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PURPOSE OF NCC

ORIGINAL RESOLUTION RESULTING IN THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA COUNCIL OF A.A.

"RESOLUTION OF PURPOSE OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

COUNCIL OF A.A."

Whereas, it is believed that the interest of the work of Alcoholics Anonymous in Northern California and Nevada can be furthered by the creation of a Council which will act as a medium of exchange between member groups for the dissemination of ideas and experiences of mutual interest and to provide whatever services those member groups may deem advisable.

Whereas, membership in the Council will be open to all A.A. groups in Northern California and Nevada who indicate in writing their desire to participate, and that representation in the Council will consist of two representatives from each member group.

Whereas, in conformity with the Principles of A.A. it shall be incumbent upon the Council to provide maximum usefulness with a minimum of organization, and that at no time will the Council take any action that will be mandatory, conflicting or in any way restrictive of the complete freedom of the participating member groups as indicated in points 2 and 4 of the **TWELVE POINTS OF TRADITION OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** which states:

- (2). "For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority — a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience."
- (4). "With respect to its own affairs, each A.A. Group should be responsible to no other authority than its own conscience. But when its plans concern the welfare of neighborhood Groups also, those groups ought to be consulted. And no group, regional committee or individual should ever take action that might greatly affect A.A. as a whole without conferring with the Trustees of The Alcoholic Foundation. On such issues our common welfare is paramount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT, AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that a Northern California-Nevada Council of Alcoholics Anonymous is hereby created under the terms and conditions heretofore set forth."

We all come to A.A. with one objective, to learn how to overcome and control our drinking problem. While there are some "Loners" who find sobriety through A.A. the very great majority are unable to attain that which we all seek, without the help of others. Therefore we have banded together "Groups" and hold Group Meetings.

But we also learn that Groups, as isolated units, are often unable to solve problems such as conflicts in personalities, dissensions, type and handling of meetings, etc. The solution of these problems are often beyond the abilities of the Group within its own membership. We know that our Group future will be fashioned in accord with today's unity or discord.

As a result we take another big step forward. We learn that the solution is in sharing Group Experiences, Strength and Attainments with each other. We can be eternally grateful that there were a few wise members who realized the importance to the individual of intergroup relations and took steps to develop this relationship.

During the year 1945 all the groups in Northern California, about thirty, sent delegates to a meeting in Oakland. This was the first Group Conference in Northern California. Later the Groups in Nevada were invited to participate.

These group delegates found that each Group, through a Group conference, could share their experience, faith and hope with each other, and in this manner were able to solve the common problems which presented themselves in the course of the life and growth of a Group in the Alcoholic fellowship called Alcoholics Anonymous.

We have found no mechanical device through which an A.A. member or group of members can project his individual or collective experience into another member or group of members. Experience is the result of time spent in any objective endeavor. We can share the results, but we are limited to words to describe to our listener. If he listens with an open mind and believes us when we tell him that the stove is hot, he may avoid the burned hands that left scars, the price we paid for our experience.

With slight retrospection we can clearly see that the Northern California Group Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous, is but an enlarged picture of the the problems which confront the individual alcoholic in his relation to his own Group. Through the exchange of ideas our individual understanding is mutually increased. The success of the individual is measured by the love or dissention he brings to his Group. The Group is but an enlarged picture of the individuals who compose it. The Northern California Council is a further enlargement of the same picture of the Group who participates in this Council.

Individually and collectively — — —

"THERE IS A DESTINY THAT MAKES MEN BROTHERS,
NONE GOES HIS WAY ALONE;
ALL THAT WE SEND INTO THE LIVES OF OTHERS,
COMES BACK AGAIN INTO OUR OWN."

P.I. Footnotes

The question has come up as to who handles Public Information: The General Service people or the Intergroup Committee. Probably the important thing to bear in mind is that the groups decide how everything in AA is handled.

If a city or county has an intergroup and feel capable of handling requests and information, the intergroup does it on behalf of and with the support of the AA groups. If no intergroup exists or declines the job then General Service Committee often steps in and works with the support of the groups. Both ways work if the groups cooperate and support the program.

Public Information, whether it be volunteers at Health Fair booths, speaking at a non-AA meeting or preparing media, is the responsibility and service of AA members and groups.

