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UPCOMING EVENTS

- **CSO Monthly Business Meeting** 1st Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM at the CSO. All groups are encouraged to send a representative.
- **District 8 Meeting** 3rd Saturday of the month at 1:30 pm at the CSO
- **District 2**
3rd Annual Gratitude Potluck
Saturday, November 17th
First Congregational Church
1425 N 5th Street
Grand Junction CO
6pm - 9 pm Tickets \$5
- **Hit and Run** November 30,
Meet at the 3 Point Club at
5:00 PM to go to Walsenburg
for the 7:00 meeting at the
Church of Christ

Treasurer's Report

Sep 1st Balance	\$3432.51
Revenue	\$1062.86
Expenses	\$ 736.56
Oct 1st Balance	\$3758.81
Revenue	\$1551.76
Expenses	\$1473.47
Aug1st Balance	\$3837.10
Misc Fund	\$1000.00
Prudent Reserve	\$2500.00

New Newsletter Chair

To Whom it may concern:

Welp, I did it again. Somebody said they needed help and I raised my hand. I am your new newsletter person for the Central Service Office of Southern Colorado. I cannot do this by myself. Please send me ANYTHING you feel is relevant to AA in southern Colorado, the western half of the U.S. or the world. I would love to announce events in Maine for our friend Vickie, in California for our friend Sam, in Texas for all you Tejanos in AA in Pueblo, in New Mexico for all of us who like to go south for a weekend. If you have a favorite group you would like to have profiled send me an e-mail and I'll try to come see you and you can tell me all about it.

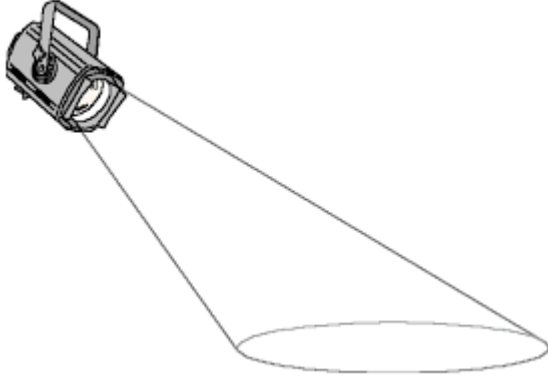
I only attended the OcSoberfest briefly this year, but it was a nice event as usual. The raffle format for the bling and Knick-Knacks seems to be working fairly well and cuts down on some of the acrimony that surrounded the old silent auction format. The Main room speaker on Saturday night did a good job of relating what it was like for him in the depth of the disease and what it was like having a notorious sponsor in Denver back in the day. I'm sure the dance and banquet went off well knowing the venue for that portion of the event was certainly up to the job. The pricing was extraordinarily reasonable for a change and I'm sure that helped with the gate. The committee was dedicated and professional, achieved the miracle of organizing "people who normally would not mix" into a cohesive unit to make an event worth attending. One of my favorite parts of OcSoberfest is seeing people that one time each year that I know are out there and active in AA but I don't get to see in the course of my usual wanderings.

For those of you that haven't gone yet, I want to extend an invitation to participate in the Hit and Run meeting. This event is where we in Pueblo make the effort to attend a meeting outside of town. The fliers are widely available. Next month's event I believe is happening in Walsenburg. I attended meetings in Walsenburg briefly, for about three years, in the late 1990s and found it refreshing to be part of an intimate group of people that truly cared for one another. Get off the couch and go. It'll be fun. Really.

Yours in service, Matt W.

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If your group or the AA community have a special occasion or event that you would like in the newsletter, or a flyer that you would like distributed with the newsletter, please contact the CSO with the information. If your group is not getting the newsletter, contact the CSO to be placed on our distribution list.



IN THE SPOT LIGHT

I would like to profile a pair of meetings that I have found to be good for the occasional change in perspective.

The first is called Country Roads. It meets out at the Vineland Methodist Church in, wait for it, Vineland. Out on the Mesa. The Church is at 36th Lane and County Farm Road. It is a picturesque little white chapel in the country with a very good sized gymnasium/meeting building at the rear. It meets on Saturday nights at 7:00 PM and is in the schedule. It has been a very large meeting at times in the

past with very good attendance from the city. It has gotten considerably smaller over the last few years and could probably use some support.

The second is a meeting called Breath of Fresh Air. It meets on Wednesday night at 8:00 P.M. at the Tabor Lutheran church at the corner of Orman and Colorado Avenue. It is in the schedule. It was Pueblo's second non-smoking meeting after the formation of 12 O'Clock High. The group there are some of the most congenial people I have ever met in AA. The time harkens back to the seventies and eighties in Pueblo when there were three times you went to a meeting, when you wanted to, when you didn't want to and at Eight O'Clock. I miss those days sometimes.

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csopueblo@gmail.com

We will add you to our email list and start sending out emails!

HELP NEEDED

12TH STEP LIST

We need people to volunteer to be placed on our 12th Step List. If you are interested, please contact us at (719) 546-1173.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

To help take meetings into local correctional facilities. If interested, contact the office.

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