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It was only a matter of being willing to believe in a Power greater than myself. Nothing more was required of me to make my beginning. I saw that growth could start from that point.

- Alcoholics Anonymous (The "Big Book"), Bill's Story, page 12

Step 1 We admitted we were powerless over alcohol — that our lives had become unmanageable.

Tradition 1 (Short Form) Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity.

(Long Form) Each member of Alcoholics Anonymous is but a small part of a great whole. A.A. must continue to live or most of us will surely die. Hence our common welfare comes first. But individual welfare follows close afterward.

Concept 1 (Short & Long Forms) Final responsibility and the ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole fellowship.

On Tradition One

Editorial by Bill W.

A.A. Grapevine, December, 1947

Our whole A.A. program is securely founded on the principle of humility--that is to say, perspective. Which implies, among other things, that we relate ourselves rightly to God and to our fellows; that we each see ourselves as we really are--"a small part of a great whole." Seeing our fellows thus, we shall enjoy group harmony. That is why A.A. Tradition can confidently state, "Our common welfare comes first."

"Does this mean," some will ask, "that in A.A. the individual doesn't count too much? Is he to be swallowed up, dominated by the group?"

No, it doesn't seem to work out that way. Perhaps there is no society on earth more solicitous of personal welfare, more careful to grant the individual the greatest possible liberty of belief and action. Alcoholics Anonymous has no "musts." Few A.A. groups impose penalties on anyone for non-conformity. We do suggest, but we don't discipline. Instead, compliance or non-compliance with any principle of A.A. is a matter for the conscience of the individual; he is the judge of his own conduct. Those words of old time, "Judge not," we observe most literally.

"But," some will argue, "if A.A. has no authority to govern its individual members or groups, how shall it ever be sure that the common welfare does come first? How is it possible to be governed without a government? If everyone can do as he pleases, how can you have aught but anarchy?"

The answer seems to be that we A.A.s cannot really do as we please, though there is no constituted human authority to restrain us. Actually, our common welfare is protected by powerful safeguards. The moment any action seriously threatens the common welfare, group opinion mobilizes to remind us; our conscience begins to complain. If one persists, he may become so disturbed as to get drunk; alcohol gives him a beating. Group opinion shows him that he is off the beam, his own conscience tells him that he is dead wrong, and, if he goes too far, Barleycorn brings him real conviction.

So it is we learn that in matters deeply affecting the group as a whole, "our common welfare comes first." Rebellion ceases and cooperation begins because it must; we have disciplined ourselves.

Eventually, of course, we cooperate because we really wish to; we see that without substantial unity there can be no A.A., and that without A.A. there can be little lasting recovery for anyone. We gladly set aside personal ambitions whenever these might harm A.A. We humbly confess that we are but "a small part of a great whole."

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Central Office Steering Committee vacancies: Central office steering committee still has 3 unfilled positions: Intergroup Liaison, Special Needs Coordinator and Community Outreach (formerly known as Public Information). Details on the steering committee and the open positions are available at: <http://albuquerqueaa.org/service.html> or by emailing Chair@albuquerqueaa.org for more information. This is an excellent way to participate in service work that impacts the whole Albuquerque area.

The **Sobriety Birthday Calendar** (page 5) is holding steady as far as how many submissions are coming in, but I know there's a lot more sobriety than is being commemorated in the calendar. Step up and be your group's PIO Sobriety Birthday Calendar representative. Let's grow this calendar. Details on submitting sobriety birthdays can be found at the bottom of the Sobriety Birthday Calendar on page 5.

Article submissions by local AA members are highly encouraged - and, to me at least, are often more interesting/inspiring than reprints of stale oldies. If you'd like some ideas for articles, please email Steve at: PassItOn@albuquerqueaa.org. PLEASE follow the guidelines by making your best effort to keep it in the 300-500 word range.

The Central Office/Intergroup **2014 New Years Eve Alcathon** was a great success this year. Many thanks to the Heights Club for hosting the event at no cost to Central Office and the 20+ groups that hosted Alcathon Marathon Meetings. And a special thanks to all the Alcathon Committee members and countless volunteers who helped make this event such a success.