P.I. Committees are formed as a service body to coordinate activities in the public realm. This committee should have as much input and participation by the membership as possible. The Area P.I.C. has a number of pamphlets regarding public meetings, anonymity, media presentations, and are available to any AA member. Above all we have 12 Traditions that when studied can guide and be most helpful when dealing with the public.

If you are concerned about where your county P.I. is or is not, please come to our Area P.I.C. meeting the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Oakland Central Office, 2910 Telegraph Avenue.

Jack C.

JOB OPENING – CONTRA COSTA

Wanted: AA Service Center Coordinator

Starting Date: May 15th, 1977

Some night work – will be trained

Requirements: Active AA member with three years continuous and uninteruped sobriety (at least)
– well grounded in AA principles – Bookkeeping knowledge - basic office skills - bondable

For further information call (415) 939-5371 -

Service Center, 185 Mayhew Way,
Walnut Creek.

New – Teen Meeting – Oakland

Beginning April 14th, Thursday, 8:00 pm, St. Cuthbert Episcopal Church, Mountain Blvd., and Keller Ave., Oakland (Keller off ramp-McArthur Freeway).
For further info phone Robert A. (415) 635-4949.

THE LINK**The "Service Sponsor"**

Many of us approach service in AA, particularly activity in General Service, with somewhat the same mixed emotions that we experienced at our first AA meetings. We have varying degrees at willingness, perhaps even enthusiasm, but the process can be quite bewildering. Doubts may arise as we wonder whether all this is really necessary. The problems of keeping principles before personalities can be difficult. The current San Diego delegate, Cliff R., tells of his experience at his first general service meeting, when members who seemed to be models of serenity at group meetings seemed to have changed personalities, Jekyll and Hyde fashion, and "grown fangs". Cliff hastens to add that they were able to reach agreement by finding a group conscience and to leave the meeting with serenity restored. During these periods when service seems confusing and troublesome, we can get help from the General Service Manual and other service literature, but we may also need some one-to-one help and sharing. It is at these times that a "service sponsor" may be helpful to you.

My friend Natalie S., past delegate from Washington State shares her experience: "Rather by accident or diving providence as I look back, I sought the aid of three AA members who were knowledgeable and wise. I never have called them my service sponsors, but that is what they really were to me. I am deeply grateful to them.

In turn I have sponsored others in service. It has been a most rewarding experience, to share my experience, strength and hope in service with someone else, that they might pass it on.

A qualified service sponsor could be a past delegate or any member who has served at some length in our Area. Sometimes all you need to receive guidance is a few phone calls occasionally and some correspondence. I'm sure the member you choose will be honored.

Natalie's thoughts about a "service Sponsor are as valid in the Northern California Conference Area as they are in Washington State.

We have many members with a great deal of service experience who are still quietly active and who would be delighted to help. Why not ask?

George D.

"EVEN IF YOU'RE ON THE RIGHT TRACK,
YOU'LL GET RUN OVER IF YOU JUST SIT
THERE"

Will Rogers

H & I BROADSIDE

I'm writing this Good News article for possibly the next to the last time as the general election for a new general chairman is scheduled for next month, April 24, to be exact. I'll have to admit I will not miss being responsible for this monthly article, as it brings out one of my character defects, that being procrastination. I'm sure of that because today is the day before the deadline. So, with that in mind, I'll delve right in and try to get a few thoughts across.

I'm reminded constantly of the importance of simplicity while being associated with the committee. Our real and most important function is carrying the message to the confined alcoholic. Being caught up in organizational hassles, which are time-consuming and divert our attention from carrying the message is the one thing we should avoid.

It is also brought to my attention quite often the importance of rotation, and I agree with rotation but not to the point where suddenly there are no old timers in the committee. It is these old timers that have years of experience that we need so desperately. The same things happen year after year and without their knowledge of how it was settled years ago, we can struggle for months and waste valuable time that could be used in carrying the message.

In my term, I've held on to a couple of positions in the Steering Committee for the prime purpose of keeping a couple of old timers close for their valuable experience. I hope the next general chairman feels the same way, but he must understand there will be opposition to this type of thinking.

There have been a couple of changes or rotations, if you will, in regional chairman. Bob H. (Hercules) will replace Vern S. as regional chairman of the Northern Coastal area. Vern recently moved to Nevada. The second position to rotate is the Southern Coastal region. Bill V. of San Jose is stepping aside for Joe C. of Sunnyvale who recently ended his term as chairman of Area 7. Joe is more than capable of handling the job. Bill V. is one of those old timers with valuable experience that should be shared with the committee. Let's hope he continues to be involved at a general committee level.

