



# THE PIKES PEAK PINT

JULY 2022

A newsletter for the Pikes Peak Region of Alcoholics Anonymous

## WE HAVE NEW SERVICE OFFICE HOURS:

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Closed</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>10:00—2:00</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10:00—2:00</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10:00—2:00</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>10:00—2:00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Closed</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Closed</b>

**Telephone support (Daywatch) is offered from 9:00—10:00, and in the afternoons from 2:00—5:00, Tuesdays through Fridays. We have an opening for a Daywatch volunteer Tuesday afternoons. Please call Connie at the Service Office if you are interested (office: 719-573-5020 or cell: 719-200-3388).**

## Shift Happens

I was two years sober from alcohol at a yoga retreat in 2011 when I stumbled upon a bumper sticker, “Shift Happens.” I was steeped in self-doubt and shame, and at this point in my recovery, I was still using the Steps as a way to punish myself. I was stealing, lying, and cheating. Deep down, I hated myself, and this unmedicated truth was destroying me and my relationships. I wanted someone to give me the formula, to tell me the exact actions I need to take the “fix” myself.

Someone once said to me: “The only thing wrong with you is that you don’t know that you’re a child of God.” I believe that happiness is our birthright. One of the greatest barriers to living in this reality is our initial pain of separation from Source. Once we forgive this separation, we realize that the mistakes we make, the “character defects” revealed in steps four and five, are simply natural manifestations of this separation.

When I remembered who I was, perfectly imperfect in

the eyes of God, my old behaviors started to naturally fall away. I simply needed to ready myself for the shift. Getting ready was just the beginning. At this retreat, for the first time, I felt connected to a loving source inside myself like never before. I was overwhelmed with love and, for the first time, this love was directed at myself.

The Seventh Step prayer offers insight into the surrender required in Steps Six and Seven. “My Creator, I am now willing that you should have all of me, good and bad. I pray that you now remove from me every single defect of character which stands in the way of my usefulness to you and my fellows. Grant me strength as I go out from here to do your bidding. Amen.”

Step Seven asks us to embrace our godliness and let Source take care of the rest. It would take many more years for some of my old behaviors to fall away and some still and will always remain, but I have stopped judging myself for these mistakes and instead correct them promptly while holding myself in God’s grace.

Adrienne P., Eugene, OR

## May Celebrations

### Friday Women's Group:

Annikki H. 33 years Helen  
2 years

Nicole R. 14 years

DeSha T. 14 years

## June Celebrations

### We Are Not Saints:

Martha 6-5-21

Ben B. 6-6-16

Dave B. 6-10-21

Steve L. 6-21-76

### Friday Women's Group:

Mary M. 40 years Adrienne  
10 years

Tera 3 years

## July Celebrations

### Friday Women's Group:

Gina S. 10 years

Debbie B. 5 years

Maxine C. 30 years

Teresa 4 years

Michelle E. 3 years

### New Beginners:

Mark L. 2002

Robin M. 1991

Teri B. 2012

### APEX:

Don S. 2006

Karen T. 1995

Susan H. 1970

Erin D. 2019

### We Are Not Saints:

Mary Linn B. 7/1/85

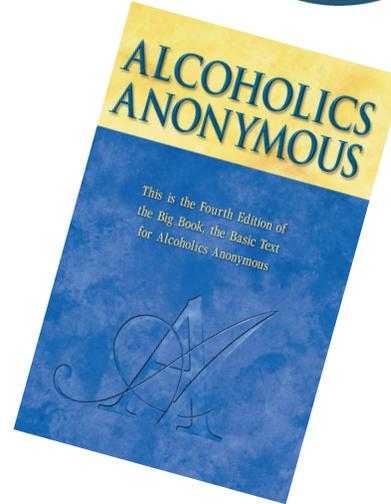
Jan B. 7/29/2012

**Please email your  
group's celebrations  
to:**

**pint@coloradospringsaa.org**

## News For You

- 1) **Area 10 Summer Assembly**  
July 22-24, 2022 at the  
Doubletree Hotel DTC, 7801  
East Orchard Road,  
Greenwood Village, CO  
80111
- 2) **Colorado State Convention**  
August 26-28, 2022 at the  
Pueblo Convention Center,  
320 Central Main Street,  
Pueblo, CO 81003 (flyer  
attached)



This month's  
"Pint Piece"  
for your  
personal  
reflection...

