

On The Rogue Again

JACKSON COUNTY CENTRAL OFFICE NEWSLETTER

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Back in 2000, my good friend

MaryAnn

*brought me a couple of wallet
cards from a retreat she attended
and this is what it had to say
about humility;*

*Humility is perpetual quietness of
heart. It is to have no trouble. It*

is never to be fretted or vexed,

irritable or sore; to wonder

nothing that is done to me, to

feel nothing done against me. It

is to be at rest when nobody

*praises me, and when I am blamed
or despised, it is to have a blessed
home in myself where I can go in
and shut the door and kneel to my
Father in secret and be at peace,
as in a deep sea of calmness,
when all around and about is
seeming trouble.*

~Virginia

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Have a good day unless you have made other plans.

Read pages 86-87-88 in your Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous everyday.

Central Office News

Greetings from the Board of Jackson County AA Central Office. We thank all of the groups and individuals for their generous support. A great way to get involved is to volunteer for a four hour shift once a week. Please contact Bill S. at Central Office to learn more about this. You can always come to the business meeting the first Saturday of the month to volunteer. Remember, Central Office now has a web site. There you can find information about upcoming events and the meeting schedule as well the current issue of "On the Rogue Again." You can find it by pointing your browser to either www.jacksoncountyaa.org or www.aa.jacksoncountycentraloffice.org.

*We can complain because rose bushes have thorns, or rejoice because thorn bushes have roses.
— Abraham Lincoln*

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Donations for November 2013

Just For Today	276.42
Eagle Point Women's	170.00
Thursday Night Candlelight	75.00
Pacific Positive Action	33.00

BIRTHDAYS

Teresa E.	27.00
Dewey H.	11.00

NEWSLETTER

Carol	5.00
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How about donating a dollar for each year on your sobriety birthday?!

Bill W. Christmas message

1944

To all AA members:

Greetings on our 10th Christmas, 1944. Yes, its' in the air! The spirit of Christ-mas once more warms this poor dis-traught world. Over the whole globe millions are looking forward to that one day when strife can be forgotten, when it will be remembered that all human beings, even the least, are loved by God, when men will hope for the com-ing of the Prince of Peace as they never hoped before. But there is another world which is not poor. Neither is it distraught. It is the world of Alcoholics Anonymous, where thousands dwell happily and secure. Secure because each of us, in his own way, knows a

greater power who is love, who is just, and who can be trusted. Nor can men and women of AA ever forget that only through suffering did they find enough humility to enter the portals of that New World. How privileged we are to understand so well the divine paradox that strength rises from weakness, that humiliation goes before resurrection; that pain is not only the price but the very touchstone of spiritual rebirth. Knowing its full worth and purpose, we can no longer fear adversity, we have found prosperity where there was poverty; peace and joy have sprung out of the very midst of chaos. Great indeed our blessings! And so Merry Christmas to you all - from the Trustees, from Bobbie and from Lois and me.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Christmas Eve Spiritual Candlelight Meeting

Medford Fellowship Group
1921 Elm Avenue – Medford
Tuesday, December 24th
12:00 Midnight
Chaired by Jack and Judy A.

Central Office Annual Fundraiser Breakfast

Breakfast, Speaker, Raffle
\$10 adults, \$5 children
Sunday, April 6th, 2014
9:30am

St. Vincent De Paul
2424 Pacific Hwy
Medford, OR

Tickets will be available at Central Office
(If you have any donations for raffle, please
drop them off at Central Office)

*Have Yourself a Merry
Christmas*

*Have yourself a merry AA
Christmas*

*May your heart be light
From now on our troubles
Will be out of sight*

*Have yourself a merry AA
Christmas
Make the yuletide play
From now on our troubles will be
miles away
(Thanks to AA)*

*We don't need all those oldies days
Wet and moldy days of yore
These won't be "Alcohol days"
They'll be holidays for sure*

*Through the year we'll all stick
together
If the fates allow
Day by day we'll make it through
some how
So have yourself a merry AA
Christmas Now!*

**"The best way to find yourself is to lose
yourself in the service of others."**

~ Mahatma Gandhi

Holiday Tips

Twelve Tips on keeping Your Holiday Season Sober and Joyous. Holidays parties without liquid spirits may still seem a dreary prospect to a new A.A.'s . But many of us enjoy the happiest holidays of our lives sober--an idea we would never dream of, wanted, or believed possible when drinking. Here are some tips for having and all around good time without a drop of alcohol.

1. Line up extra A.A. activities for the holiday season. Arrange to take newcomers to meetings, answer the phones at a clubhouse or central office, speak, help with the dishes, or visit the alcoholic ward at a hospital.

2. Be host to A.A friends, especially newcomers. If you don't have a place where you can throw a formal party, take one person to a diner and spring for coffee.

3. Keep your A.A. telephone list with you at all times. If a drinking urge or panic comes-- postpone everything else until you've called an A.A. member.

4. Find out about the special holiday parties, meetings, or other celebrations given by groups in your area, and go. If you're timid, take someone newer than you are.

5. Skip all drinking occasions you are nervous about. Remember how clever you were at excuses when drinking? Now put the talent to good use. No office party is as important as saving your life.

6. If you have to go to a drinking party and can't take an A.A friend with you, keep some candy handy.

7. Don't think you have to stay late. Plan in advance an "important date" you have to keep.

8. Go to church. Any church.

9. Don't sit around brooding. Catch up on those books, museums, walks, and letters.

10. Don't start now getting worked up about all those holiday temptations, Remember- "One Day At A Time".

11. Enjoy the true beauty of holiday love and joy. Maybe you cannot give material gifts -- But this year, you can give love.

12. Having had a ..." No need to spell out the Twelfth Step here, since you already know it.

*Merry Christmas and Happy
New Year to you all!!!*



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