The next general meeting and election will be April 24, 1977, 10am at the 120 Fellowship in Manteca. Everyone is welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

Also, keep in mind the H & I State Conference May 6, 7, 8. Register now and help support it!

Jerry G.

Pacific Region Service Assembly – Hawaii

At the Pacific Region Service Assembly held in Seattle, Washington last month it was determined that the 11th PRSA Assembly will be held in Hawaii March 3-4-5, 1978 at the Kuilima Hyatt Resort Hotel on the north shore of the Island of Oahu. Vic B, Hawaii Delegate, agreed it was unusual to announce such event so far ahead of time, but explained that this is necessary at this time for the following reasons.

Hawaii is very tourist-oriented, and the Pacific Region Service Assembly will be conducted during the height of the tourist season in that state. This has necessitated the establishment of rigid procedures so that facilities may be provided, needed to insure a successful Assembly.

The Hawaii host committee has obtained 300 firm reservations for rooms at the Kuilima Hotel, where all Assembly functions will be held. Rates for these rooms will be: 200 rooms at \$34 single and \$36 double; and 100 rooms at \$37 single and \$42 double – all plus tax. The Assembly steering committee has decided to distribute these rooms equally among the nine Western States Area Delegates, and initial reservations all will be made to the Assembly through the Delegates. The 12 Delegates outside Hawaii will be allocated 16 of the least expensive rooms and 8 of the higher priced rooms.

Reservations for these rooms must be made through the local Area Delegate through June 30, 1977, at which time all rooms not specifically reserved will revert to the Hawaii Delegate for reappportionment to Areas requiring more than their allocation. All reservations will require PAYMENT IN FULL at the time reservations are submitted.

It is recognized many who will attend the Assembly will desire to spend more time in Hawaii than allocated for the Assembly. However, the Hawaii steering committee does not have the capabilities, nor does it plan to assist anyone in additional reservations. It is advised that anyone planning on an extended stay, plan their trip through an established travel agency. The committee's experience has shown that additional accommodations and much better hotel and airlines rates can be obtained through a travel agency, than by individuals making their own arrangements. The travel agency can include the three days at the Kuilima Hotel in any plans for an extended stay in Hawaii.

Any questions should be directed to your local Area Delegate. Or write to Pacific Region Service Assembly, 49 So. Hotel St., Suite 316, Honolulu, HI 96813.

Dean K.

Speaker Meetings

Alumnae Group – Willow Creek Elementary School, 1029 Mohr Lane, Concord, Thursday, 8:30 pm.
April 7 – Robbie D. (San Francisco), April 14 – Paul G. (Mill Valley-S.F.), April 21 – Jane O'T. (San Francisco), April 28 – Ann N. (Davis).

Brisbane All Groups – 250 Visitacion Ave., Brisbane
April 3 – Rich S. (Daly City), April 10 – Art O'F., (S.F. F'ship), April 17 – John C. (Daly City), April 24 – Ethel J. (S.F. F'ship).

El Cerrito Fellowship – 11231 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito, April 30 – Margie C. (San Francisco), birthday celebration after meeting.

Friday All Groups – Alano Club, 414 Grant Ave., San Francisco, April 1 – Tom C. (Palo Alto Teen/20's), April 8 – Bill G. (Firefighters Group), April 15 – Fred K. (Telegraph Hill), April 22 – Jane O'T. (Stepping Stone), April 29 – Pat M. (Firefighters)

Grapevine Speakers Group – Holy Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1948 The Alameda, San Jose, Friday, 8:30pm.
April 1 – Bobby F. (Pacific Grove), April 8 – Bob O. (Sunnyvale), April 15 – Gene D. (Calistoga), April 22 – Diane R. (Santa Clara), April 29 – Buz D. (Colma), May 6 – Jim B. (San Jose), May 13 – Sally S. (San Carlos), May 20 – John K. (San Jose), May 27 – Roy Y. (Oceanside).

Diamond Link – 3755 - 13th Ave., Oakland
April 25 – Jane O'T. (San Francisco).

Hayward Fellowship – New location, 16250 E. 14th St., San Leandro, Suite D (about 9 blocks north of previous location, on same street) April 2 – Joe L. (San Carlos), April 9 – Ken K. (Hayward), April 16 Jack H. (San Jose), April 23 – John C. (San Jose), April 30 – Gail C. (Concord).

