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NEWS FROM THE CENTRAL SERVICE OFFICE OF SOUTHERN COLORADO  
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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
- **Hit and Run Canon City**  
Brown Baggers group meeting at the Canon City Alano Club, 715 Elm Avenue on February 10th. Meet at the CSO at 4:30 pm to Carpool. Potluck at 5:30, Meeting at 6:30.
- **Sunday Afternoon at the Movies**, Sunday Feb. 17th at 2:00 PM Trinidad Alano Club, 120 W. Kansas. Showing "My Name is Bill W."

## **Treasurer's Report**

Jan 1st Balance	\$4093.99
Revenue	\$1534.57
Expenses	\$1880.41
Feb 1st Balance	\$3748.15
Misc Fund	\$1000.00
Prudent Reserve	\$2500.00

## *Special Edition Newsletter*

### CSO Steering Committee Elections

March 6 at 6PM

4035-A Club Manor Drive

There are multiple positions coming open

Chairperson

Secretary

At Large Members

The various committees need help with putting on events. CSO is responsible for putting on our Long Timers event that celebrates members that have been sober more than twenty years, our annual Fourth of July picnic, the Hit and Run meetings that travel from Pueblo to other meetings outside of Pueblo.

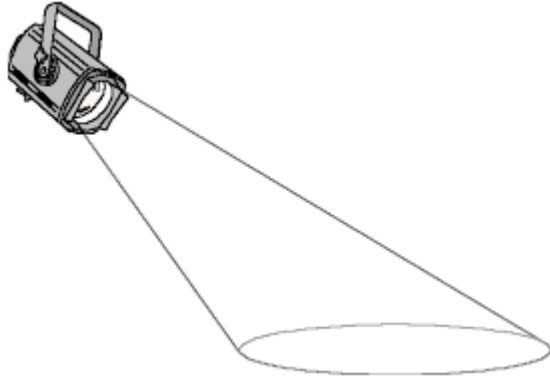
There are a number of important issues coming in the near future that may effect how OcSoberfest is managed and how we can engage groups from outside of Pueblo that want to participate in CSO using telecom technology.

CSO is your local provider of books, coins, literature in the form of pamphlets and meeting schedules. The CSO is the primary mode of AA communication with the public. We also always need volunteers to be available for twelve step calls and manning the office to answer the phone and sell literature.

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

This is old hat for many of you, but I want to add to the pile of information about the service structure of AA.

**District 8:** The official communication and decision making structure of AA starts with the group. A group elects a GSR, general service representative. The GSR attends District meetings at the Local level. District 8 includes communities the west as far as Canon City, to the South as far as Trinidad and east to the Otero county line. There is no physical office or phone number maintained by the district.

District 8 has a number of standing committees pertaining to the function of AA in the area. All of these committees are opportunities for service to AA. The GSRs elect from their number a pair of Co-

DCMs The DCM, district committee member, is the person that chairs the District meetings. We have two Co-DCMs in District 8 to provide a balanced representation of groups from Pueblo and groups outside of Pueblo. The DCMs share the duties of their office and are expected to attend area assemblies to represent the district in those business meetings that pertain to the functioning of AA as a whole.

Assemblies, are held by Area 10 three times a year, Area 10, which encompasses the State of Colorado holds these meetings at various locations around the State. The area communicates with the General Service Conference of AA in New York. Without volunteers the service structure breaks down and we as individual members and groups lose the ability to make our opinions known and to hear from other groups around the country and the world.

**The CSO:** The Central Service Office of Southern Colorado provides the public face of AA. There is a phone number, manned by volunteers, that the general public can call with questions about AA. The CSO also sponsors activities throughout the year, the Fourth of July Picnic, the Longtimers Celebration and other workshops and activities. These are described on the front of this sheet.

**Alano Clubs:** These clubs are most emphatically NOT AA. They are venues for meetings and activities in the Southern Colorado AA community. Their charters call for them to function as much as possible in compliance with the twelve traditions of AA but it is not bound by them.

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[csopueblo@gmail.com](mailto:csopueblo@gmail.com)

## 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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