



~THE PIKES PEAK PINT~

When I rely on God, I'm a new *me!*

Sobriety means being a real person in this world – my whole self, accepting myself for the woman God created me to be. A wife, a mother, a business owner, an employee, a friend, a daughter.

A whole person.

Today I very rarely feel out-of-place. When I do, it's always my old belief system telling me a lie. I recognize this today. I pray to have this not-so-glaring defect of character be removed so I can help others.

My real purpose is to be of genuine service to others. When that is happening, God always takes care of my needs and most of my wants.

I got married a little over a year ago. I met my real partner, and it was apparent to me that we were meant to be together – another sober human to connect with.

We are raising a slew of children, and for the most part doing a pretty good job. I know that without the help of God and this program, this sometimes challenging life would not be available to me.

If you think you can do this without God, I challenge you to look deep within yourself and find your true meaning. It is apparent to me that most of the nonbelievers are really just angry at God. I am no longer angry at my God. I see the pieces slowly falling into place. (I should be locked up or six feet under!) I am so happy this is not my reality today.

Thank you to all the people in AA who have helped me find my God and my way! I love the women I've connected with, and they love me no matter how I sometimes misbehave. I am a grateful sober person.

Anonymous

The price of a drink ... think about it

Whenever I go out to dinner in a restaurant with my husband or friends, I find myself drawn to the drinks section of the menu. I also find myself paying a lot of attention to the advertisements in the window of my local liquor store.

Thanks to Alcoholics Anony-

mous and the hope and strength I found in its rooms, I have not had to take a drink since April 1988, and I am convinced that if I keep on following the suggestions, I will continue to not drink, one day at a time. So, why my fascination with the price of alcohol?

It has to do with the worth of my gratitude.

When I came into this fabulous Fellowship, I was lucky enough to get sober in a place where almost every time the Seventh Tradition

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Easy Does It:

Sally M.	7/1/2016	1 year
Larry W.	7/1/2014	3 years
Richard G.	7/4/2015	2 years
Elizabeth	7/5/2013	4 years
Christian	7/7/2014	3 years
Alex	7/8/2015	2 years
Mike A.	7/8/2007	10 years
Craig H.	7/8/2001	16 years
Barb T.	7/10/2004	13 years
Jason J.	7/10/2013	4 years
Curt W.	7/11/1990	27 years
Cindie G.	7/12/2003	14 years
Brian S.	7/13/2003	14 years
Yvette W.	7/14/1991	26 years
Ed J.	7/20/2007	10 years
Linda K.	7/23/1989	28 years
Mike R.	7/23/2013	4 years
Scott K.	7/24/1989	28 years
Chad	7/29/2013	4 years

Turning Point:

Mike H.	7/14/05	12 years
Don S.	7/18/98	19 years

Serenity Riders:

Kat B.	7/18/2010	7 years
Joseph P.	7/22/1979	38 years
Laura W.	7/5/2006	11 years

Downtown Group:

Jess L.	7/2/2012	5 years
Elizabeth	7/2/2016	1 years
Joe	7/4/2011	6 years
Richard G.	7/4/2012	5 years
Tena	7/4/2012	5 years
Sharon S.	7/5/2015	2 years
Chris V.	7/6/2009	8 years
James W.	7/6/2012	5 years
Heather S.	7/9/2012	5 years
Jessica	7/9/2016	1 years
Daniel K.	7/10/2013	4 years
James P.	7/11/2015	2 years
Tom R.	7/12/2012	5 years
Lindsay H.	7/14/2006	11 years
Marc U.	7/16/2012	5 years
Jon A.	7/18/1989	28 years
Lynn F.	7/21/2008	9 years
Glen R.	7/22/2011	6 years
Chuck S.	7/22/2014	3 years
Stephen N.	7/24/2000	17 years
Neal H.	7/24/1987	30 years
Cynthia P.	7/25/1988	29 years
Kristen P.	7/25/2015	2 years
Steven C.	7/27/2015	2 years

Steel Magnolias:

Tracey D.	4 years
Kathy T.	21 years

New Woman's Group:

Donna B.	31 years
Marilyn T.	27 years
Jessie G.	6 years

We Are Not Saints:

Chad M.	38 years
Don S.	1 year
Gina S.	5 years
Jessie	6 years
Katy C.	32 years
Mark K.	24 years
Mary Linn B.	32 years
Paige I.	1 year

STEP 7:

Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.



