

GRATITUDE GAZETTE

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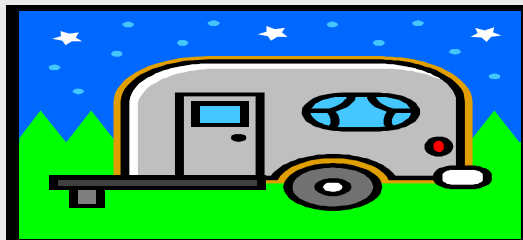
Taking a Trip, Not Taking a Trip

My name is Sandy S., a grateful sober alcoholic and I am so excited!!! For the first time in my sobriety, I am taking a Road Trip to AR to visit my Daughter and her family. Because of this gift of sobriety, a friend of mine is lending me her motor home so my wife, my son and I can take this trip. For a drunk like the one I was this is miraculous that I am being trusted to use the motor home let alone be able to just go on a trip.

I get to do this differently. Today I get to plan instead of waiting until the last minute. I don't have to worry about taking enough booze to get me to my destination without having to stop, which never happened, or making sure my route is planned so when I did run out I wasn't in a dry county or that it was Sunday and the liquor stores were closed. We have a route mapped out and I am able to accept, let go and know that I am not in charge. I am able to take suggestions on which route we are taking. I have 5 days until we leave. The food is bought, the motor home is almost packed, the mechanic has checked everything out and declared that we are road worthy, the house/animal sitter is lined up and we are almost good to go.

The biggest blessing is my daughter is excited to see me and wants me to come for a visit. My Grandson is very excited to have Gamma come. He has never seen me drunk and by the grace of my HP he never will. I am so grateful to my sobriety and the program of AA. Life is wonderful.

Wildomar, Ca—sober 10/8/97



Alcoholics Anon- ymous

I AM RESPONSIBLE

**Whenever anyone, any-
where, reaches out for help, I
want the hand of AA always
to be there and for that**

I AM RESPONSIBLE

-Declaration of 30th Anniversary
International Convention, 1965

AA Birthdays: Who's Taking a Cake in September & October?

Happy Birthday

Kimberly F	9/28/1984		Len	9/14/1991
PJ	9/5/2005		Teresa	9/19/2010
Taralyn	1 yr		Mike	9/29/2010
Kat	1 yr		Mike W	9/29/2009



Want your sobriety date published? Submit your name and sobriety date to gazette@temeculacentraloffice.org



To all AA members
Email list

Get on the List!

Be notified of meeting changes, new events and other important AA information. Join our mailing list. Send email to DLServant@TemeculaCentralOffice.Org and be added to the list.

What is an Intergroup?

Each group is encouraged to have an Intergroup Representative. This person is the liaison between Intergroup and their home group. Any decisions for changes to the way Central Office runs must be voted on. Any questions or concerns or compliments may be put on the agenda for discussion. By having an Intergroup representative your group will be able to bring a vote to the intergroup meeting. No vote can take place without a quorum. Your group must be a registered meeting in order to vote. Any A.A. member is welcome to attend the Intergroup or Board meeting as a guest. If your group is interested in joining Intergroup, send a member to the meeting, and we will gladly give you all the information you need to get started. Intergroup meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:45 pm on the corner of Kalmia & Adams in Murrieta at the church. Hope to see you there.

AA Service Meetings

What	When	Where
H&I Committee Meeting	1st Monday - 7:30pm	TVAC—27470 Commerce Center Dr. Temecula, CA 92590
TVCO Board Meeting	1st Tuesday - 6:30pm	Central Office - All are welcome, but only board members may participate.
Mid So-Cal Area Meeting	2nd Sunday - 9:30am	Meets at various locations. Call Central Office for meeting location
Cooperating with Prof Community (CPC)	2nd Tuesday - 5:45pm	Boston Billies - 26850 Cherry Hills Blvd. Sun City
GSR Meeting - District 17	2nd Tuesday - 6:30pm	Boston Billies - 26850 Cherry Hills Blvd. Sun City
Intergroup Meeting	3rd Tuesday - 6:45pm	United Methodist Church, Murrieta 24652 Adams at Kalmia & Adams
GSR Meeting - District 14	3rd Wednesday - 7pm	Good Shepherd Episcopal Church 308 E Acacia Ave, Hemet, CA 92543

What you get from Central Office!