SUBMISSIONS for PIO publication (articles, stories, announcements, flyers, sobriety birthdays, etc.), letters to the editor, questions, comments, suggestions and criticism are always welcomed at PassItOn@albuquerqueaa.org and will receive a prompt reply and appropriate consideration for publication.

Two Wolves

One evening an old Cherokee told his grandson about a battle that goes on inside people. He said, "My son, The battle is between two 'wolves' inside us all.

One is Evil. It is anger, envy, jealousy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment Inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority and ego.

The other is Good. It is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion and faith." The grandson thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather, "Which wolf wins?"

The old Cherokee simply replied, "The one you feed."

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Albuquerque Area
Business Meetings

Intergroup Rep. Meeting
2 pm, 2nd Sunday, Brownbaggers

District 3 - 2 pm, 2nd Saturday
Call the DCM for location

District 11 - 9 am, 2nd Saturday
Harwood Methodist Church
420 San Lorenzo NW (at 4th)

District 12 - 10:15 am, 2nd Saturday, Heights Club, 8520 Marble NE in Rm #3

District 13 - 10 am, 2nd Saturday, St Thomas of Canterbury (2nd floor) 425 University Blvd NE (1 blk N of MLK Blvd)

District 18 - 10:30am, 2nd Saturday, United Methodist Church, 136 Calle Don Andres, Bernalillo, NM

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DRINKING CEASED TO BE A LUXURY

by Manuel P.

I began drinking in 9th grade. The allergy and phenomena of craving happened on my first drink. I had found something I didn't even know I was looking for. I was 13 years old and a teenage Alcoholic.

I have a non Alcoholic brother that was concerned with my drinking by the end of High School and suggested I join the military.

I did and after boot camp and heavy equipment operator training I was stationed at Camp Pendleton when I met up with a friend of mine from Albuquerque that was there on his 2 weeks Marine Reserve training. We got a 4 day pass for the 4th of July Holiday, Life as I knew it ended on the 4th of July 1976, I was the victim of a shooting. The details I don't care to discuss much, the shooting was sudden and uncalled for, possibly a robbery attempt. I was discharged from the Marines and sent home, but I was in an extreme amount of fear and tried very hard not to show it, story of my life to this day. My drinking became medication to me. I started doing heroin also, and with that combination (page 21 & 22 Big Book) I hit bottom quicker. I hit a very low bottom becoming a drunken street walking Alkie, and arrived in AA about August of 1987 divorced and broke. I had just turned 30 years old. I was working at the V.A. hospital my position was cleaning bloody instruments that had been used in surgery. I was angry and had to have my alcohol and drugs daily. December 22, 1987 is my Sobriety date. Today I still live with some fear and when I hear of incidents occurring such as Movie Theater shootings, mall shootings, naval yard shootings, just to name a few, I can go on; I still get very uncomfortable. Our Big Book tells us we will began to outgrow fear, but in my case I don't see it ever being totally eliminated, but with God and the program of AA I have been able to turn my life around and be reasonably happy, made amends to those I'd harmed, beat hep C with 2 rounds of interferon treatments, (2 years total) replaced a knee, raised a family, remain in a relationship, have retired, live in my own home, drive dependable vehicles and even do some traveling in an RV we own. We go on vacations, AA conventions, Veterans functions and sporting events all over the USA, just outdoors camping I do not do leaves me feeling too vulnerable. The medical people call it PTSD we in AA call it fear and although there is no cure there is a solution.

Today I know that drinking (alcohol in any form) would be a death sentence or prison sentence, and although living with fear may sometimes feel unbearable (thank God for the 10th step promises also) with God, and actively working the AA program I pray Alcohol will never enter my life again. If I can do it anyone can do it.

FIRST TRADITION INVENTORY

from the AA Grapevine

THE FIRST TRADITION: "Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity"

1. Am I in my group a healing, mending, integrating person, or am I divisive? What about gossip and taking other members' inventories?
2. Am I a peacemaker? Or do I, with pious preludes such as "just for the sake of discussion," plunge into argument?
3. Am I gentle with those who rub me the wrong way, or am I abrasive?
4. Do I make competitive AA remarks, such as comparing one group with another or contrasting AA in one place with AA in another?
5. Do I put down some AA activities as if I were superior for not participating in this or that aspect of AA?
6. Am I informed about AA as a whole? Do I support, in every way I can, AA as a whole, or just the parts I understand and approve of?
7. Am I as considerate of AA members as I want them to be of me?
8. Do I spout platitudes about love while indulging in and secretly justifying behavior that bristles with hostility?
9. Do I go to enough AA meetings or read enough AA literature to really keep in touch?
10. Do I share with AA all of me, the bad and the good, accepting as well as giving the help of fellowship?