CONCEPT 7:

The Charter and Bylaws of the General Service Board are legal instruments, empowering the trustees to manage and conduct world service affairs. The Conference Charter is not a legal document; it relies upon tradition and the A.A. purse for final effectiveness.

TRADITION 7:

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

TRADITION 7 CHECKLIST:

1. Honestly now, do I do all I can to help AA (my group, my central office, my GSO) remain self-supporting? Could I put a little more into the basket on behalf of the new guy who can't afford it yet? How generous was I when tanked in a barroom?
2. Should the Grapevine sell advertising space to book publishers and drug companies, so it could make a big profit and become a bigger magazine, in full color, at a cheaper price per copy?
3. If GSO runs short of funds some year, wouldn't it be okay to let the government subsidize AA groups in hospitals and prisons?
4. Is it more important to get a big AA collection from a few people, or a smaller collection in which more members participate?
5. Is a group treasurer's report unimportant AA business? How does the treasurer feel about it?
6. How important in my recovery is the feeling of self-respect, rather than the feeling of being always under obligation for charity received?



“I dunno — it was left over from Dad’s party.”

Drinks cost more these days

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basket was passed, someone explained about taking part in meeting the expenses of the group and helping to carry the message to other alcoholics whenever possible.

Early on, what I could do didn’t amount to very much. I was single, barely able to meet my personal living expenses, and I had a lot of financial amends to make. Even so, a small glimmer of awareness in my slowly clearing brain realized that, because AA helped me to not pick up that first drink, I was saving myself a lot of money on a daily basis. I didn’t begrudge that dollar in the basket.

Several years later, I was doing better financially, not going to

as many meetings every week, had gotten very involved in general service, and had watched area committees struggle to do service with the small amounts of money that most groups were able to send.

It dawned on me then that there was nothing particularly sacred about “a buck in the basket.” After consultation with other wiser women in the Fellowship, I decided to at least put in the price of a cup of coffee for myself and the newcomer with only some lint in his or her pocket.

Now I have trudged a few more years down that “Road of Happy Destiny” and connected a few more dots. I couldn’t count the number of times that I have said in meetings, “I am grateful to AA and my Higher Power for not

having to pick up that first drink today.”

Why not put the price of that first drink that I didn’t have to take today into the basket?

It makes perfect sense to this alcoholic, since I know that not taking that first drink today has saved me not only the price of dozens more that I would have to chase it with, but saved my life, self-respect, and a long list of other priceless personal assets that I owe to my sobriety.

So, now you know why I pay so much attention today to the drink list on the menu. Today, it’s just another spiritual tool.

Gayle S. R.

Hackensack, N.J.

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GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

GROUP (2017-2018)	YTD	May	GROUP (2017-2018)	YTD	May
A Common Solution	\$70.00	\$0.00	Off The Wall	\$71.92	\$0.00
12 Steps From The Morgue	\$181.50	\$181.50	Old North End Study Group		
Apex			One Six Four Group	\$55.00	\$0.00
Back to Basics	\$235.83	\$153.26	Pre-Dawn Meeting	\$160.00	\$160.00
Beacon Light Group			Primary Purpose	\$50.00	\$0.00
Big Book Action	\$150.00	\$150.00	Progress Not Perfection		
Big Book Study UPH			Recovery in Action	\$227.00	\$0.00
Black Forest	\$193.00	\$0.00	Recovery, Unity, Service Group		
Broadmoor			Saturday Early Morning Mtg.	\$308.40	\$308.40
Brown Baggers			Saturday Morning Anonymous		
Central	\$10.00	\$10.00	Security Eye Opener	\$245.00	\$245.00
Clean Air Group			Serenity Hour	\$100.00	\$25.00
Don't Worry Be Happy	\$462.83	\$257.57	Serenity Riders		
Down By The Creek			Serenity Sisters		
Downtown Group			Sober Sisters	\$29.93	\$0.00
Drylander's Group			Solutions at Noon		
Easy Does It			Sought Through Prayer & Meditation	\$31.48	\$31.48
Ellicott Group			Steel Magnolias	\$117.15	\$0.00
4th Dimension Rocketeers			Stepping Stones		
Foxhall Group	\$250.00	\$250.00	Sunday Morning Speaker		
Friday Night Live	\$331.00	\$331.00	Sunlight of the Spirit		
Friday Women's Group	\$200.00	\$0.00	Taking Steps		
Good Ole Boys	\$100.00	\$0.00	The Doctor's Opinion		
Happy Destiny			The Garage Meeting	\$27.00	\$15.00
Happy Heathens			Then and Now		
Happy Hour			Thursday Men's Group	\$0.00	\$150.00
Happy, Joyous & Free			Thursday Noon--WP		
High Noon	\$40.00	\$40.00	Traditions Only		
H.O.W.			Treating The Illness		
Into Action			Turning Point		
Keystone to Recovery			Ute Pass Breakfast Group		
Lake George Group			Veterans for AA	\$25.00	\$0.00
Limon AA			Walk the Talk	\$1,275.00	\$425.00
Little Log Church Group	\$34.00	\$0.00	Walking on Water		
Living Free			We Are Not Saints	\$487.70	\$0.00
Living Sober South	\$39.32	\$39.32	Westside Eye Opener		
M.A.G.	\$192.00	\$192.00	Women of Grace		
Meditation Group			Woodland Park Beginners		
Natural High			Woodland Park Book Study	\$250.00	\$250.00
New Beginners	\$178.24	\$178.24	Woodland Park Women's Step Study		
New Woman	\$116.50	\$0.00	Young People		
Northwesters			Totals:	\$6,484.80	\$3,392.77