During the day, **your Central Office keeps the doors open to assist recovering and suffering AA members alike** . We provide the Big Book. We also provide the 12x12, assorted literature, chips, and newcomer packets. **Your office manager organizes volunteers, makes bank deposits, keeps your accounting data accurate, and safe guards your inventory. We make and distribute your meeting schedules and the Gratitude Gazette. Twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, volunteers take calls from suffering alcoholics and organize 12 step calls. The phone line and special call-forwarding are paid for by your central office contributions.**

Please ask at your next business meeting if you are contributing monthly to your Central Office. It doesn't have to be a lot. Being self-supporting. means not only paying for your rent and coffee, but also paying for the services you receive through Central Office.

If your group has stopped contributing (or never started), please bring it up at your next business meeting and take a group conscious. There have been a lot of changes made. The board has had a new influx of members, and oversight is strong. **Traditions are always the first thought for any changes being considered.**

We invite anyone to call, email, and/or attend the monthly board meeting. We value your input and want to make sure we understand your opinion.

Still Skeptical?



Focus on Concept Nine



Concept IX. Good service leaders, together with sound and appropriate methods of choosing them, are at all levels indispensable for our future functioning and safety. The primary world service leadership once exercised by the founders of A.A. must be necessarily be assumed by the Trustees of the General Service Board of Alcoholics



LOOKING FOR A WAY TO BE OF SERVICE?

Our "HOTLINE" is a great way to be of service. When Central Office is closed a member of Alcoholics Anonymous answers the phone EVERY time. The phone call may be as simple as "where is a meeting?" It may be an alcoholic needs to talk, be visiting from out of town, etc. For more information on the Hotline visit our website and click on the "HOTLINE" link at www.temeculacentraloffice.com

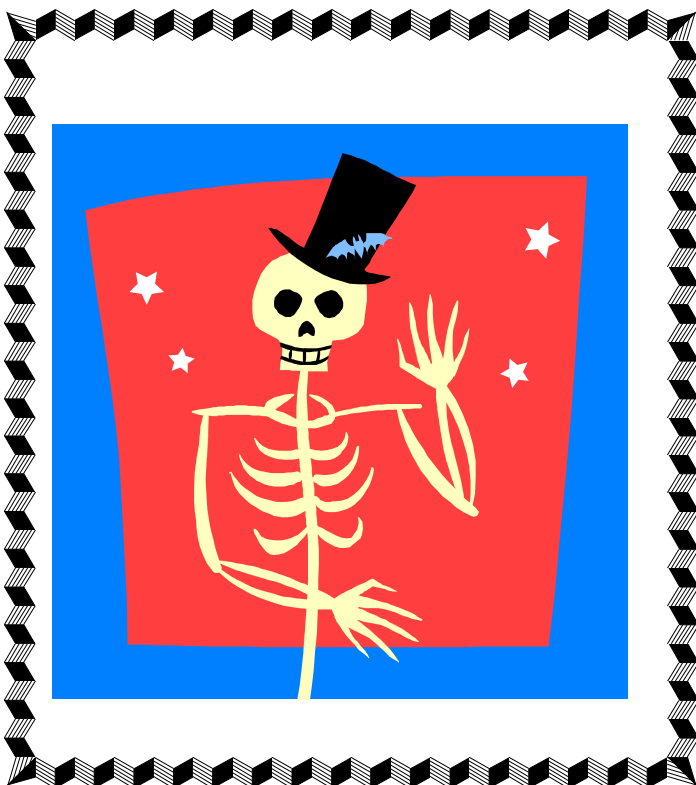
Central Office Service

Please call (951) 695-1535 if you can be of service at Central Office by volunteering for time slots to answer phones and help walk-ins. Volunteers are always appreciated, and of course you get the grand reward...

Sobriety for another day!

