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1500 AT SANTA ROSA NCC **Top Flight Summer Conference**

(By Rollin W., Business Mgr., GOOD NEWS)

Some 1500 persons attended the two-day Annual Summer Conference at Santa Rosa Saturday and Sunday, June 22-23, and about 1200 of these crowded Memorial Auditorium Saturday at 8:30 p.m. to hear Allen J., Malibu Beach, one of the two guest speakers on the program.

Most anyone in AA can look over their so-called "alcoholic career". and after reviewing some of the insane capers they were involved in, can almost say with honesty, "I'm living on borrowed time".

So, here the audience is looking at - and listening to - a guy with a broken shoulder and multiple abrasions, the aftermath of a serious accident the previous Wednesday, in which one person was killed.

MACABRE TALE

He's on the stage telling of a long, and sometimes amusing, bout with Demon Rum which included a tale of a "self help" landing in a tri-motored plane with a "passed out" pilot.

The Lord takes care of (so the saying goes) drunks and idiots. So if the audience did some serious reflection on the "living on borrowed time" bit, they had good reasons. And, the Lord has his hands full - right up the elbows -with five or six million practicing alcoholics in the U.S. roaming around in an idiotic fog.

But Allen's story was a good one and the audience liked his spiel.

OLD TIMER

Sunday at 1:00 p.m., Johnny H. of Sacramento spoke to about 700 people, telling how the Nation was deprived of a top-flight lawyer, probably the smartest salesman yet, with numerous other accomplishments, by John Q. Barleycorn.

Johnny's story dates back to 1941, when he was one of the first (Continued on page 2)

22nd District's 1st Convention At Pismo Beach

Who's interested in a Steak Barbecue?

If one is, it'll be one of the highlights of the First Annual Convention sponsored by the 22nd District of AA at Pismo Beach, Saturday, July 20. Most action takes place at Veterans Memorial Building, Bello & Main, Pismo Beach.

Here's part of the Convention

KICK-OFF MEETING at 10:00 a.m. in Veteran's Memorial Building.

AL-ANON LUNCHEON at noon in Mattie's Restaurant, Mattie's Road, Shell Beach. Luncheon speaker is Pat C., Bakersfield.

ALATEEN MEETING at 2:30 p.m. in Veterans Memorial Building.

STEAK BARBECUE from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in Veterans Memorial Building.

EVENING MEETING at 8:00 p.m. Speaker is Mary R., Encino, at Vet's Memorial Bldg.

DANCING-Live Music-from 10:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at Vet's Memorial Bldg.

Registration is \$1.00; Al-Anon Luncheon, \$2.50; Steak Barbecue, \$2.50.

Speakers Listed For All-Groups Friday Meetings

The Program Committee of the Friday All-Groups meetings which gathers each week at 240 Golden Gate Avenue in downtown San Francisco, has arranged a fine speakers' agenda for July.

FRIDAY, JULY 5-Carol J., Pacifica Group, is one of two speakers scheduled. The second speaker will be announced. Hosting the meeting are Van Ness and Huntington Park Groups.

FRIDAY, JULY 12-The husband-and-wife team of Modesto -Marie and George T., will jointly make pitches. Forest Hills will do the hosting.

FRIDAY, JULY 19-Robbie D., Panhandle Group and Ken D., Oakland, will share the Speakers'

FRIDAY, JULY 26-Father John of Woodland, Calif., is slated for one half of the speaking program; second speaker will be announced.

Coffee is served before and after each meeting with opportunities for much arms-length AA. Meetings are open to the public and visitors are invited to "look us over".

Oregon Conference

The 18th Annual Oregon State Conference and Assembly of AA will be held in Medford Ore., Saturday and Sunday, August 31 and September 1 in the National Guard

An "early bird" meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 30, at 8:30 p.m., in American Legion Hall, 404 Walnut St., Medford.

Inter-Group Meet At Redding July 20

Dewey S., of San Mateo, and one of the oldest members of AA in the Bay Area, will be guest speaker at an Inter-Group Meeting sponsored by the Redding Group of Redding, Calif., Saturday, July 20 at 8:00 p.m.

The event is two-fold. In addition to the Inter-Group, Redding also celebrates its 17th Anniversary.