The fact is that most alcoholics, for reasons yet obscure, have lost the power of choice in drink. Our so-called will power becomes practically nonexistent. We are unable, at certain times, to bring into our consciousness with sufficient force the memory of the suffering and humiliation of even a week or a month ago. We are without defense against the first drink.

-Alcoholics Anonymous (The "Big Book"), There Is A Solution, page 24

Central Office encourages all groups to elect an Intergroup representative. Join us at the next Intergroup meeting the second Sunday of every month, at 2 pm, at the Brownbaggers.

Intergroup Rep. Meeting Minutes

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Editorial corrections signified by crossed-out wording & wording that has been inserted is contained in double parentheses)

Open @ 2:00pm

Open/ Attendees Jeremy ((Chair)); Carolyn R, Secretary; Aaron C, Treasurer; Elizabeth E, Member at Large; Heather G, QIOF; Linda E, Schedule Editor; Debra K, Alternate Coordinator; Rick W, Promises; Kevin R, El Centro; Lisa H, Any Lengths; Kimber C, The Ladies' Room; Steve R, Pass It On Editor, Saturday Night Live; Danny M, Saturday Night Live; Alli V, Web Editor, Singleness of Purpose; Kristen E, Grateful Girls; Kelsey E, Grateful Girls; Dina J, Sunrise Catchers; Mac L, How It Works; Justin S, Straight Pepper Diet; Michael W, Coordinator; Steven D, Rebellion Dogs; Michael C, Happy Hour; Tomas, Intergroup Rep District 3; Michael W, Community Coordinator; George B, Singleness of Purpose

Minutes Motion to approve minutes made by Kelsey. Elizabeth objected, minutes should read April 2014 with regard to when the 75th edition of the big book will arrive, not April 15th 2014. Minutes amended to state thus. Kimber motioned to accept minutes as amended. Mike seconded. So moved.

Treasurer's Report Total Revenues: 7,813.62; Cost of Sales: 2,442.70; Gross Income: 4,777.60; Total Expenses: 5,390.09; Net Income: (612.49); *Comments:* Credit card sales accounting for 25% of all sales. American Express isn't be accepted as was originally planned. Visa and MasterCard working, assume Discover works. Rep: Can credit cards be used online. Answer: No, too expensive. Rep: If we are operating at a loss year after year are we dipping into prudent reserve? Answers: No, not in past 14 months Aaron has served. Michael states that in order to make up for lower income, less merchandise is kept on hand. Withdrawals have been made from prudent reserve in past, but not in last approximately 5 years. Rep: are we in the red. Answer: Yes 3,114.07, again, that is based on inventory. Mike commented that checking account went from \$8,000 to \$5,700 in last 14 months. Again, it's the inventory that keeps us from dipping into prudent reserve. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report by Steve, seconded by Heather, Approved.

Central Office Coordinator Report: Credit card machine up and going. Elizabeth has created the form for 75th edition, 22 have sold. Office workers have had to cover shifts, numerous people have bailed out. All shifts now covered, Carolyn every other Saturday night. There continue to be issues with the night phone being continuously covered, but there are numerous good subs for when phones have gone uncovered. Monies have accrued from deposits made from people borrowing the media library materials, instead of taking back their deposits upon returning the audio materials, many have donated the deposit instead. *Comments:* Rep: How long will Central Office shifts be filled? Answer, as long as the volunteer wants to fill the shift. Rep: How much money has accrued from deposits donated after media library returned? Answer: \$668. Rep: What happened with regard to payroll tax issues that occurred in the past? It was an accounting error on the part of the state, taxes continue to be paid.

