1 Yr
Sam N 1 Yr	Tyler S 1 Yr

PRIMARY PURPOSE

Bill R. - 27 Yrs Brian O. - 39 Yrs Burgindi S.- 9 Yrs Dennis S. - 49 Yrs Jason S. - 7 Yrs John M. - 42 Yrs Karen H. 25 Yrs

UTAH STATE PRISON - HOUR OF HOPE

Matthew H. - 30 Days
Red H. - 30 Days
Caleballen A. - 60 Days
Chris H. - 60 Days
Mike H. - 60 Days
Phoenix R. - 5 Yrs
Mike A. - 1 Yr

BIRTHDAYS / UPCOMING EVENTS



Area 69 (Utah)



Plain Language Big Book Read-Through

Hybrid Meeting Saturdays at 9:00 AM

Starting January 25th



In Person: Salt Lake Central Office 80 W Louise Ave South Salt Lake City, UT 84115



Meeting ID: 93369930357 Password: aa



Please send questions to Area Literature Standing Chairperson: area69literature@aaofutah.org

UNITY LUNCH BUNCH

Scott - 30 Days Alan - 30 Days Troy - 60 Days Wes - 60 Days Rachael- 60 Days Scott - 60 Days Jeremy - 9 Mos Kevin - 9 Mos Ryan - 1 Yr Mikey - 1 Yr Laura - 1 Yr Serena - 9 Yrs Ciday - 13 Yrs Jose - 11 Yrs

Charlie T. - 36 Yrs

Jessie- 30 Days Bridget - 30 Days Jayson - 30 Days Nathan - 30 Days Lashena - 60 Days Ron - 60 Days Camille - 60 Days Matt - 6 Mos Julie - 9 Mos Arnie - 1 Yr Melissa - 2 Yr Matt 2 Yrs Max 3 Yrs Richard - 24 Yrs Louise - 38 Yrs Larry - 24 Yrs

AND TO THOSE WE MISSED!

Email group birthdays to lifeline@saltlakeaa.org or bring them to Central Office at 80 W Louise Ave (2860 S.) SLC, UT 84115. Need by the 20th of each month.

SUGARHOUSE MENS GROUP

75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

FEBRUARY 21, 2025 7:00PM 3280 E 3900 S SLC. UT 84124

All are welcome: kids. spouses, neighbors, and family. Light refreshments will be served after the meeting.

HOSTED BY DISTRICT 9 IN MOAB, UTAH

AREA 69 **COMMITTEE MEETING**

SATURDAY FEB. 22, 2025

9AM-5PM @ MOAB VALLEY INN ADDRESS: 711 S. MAIN STREET 8:30-9AM NEWCOMERS BLOCK 8:30AM REGISTRATION LUNCH NOT PROVIDED AREA ZOOM MEETING MEETING ID: 879 3198 3200 PASSCODE: 109417



LOCAL AA MEETING: FRIDAY, FEB 21ST 8PM - TRIANGLE HOUSE - 84 W 100 S ZOOM ID: 96052595039 PASSWORD 417408



LOCAL HOTELS ON BACK OF FLYER

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Dixie Winterfest 2025

March 14-16

"Cling to the thought that, in God's hands, the dark past is the greatest possession you have - the key to life and happiness for others. With it you can avert death and misery for them.

pg.124 AA Big Book - The Family Afterwards

Support/Volunteer ▼ Activities ▼ Tickets Speakers 2025 Workshop Series

Winterfest 2025 Theme: The Dark Past – Greatest Asset

* From Big Book - Chapter 9, 'The Family Afterward.' - page 124

"The dark past is your greatest possession – the key to life and happiness for others."

Dixie Winterfest is the annual AA conference hosted in St. George, Utah, offering a mid-winter weekend of recovery, fellowship and "Fun in the Sun". This year will be the 27th consecutive year of Dixie Winterfest.

Aspiring Writers

Please share your Step 3 story (1 page) "Made a decision to turn our lives over to the care of God <u>as we understood</u> Him" Please submit to lifeline@saltlakeaa.org

by Feb 20 for our March newsletter.

Central Office

"Volunteers" are always welcome. **Contact Kim**

volunteer@saltlakeaa.org or call (801) 484-7871



On Feb 11, 2025 at Central Office 80 W Louise Ave, SLC

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