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## New Year's Eve alkathons

Sponsored by District 70

St. Luke's Church Parish House
219 Chunn's Cove Road • Asheville NC

Starts at 6:00pm December 31, 2009 Ends at 6:00pm January 1, 2°

Join us for 24 hours of Meetings · Fellowship Raffle Gifts • Fun

Please bring your favorite holiday treat to shar

To chair a meeting or for more information contact

Ruthie C. (828) 668-9861

Sponsored by Murphy Big Book Group
Glen Mary Center • St.William Catholic Church
76 Andrews Road • Murphy NC

Starts at 11:30am December 31, 2009 Ends at 12:30am January 1, 2010

Meetings on the even hours!

Beverages provided

Bring Snacks & Desserts



St. Luke's Church Parish House

219 Chunn's Cove Road in Asheville is now the permanent site for your quarterly Central Office Representatives' meetings (the COR General Assembly).

New Board officers will be presented at the January meeting.

This is your newsletter! Contributions of articles, jokes, poems, and any other material or suggestions are most welcome. Be sure to send us details of your group's or district's events, group members' anniversaries, and *in* memoriams and we'll print them here. The deadline for all submissions is the 1st of the month *prior* to the issue month (ex.: May 1st is the deadline for the June issue). Event flyers may be emailed as .pdf or .doc/.docx files to ncmco@bellsouth.net. Questions? Call the Office Manager at (828) 254-8539 or (800) 524-0465.

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## **Meeting Updates**

• **Spruce Pine Group** meets at 7:00pm on Tuesdays, *not* 7:30pm as listed in the blue Where &When booklet (Nov/Dec 2009 edition).



in the far Pacific, a ship's officer headed a rescue party to collect a castaway from a lonely island. On landing and greeting the rescued one, he observed a sign over his hut door, "AA Clubhouse." The man explained that he was an AA member and, though all alone on the island, had put up the sign to make him feel less lonely. As they were leaving, the officer noticed and inquired about an identical hut a little way off, complete with the same sign. "Oh," said the AA, "that's the other club. I never go there!"

Jack H., Kwajalein I.

—first printed in the October 1955, A.A. Grapevine

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One of our tele-service volunteers asks that anyone with information on low-cost or free emergency animal boarding for people in crisis please call Central Office.



### Central Office Profit & Loss Report November 2009

\$(738.77) \$(126.95)

\$(435.00)

\$(149.84)

\$(216.96)

\$(239.56) \$(36.33)

\$(2,289.73)

#### **Income**

Payroll Expense

**Answering Service** 

Internet & Phone

Postage

Insurance

Total Expense

Rent Sales Tax

Sales Income			
Conference Approved	\$2,168.93		
Non-Conf	\$314.62		
Sales Tax, S&H	\$257. <del>4</del> 8		
Total Sales Income	\$2,741.03		
Other Income			
Group Contributions	\$1,869.82		
Individual	\$10.31		
Total Other Income	\$1,880.13		
Total Income			\$4,621.16
Cost of Goods Sold			
Conf Approved		\$(1,554.99)	
Non-Conference		\$(354.32)	
Total Cost of Goods Sold		\$(1,909.31)	
Gross Profit/Loss			\$2,711.85
Expense			
- Freight		\$(29.85)	
Editor		\$(100.00)	
Copier Rental		\$(163.31)	
Office Supplies		\$(53.16)	

Net Income \$422.12

#### Did You Know?

The **2010 International Convention** coincides with the 75th anniversary of A.A.! Convention Dates: July 1–4, 2010 • Pre-Registration Deadline: May 14, 2010 (Registration opened September 1, 2009) • San Antonio TX • www.aa.org

# Cards & Letters

new year, a new Mountain Doin's editor. That's me, doing double duty here and on the NCMCO Board as your District 70 Trustee. Huge thanks are due Camille V., our most recent past editor and layout master. As I write, she is driving to her new home in sunny California (just in time—that pre-Christmas-week snowstorm was a doozy!) Camille really made these pages sparkle and I'll try to keep up with the high standards she set during her tenure.

With eight pages to fill every month, this publication needs your thoughts, poems, and salutations. Tell us what it's like to attend your first GSR meeting, area assembly, or international convention. Or send a Step-Two story ("...came to believe...") for 2010's second-month issue (February)? Cartoons? Gratitude Lists? Jokes? Cool! Here's hoping your 2010 is awesomely sober.

Suzanne T.

To All Fellow A.A.'s:

wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of you in Districts 70, 71 and 80 for supporting North Carolina Mountain Central Office. Despite the many changes and an especially trying economic situation we have all persevered and become stronger. Because of you we in central office have been able to help you to carry the message

to the suffering alcoholic here in western North Carolina.

John G., who has rotated in as incoming chair; please come greet him at the January COR meeting. All of you who are in contact with the still-suffering alcoholic everyday, you know what works and what doesn't. I've learned that one word spoken in the right place can cause much positive change. I am grateful for having had the opportunity to serve all of you.