In-Between Fellowship – 4710 East 14th St., Oakland, Friday, 8:15, April 1 – Frank H. (Hayward), April 8 – Patty (Sacramento), April 15 – Chuck G. (Hayward), April 22 – Jane O'T. (San Francisco), April 29 – George D. (San Francisco).

Island Fellowship – 1828 Lincoln Ave., Alameda
April 2 – Bob B. (Oakland), April 9 – Rose H. (San Leandro), April 16 – Mary C. (San Francisco), April 23 – Russ M. (San Francisco), April 30 – Frank C. (San Francisco).

Peninsula All Groups – Baldwin and El Camino, San Mateo, St. Matthews Episcopal Auditorium
April 2 – Jim W. (A.R.A.), April 9 – Gene K. (La Honda), April 16 – Buss D. (11th Hour), April 23 – Phylis T. (Island Fellowship), April 30 – Harry R. (Marina).

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Mountain Vista Farm, – 3020 Warm Springs, Glen Ellen, April 1 – Jack D. (San Rafael), April 8 – Bill D. (San Francisco), April 15 – Florette P. (Sausalito), April 22 – Mike C. (San Francisco), April 29 – Les C. (Sacramento).

The Speakers Special: A new type of meeting has started in the Sacramento area. This type of meeting is predominant in L.A. and the Eastern part of the United States. It consists of 2 or 3 speakers every Friday night at 8 pm. These meetings are being held at St. Rose Parrish Hall – 38th Ave. and Franklin Blvd. The Parrish Hall is located behind St. Patrick's Childrens Home. Access is through the big gates on the North side of the school. There will be an AA sign by the gate. The invited speakers are members of local groups who will be sharing their experience, strength and hope with us. This will be an inter-group participation type meeting.

East Yolo Fellowship – We have moved to larger quarters at 824 Merkley Ave., W. Sacramento (across from Rogers Auto Parts). Come visit us at our spacious, almost smoke-free new quarters. Meetings every night at 8:00 pm with an extra 10:00 pm meeting on Friday. There is a new Saturday 2:00 pm meeting (Non-smokers). Womens meeting on Tuesdays. East Yolo Al-Anon and Alateen will continue to meet at 1040 West Capitol Ave., C-1.

Auburn Fellowship: We are proud to announce that two new meetings are added to our already large list. Wednesday at 1:00 pm. Closed Step Study, Friday 8:00 pm open "Please do not Smoke" meeting, this makes a grand total of nine meetings a week. Come and visit us! We meet at 1470 Canal Street (Alano Club), behind McLaughlin Ford, Hwy. 49.

Yuba City AA Group: We are settled in our new meeting hall, 1951 Live Oak Hwy., in the rear units of an old motel – in front and south of the Sutter County Hospital, Yuba City. AA meetings every night of the week, starting at 8:00 pm. Al-Anon also, Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am, and Saturday night at 8:00 pm. We need your help to grow and to help others grow.

North Hall Group: The North Hall Group (Gay) now has a meeting every Monday night at the Metropolitan Community Church, 2741 - 34th Street at 8:00 pm. This is an open meeting. The Friday Nite meeting at the same location has changed to a "Candlelight" meeting.

Auburn Dry Diggins Group: Will be celebrating our Anniversary on Thursday April 28th. Potluck dinner plus a guest speaker "Gene D." (Calistoga). St. Lukes Episcopal Church on Orange & Lewis Streets.

Mission San Jose Group – Monday (Closed) and Friday (Open) at 8:00 pm at Our Savior Lutheran Church (Rm. 4), 858 Washington Blvd., in the Mission San Jose district of Fremont.

Oakland Step Study Group – Basic AA for the early birds at 10:30 am on Fridays at 2910 Telegraph Ave., Oakland.

San Francisco Alano Club

Celebrate Spring at the San Francisco Alano Club on April 16 at 9:00 pm when the "Dry Notes" will play Ballroom music of the 40's and 50's. Donation \$2.50. Bring a plate of sandwiches, cookies or cake for the Potluck Buffet. There will be free punch and prizes. Make up a party and come prepared to have a great time! The Club is located at 414 Grant Ave., San Francisco.