***"Faith without works is dead."***

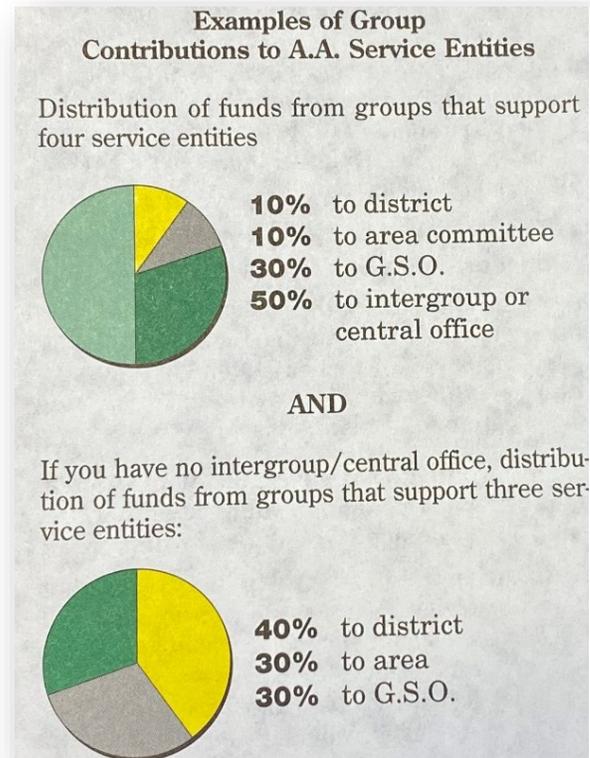
Page 76 and 88 of the Big Book

## **The Pint**

Publishes current news, articles and information about Alcoholics Anonymous.

Send us your articles and letters sharing your experience, strength and hope to:

The Pint Editor  
c/o ASO  
1353 S. 8th Street  
#209  
Colo Spgs, CO 80905  
Or by email:  
www.pint@coloradospringsaa.org



From the Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix Pamphlet

# STEP 7

“Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.”

## TRADITION 7

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



## CONCEPT 6

“On behalf of A.A. as a whole, our General Service Conference has the principal responsibility for the maintenance of our world services, and it traditionally has the final decision respecting large matters of general policy and finance.

But the Conference also recognizes that the chief initiative and the active responsibility in most of these matters should be exercised primarily by the Trustee members of the Conference when they act among themselves as the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous.”

## 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 person who can't afford it? How generous was I when drunk in a barroom?
2. How do I (or my group) support our International Journals of Alcoholics Anonymous, Grapevine and La Vina?
3. If GSO runs short of funds some year, wouldn't it be OK to let the government subsidize AA groups in hospitals and prisons?
4. Is it more important for a group 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. Does my group have a "prudent reserve"? If yes, do I know what that amount is?
7. If a family member, work colleague or close friend who is not an AA member wants to make a financial contribution to my group, should the group accept it? What if my group is short on funds?



## LOCAL SERVICE OFFICE

Open: Tuesday - Friday 10 a.m.  
to 2 p.m.

Closed: Saturday - Monday  
1353 South 8th Street, Suite 209  
Colorado Springs, CO 80905  
719.573.5020

Email: [serviceoffice@coloradospringsaa.org](mailto:serviceoffice@coloradospringsaa.org)

## JOIN A COMMITTEE MEETING!

Contact the Office for More Information

### BRIDGING THE GAP

[BTG@coloradospringsaa.org](mailto:BTG@coloradospringsaa.org)

### PIKES PEAK PINT

[pint@coloradospringsaa.org](mailto:pint@coloradospringsaa.org)

### CORRECTIONS

10:00 a.m. 4th Saturday at the Area Service Office  
1353 S. 8th Street, Suite 209  
Colorado Springs  
[corrections@coloradospringsaa.org](mailto:corrections@coloradospringsaa.org)