In Love & Service, Carl Iobst Chair, N.C. Mountain Central Office

Open call for

recovery-related

writing: short essays,

personal reflections



Group secretaries, save time and trouble! Send in all your group members' anniversaries for 2010. Email us now! (Otherwise, send please announcements to the office at least one month before the anniversary date.)

	Against All Odds Group		ı	Grace Group	
Craig R	January 14, 1985	25 years	Amie S	January 25, 2009	1 year
Asheville Big Book Step Study Group			Amy W	January 14, 2008	2 years
Ed R	January 3, 1988	22 years	Andi K	January 14, 1999	11 years
Jodie R	January 8, 2004	6 years	Anne M	January 6, 2008	2 years
Kitty G	January 27, 2008	2 years	B.J. H	January 15, 1998	12 years
Paula R	January 12, 2002	8 years	Barbara W	January 10, 2008	2 years
Suzanne T	January 1, 1992	18 years	Dina R	January 20, 2007	3 years
Back To Basics Group			Ed C	January 20, 2008	2 years
Amy M	January 21, 1974	36 years	Ellen S	January 24, 2001	9 years
Camille S	January 20, 1996	14 years	Frank M	January 28, 2004	6 years
Judy M	January 19, 1982	28 years	Joe D	January 1, 2003	7 years
Peggy S	January 4, 1995	15 years	Larry E	January 18, 1997	13 years
Conscious Contact Group			Leslie S	January 2, 2009	1 year
Barbara W	January 24, 2001	9 years	Liz N	January 12, 1999	11 years
Betsy B	January 8, 2004	6 years	Natalie B	January 9, 2009	1 year
David B	January 26, 2004	6 years	Ryan J	January 24, 2005	5 years
David M	January 29, 2007	3 years	Steve W	January 11, 1997	13 years
Doug R	January 18, 2007	3 years	Tammy M	January 25, 2008	2 years
Jeremy L.	January 24, 2008	2 years	Tony W	January 20, 2000	10 years
Joe R	January 27, 2000	10 years	Zion S	January 19, 2009	1 year
Maurice S	January 12, 2008	2 years	Hendersonville Group		
Nancy B	January 16, 1983	27 years	Carol B	January 17, 2000	10 years
Nick M	January 18, 1993	17 years	Tom R	January 30, 1975	35 years
Randall R	January 29, 2008	3 years	Traditional Group		
Steve H	January 08, 2002	8 years	Jack B	January 11, 2003	7 years
Thomas M	January 4, 1998	12 years	Jim B	January 6, 1990	20 years
Tibby T	January 24, 2008	2 years	Ken H	January 23, 2007	3 years
Tom M	January 1, 1991	19 years	Rebecca S	January 11, 2007	3 years
	Cumberland Group		Y	oung People's Group	
Cynthia M	January 18, 1985	25 years	Byron B	January 19, 2001	9 years
Michael T	January 1, 2005	5 years	Jeremy F	January 9, 1995	15 years
Myra B	January 1, 1994	16 years	Lauren C	January 16, 2008	1 year
	Fellowship Group				
Connie C	January 10, 1983	27 years			
Dale L	January 10, 2004	6 years			
Susan J	January 10, 2009	1 year			