Alternate Central Office Coordinator More 12 step calls this past month, seven more than the prior month, some of the twelve step calls have been repeats. Website hits down. Two night shifts didn't get covered. Michael worked seven and half uncovered shifts. Aaron worked ½ of one. Debra worked two. We have 33 substitutes shift workers, and we do have subs for overnight shifts as well. 88.5% shifts were covered. \$700 order has been made by the Pueblos, still waiting for payment. *Comments:* Questions about night shifts that have gone uncovered. One problem was that the new group coordinator of a particular group made an error.

Member at Large Report: Recommends that people purchase the 75th edition as soon as possible as at present only 200 to be ordered. Michael: Closing date for order at present will be Feb 28th, but more can be ordered if there are enough ordered.

Pass It On Editor Report: One article has been submitted to Pass It On, hopes to have more submitted. New Year's Alcolthon chair Scott's number was to be published in Pass It On as a contact point for those interested in helping with the Alcolthon, but will be removed. A statement will be put in its place that anyone interested in helping with the Alcolthon should call Central Office. More groups have been submitting their group member's sobriety birthdays for publishing in the Pass It On. DCM reports will be posted next year in February as new reps are now coming into place. Pass It On copies made will be cut from 330 to 200.

Media Librarian Not Present

Web Guardian Report: – Updated media library details have been made available online. That makes everything on the site up to date. Fun festivities going online, holiday events for example.

Schedule Editor Not present. *Report:* Debra reported for Linda that new schedules are at the printer. Supplies very low, maybe 100 in stock. Copies will probably be available by Intergroup, but they will need to be folded first. 200 have been printed and folded. Waiting on more copies to be folded, in transit. Debra has copies for purchase.

Community Outreach Report: – Spoke with a woman interested in starting a meeting. She requested numerous big books, chips and other supplies for free, as this not being the role Central Office plays when a meeting is started, he will try to better communicate with her regarding what AA can do to help and what it doesn't do. Wrote that we cannot give her free merchandise. AA member has volunteered to speak to public, often hard to find.

SOBRIETY BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

EL CENTRO November: Ron S. 60 days; James 90 days; Joe 13 years; Oscar R. 22 years; Art L. 27 years; Jimmy M. 43 years

ISLETA November: Arlene 30 days; Laura 9 months; Michelle 2 years; Juanita 6 years; Alfred 7 years; Joe, Rosanna 13 years; John 21 years; Tom 25 years; Lonnie 26 years

PROMISES

SATURDAY NIGHT ALIVE

SINGLENESS OF PURPOSE November: Patrick J. 36 years

WOMEN IN PROGRESS December: Stella A., Aja S. 2 years; Becky S. 8 years

YOUR GROUP BIRTHDAYS ??COULD?? BE HERE TOO.....STEP UP & SEND 'EM IN

Please submit your sobriety birthday(s) (including homegroup, name, sobriety date & length of continuous sobriety) to PassItOn@albuquerqueaa.org.
Failure to properly submit s-b days may result in non-publication.

Comments: Rep: What does it entail to speak to an outside agency? Answer: How AA works, not as much about an AA member's personal story, like we do when we speak in meetings. Rep: What kind of groups need be spoken to, health care professionals? Answer: Yes. Sometimes to speak at juvenile corrections settings, in that kind of setting the AA member would most likely share their story.

Special Needs Coordinator Not Present

OLD BUSINESS Central Office Seminars happen each year, office workers have gone in past. Could we send our central office coordinator? Michael has gone to three in past. Alt Coordinator went once. He has attended when funds have permitted. Question to Michael whether it has been helpful. He has found it to be helpful, they present about how offices function. How much would it cost to send Central Office Coordinator? Can we afford it? Perhaps depending upon location of seminar, if it weren't too far away. Kelsey motioned that perhaps given we don't have enough info on it perhaps we could table discussion. Lisa seconded Kelsey's motion. So moved. Alcothon report: Flyers now available. If groups that hold meetings are so inclined to turn in seventh tradition from meeting they can turn them in with an envelope to the Heights Club and it will be turned over to Central Office. Donations needed paper goods or money. Meeting slots still open 2, 3, 5 a.m. If any group interested please contact Pass It On Editor via website email. Info regarding speakers and meetings scheduled can be found on flyer. There will be a raffle, winner need not be present to win. Michael the refreshment coordinator asks for people to get in touch with her to let her know when foods will be available throughout the event. Her email can be found at bottom of Alcothon flier. Hospitality suite will be available. Question: Can there be more than one meeting held at same time? Yes. Questions about how groups can be informed about whether they choose to contribute their 7th tradition collection to Central Office, or to bring it back to their group. Steve will email to groups that info. Elections: Elizabeth stands for schedule editor position Michael moved she be elected again. Mike seconded, so moved. Steve stands for Pass It On Editor again. Kimber moved to accept. Rick seconded, so moved. Carolyn stands for secretary position. Steve moved, Danny seconded, so moved. Special Needs Chair, no volunteer. Position will remain open. Intergroup Liaison continues to be open. Question: What is that? Answer: liaison between groups, Central Office and district. Who stands for chair? Kristen moved that Mike, Community Outreach be chair, Rick seconded it. So moved. Community Outreach now open as Mike has vacated his position. Any volunteers? None. Position remains open.