Meeting takes place at First Methodist Church, Pine and South Street, in Redding.

Panel 1 GS Meeting

Committeemen and representatives of General Service Area 7, Panel One, are requested to attend a meeting slated in the Alano Club, Santa Rosa at 70 South "E" St., on Sunday, July 14, at 1:00 p.m.

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members in the middle west. He had many interesting anecdotes to relate, as well as the tale of his final entrance into AA, his present feelings and his gratitude. He was accorded an ovation.

FINE WEATHER

Although it was rather warm weather on Saturday, Sunday turned out very balmy; a warm, cheery atmosphere pervaded the whole conference; people were happy and it showed in their faces and actions.

. General Service, H. & I., Alanon and Alateens meetings all were well attended and, reports indicated, were both successful and enjoyable.

On Friday night Fred C., Occidental, spoke to an overflow crowd at the "Kick-off" meeting. The local committee headed by Bill B., deserves a hand for their fine work. An unusual feature of the snack-bar was the hot dish of sirloin tips, mashed potatoes and gravy. Everything was fine!

Our new NCC Secretary, Max "McD. should feel good about his

first conference.

Bea B., Here From Carson

Bea B. blew in from Carson City last week. Rollin W. was escorting the lady around. While in GOOD NEWS office she gave this data:

Two groups are active in Carson City. One unit meets at 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Episcopal Church Hall, Telegraph and Division Street. It's an open discussion

The other, a family discussion group, meets at 8:30 p.m. Fridays at the Catholic Church, King and Division Street.

Bea suggests that you phone 882-6378 or 882-6307. Visitors are welcome - and as Bea put it-"and hoped for". Drop in during vacation time or just anytime.

Contact the Carson City groups anytime, any day, for arms-length

THURSDAY BEGINNERS

The following fine AA speakers will share their strength and experience with newcomers attending Thursday Beginners in July:

THURSDAY, JULY 4-"Firecracker Day" speaker is Helen De K., Nite Owl Group. Meeting will be chaired by Bob W.

THURSDAY, JULY 11-Pat C., San Francisco Fellowship, will speak; Zerna W. is chairman.

THURSDAY, JULY 18-Speaker is Ruth Z., Peninsula All-Groups; Wally W. is chairman.

THURSDAY, JULY 25-George D. from the Gratitude Group in Marin, will speak; chairman is Lois M.

Thursday Beginners meets at 8:30 p.m. at 1755 Clay Street, between Polk Street and Van Ness Avenue in San Francisco.

Oakland Young People

Barbara I., Hayward, will be guest speaker Monday Night, July 22, at a meeting conducted by the Young Peoples Group, 370 40th Street, Oakland.

Surf Group's Anniversary

The Sixteenth Anniversary of the Surf Group will be held Monday, July 15, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Paul G., Central Office secretary of S.F. Fellowship, is chairman of the birthday party which will be highlighted by Guest Speaker Virginia M., Modesto.

The meeting at 8:30 p.m., will be followed by a buffet supper, lots of good coffee and plenty of opportunity to renew old friendships and start new ones.

Surf Group meets in Community Church Hall, 34th Avenue and Noriega Street in San Francisco.

1464 Club Dance

Something new's going on. Don and Roz H. are sponsoring a dance every Wednesday from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., at the 1464 Valencia

Dancers sway to the taped tunes of the popular AA combos - The Dry Notes - and having a ball for themselves.

Donation is 75¢. Everyone's in-

1464 Club, 1464 Valencia Street, San Francisco.

First Meeting Three "D" Group

Three "D" Group, a new AA unit, holds its first meeting at 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 10, at St. Francis Lutheran Church, 152 Church Street, near Market Street, San Francisco.

This is one of the newest groups in Inter-County Fellowship. Come visit them and hear these fine speakers in July.

JULY 10-Panel, Questions & Answers.

JULY 17-Stan W.-Fairfax.

JULY 24-Paul G.-Central Office Secretary.

JULY 31-A.A. World Service Film.

Napa Fellowship Names Speakers

Every Saturday an open AA Speaker meeting is held at 1004 Seminary Street in Napa, corner of First and Seminary Street at 8:30 p.m. First Saturday of every month at 7:00 is a delicious pot luck dinner plus speaker 8:30. Everyone welcome.