Day With Chuck and Elsa

Come to Santa Cruz to share a day with Chuck and Elsa C. (Laguna Beach) on Saturday, April 23rd! Elsa will speak at an Al-Anon Buffet luncheon at the Cabrillo College Student Center, 6500 Soquel Dr., Aptos at noon; Chuck will talk at an open AA speaker meeting at Aptos High School Gym, 7301 Freedom Blvd., Aptos, at 8:30 pm.

Tickets for the luncheon (\$4.50) are limited and will not be sold at the door; so before April 10th, send your check to Wednesday Afternoon Al-Anon with a stamped self-addressed envelope to P.O. Box 944, Capitola, CA 95010, or call Joann (408) 688-7310 or Bonnie (408) 426-0938. Ed B.

All Groups Day – Oakland

Keep Saturday, April 30th open for the annual All Groups Day in Oakland at the Ahmes Temple, 3291 School St. from 12:30 to 10:00 pm. The featured speaker will be Dave S. (Palm Springs). Dinner will be at 5:30 pm. Registration-\$2.00 at door (pre-register thru groups for \$1.50) and dinner tickets \$2.00. For more info call Oakland Central Office at (415) 653-4300.

Myrtledale Classic

Fourth Annual "Myrtledale Classic" golf tournament at Calistoga Fair Grounds on June 18. Starting times: 7 am to 1 pm. Gourmet dinner & prizes. Active AA fun.

Young Peoples Group – Redding

There is a new Young Peoples Group meeting at the Central Office at 2115A Eureka Way at 8 pm each Monday night. This group needs your help to get started so, young or not, won't you help support them?

CNCA POST CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY

California Northern Coastal Area will hold its annual Post-Conference Assembly this year Saturday and Sunday, May 7-8, 1977 at the El Rancho Tropicana Motel, 2200 Santa Rosa Ave., Santa Rosa, California. This is the event where the Area Delegate gives his report of the annual meeting of the General Service Conference Panel 27, to be held this month at New York City.

Those wishing to stay overnight are asked to make their own reservations this year with the hotel. Rates quoted are Single, \$20.50, and Double, \$24.50, each plus tax. Registration for the Assembly will be \$3.00, and banquet tickets for those desiring them will be \$8; this includes a roast beef dinner and covers tax and tip. Banquet tickets will be cut off at noon on Saturday. Advance registrations are desirable; checks should be made payable to "1977 PCA" and mailed to 1002 Huntington Drive, San Jose, CA 95129.

Registration will commence at 10 am at the El Rancho, followed by a lunch break at 12 noon. The opening service meeting will begin at 1 pm, chaired by Reg B, Novato, and will feature as service speaker Joan B, past-delegate from the State of Nevada.

After a coffee break, there will be presentations and workshops on the subjects: (1) Recovery through service; (2) the AA Grapevine; (3) Cooperation with the professional community; (4) Money, a spiritual asset; and (5) The how and why of Group structure. At 4 pm there will be brief workshop summations, allowing plenty of free time before dinner. The Assembly Banquet will be held at 6 pm, followed at 7 pm by the Delegate's report; and at 8:30 pm there will be an AA speaker meeting, featuring Jerry F, Huntington Beach, present mid-Southern Area Delegate. There will be a night owl AA meeting at 11 pm.

Sunday morning, May 8, will lead off with an "Ask-It-Basket" meeting at 9 am. The Assembly will close with a spiritual meeting at 10:30 am.

Al-Anon also will conduct its own separate program Saturday and Sunday, which will include a Conference report, discussion meetings, and a spiritual meeting.

Reminder

California Northern Interior Area Pre-Conference Assembly – April 2, Youth Center, Dunsmuir.
California Northern Coastal Area Pre-Conference Assembly – April 9, First Unitarian Church, 1178 Franklin (at Geary), San Francisco.

Plan to attend these events. Details in the March issue of GOOD NEWS.

Ceud Mille Failte

This was the slogan for the AA Conference in Oban, Scotland: it means a hundred thousand welcomes in Gaelic. This slogan was the only really 'foreign' thing about the Conference. The AA people of western Scotland are just as sober and just as beautiful as the AA people I've seen anywhere else in my sober travels. However, some of their slogans were 'new' to me. The ones that stood out to me were: "We don't grow old in AA — we just grow up". "Seven days away from AA makes one weak". "Action is the *magic* word."

"Today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday."