NEW BUSINESS Heights Club volunteered to host Alcothon for free. Receipts will be kept to prove proper expenditures, any extra funds will be returned to Central Office. Aaron moved to give funds. Kimber seconded, so moved. The Alcothon chair presented a request for funds from Central Office. See below: 10 Bottles Sparkling Cider (@\$3) \$30.00; 2 Packages Plastic Champagne Glasses 40 count (@\$11.28) \$22.56; Cost of copying Alcothon Flyers \$10.00; Miscellaneous (contingency)* \$37.44; TOTAL \$100.00. Contingency funds in the case of any potential problems, such as running out of coffee cups, napkins, etc. Rick moved that extra monies accrued via donations from deposits for using Media Library materials be rolled over to checking account but for a \$50 cushion On Dec 31. Kelsey seconded. So moved. Ben opposed because he doesn't like the idea that it be moved indefinitely. Noted. No change of vote. Vote stands.

GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS December 14th dinner speaker meeting and dance. \$6 suggested donation. Chad H to speak 70s costume contest Dec 24th the movies being offered at Heights Club Cosmo group celebrating 30th year anniversary on Jan 2014. Potluck before, raffle after. December 20th Straight Pepper Diet candlelight pre-holiday meeting

Close @ ??????



Central Office Urgently Needs Desk Workers

Requirements for this service opportunity are six months of sobriety, a sponsor and a home group. A desk shift at Central Office can enhance your sobriety. It can broaden your view of the service structure of your group, your district and your area.

And it's fun!

Call Central Office today
at 266-1900.

AA EVENTS CALENDAR

THIS MONTH'S EVENTS

January 11, 2014 (Saturday) - Dinner, Speaker Meeting, DANCE @ The Heights On the 2nd Saturday of every month, The Arid Group hosts a dinner, speaker meeting and dance. This month: Dinner 6:30pm (Roast Beef Dinner, cost \$6), Speaker 7:30pm (Speaker: Debra K.), Dance 9pm-midnight (DJ Steve R., \$3 single/\$5 couple, 50/50 raffle). Heights Club, 8520 Marble Ave NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110. (505) 266-8952

January 24, 2014 (Friday) - Cosmopolitan Group 30th Anniversary Potluck & Speaker Meeting Potluck 6:30pm (bring a side dish), Speaker 8pm. Rio Grande Presbyterian Church, 600 Coors NW, Albuquerque

January 25, 2014 (Saturday) - MOVIE NIGHT @ The Heights On the 4th Saturday of every month @ 7pm, The Arid Group hosts a movie night. This month's movie: *Man of Steel*. Shown on a 12' screen in stereo, free admission, free popcorn, low-priced munchies Heights Club, 8520 Marble Ave NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110. (505) 266-8952

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 11-13, 2014 - New Mexico Conference of Young People in AA (NMCYPAA) Hotel Cascada, 2500 Carlisle NE, Albuquerque. More info: <http://host.nmcypaa.com/>

June 6-8, 2014 - Area 46 (New Mexico) State Convention: "Four Corners of Recovery" Marriott Hotel, 560 Scott Av., Farmington, NM 87402. More info: http://newmexicoaa.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=148:convention&catid=1:events&Itemid=33

For more and/or updated information on Albuquerque and New Mexico AA Events go to: <http://albuquerqueaa.org> and <http://www.newmexicoaa.org/> For other AA events nationally and worldwide visit www.aa.org.