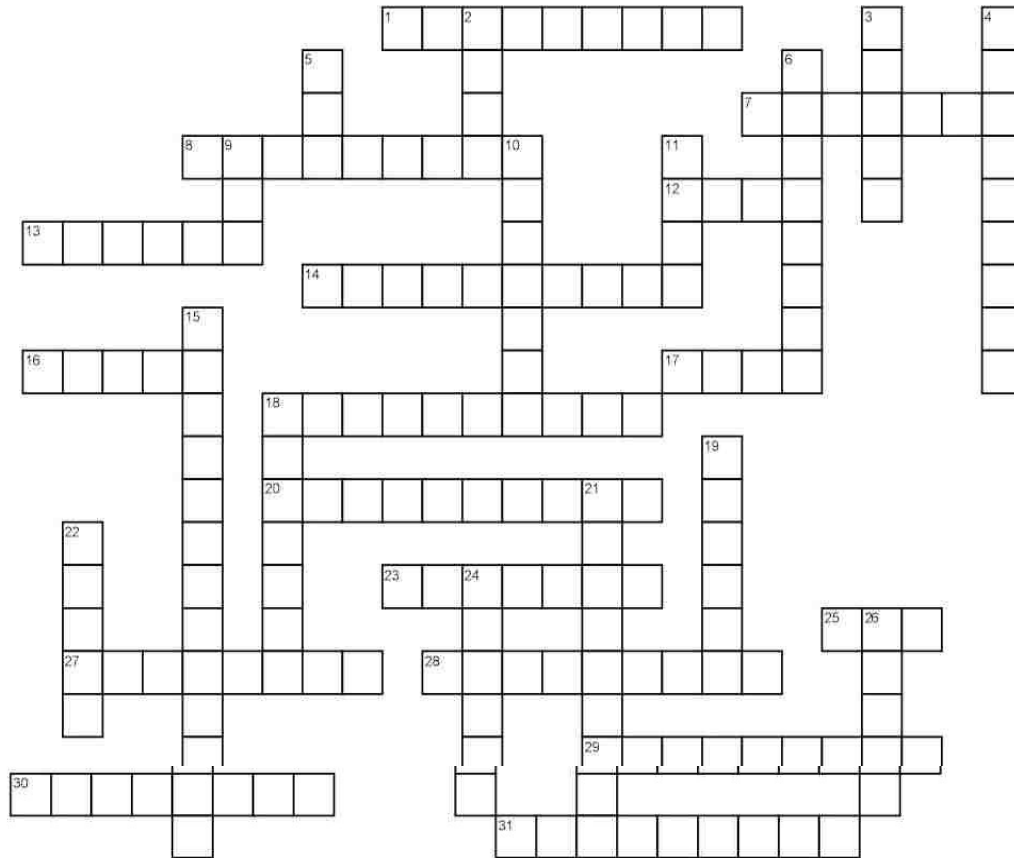
AA Humor

Send AA related humor to gazette@temeculacentraloffice.org



2011 CROSSWORD

SEPTEMBER 2011



ACROSS

- 1 AA meeting in print
- 7 On the road to happy _____
- 8 Honesty, unselfishness, purity and love
- 12 Step two
- 13 AA got this award in 1951
- 14 International Convention City (2 words)
- 16 Russian potato juice
- 17 Who brought the message to Bill Wilson
- 18 First prison to hold a meeting (2 words)
- 20 the act of taking or receiving something offered
- 23 In the last AA survey, most alcoholics were this
- 25 New York offices
- 27 Circle and _____
- 28 meeting in print
- 29 spiritual foundation
- 30 prior to investigation
- 31 Dr. Bob and the Good

DOWN

- 2 Mrs. Dr. Bob
- 3 Our _____ is self-centered, ego-centric
- 4 Akron hotel when Bill needed to talk to another drunk
- 5 General Service Office
- 6 What we'll comprehend
- 9 Home away from home to alcoholics
- 10 The number of printings of the first edition of our Big Book
- 11 Akron
- 15 Saturday Evening Post article in March, 1941
- 18 AA's very essence
- 19 what trusted servants don't do
- 21 1st AA Convention city
- 22 Second Principle
- 24 How often we've seen them fail
- 26 Dr. Bob surname

Puzzle answers will appear in next month's Gratitude Gazette

BIRTHDAY DONATIONS AUGUST 2011

<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Bob C celebrates 3 years	3.00
Charles celebrates 3 years	3.00
Marcos celebrates 8 years	20.00
	<u>26.00</u>

**CENTRAL
OFFICE
NEWS**

Special thanks to those
who helped with the news-
letter this month!

