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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. .
- **District 8 Meeting** 3rd Monday of the month, 6pm at the CSO all GSR's, should attend these meetings.
- **March 22 -24, 2024**, Area 10 Spring Assembly, DoubleTree by Hilton Grand Junction, 743 Horizon Dr, Grand Junction

Treasurer's Report

Dec 1st Balance	\$ 441.56
Revenue	\$3751.82
Expenses	\$1101.96
Jan 1st Balance	\$3091.42
Revenue	\$1364.56
Expenses	\$1358.05
Feb 1st Balance	\$3097.93
Misc Fund	\$1000.00
Prudent Reserve	\$2500.00

Annual Elections Special Edition

Elections will be at the March meeting of the CSO Steering Committee: March 6, 2024

All positions are currently open. The entire committee is moving on to other opportunities for Service within the AA community. This is a rare group in that the spirit of rotation is strong. We limit terms to one year, an individual can only serve two years in any one position if they so desire and three years in total. After three years in any two positions a person is required to step down from the committee for a minimum of one year.

There are currently openings for an entertainment /events chair, a technology chair, newsletter, bridging the gap, District 8 liaison, basically we need a full slate of candidates.

We have strong candidates for newsletter, secretary treasurer and monthly meeting chair. The most critical need is probably for a technology chair to assist the office manager with the website and zoom meeting facilities.

The committee needs a person willing to coordinate the hit and run program to help support meetings both in Pueblo and the outlying areas east on Highway 50, south on I-25 and west into our mountain communities. This is a great opportunity to get to know the locations and people that make our smaller meetings work.

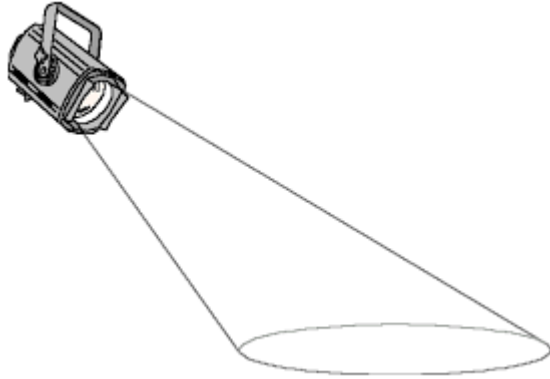
The Bridging the Gap chair person has a very simple and direct mandate. To collect as many names as possible of members willing to help a newcomer fresh from treatment to attend their first meeting outside of a treatment center. The key to this job is to keep it simple.

I look forward to seeing about half of all the southern Colorado AA membership at the election. I'm sure there's at least that many people out there ON FIRE with desire to carry the message.

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

Why do we need a CSO? What does the CSO do?

For those of us who are new or have isolated themselves to a single meeting, The Central Service Office is located on Club Manor Drive on the north side of Pueblo north of Hwy 50 West in a strip mall that is anchored by Parker Pools and Spas. The address is 4035-A Club Manor Drive.

The office provides services for Districts 8, 6 and 3, in Area 10. This means we list meetings for **District 8** which includes Pueblo, Canon City, Colorado City, Florence, Gardner, La Veta, Rye, Trinidad, Walsenburg and Westcliffe. **District 6**

is the Arkansas Valley and highway 50 corridor from Rocky Ford to Springfield including La Junta, Las Animas, Fort Lyon, Lamar, Ordway and Walsh. **District 3** is the entire San Luis Valley from the town of San Luis to Creede in the northwest corner of the valley. From Antonito to La Jara, Monte Vista, Del Norte, and Alamosa.

Basically we serve the entire south eastern quarter of the state from our little office in Pueblo.

What do you mean by “serve”?

First we maintain a 24 hour answering service for the public to contact AA by phone. The office hours are 10 AM to 4 PM weekdays. When the office is open a caller will speak to a volunteer, AA member. After hours we have an answering service that contacts volunteers that have provided their phone number. The answering service then gives the phone number of the caller to the volunteer to call back and answer questions and help. **Second**, we maintain a website that includes a meeting schedule and general information about AA in Southern Colorado. **Third**, we keep an inventory of conference approved literature and Grapevine publications, sobriety milestone coins and a library of old grapevine magazines that can be checked out and read. **Fourth**, the CSO puts on events. We put on the Annual Fourth of July picnic, when we get enough interest and funds we put on a Long Timers event to celebrate and hear from our members with 20 yrs or more of sobriety. The CSO works to put on the Pueblo Soberfest when we get to do that again.

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 Area Corrections committee.

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