# **TOP SHELF**



### A New Look

BY JESSICA S.

We recently had elections at the CSO office, and I decided to volunteer to take over the Southern Colorado newsletter. Matt W. has been publishing the newsletter for the last two years (thanks Matt), and is now taking over the position of Chairperson for the CSO. As the editor of the newsletter, I am doing my best to attend every meeting and introduce myself, as well as pass out my contact information, which is also included in this newsletter. I have a vision of including articles, poetry, photos, book reviews on AA approved materials, personal stories, etc. It would be terribly boring and difficult to do this myself, so I am asking people to step forward and submit material to me for review and publication. Additionally, I would like to include birthdays for the month with name, last initial and years sober listed. Please e-mail me with your birthday and I will keep a running list. If there are events you would like noted in the newsletter please e-mail me as well. I look forward to meeting everyone and seeing the talent and knowledge that pours forth!!

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## Upcoming Events

Easter Brunch Great Escape March 31, 2024 Meeting at 12:00 1:30-5:00 Turkey and ham provided, please bring a side dish Free to all

Fourth Thursday of every month Potluck, birthdays and games World of the Spirit Calvary Church 5 Tulane St, Pueblo 5:15-8:00pm Contact Ann B for more info at 720-530-0608

Breakfast Fundraiser for Summer Jam April 13th Great Escape \$7.00

### **Meeting Spotlight**

**World of the Spirit** has been active in Pueblo Colorado since May of 2012 and currently has meetings on Tuesday and Thursday from 6:00 to 7:00. This meeting is a one hour open meeting (sharing from AA members only) with discussion based on a topic selected by the chair from the AA Big Book, 12 and 12 or Dr. Bob's Nightmare. The business meeting is the 2nd Monday of each month. They host the potluck and AA birthday celebration on the last Thursday of the month and all are welcome. Meeting is located at 6 Tulane in Pueblo and is in the basement of the church.

If you would like me to highlight your meeting please contact me at meridiancounseling@yahoo.com

**New Veteran's Meeting** 

New Vetern's Meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous. Group will be held Tuesdays a 2pm at the American Legion Post 2 at 701 W. 9th Street (southside). Up the stairs, use doorbell, first door on the right. All are welcome and coffee will be provided.

### 2024 District 8 Inventory

District 8 Committee is seeking feedback from AA groups and members. They would like to know how they are doing at supporting groups in carrying the AA message, and serving as their voice and communication bridge to and from the area. They will be sending out a survey via the GSR's for your group starting March 25, 2024. If you do not have a GSR you can request a survey through the e-mail listed below. Additionally there will be a district event 1:30-4:30 on April 27, 2024 located at the 3 Point Club in Pueblo with Zoom access. This will be a facilitated session for those District 8 members or GSR's that would like to complete the survey in a collaborative setting with yummy desserts provided. Please send an e-mail to Cliff C, Co-DCM at codcm.aa.d8.a10@gmail.com. District 8 covers all AA groups in Freemont, Pueblo, Custer, Huerfano and Las Animas Counties.

3 Point Club Keystone Group Once a Month Speaker Meeting April 6th 8-9 April Speaker is Shawn Dinner from 7-8 Grilled burgers and hot dogs Side dishes are welcome Recovery fellowship and games from 9-10

> Summer Jam July 13th Great Escape 7-?? with DJ Details to follow

CSO monthly business meeting 1st Wednesday of every month 6pm CSO office

GSR Meeting 6pm CSO office 3rd Monday every month All groups are encouraged to send a GSR



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# The Spiritual Life is Not a Theory

Colorado State Convention August 16th –18th 2024 Pueblo Convention Center

We are so excited to have the Colorado State Convention in Pueblo this August. There is much to be done to ensure this year's convention is a hit, and preparations have begun. The planning committee met March 12th at the CSO office and various coordinator positions have been filled, but more help is needed. Positions range from greeting attendees, providing security, helping with set up, and decorating are available. There are many different opportunities and time commitments available. Please contact Josh S. at <u>Conventioneven@coloradoaa.org</u>

with your name, email address and phone number if you are interested in providing service work at this event.



"Practical experience shows that nothing will so much insure immunity from drinking as intensive work with other alcoholics. It works when other activities fail. This is our twelfth suggestion: Carry this message to other alcoholics! You can help when no one else can. You can secure their confidence when others fail. Remember they are very ill. Life will take on new meaning. To watch people recover, to see them help others, to watch loneliness vanish, to see a fellowship grow up about you, to have a host of friends - this is an experience you must not miss. We know you will not want to miss it. Frequent contact with newcomers and with each other is the bright spot of our lives."

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### **Additional Fellowship Opportunities**

#### **Dancing in Sobriety**

The three point club now has dancing classes every Sunday afternoon from 3-4pm. The cost is 10.00 per person/per session (50% of the proceeds go to support the club). The instructors are Rose and Sam Hicks @719-453-5302. Come join the fun!!

### April Birthdays

Gerry M Jr - 04/10/2003 Christian N - 04/13/1991 Sandy D - 04/19/2022 Craig T - 04/21/2012

### Let's Go Bowling!!

Every Thursday night is BOWLING at Midtown Shopping Center 9:00pm midnight. Cost is 12.00per person.



Saturday nights at the Great Escape Big Book 8pm Sunday 8pm Great Escape Twelve and Twelve Big Book Study 3 Point Club at 8pm Monday 12x12 3 Point Club at 8pm on Wednesday. Come fellowship and learn more about the program

There is always a puzzle people are working on at the 3 Points Club. Come get a cup of joe and help put the puzzle together.

The District 8 Public Information Committee is looking for individuals to man a booth for an hour or two at this years Cinco de Mayo event at Ray Aguilar Park. Interested please email pi.aa.d8.a10@gmail.com



If you have received the newsletter in error, please e-mail me at the address listed below and I will remove you from the list. I was not able to get everyone's birthday for April, so if I have not included you in the birthdays it is because I don't have everyone's information as of this publishing. I am making efforts to get around town and get people's information. Feel free to e-mail me your information so I can put it in the newsletter as well.

Do you have something to say? Do you have a sobriety story to tell? Does your home group have activities you would like to see listed in the newsletter? Send all articles and announcements to meridiancounseling@yahoo.com. If you don't have an email feel free to contact me to set up a meeting at 719-766-1383. The newsletter will be published monthly. Submissions for the new month are due the 21st day of the previous month.