I	Novem')er	YTD	November YTD	)
Acceptance Group	\$-	\$1,370.06	Log Cabin Group \$- \$-	
Against All Odds Group	\$-	\$-	Lunch Bunch (Sylva) \$- \$-	
Andrews Group	\$-	\$-	Maggie Valley Group \$- \$-	
AVL Big Book Step Study Grou		\$206.31	Maple Grove Group \$- \$104.	69
AWOL Group	\$-	\$16.50	Marion A.A. Group \$- \$50.	
Back To Basics Group	\$-	\$550.00	Marshall Group \$75.00 \$305.	
Bethel Up The River Group	\$-	\$-	Mars Hill Group \$- \$50.	
Big Town Group	\$-	\$274.73	Men's Attitude Adjustment Group \$-	
Black Mountain Group	\$- \$-	\$85.00	Mid-Day Group \$64.00 \$739.	69
Blue Ridge Group	\$- \$-	\$95.00	Mill Spring Group \$- \$70.	
Brevard Serenity Group	\$- \$-	\$150.00	Mission of Sylva Group \$50.00 \$150.	
Brevard Sylvan Valley Group	\$- \$-	\$150.00	Monday Night Open \$133.61 \$599.	
Bryson City Group	\$- \$-	\$80.00	Mountain View Group \$- \$180.	
Burnsville Group	\$- \$-	\$100.00	Mountainside Group \$- \$-	00
Came To Believe Group	\$- \$-	\$50.00	Murphy Big Book Group \$10.00 \$50.	00
	\$- \$-	\$150.00	New Day Group \$- \$-	00
Candler KISS Group	\$- \$-		New Hope Group \$- \$-	
Cashiers Valley Group		\$432.60	No Name Group \$- \$-	7
Chunn's Cove Men's Group	\$-	\$175.00	•	
Clyde Group	\$-	\$75.00	*	
Columbus Group	\$-	\$150.00		00
Common Sense Group	\$41.18	\$217.92	New Freedom Group \$50.00 \$50.	00
Conscious Contact Grp (AVL)	\$-	\$1,655.97	Nuevos Amigos Group \$- \$-	
Conscious Contact Grp (Sapphi		\$-	Nuevos Despertar Group \$- \$-	
Cullowhee Valley Group	\$-	\$-	Old Fort Group \$- \$-	
Cumberland Group	\$-	\$320.00	Pathfinders Group \$- \$32.	
Daily Decisions Group	\$-	\$335.39	Pisgah Group \$- \$46.	
Day By Day Group	\$362.83	\$1,251.79	Plan B Group \$- \$350.	
District 71 CFC	\$-	\$100.00	Practicing Principles Group \$- \$190.	
Dry Dock Group	\$-	\$-	Principles Group \$- \$11.	
Early Bird Group	\$-	\$1,007.70	Recovery By The River Group \$- \$145.	65
Edneyville Group	\$-	\$60.00	Renacimiento Group \$- \$-	
11-11-11 Group	\$37.00	\$37.00	Roundtable Group \$- \$147.	
Fellowship Group	\$62.70	\$450.60	Safe N Sound Group \$196.50 \$196.	
Fireside Group	\$-	\$450.00	Second Chance Group \$- \$33.	30
Fletcher Group	\$-	\$1.73	Seniors On Sobriety Group \$- \$75.	00
Fourth Dimension Group	\$-	\$40.00	Serenity (Waynesville) Group \$- \$-	
Franklin Group	\$-	\$-	Serenity Seekers (Marion) Group \$- \$168.	00
Friday Women's Group	\$-	\$-	Serenity Service \$50.00 \$550.	00
Good Livers Group	\$-	\$505.00	Sisters In Sobriety Group \$- \$-	
Grace Group (Asheville)	\$241.50	\$641.50	Six O'Clock Open Group \$- \$133.	07
Grace Group (Waynesville)	\$318.00	\$758.00	Speed Bump Group \$- \$200.	00
Grace of God Group	\$-	\$20.00	Spruce Pine Group \$- \$50.	00
Hand In Hand Group	\$-	\$250.00	Steppin' Up Group \$- \$-	
Happy Hour Group	\$-	\$300.00	Strange Camels \$10.00 \$10.	00
Hayesville Group	\$-	\$-	Sunshine Group \$50.00 \$150.	00
Hayes Lunch Bunch Group	\$-	\$-	Sylvan Valley Group \$- \$150.	00
Hendersonville Group	\$40.00	\$140.00	Three Alarm Group \$30.00 \$120.	00
High Noon Group	\$-	\$100.00	Thursday Afternoon Women's Grp \$- \$-	
Hilltop Group	\$-	\$-	Total Surrender Group \$- \$155.	00
Hot Springs Group	\$-	\$-	Traditional Group \$- \$150.	00
Individuals (\$10 in memory of B.G.)		\$10.31	Tryon Thursday Night Group \$- \$-	
Joy of Living Group	\$-	\$94.97	Tryon Tuesday Night Group \$- \$-	
Kanuga Group	\$22.50	\$157.50	Tuesday Night Men's Big Book Grp \$- \$62.	17
Lambda Group	\$-	\$172.50	Upward Group \$- \$30.	
Ledger Group	\$-	\$-	West Asheville Group \$- \$100.	
Leicester Group	\$25.00	\$100.00	Women Of Courage Group \$- \$335.	
Library Group	\$-	\$35.00	Women Of Grace Group \$- \$30.	
Locked In Forward Group	\$- \$-	\$70.00	Total Group & Individual \$1,880.13 \$19,214.	
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## **District Business**

- Cooperation with the Professional Community/Public Information Committee (CPC/PI), and treatment committees will be meeting together on January 7th at 6pm in the (Asheville) First Presbyterian Church's basement. 40 Church Street.
- Cashiers Valley Group's Monday 5:30pm meeting has been changed to 12:00 noon. It's an open Big Book/Discussion meeting. 1448 Route 107, Church of the Good Shepherd.
- **District 70** holds its monthly meeting for General Service Representatives (GSRs) on the 2nd Sunday of the month, at 2:30pm, at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 219 Chunn's Cove Rd., Asheville.
- **District 80**'s next GSR meeting will be held January 17 from 1:30pm to 4:30pm. The meeting will be held at the Jackson County Family Resource Center (Old Rock School), 1528 Webster Rd., Route 116, Webster NC.
- **District 71** will have its first business meeting of 2010 on Saturday, January 9, 11 am. to 1 pm, at the Pardee Educational Annex in the Blue Ridge Mall in Hendersonville. Please call Karen B., Dist. 71 secretary, (828) 577-6087, if you have any questions.

## Central Office Reps' FYI

What Is a Central Office?

A central office (or intergroup) is an A.A. service office that involves partnership among groups in a community—just as A.A. groups themselves are partnerships of individuals. A central office is estab- lished to carry out certain functions common to all the groups—func- tions which are best handled by a centralized office—and it is usual- ly maintained, supervised, and supported by these groups in their general interest. It exists to aid the groups in their common purpose of carrying the A.A. message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