Meetings for July and August are as follows:

JULY 6—Bud G., San Pablo. JULY 13—Roy R., W.C.

JULY 20—Leonard L., Sacranento.

JULY 27—Annette S., Fresno. AUGUST 3—Ann V.L., Berkeley. AUGUST 10—Paul H., Point Richmond.

Also have meetings Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 8:30 p.m.

New group secretary is Marion B. and new G.S.R. is Joanna A.

MONDAY BEGINNERS

Committee Chairman Joe, Jen, Randy, and Jean announced the following speakers will address meetings during July:

MONDAY, JULY 1—'Bus' D., San Francisco Fellowship.

MONDAY, JULY 8—Glen B., Uptown Group.

MONDAY, JULY 15—Arnold R., San Francisco Fellowship.

MONDAY, JULY 22—Robbie D., Panhandle Group, who also talked at S.F. All-Groups, Friday, July 19. MONDAY, JULY 29—Jim O'T.,

San Francisco Fellowship.

Monday Beginners' meets at 8:30 p.m., at 1755 Clay Street, between Van Ness Ave., and Polk Street, San Francisco.

Pacifica Coastside

Pacifica's Coastside Group enlisted these fine speakers for July: JULY 3—Tony R.—San Jose.

JULY 10-Merle G.-Millbrae.

JULY 17—Arnie—Half Moon Bay.
JULY 24—Dean A.—Pacifica.

JULY 31-Eileen F.-Surf.

San Pablo Group

San Pablo Friendly Fellowship is holding something which they label a "Box Special" that includes Ladies' cooking — Mens' buying. They're having several guests who'll give 10-minute pitches and they're also having a raffle and door prizes.

Now, we can't permit a mystery like this to get away without investigating, so let's trot over Friday, July 12, at 7:30 p.m. and do some snooping. The address is 1426 13th Street, San Pablo.

New Lotus Group

A new AA group has been formed in the Mother Lode country. Laura M., secretary, said the new AA unit — The Lotus Group — has been established in the town of Lotus just out of Coloma and not far from Sutter's Mill where gold was first discovered in the state.

Lotus Group meets on Wednesday nights.

Come To Reno

The second Western General Service Assembly has been slated for next year in Reno at the Pioneer Theatre Auditorium.

Dates of the Assembly are January 24-26. Registration forms and information may be obtained from your own group General Service Representative or by writing Chairman, Western General Service Assembly, P.O. Box 2057, San Rafael, Calif., 94902.

Mission Monday

These speakers will share their strength and experience with audiences at Mission Group 1364 Valencia St. during July:

JULY 1—Bill R.—Lincoln Park.
JULY 8—Phyllis McG.—Panhan-

JULY 15—To be announced. JULY 22—To be announced.

JULY 29—Panel, Questions and Answers.

Good Speakers At Peninsula July Meetings

A quartet of excellent speakers will be on the Speakers' Dais of the Peninsula All-Groups in July. The Program Chairman has recruited the following persons who will share their strength and experiences with their audiences.

SATURDAY, JULY 6—Speaker is Walt B., Pleasant Hills Group; Midway Group of South San Francisco will be host group.

SATURDAY, JULY 13—Larry R., San Francisco Fellowship, will be on the podium; host group is Palo Alto Tuesday.

SATURDAY, JULY 20—Neil C., San Francisco Fellowship (and an old-timer on the AA, program) will do the speaking; Menlo Friday Niters will do the hosting.

SATURDAY, JULY 27—Another old-timer on the AA Program is Estelle R., South San Francisco, Group, who will make the pitch; the San Bruno Monday Group will serve as hosts.

Peninsula All-Groups meets every Saturday at 8:30 p.m. in the Recreation Room of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Baldwin Avenue and El Camino Real, San Mateo.

Coffee is served before, and after every meeting, along with generous helpings of arms-length AA.

San Bruno Monday

A fine roster of speakers will appear on the Speakers' Rostrum at the San Bruno Monday meetings in July. They are:

JULY 1—Bob D.—Santa Clara. JULY 8—John & Phyl Mc.—S.F. Friendship.

JULY 15—George D.—Marin Co. JULY 22—Sonny & Anita H.— San Carlos.

JULY 29—Smitty & Kay — Sat. Matinee.