### PI (PUBLIC INFORMATION)

2nd Saturday at 2:30 p.m.  
Pikes Peak Library 21C  
1175 Chapel Hills Drive  
Colorado Springs  
[pi@coloradospringsaa.org](mailto:pi@coloradospringsaa.org)

### CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community)

3rd Sunday at 3:30 p.m. at the Area Service Office  
1353 S. 8th Street, Suite 209  
Colorado Springs  
[cpc@coloradospringsaa.org](mailto:cpc@coloradospringsaa.org)

### PROGRAMS

### NIGHTWATCH

### DISTRICT 7

7 p.m., 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month  
Legacy Wesleyan Church  
502 N. Walnut Street  
Zoom ID: 861 6155 4788 PW: 859202

### INTERGROUP

2nd Tuesday monthly at 7:00 p.m.  
210 N. Corona Street  
Zoom ID: 895 839 8739 PW: 040352

## WHERE TO SEND CONTRIBUTIONS

Please include your group name  
and group number on the check

### ~ AREA SERVICE OFFICE ~

Payable to: Colorado Springs  
Area Service Office  
1353 South 8<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 209  
Colorado Springs, CO 80905

### ~ GENERAL SERVICE OFFICE ~

Payable to: GSO  
P.O. Box 459/Grand Central Station  
New York, NY 10163

### ~ AREA 10 ~

Payable to: Area 10 Treasurer  
12081 W. Alameda Parkway, #418  
Lakewood, CO 80228

### ~ DISTRICT 7 ~

Payable to: District 7,  
P.O. Box 26252,  
Colorado Springs, CO 80936

### ~ PINK CAN CONTRIBUTIONS ~

Payable to: Area 10 Corrections Committee  
P.O. Box 40368,  
Denver, CO 80204

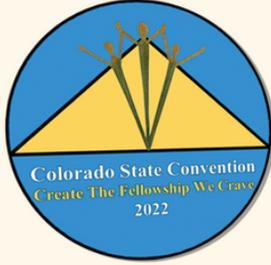
## How much did *YOU* spend on a drink?

*Please help others.....*

Consider putting \$2 in a jar/cup/basket  
each time you log onto a Zoom Meeting.  
Then consider splitting the money  
accumulated and give 1/2 to your group  
and 1/2 to your Service Office.

Contribute at  
[coloradospringsaa.org](http://coloradospringsaa.org)





## Create the Fellowship We Crave

**Area 10 – Colorado  
State Convention  
August 26–28, 2022  
Now in Pueblo!**

### We Hope You'll Join Us!

The convention runs from  
3 PM Fri. to 12 PM Sun.

### Questions:

Eric H. 720-940-3060  
a10convention@hotmail.com

### Register online:

with a credit card at  
[convention.coloradoaa.org](http://convention.coloradoaa.org) or  
by check with the mail in  
registration form below.

**Location:** Pueblo Convention Center, 320 Central Main St  
Pueblo CO 81003 • 719-542-1100

**Lodging:** Please see [convention.coloradoaa.org](http://convention.coloradoaa.org)

**Parking:** Free garage parking across Convention Center

### Speakers & Events:

Fri. Night.....Ashlee M, Denver, CO

Fri. Night.....Ice Cream Social

Sat. Luncheon.....Al-Anon: Alice G. Arvada, CO

Sat. Night.....Banquet Dinner

Sat. Night.....Al-Anon: Fr. Tom W. San Francisco, CA.

Sat. Night.....AA: Bob D. Las Vegas, NV

Sun. Morning.....Jennifer H-K. Plano, TX

Mail in registration form - One per person

Must be postmarked by 8/19/2022

Checks payable to: Area 10 Convention – Do not send cash

Detach & mail to: 2022 State Convention

P.O. Box 346

Longmont, CO 80502

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on badge: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarship \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I'd like to volunteer!

Registration \$35

Bottomless Coffee Mug \$20

Ice Cream Social \$10

Saturday Luncheon \$30

Saturday Banquet \$40

Dance \$5

Package \$120 (includes registration)

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Presented by  
Area 10  
Alcoholics  
Anonymous

In cooperation with  
Area 5 Alanon  
Family Groups

For special needs consideration, please email: [a10convention@hotmail.com](mailto:a10convention@hotmail.com)