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## News from the Central Service Office of Southern Colorado

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#### Upcomming Events

District 8 Meeting 3rd Saturday of the month 1:30 @ Alano Club 320 Clark St. Pueblo Cañon City Alano Club 715 Elm St. Cañon City

#### CSO Monthly Business Meeting

May 6, 2015 @ 6:00 June 3, 2015 @ 6:00 4035-A Club Dr. Pueblo March is election meeting.

#### LongTimers Dinner

Saturday April 25, 2015 Registration @ 11:00 AM Dinner @ 12:00 AA Speakers @ 1:15 Drawings and Door Prizes

2015 Area 10 Corrections Conference Hosted by District 21 Saturday April 25, 2015 400 East Broadwalk Dr. Fort Collins, CO \$10.00 Registration Julie McD 970-266-1267 Kathy S. 970-443-1231

#### District 8 Unity Day July 11, 2015 Call CSO for more information. Look for flyers at local meetings.

Gentle Hour Meeting Friday @ 6:00 Speaker Mon @ 6:00 Book Study 1503 West Arroyo **Step 4: Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves. Promise:** No matter how far down the scale we had gone, we will see how our experience can benefit others.

**Principle: Courage** - The state or quality of mind spirit that enables one to face danger with self-possession, confidence, and resolution. Bravery, valor. **Reward:** Peace of mind instead of confusion.

# Step 5: Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.

**Promise:** That feeling of uselessness and self-pity will disappear. **Principle: Integrity** - Rigid adherence to a code or standard of values; character, decency, goodness.

Reward: Self-respect instead of self-contempt.

## Read All About It! Election Results for CSO

Well trusted readers it's that time again when the game is afoot at the Central Service Office. The annual elections witnessed a new group of *PAID* officers. "*PAID*" you say? "Yes" say I, "Paid not with money but with quality sobriety through dedicated AA service." Here are your new CSO officers: Chairperson -> [Michael Wayne] Vice-Chair -> [Dennis McB.] Office Manager -> [Kevin W.] Treasurer -> [Scott W.] Secretary -> [Cindy C.] Activities Chair -> [Anita I.] Members at Large -> [Joshua S. and David M.] Newsletter Editor -> [Victor S.]

CSO meets on the first Wednesday of every month at 6:00 PM. Come by welcome our new CSO officers and represent your AA group at the CSO.

## Hey You! Who Me??



Have you heard about the LongTimers Dinner and get together on Saturday April 25th at the First Presbyterian Church on the corner of 10th and Court (Please enter building from the parking lot side). Registration and fellowship starts at 11:00 AM followed by Lunch from 12:00 to 1:00. John and Nancy D. will be the AA speakers from 1:15 to 2:00. There will be a door prize, excellent fellowship and other goodies. Call CSO for more information 719-546-1173

CSO Treasurer's Report

 Feb Balance
 3853.23
 March Balance
 3456.32

 Feb Revenue
 1411.28
 March Revenue
 1183.18

 Feb Expenses
 1808.19
 March Expenses
 952.40

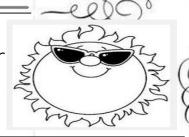
 Feb End
 3456.32
 March End
 3687.10

CSO Charter stipulates \$2500.00 (prudent reserve) plus \$1000.00 (misc. expenses). 2500.00 + 1000.00 = 3500.00Therefore **3687.10-3500.00 = 187.10** (operating funds) March ends the fiscal year for the CSO. We took in \$65.57 above expenses for the year as compared to the previous year when we lost \$1090.81. CSO is self supporting and wants to thank everyone for their support.

Office Hours: Mon - Fri 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Mr. Sunshine says --- Take the problem to your sponsor THEN take the solution to a meeting. Always remember it's alcoholism not alcohol-wasam, so

keep on keepin' on.



### That Big Meeting in the Sky

I was thinking' the other day (which my sponsor reminds me may not be a wise thing for this alcoholic) and got to ruminating about the hereafter. A line from an old Tom Paxton song "And when we die if we go somewhere I'll bet you a dollar he'll be rambling there.", got me to thinking about the possibility of AA in the hereafter. Think about it, every



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one of those souls that worked the program down here will probably be attending a meeting up there. Over the years I've come to know and love a lot of great folks through AA. Could you imagine a meeting that went something like this ... Hi, my name is Bill and I'm an alcoholic. Let's go around the room and introduce ourselves, starting on my left. Hi my name is Bob and I'm an alcoholic. Hi my name is Dona and I'm an alcoholic. My name is Tony ... and my name is Earl ... and my name is George ... and my name is Barb ... my name is Truman .... my name is Terry ... my name is Vic ... and my name is Joe. On and on and on, the

introductions would take a long, long time for sure. Wow, the words of wisdom you might hear there would be overwhelming. Things like "Whose will is that?", "To bad, get over it!", "They must be in the ceerect position to get this program." "Well darling if you didn't take a drink today you're a success." How about some of these zingers, "Let me ask you a question ... what do you think Bill Wilson would do in this situation?" OR others like "Have you called your sponsor?", "Did you pray about this OR are you letting your self will run riot?", "Have you thought about doing a 4th step on this stuff?", "Did you think about calling before you picked up that drink?", "I'm sure you prayed before you did that!" On and on the one-liners would pour out like water from a wisdom fountain. Well, some day we'll all be newcomers in that big AA meeting in the sky and I would like to attend my first meeting up there sober how about you?



"I had a layover in Omaha ... which led to a hangover in Des Moines."



I'm packing an extra pair of underwear. The last meeting I attended here, they read some non-AA approved literature, and I shit myself.

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