JULY 29—Birthday Time—Coffee & Cake.

Young People's Group of S.F.

Grace Cathedral Library, 1051 Taylor St.-8:00 P.M.

JULY 6—Ony M.—Pt. Richmond. JULY 13—Sylvia W.—Richmond. JULY 20—George C.—Oakland Young Peoples.

JULY 27-Tony S.-Albany Grp.

New Alanon Unit Starts in Sunset

Sunset Alanon Family Group, a new Alanon aggregation, meets at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays in the Assembly Room of Holy Name School, on Lawton Street between 39th and 40th Avenue in San Francisco.

Memory Group

These speakers will help "carry the message" at July meetings of Memory Group, 1364 Valencia:

JULY 10—Jake C. JULY 17—Roy.

JULY 24—"Surprise".

JULY 31-"Surprise".

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SUNDAYS AT 3:30 P.M.

JULY 7-Ray C.-S.F. Fellowship.

JULY 14—Jim & Bill—S.F. Fellowship.

JULY 21—Bruce J.—S.F.-Marin Breakfast.

JULY 28-Ony M.-Pt. Richmond

Dr. Preston Film

San Pablo Friendly Fellowship is showing the Dr. Preston film Friday, July 26 at 8:30 p.m. Questions & Answers from the audience. The place: 1426 13th Street, San Pablo.

"COOPERATION BUT NOT AFFILIATION" Pamphlet Clarifies Position Of AA With "Outside" Agencies

NEW YORK — Alcoholics Anonymous has just taken a major step toward increasing the understanding and cooperation between local A.A. members and the growing number of professional and voluntary alcoholism agencies, Dr. John L. Norris nonalcoholic Chairman of the General Service Board of A.A., said here last month.

In a new 14-page version of its pamphlet, "Cooperation But Not Affiliation," the General Service Office of A.A. here answers 20 of the most common questions raised by both A.A. members and professionals when they find themselves side-by-side in efforts to help victims of the disease of alcoholism.

Grand Opening

Santa Cruz AA members are agog (and not with grog) about their new Fellowship Center.

It will be christened, launched, and dedicated with a Grand Opening, Sunday, July 14, with an all-day celebration.

The Fellowship Center is located at 817 Front Street, Santa Cruz, and the whole wide world is invited.

FRANKNESS

Fund raising, participation in A.A. meetings, mutual referrals and other problems are frankly discussed, Dr. Norris pointed out. Emphasis is on positive solutions actually worked out by the 12,000-plus A.A. groups throughout the world in the Fellowship's 33-year-history of helping alcoholics to recover. In most instances not only are the solutions satisfactory—they also prove to enhance the efforts of both A.A. and non-A.A. agencies, the doctor said.

A.A.'s unique method of personto-person, non-professional help for the alcoholic has probably produced more than a half-million recoveries from alcoholism, according to Dr. Norris. His service to the Fellowship is entirely voluntary. He is Associate Medical Director of the Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, N.Y.

PUZZLING

A.A.'s method of operation is puzzling to many physicians and other professionals and volunteers in the field of alcoholism, Dr. Norris declared. For instance, A.A. declines to accept any funds from the public (it is entirely self-supported by its members). It offers free service to all comers, no questions asked. AA does not publicize names of its members or engage in any statistical research. Since it is not affiliated with any other organization A.A. declines to enter into public controversy. The Fellowship operates primarily through its autonomous local groups and has no rules or officers governing its members.

CLARIFICATION

The pamphlet "Cooperation But Not Affiliation" is an attempt to clarify both to A.A. members and to others precisely what A.A. can accomplish in cooperation with other agencies who perform the services outside the A.A. scope, Dr. Norris explained.

The pamphlet shows how individual A.A. members, A.A. groups and offices work effectively with federal, state, municipal and provincial alcoholism agencies, private health groups, university-affiliated and private study organizations, law enforcement, judicial and correctional officials, rest homes and rehabilitation centers, general hospitals, mental hospitals, labor, industry, church and medical committees.

Tribute To Lew — The Indian

An event worthy of some note took place Tuesday night, June 25 at Marine Hospital. This was a meeting of the Marine Hospital AA Group, in the Conference room on the first floor of the hospital at 15th Avenue and Lake Street.