Meeting changes and other news

New meeting for night owls

The Central Group announces a new open discussion meeting at its clubhouse, 309 S. Hancock Ave. The meeting starts at 11 p.m. every Saturday.

Women's group offers elevator

The Women's 12-Step Study closed meeting at the Family of Christ Lutheran Church, 675 Baptist Road, is now called the Sunlight of the Spirit.

The group has changed the meeting's listing to highlight the handicap access. For those needing an elevator, enter the building using the southwest corner door, across from King Soopers.

Sober Sisters turns 1 year old

Happy Birthday to the Sober Sisters! The Saturday 10 a.m. open meeting celebrated 1 year this spring! All women wanting to get sober are invited to this fun group. They meet at 5075 Flintridge Drive.

Affordable meeting place

Any group looking for a meeting location to rent? Clint C. knows of one offered at \$20 per meeting. Available Sunday, Monday, and Friday, 5:30-6:30 p.m. and 6-7 p.m. Please call Clint C. at [719-243-2675](tel:719-243-2675).

Thank You!

During May, the Service Office received
**3 Grateful Giver contributions and
2 Birthday contributions!**

Thanks to your generous donations, the Service Office is able to keep spreading the hope of Alcoholics Anonymous to residents and visitors of the Pikes Peak Region.

Thank you.

Turning Point speaker meetings

The Turning Point Group meets Saturdays at 6 p.m. for a potluck, followed by a Speaker at 7. Have fun and good eats at the Serenity Club, 10400 Ute Pass Ave. in Red Cloud.

Here is a list of their speakers for July:

July 1, Tom from the TPG, introduced by John S.

July 8, Jean D. from Florida, introduced by Kelly.

July 15, Alanon/AA speaker TBD.

July 22, Jim B., Good Ole Boys, introduced by Dave P.

July 29, Chad (Tall Chad), introduced by his bride.

Hear ye! Hear ye!

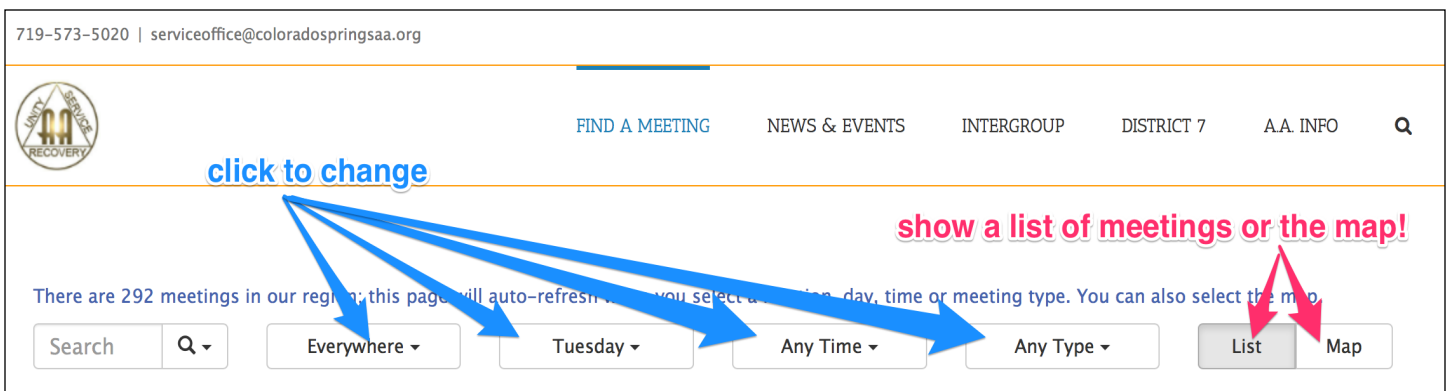
**Don't go forth on the Fourth with a fifth,
or you may not go forth on the Fifth!**

Find an A.A. meeting It's now

easier than ever!