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Monthly Service Activities Report

PHONE CALLS	NOV13	OCT13	NOV12
Information	529	512	626
12-Step	30	22	18
Al-Anon	10	8	9
Message	51	61	57
Other	87	117	96
TOTAL	707	700	806

WALK INS

Information	8	13	15
12-Step	2	2	4
Al-Anon	0	0	0
Get Schedule	6	6	6
Purchase	163	173	140
Media	3	2	4
Message	2	5	7
Casual	34	17	54
Other	24	16	37
TOTAL	242	234	267

ALBUQUERQUEAA.ORG WEB STATS

Unique Visitors	3728	3743	2998
Number of Visits	6641	6754	?
Pages	24183	24354	?

DESK WORKERS*

Regulars	47	46	48
Substitutes	33	33	32
TOTAL	80	79	80

DESK SHIFTS*

Weekdays	126	138	132
Weekends	45	40	40
TOTAL	171	178	172

WEEKDAY SHIFTS*

Worked by Regulars	108(86.5%)	113(82.5%)	108(82%)
Worked by Substitutes	17(18%)	24(17.5%)	24(18%)
TOTAL	125	137	132

WEEKEND SHIFTS*

Worked by Regulars	36(82%)	29(74.6%)	28(70%)
Worked by Substitutes	8(18%)	10(25.4%)	12(30%)
TOTAL	44	39	40

SHIFTS WORKED BY MICHAEL*

3 Hour Shifts	7.5 (22.5hrs)	6 hrs	12 hrs
2 Hour Shifts	0	4	0
Night Phone	0	0	0

SHIFTS WORKED BY DEBRA*

3 Hour Shifts	2 (6 hrs)	9 hrs	12 hrs
2 Hour Shifts	0	0	4
Night Phone	0	12	0

TOTAL	28.5 hrs	31 hrs	28 hrs
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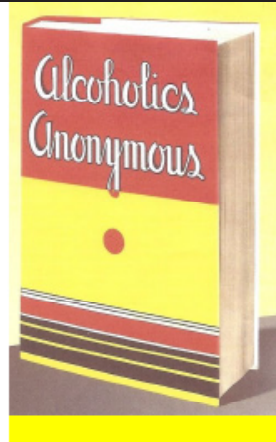
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*INCLUDES NIGHT PHONE

Habit is habit, and not to be flung out of the window by any man, but coaxed down-stairs one step at a time.

- Mark Twain





Announcing the **75th**

Anniversary edition of the Big Book

AA World Services, Inc. has announced the publication of the only authorized reproduction of the first edition of *Alcoholics Anonymous*. This new edition will be a faithful replica of the original, with the famous "circus cover" dust jacket and bulky paper (which is why it was initially called the Big Book). The founders wanted the thickest paper to make certain "the members were getting their money's worth."

To commemorate the 75th anniversary of the historic publication of *Alcoholics Anonymous* in April 1939, the 2013 General Service Conference approved the creation of this facsimile edition of the first printing of the first edition.

Preorders: Starting November 15, 2013 you may preorder copies from the Central Office at 1921 Alvarado Drive for \$18, saving \$4 over the cost of a single copy if ordered directly from AAWS. You will receive a certificate suitable for gift-giving to be redeemed when the books become available in April 2014. It would be a great gift for the special AAs in your life. Celebrate AA Big Book's 75 years and support your local Central Office!

One of the "Original" Groups in Albuquerque

The Sahara Group

~ A new meeting of an old meeting ~

Friday Speaker Meeting

@ 8-9pm

Non-Smoking ~ Open Meeting

@ the DESERT CLUB

4305 Mesa Grande SE

(Located off of Washington and Central)

⇒ BEGINNING NOVEMBER 1, 2013 ⇐



*Come Celebrate 30 Years of
Experience, Strength and Hope
at the Cosmopolitan Group of AA
Anniversary*

FRIDAY JANUARY 24, 2014
6:30 PM POTLUCK (PLEASE BRING SIDE DISH)
8:00 PM SPEAKER MEETING
RIO GRANDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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