I am filled with the kind of joy and happiness that I get only from attending an AA Conference. I want to share this with you. For the 24 hours from noon Saturday 'til noon Sunday I was immersed in and with beautiful AA love. From the opening speech by the chairman to the closing Serenity Prayer, I witnessed a string of AA miracles — some with "stories" similar to my own and some who got to AA by different routes of drinking and disaster. The AA speakers radiated with their AA love. The audience was duly inspired. God (as I understand Him) was bound to be very happy with what was said. I especially was moved with the story of recovery from a 21 year man because his sobriety was second-generation sobriety — just like my youngest son's. He belongs to a Young Peoples Group in Glasgow while my son belongs to one in California. AA is for young people just as it is for *all kinds* of people who have problems with alcohol. The clothing and hairstyles are different in meetings in different parts of this world, but the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions always yield the same result — no matter what culture or age group they are mixed with.

One speaker's experience struck "home" for me. It seems a sober, inspiring and well-meaning AA member told this speaker that she was not attending enough AA meetings and that *this* is why she was feeling the way she was feeling with her six months or so sobriety; then, on that same night, a second sober, well-meaning (and equally inspiring) AA member told her that she was attending too many meetings and *this* was why she was feeling the way she was feeling. From this experience the speaker said she learned that it was time to grow up and to develop her own way of relating to her Higher Power and to AA in general. This point fits for me when I look for someone else to make my decisions for me.

Saturday night, after an open speaker's meeting, the entire audience was invited to a local hotel. Tea and sandwiches were served. Arm's-length AA and simple visiting went on while some local musicians played Scottish tunes and men in kilts danced as their ancestors had danced. Two to three hundred recovering alcoholics got together. Nobody got into a fight. Nobody got busted. WOW!!!

Don M.

(For those of you who don't know, Don M. is the previous editor of Good News, our "foreign correspondent". Thanks for sharing with us Don! — Editor)

Northern California Council of AA Conference

Around the same time Don was attending the conference in Scotland, close to 3,000 AA members and interested people were experiencing the same feelings of joy, sharing AA love and witnessing the miracle of AA, at the 30th Anniversary — Annual NCCAA Spring Conference in Stockton.

A particularly significant highlight of the conference was when the mayor of Stockton, Tom Madden welcomed this large group of alcoholics, who were once a problem to society, to the city. The Mayor presented a key to the city to Jack B., Secretary of NCCAA, on behalf of the city of Stockton to Alcoholics Anonymous — Northern California Council — recognition of the fact that a group such as ours is welcome to Stockton and society itself. The key is presented only to special groups, on special occasions, to groups who have made a special contribution. The significance is not in the key itself, but in the thought that we have become useful members of society. This is truly a source of gratitude.

NCC experienced new things at this conference; new meetings and growth in attendance at all meetings. A new "Early Bird" meeting on Friday afternoon was very well attended, as well as all of the workshops and meetings. The Friday night "Kick Off" meeting reached an all time high of 1,200 with over 900 registered. The total number registered by Sunday was nearly 1,700. Attendance at the Saturday night Speaker meeting was approximately 3,000.

At the NCC Steering Committee meeting proposals were submitted from Visalia and Monterey for the Spring Conference March 10-12, 1978. It was decided by "group conscience" at the NCC open meeting to leave the final choice to the Steering Committee when more information is presented at the NCC Steering Committee meeting, March 27th in San Mateo.

Dorothy L.

Calendar

- Apr. 2 CNIA Pre-Conf. Assembly - Dunsmuir
- Apr. 9 CNCA Pre-Conf. Assembly - San Fran.
- Apr. 9 Woodland 31st Anniversary & "Twelve Step Play"
- Apr. 11-14 National Catholic Educaitional Assoc. Conv. - S.F.
- Apr. 17-23 27th Annual General Service Conf. New York
- Apr. 24 H & I General Membership Meeting 10 am - 120 F'ship- Manteca
- Apr. 30 *All Groups Day - Oakland
- May 6-8 *H & I Conf. of Calif. - Fresno
- May 7-8 *Post-Conf. Assembly - Santa Rosa
- June 2-5 Desert AA Roundup - Riviera Resort Hotel, Palm Springs
- June 10-12 NCCAA Annual Summer Conf. - San Mateo
- Aug. 12-14 10th Annual 22nd District Conv. Santa Maria
- Sept. 2-4 20th International Conf. of Young People - Houston, Tex.
- Oct. 21-23 NCCAA Annual Fall Conf. - Santa Rosa

*See write-up elsewhere in this issue.