Darcie, Laura L., Kim B.,
Murrieta As Bill Sees It

**PRUDENT RESESRVE PLEDGES
AUGUST 2011**

Terese B 20.00

August Activity

Phoned In...227
Walk Ins...75
AA Meeting...43
Al-Anon...7
12 Step...15
Donantions/Purchases...55
Misc/Other Business...47

PERSONAL DONATIONS AUGUST 2011

<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Tom and Mary	10.00
Anonymous	16.62
Darcie D	10.00
	<u>36.62</u>

**INTERGROUP OUTREACH COMMITTEE**

A committee is being formed to visit meetings without an intergroup representative and invite them to participate. For more information please contact Central Office (951) 695-1535

BRIDGING THE GAP

Bridging the Gap is designed to help an alcoholic between a treatment program or prison make the transition. One of the more slippery places in the journey to sobriety is between the door of a facility and the nearest AA group or meeting. AA experience suggests that attending meetings regularly is critical. In order to Bridge the Gap, AA members have volunteered to be temporary contacts & introduce newcomers to AA. It is suggested that the temporary contact take the newcomer to a variety of AA meetings; introduce him or her to other AA's; insure that he or she has some phone numbers of several AA members and share the experience of sponsorship and a home group.

Temecula Valley is in the process of co-ordinating this committee. Volunteers are needed. Please call Central Office for more information (951) 695-1535

We would love to print your submissions for the Newsletter. All profanity will be edited out of the final copy. The primary theme of any article content must pertain to; alcoholism and recovery, the Twelve Steps, The Twelve Traditions, or The Concepts. Poems, inspiring materials, AA trivia, jokes and cartoons are welcome also. Proper credit must be given to each articles source. If taken from previously printed materials include its copyright so that we can acknowledge it. The committee reserves the right to edit or refuse any articles submitted. Submissions accepted via email at:

gazette@temeculacentraloffice.org

Mailing Address @ Temecula Valley Central Office, 28636 Old Front Street, #106, Temecula CA 92590

Email: temeculaaa@verizon.net

AUGUST GROUP DONATIONS

	Aug 11	Jan - Aug 11
Hemet Arrid /Wed&Sat 7am/Wmn in Recovery		60.00
Hemet Arrid/Everyday 12 Noon/High Nooners		20.00
Hemet Arrid/Sat 7pm/Back to Basics	80.00	211.00
Hemet Provident/Fri 7pm/Old Barn Meeting		180.00
Hemet Provident/Mon 1pm/Share the Legacy		180.00
Hemet Provident/Tue Noon/Sober Seniors		124.00
LE 1st Lutheran/M,Tue,Th,Sat 730pm/Bells	157.92	617.41
LE AOG Church/Thur Noon/Womens BB		4.90
LE AOG Church/Wed Noon/Acceptance		210.00
LE Meeting Place/Sun 1030am/Speaker Mtg		90.00
LE Meeting Place/Sun 7am/Att Mod		5.00
Mur Community House/Mon-Sat 7am/ABSI	250.00	2,000.00
Mur Community House/Sun 730pm/The Geek	46.80	117.80
Mur Community House/Wed 7pm/Mens Stag	31.00	139.00
Mur United Methodist/Mon 7pm/Lil Big Book	30.00	243.00
Mur United Methodist/Mon Noon/Womens ABSI	93.87	303.77
Mur United Methodist/Tue 10am/Womens		285.00
Mur United Methodist/Wed 8pm/Discussion		100.00
Mur/TVCO Intergroup/#179377		262.04
Murr/Thur/Joe & Charlie SS		316.00
SC Boston Billies/Wed 7am/Mens Breakfast		153.00
SC St Stephen's/Fri 7pm/Mens Reflections	63.00	63.00
SC Unity Hall/Umbrella #164257	720.00	6,000.00
Tem ABT/Mon 7am/	60.00	105.00
Tem Del Rio/M-F 7am/Survivors	150.00	971.00
Tem Del Rio/Tue 630pm/Road Dogs	50.00	200.00
Tem Lyndie Ln/M-F Noon/		3.36
Tem Lyndie Ln/Mon 10am/Open Arms		36.00
Tem Lyndie Ln/Sat 8am/Early Risers	120.00	1,151.00
Tem Lyndie Ln/Sun 6pm/Twilight		110.00
Tem Lyndie Ln/Sun 9am/Came to Believe		100.00
Tem Lyndie Ln/Thur 10am/Sisters Sharing		100.00
Tem Pech Sr Ctr/Fri 7pm/Bats Belfry		50.00
Tem Pech Sr Ctr/Mon 6pm/Mon Madness	100.00	500.00
Tem Pech Sr Ctr/Wed 7pm/Step Sisters	17.86	239.86
Tem Private/Mon 630pm/Trad and Concepts		100.00
Tem RC Church Office/Tue 6pm/Mosh Pit		436.28
Tem Ser Cir/M-S 7am/Att Adj Group	84.40	1,257.60
Tem Ser Cir/Mon-Sun 6pm/Serenity Hour		84.70
Tem Ser Cir/Sat Noon/Young at Heart		60.00
Tem Ser Cir/Sun 10am/Big Book Study		35.00
Tem Ser Cir/Thur 715pm/Serenity Seekers	25.00	160.25
Tem Ser Cir/Thur Noon/Nooners		300.00
Tem Ser Cir/Tue 730pm/Mens Stag		296.00
Tem Ser Cir/Tue Noon/Living Sober		180.00
Tem Ser Cir/Wed Noon/		100.00
Tem St Catherine's/Fri Noon/Step Study		270.00
Tem The Meeting Place/Mon 630pm/1 To Many		18.00
Tem The Meeting Place/Thurs 630pm/Solutio	10.00	70.00
Tem Unity Church/Mon 730pm/Heart of Tem		50.00
Tem Water District/Sat 8pm/World Famous	215.00	1,224.20
Tri County Young People in AA	396.69	396.69
Wildomar IVH/Fri 7pm/Step Study		70.00
Wildomar IVH/Sat 730pm/Participation		60.00
Wildomar IVH/Sun 7pm/Pigs on the Wall		14.00
Wildomar MV Comm Church/M-S 7am/Wild Ones		1,900.00
TOTAL	2,701.54	22,333.86