In attendance were 48 members, almost all old-timers, representing somewhere between 300 and 400 years of sobriety. Paul G., Central Office Secretary, acted as chairman of a meeting which ran from 7:45 p.m. to about 9:15 p.m.

TRIBUTE

Paul called on many of those present for a few words, well known members,, names too numerous to mention, who paid tribute to Lew C. the instigator of the meeting.

Lew is in the hospital "alive and happy today" as he put it, with what his doctors believe is terminal cancer. He is anxious, while he is still able, to see the Marine Hospital group become real alive and active for the benefit of hundreds of alcoholics who are patients there.

OPEN MEETING

Lew expressed this desire to Paul who got on the phone and the large attendance of Lew's friends and old-timers was the result.

The Marine Hospital Group is 'open'; women are cordially invited. There are women as well as men in the hospital. Many of those present plan to continue to attend and help the group. Lew suggested that people could get there early and visit some of the patients, particularly on the 4th floor. Friendship, cigarettes and understanding will be most appreciated.

The feeling was that promotion of this group would be a fitting tribute to Lew, a man who has helped many over a period of many years.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Sirs:

I would like to thank you for "Good News", which makes fine reading and keeps one on top of what is going on around the Bay area. My daughter lives in Fremont and, while we were there over the holidays, took in a couple meetings in that region.

AA is good wherever you go and I consider myself indeed fortunate to have found the program when I did. Incidentally, I am pleased to have been elected Idaho delegate for the next two years, and I hope you might pass this information on to the friend who was kind enough to send me the "Good News."

In the fellowship, Gordon L., 2911 Annett, Boise, Idaho

Midtown Election

Bill S. was elected secretary of the Midtown Fellowship, Stockton, at the group's last board meeting.

On Saturday, July 27, Midtown will have its monthly guest speaker meeting with Phil W., Carmichael, on the Speakers' Dais. Bingo and refreshments follow the meeting.

Midtown's birthdays for July are "Cass"—seven years; Estelle T.—two years; Jerry W.—four years; and Bill M.—one year.

60 MINUTE GROUP

Thelma M., secretary, 60 Minute Group, announces the following speakers have been recruited to speak at July meetings:

SUNDAY, JULY 7—Caracas Lil. SUNDAY, JULY 14—George N., San Bruno.

SUNDAY, JULY 21—Dave G. SUNDAY, JULY 28—Frank B.

The group meets at 7:00 p.m. at 1364 Valencia Street, San Francisco.

Alano Club Observes Anniversary Month

DANCES — PARTIES — GAMES — PRIZES — FRIVOLITY — FUN — FELLOWSHIP

Many said we couldn't do it, yet here we are and here we have been for 11 years. We, at the Alano Club, like to think that without you we couldn't have made it. So if you haven't visited our beautiful Club, don't you think it's about time you did? We would love to see you. Keep these dates in mind and give us a visit.

SATURDAY, JULY 6th—Independence Day Dance. We won't have any fireworks, but we will have great music by our fine little combo, the "Dry Notes". Also, nice door prizes. Dancing starts at 9 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 20th—11th Anniversary Dance. This is the dance to celebrate our 11 years at our present location. Dancing to the "Dry Notes". Fine door prizes, and Open House all day.

SUNDAY, JULY 21st—Open House all day, open meeting at 12 noon, and a big buffet luncheon will be served from 2 'til 5 p.m. You're all invited.

SATURDAY, JULY 27th—Our regular monthly Birthday Party & Dance. This fine little party and dance is for all those who have A.A. Birthdays in July. We want to help you celebrate. Coffee and Cake — Dancing to good records.

These are the special dates. If you don't show up we'll miss you, but we know you'll miss something, too. So keep our address in mind.

'Bus' D., Program Chairman

SAN FRANCISCO ALANO CLUB 414 GRANT AVENUE, NEAR BUSH STREET

June Marks 25 Years For Rutgers In Alcoholic Field

NEW BRUNSWICK—When the Summer School of Alcohol Studies opens at Rutgers in June, it will mark a quarter century during which it has markedly influenced attitudes toward alcohol and alcoholism.