I WONDERED WHY SOMEBODY DIDN'T DO SOMETHING . . . THEN I REALIZED. . . I WAS SOMEBODY.

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New Meetings

Florin Serenity Group - Wednesday, 8:00 pm, St. Paul's Church, 7200 Gardner Ave. (Off Florin Rd. East - C.Y.O. Hall), Sacramento.

Grass Valley Step Study - Wednesday, 8:00 pm. Watt Park Fire Dept. on McCourtney Rd., Grass Valley.

Teen-Age Group - Now meeting Monday and Wednesdays at 8:00 pm at Five Cities Fellowship, 37320 Mission Blvd., Fremont.

H & I ALL STATE CONFERENCE

The Northern California Hospital and Institution Committee is pleased to announce the fifth annual Hospital and Institutional Conference of California. This event has become an annual function of the combined statewide Hospital and Institution Committees of California.

The Conference will be held again this year in Fresno. It will be the weekend of May 6-7-8, 1977. The site of the Conference is to be the Sheraton Inn, 2550 W. Clinton Ave., in Fresno. We will be taking over the entire hotel for that weekend so once you have made arrangements at the hotel for your accommodations you will have no need for transportation as the hotel will provide us with meeting rooms, eating facilities, including a 24 hour coffee shop, and really everything a person may desire. So if some of the groups would like to get together and charter a bus or plane that would be advisable. There is also excellent transportation for persons not desiring to drive.

Our theme for the Conference is "SERVICE THROUGH UNITY FOR RECOVERY" and our major objective is to learn how better AA might serve in these facilities and to share ideas, aims and goals.

For info write:
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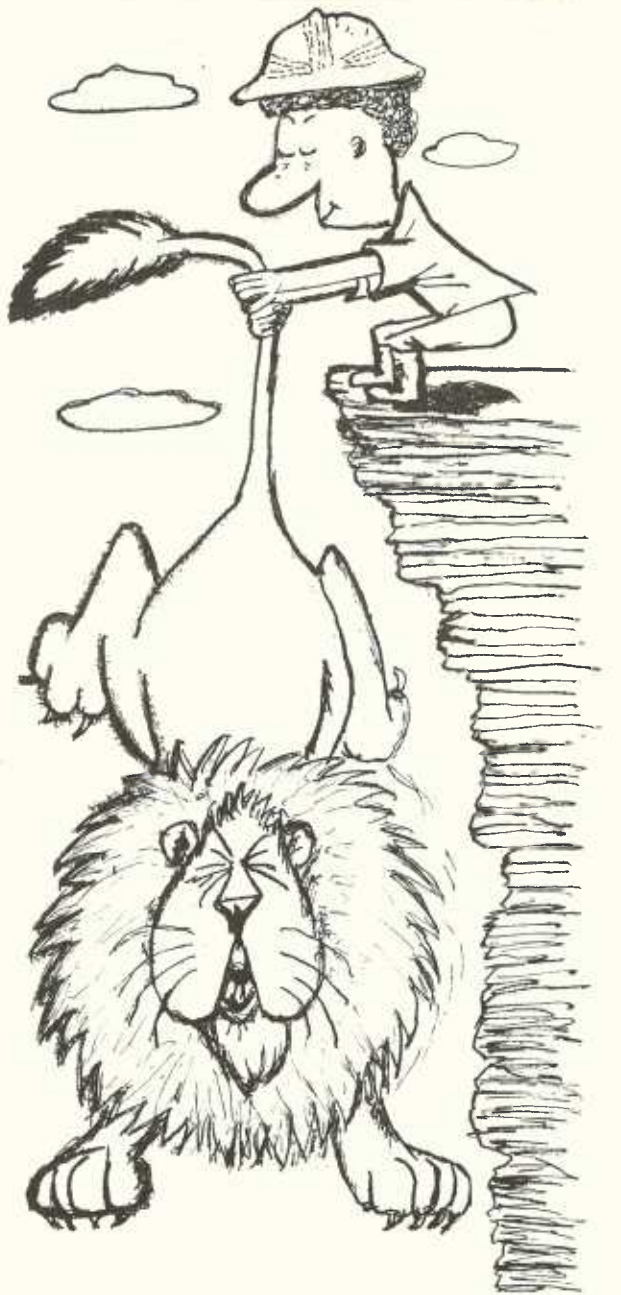
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