With the release of the new coloradospringsaa.org, you can now find a meeting list on the website quicker than before.

Visit coloradospringsaa.org/meetings/. The meeting list displays the meetings for today from earliest to latest. To change the day, location, time, or type of meeting you're looking for, use the dropdown menus. The page will refresh automatically. Use the Map button to see the meetings on a map. Click the meeting's name to enter the Details page to see more information, such as how to enter the build-



ing. You can also see other meetings at that location if they are available there.

Look for meetings on the go

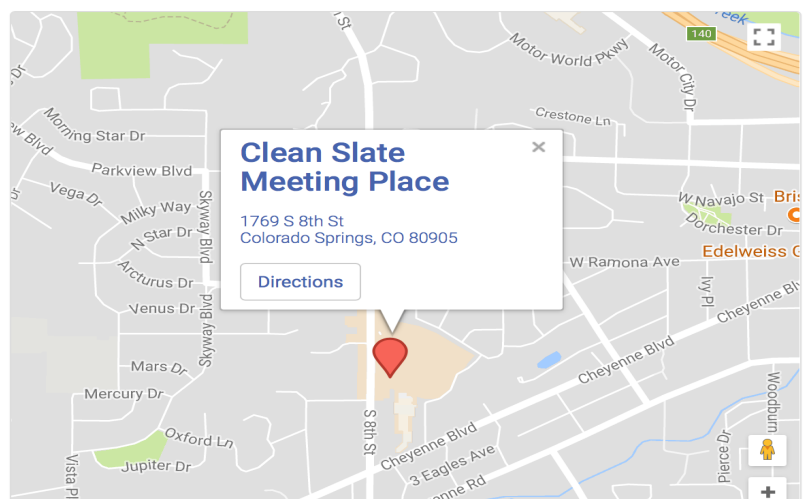
Meeting Guide is a free mobile app for iOS and Android. Designed to be simple, fast, and help you find AA meetings wherever you are. Never miss a meeting when traveling again! Look up meetings in our service area or throughout the United States and Canada. This free app is available through the AppStore and GooglePlay

- just search for Meeting Guide.

Pre-Dawn Meeting

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Tuesday, 6:00 AM
Clean Slate Meeting Place 32 other meetings at this location
1769 S 8th St Colorado Springs, CO 80905
Colo Spgs - South
<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Discussion✓ Open✓ Wheelchair Access
This meeting is open and anyone may attend.
Bldg. P
Updated March 25, 2017



(Note: We are not affiliated with any outside enterprise. You do not need an app to find a meeting at our website.)

LOCAL SERVICE OFFICE

Hours: Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

SAT.-SUN.: CLOSED

Location: 1353 South 8th Street, Suite 209

Colorado Springs, CO 80905

Contact the Service Office

719-573-5020

E-mail: serviceoffice@coloradospringsaa.org

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ARCHIVES:

NO MEETINGS SCHEDULED

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

PUBLIC INFORMATION:

2 p.m., 1st Saturday of the month

1st floor Penrose Main Hospital

2222 N. Nevada Ave.

in Volunteer Coordinator Conference Room

C.P.C.:

(Cooperation with the Professional Community)

1 p.m., 4th Saturday of the month

Sand Creek Library

1821 S. Academy Blvd. (large study room)

DISTRICT 7:

7 p.m., 3rd Tuesday of the month

First United Methodist Church

420 N. Nevada, Room 135 (Boulder Street access)

TREATMENT:

10 a.m., 2nd Saturday of the month

Penrose Hospital Volunteer Conference Room

2222 N. Nevada Ave.

SPECIAL NEEDS:

NO MEETINGS SCHEDULED

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

NIGHTWATCH:

7 p.m., 1st Tuesday of the month

Sacred Heart Parish

21st and Pikes Peak Ave.

Room 10 - Following the New Beginners meeting

For more committee information,

please visit coloradospringsaa.org

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New York, NY 10163

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Lakewood, CO 80228

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Payable to: District 7

P.O. Box 26252

Colorado Springs, CO 80936

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