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AUGUST 2011	Amount
	9.00
Gene W	5.00
Marcos	5.00
Suzannah	10.00
Georgia	1.00
Paul S	2.00
Michael M	6.00
Paul S	1.00
Nicki	12.00
Mo	2.00
Karen K	1.00
Kirk	1.00
Edna E	2.00
Michael M	1.00
Dave	5.00
Shayne	1.00
Arnie	1.00
Rose	1.00
	66.00

Buck-A-Month

Join the "Buck-A-Month" Club.
Contributions can be made to Central Office by mailing this form with your donation.

Name _____

Donation _____

Mail Your Donation to:
Temecula Valley Central Office
28636 Old Town Front Street, Suite 106

**CENTRAL
OFFICE
VOULNTEERS
JUNE 2011**

1. Debi G
2. Launa R
3. Laura D
4. Erinn
5. Kendyl
6. Brian
7. Jim F
8. Fred D
9. Kim
10. Monique
11. Tyrone
12. Shawn
13. Bob E
14. Laurie S
15. Annie
16. Bonnie
17. Jackie
18. Jill
19. Patti
20. Rob
21. Pam
22. Lynn
23. Kim B
24. Greg
25. Ron
26. Kelly D

Central Office Prudent

Reserve Fund

One of the challenges for 2011 is to re-build our Prudent Reserve. A monthly contribution of \$5 or an amount you can afford are greatly appreciated.

Name _____

Contribution _____

Mail Your Contribution to:
Temecula Valley Central Office
28636 Old Town Front Street, Suite 106

Contribute to Central Office for your Sponsor's Birthday

Name _____

Years of Sobriety/Donation _____

Celebrate your birthday or your sponsor's birthday by donating \$1 per year of sobriety to Central Office. What a great way to give back!

Mail Your Donation to:
Temecula Valley Central Office
28636 Old Town Front Street, Suite 106
Temecula, CA 92591

ONE LINERS

Submitted by "As Bill Sees It" Murrieta, 7am

Prayer for many is like a foreign land, when we go there, we go as tourists.

Forgiving is not forgetting. It is letting go of the hurt.

God meets me where I am if I am just willing HE will come to me.

Mental health, like dandruff crops up when you least expect it.

Staying sane, in an insane world is insane.