"Most of the leaders who deal with alcohol problems in the United States and Canada are graduates of the school," says Dr. Milton A. Maxwell, its executive director. "The school, and the Center of Alcohol Studies of which it is a part, were the first major American institutions to bring the scientific tradition to bear on the problems of alcohol."

4800 ENROLLED

Since 1943, when the Summer School originated at Yale University, 4,800 men and women from every American state, 10 Canadian provinces and 27 other nations have been enrolled.

When the school was founded, Dr. Maxwell points out, the alcohol field was still dominated by emotional "wet" and "dry" thinking.

"The major innovation made by the Center of Alcohol Studies and its summer training program was to gather and teach objective, scientific information about alcohol and alcoholism," he says, "rather than continuing the debate over drinking or not drinking."

OTHER SCHOOLS

The National Council on Alcoholism and its 80 local units nationwide, and most of the state programs on alcoholism, are direct outgrowths of the work of the Center and Summer School, Dr. Maxwell says.

"Also there are now at least a dozen other University-sponsored summer schools of alcohol studies patterned after ours, but offering shorter programs," he notes.

This year the Summer School of Alcohol Studies at Rutgers will run from June 25 to July 14, and is expected to attract about 300 persons to the State University campus. Enrollments have already been received from points as distant as New Zealand and England.

It is expected that the make-up of the group will be similar to that of last year when 44 physicians, 45 nurses, 43 clergymen, 42 social workers, 23 public health trainees, 23 lay counselors to alcoholics and 20 correctional officers were among the 284 who attended.

ADVANCED TRAINING

"Because there are now other schools which train the beginner in the field of alcoholic studies, we place special emphasis on advanced training for professionals," Dr. Maxwell says.

However, Rutgers also operates one of the shorter summer programs, the Northeast Institute of Alcohol Studies, which is intended for persons without special training or experience in the field of alcohol studies.

The Northeast Institute, which will run July 16-21, is co-sponsored by the State Alcoholism Programs of Connecticut, Maine, Maryland, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont. Dr. Maxwell also serves as its executive director.

STATE SUPPORT

Most of those who attended the summer alcohol studies programs are financed by state alcoholism programs, the U.S. Public Health Service, local alcoholism councils, churches or their own agencies.

In addition, the Kemper Foundation offers scholarship aid to teachers in schools of nursing, and the Alumni Association of the Summer School this year has instituted three new fellowships. These fellowships honor Ralph M. Henderson, E. M. Jellinek and Raymond G. McCarthy, all former members of the staff of the Center and Summer School who have made major contributions to the field. Jellinek and McCarthy were also former directors of the summer school.

CHICO MEETINGS

For people going north on vacations, Chico Group has provided the following schedule of meetings:

On Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays — closed meetings.

On Sundays and Wednesdays — open meetings.

On Thursdays — Forty and Under Group — closed.

All above start at 8:30 p.m. at 1148 West 8th Avenue.

Thursday at 8:30 p.m. Bidwell Group — open.

Friday at 8:00 p.m., Alanon Group.

Presbyterian Church, First and Broadway — in basement.

Saturday at 8:30 p.m., an open meeting in the First Christian Church, 295 E. Washington Ave.

On Wednesdays at noon — a closed Ladies Meeting. At One-Mile Dam, Bidwell Park.

Saturday Matinee

John L., newly elected secretary of the Saturday Matinee Group which meets at 1364 Valencia Street each Saturday from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m., has the following speakers lined up for July:

SATURDAY, JULY 6—Betty S., San Francisco Fellowship, will speak.

SATURDAY, JULY 13—Norman W., S.F. Fellowship, is the speaker.

SATURDAY, JULY 20—Bette C., S.F. Fellowship, will be at the podium.

SATURDAY, JULY 27—Bill G., S.F. Fellowship, will make the pitch.

California Street Group Speakers

St. James Church between 8th & 9th Ave.

The following speakers will address audiences of the California Street Group during July meetings:

JULY 4—Charlie R.—Panhandle, JULY 11—Robbie D.—Panhandle, JULY 18—Jim A.—S.F. Fellowship.

JULY 25-Frank B.-Maritime.



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New Eastbay Groups

Two new groups were formed in the Eastbay. They are:

Alameda Study Group which meets at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays at 1729 Alameda Avenue in Alameda. It is open.