You don't gotta wanna.

RESENTMENT: Expectations under construction without a permit

SEPTEMBER GROUP DONATIONS

	Sept 2011	Jan - Sept 11
Hemet Arrid /Wed&Sat 7am/Wmn in Recovery	40.00	100.00
Hemet Arrid/Everyday 12 Noon/High Nooners		20.00
Hemet Arrid/Sat 7pm/Back to Basics		211.00
Hemet Provident/Fri 7pm/Old Barn Meeting		180.00
Hemet Provident/Mon 1pm/Share the Legacy		180.00
Hemet Provident/Tue Noon/Sober Seniors		124.00
Hemet Unity Church/Wed Noon/Lucky Ladies	40.00	40.00
LE 1st Lutheran/M,Tue,Th,Sat 730pm/Bells	151.44	889.77
LE AOG Church/Thur Noon/Womens BB	120.00	124.90
LE AOG Church/Wed Noon/Acceptance		210.00
LE Meeting Place/Sun 1030am/Speaker Mtg		90.00
LE Meeting Place/Sun 7am/Att Mod		5.00
Mur Community House/Mon-Sat 7am/ABSI	250.00	2,450.00
Mur Community House/Sun 730pm/The Geek		117.80
Mur Community House/Wed 7pm/Mens Stag		139.00
Mur United Methodist/Mon 7pm/Lil Big Book	38.00	361.00
Mur United Methodist/Mon Noon/Womens ABSI	20.00	323.77
Mur United Methodist/Tue 10am/Womens		285.00
Mur United Methodist/Wed 8pm/Discussion		100.00
Mur/TVCO Intergroup/#179377		315.08
Murr/Thur/Joe & Charlie SS		316.00
SC Boston Billies/Wed 7am/Mens Breakfast		232.00
SC St Stephen's/Fri 7pm/Mens Reflections		63.00
SC Unity Hall/Umbrella #164257	900.00	6,900.00
Tem ABT/Mon 7am/		105.00
Tem Del Rio/M-F 7am/Survivors	120.00	1,091.00
Tem Del Rio/Tue 630pm/Road Dogs		200.00
Tem Lyndie Ln/M-F Noon/		3.36
Tem Lyndie Ln/Mon 10am/Open Arms		36.00
Tem Lyndie Ln/Sat 8am/Early Risers	255.00	1,406.00
Tem Lyndie Ln/Sun 6pm/Twilight		170.00
Tem Lyndie Ln/Sun 9am/Came to Believe		100.00
Tem Lyndie Ln/Thur 10am/Sisters Sharing		100.00
Tem Pech Sr Ctr/Fri 7pm/Bats Belfry		50.00
Tem Pech Sr Ctr/Mon 6pm/Mon Madness		500.00
Tem Pech Sr Ctr/Wed 7pm/Step Sisters		322.66
Tem Private/Mon 630pm/Trad and Concepts		100.00
Tem RC Church Office/Tue 6pm/Mosh Pit		436.28
Tem Ser Cir/M-S 7am/Att Adj Group		1,257.60
Tem Ser Cir/Mon-Sun 6pm/Serenity Hour		84.70
Tem Ser Cir/Sat Noon/Young at Heart		60.00
Tem Ser Cir/Sun 10am/Big Book Study		35.00
Tem Ser Cir/Thur 715pm/Serenity Seekers	25.00	185.25
Tem Ser Cir/Thur Noon/Nooners		400.00
Tem Ser Cir/Tue 730pm/Mens Stag		386.00
Tem Ser Cir/Tue Noon/Living Sober		180.00
Tem Ser Cir/Wed Noon/		100.00
Tem St Catherine's/Fri Noon/Step Study	60.00	330.00
Tem The Meeting Place/Mon 630pm/1 To Many		18.00
Tem The Meeting Place/Thurs 630pm/Solutio		70.00
Tem Unity Church/Mon 730pm/Heart of Tem		50.00
Tem Water District/Sat 8pm/World Famous		1,438.20
Tri County Young People in AA		396.69
Wildomar IVH/Fri 7pm/Step Study	105.00	175.00
Wildomar IVH/Sat 730pm/Participation	20.00	60.00
Wildomar IVH/Sun 7pm/Pigs on the Wall		61.00
Wildomar MV Comm Church/M-S 7am/Wild Ones		1,900.00
Womens Banquet		317.64
TOTAL	2,144.44	25,902.70

PERSONAL DONATIONS

Memo	Amount
Tom and Mary	10.00
A Vision For You	75.00
Ralph S	25.00
	110.00

SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEERS

- 1 Debi G.
- 2 Launa R
- 3 Laura D
- 4 Erinn
- 5 Brian H
- 6 Yanna
- 7 Sheri
- 8 Nina
- 9 Kim B
- 10 Monique
- 11 Tyrone
- 12 Shawn
- 13 Bob E
- 14 Laurie S
- 15 Annie
- 16 Bonnie
- 17 Kristen
- 18 Jill
- 19 Dave
- 20 Lisa
- 21 Jeffrey
- 22 Gaye
- 23 Kim C
- 24 Rachael
- 25 Betsy
- 26 Sheila

SEPTEMBER ACTIVITY

Phone Ins—292
Walk In—109
AA Meeting—110
Al-Anon— 20
12 Step—18
Donations/Purch—128
Misc—81



JOIN US TO HELP

CELEBRATE

THE TEMECULA VALLEY CENTRAL OFFICE

An invitation to celebrate and fellowship with an anniversary dinner for the Temecula Valley Central Office, for over 17 years of Service to the Valley.

SATURDAY

November 12, 2011

at the Pechanga Resort and Casino

\$40.00 per person

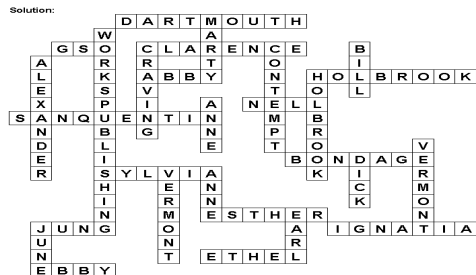
Doors open at 5:30 for fellowship

Dinner served at 6:30 with limited seating

(this is not a buffet, so get your seats early. No tickets will be sold at the door)

50/50 raffle

8:00 - 10:00 dancing with a fun dj! Business casual attire required.



HOTLINE SCHEDULE

TVCO HOTLINE GROUP DAYS & CONTACTS	
Updated: 6/19/11	
1st Monday	Monday 7:00 Am As Bill Sees It & Saturday Am Reflections (Murrieta)
1st Tuesday	Tuesday 10 Am Women's 12x12 (Murrieta)
1st Wednesday	Hotline Rep.
1st Thursday	Thur. Women's 10:00am-Lyndie Lane (Temecula)
1st Friday	Men's Stag 7:00 Pm Wednesday (Murrieta)
1st Weekend	Liberty Bells (Lake Elsinore)
2nd Monday	Saturday Early Risers (Temecula)
2nd Tuesday	Unity Hall 7 Am (Sun City)
2nd Wednesday	The Funks
2nd Thursday	Mike B.
2nd Friday	Sun City Swingers (Sun City)
2nd Weekend	Mosh Pit
3rd Monday	Saturday Am Reflections (Murrieta)
3rd Tuesday	Sunday Speaker Meeting @ The Meeting Place (Lake Elsinore)
3rd Wednesday	Women's Acceptance Wednesday (Lake Elsinore)
3rd Thursday	Thursday Women's Bb Study L.E. (Lake Elsinore)
3rd Friday	Back To Basics (Sun City)
3rd Weekend	Serenity Circle Noon (Temecula)
4th Monday	Sunday 7 Am Attitude Adjustment (Lake Elsinore)
4th Tuesday	Geek Squad Sundy Night 12 X 12 (Murrieta)
4th Wednesday	Little Big Book Monday (Murrieta)
4th Thursday	The Step Sisters - Wednesday (Temecula)
4th Friday	Women's Candelight - Thursday (Temecula)
4th Weekend	Wild Ones Grape Street (Wildomar)
5th Monday	Women's Closed As Bill Sees It - Monday 12:00 (Murrieta)
5th Tuesday	Sunday Speaker Meeting @ The Meeting Place (Lake Elsinore)
5th Wednesday	Bobbi And Richard
5th Thursday	Charlene And Jeff (Murrieta)
5th Friday	Brenda & John W . (Wildomar)