The Young People's Group — Unlimited which meets on Sundays at 8:00 p.m. at Hayward Fellowship Building, 19652 Mission Blvd., Hayward.

In-Between Group

In-Between Fellowship of Oakland announces the following speakers for July:

FRIDAY, JULY 5—Harley H., San Francisco Fellowship.

FRIDAY, JULY 12—Ann M., San Francisco Fellowship.

FRIDAY, JULY 19—Mike C., San Francisco Fellowship.

FRIDAY, JULY 26—Henri H., Cottago Group, Oakland.

In-Between meets at 4710 East 14th Street, Oakland.

Forest Hills Names Speakers

During July, these speakers will address audiences at Forest Hills meetings.

JULY 2—Bob C.—Peninsula All Groups.

JULY 9-Judy C.-Valencia.

JULY 16-Mike C.-Forest Hills.

JULY 23-Helen K.-Surf.

JULY 39-Birthday Night.

H&I BROADSIDES

By George R., general chairman,
Northern California Hospital & Institution Committee

One of the fringe benefits of the busy contact chairmen of the Hospital and Institution Committee who spend numerous hours and who drive many miles to carry the message to those who are confined was experienced on May 25. Approximately 250 members (including wives at some facilities) were privileged to attend annual conferences at three separate facilities, one in the extreme northeastern corner of California and two in the central portion of the State.

California Conservation Center at Susanville held their Fifth Annual Conference with approximately 150 men and women from the outside present. Speakers included AA members, alanons, alateens, sponsors, facility staff personnel, and inside members.

All pitches were excellent, but the most outstanding feature was that, for the most part, the outside AA speakers were members who had found AA in the institution and were returning as examples that AA will work for ex-inmates on the outside.

These individuals, representing from one to three years sobriety on the outside, gave outstanding talks on their progress as sober alcoholics and their thanks for finding the program at the facility with the help of those AA members who carried the message into the facility every week. An excellent dimer was served at the end of the program.

California State Prison at Folsom held their Fifteenth Annual Conference with approximately seventy outside H and I members attending. As usual, the Folsom Group hosted an excellent conference, with fine talks from both inside and outside AA speakers. Outside speakers included Arnold R., of San Francisco, Jack S. of Stockton, John T. of Fresno, and Russ M. of Richmond.

California Conservation Camp at Vallecita was the third facility to hold a conference on a busy May 25, 1968. Approximately sixty outsiders attended a well balanced program filled with excellent inside and outside speakers. Mel B. acted as the inside Master of Ceremonies, Ken L. the outside MC, and Paul H. of Long Beach was the principal speaker from the outside. A surprise roast beef dinner was provided all of those present at the conference.

On June 9, another facility, Duell Vocational Institution held their Fourteenth Annual Conference. Walter M. of Sacramento, one of our former general chairman of the Hospital and Institution Committee, was the keynote speaker. Approximately 40 outsiders attended this conference.

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Our next General Meeting of the Hospital and Institution Committee will be on Sunday, July 28, at the USO Building, corner of Webster and El Estero Streets in Monterey, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Area 11 will be the host group for this meeting. This is a fine chance to spend a weekend in Monterey. Let's all plan to attend.

SUNDAY BREAKFAST AT SPARKS NUGGET CASINO

Vivian "Pat" W., Reno, Nevada, writes in a letter.

"We have a Sunday Morning 11:00 a.m. breakfast meeting in the Centennial Room of the Sparks Nugget Casino. Every Sunday is a guest speaker meeting when we are lucky."

Any AA's visiting the area would do well to phone "Pat" who offers to make necessary lodging arrangements; dial (702) 786-2259. ALL NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

A. A. PICNIC SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 1968 BLACKBERRY FARM-CUPERTINO

2175 SAN FERNANDO AVENUE — CUPERTINO

- Golf Tournament
- Trophies
- Swimming—Dancing
- Door Prizes—Bingo
 Prizes
- Softball Game
- · Childrens Games
- Coffee—Soft Drinks
- · Hot Dogs



- Spacious Shaded
 Grounds
- · Fine Parking
- Fun Frolic
- Fellowship
- A Gala Time
 For All

Members, Families, Friends, You Are All Invited
Tickets are on Sale by All Central Offices, Clubs, Committeemen

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