



# SLIPPERY WHEN WET

TREASURE VALLEY INTERGROUP

APRIL 2002

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## STEP FOUR

**MADE A SEARCHING AND FEARLESS MORAL INVENTORY OF OURSELVES.**

## TRADITION FOUR

**EACH GROUP SHOULD BE AUTONOMOUS EXCEPT IN MATTERS AFFECTING OTHER GROUPS OR A.A. AS A WHOLE.**

## CONCEPT FOUR

**THROUGHOUT OUR CONFERENCE STRUCTURE, WE OUGHT TO MAINTAIN AT ALL RESPONSIBLE LEVELS A TRADITIONAL RIGHT OF PARTICIPATION, TAKING CARE THAT EACH CLASSIFICATION OR GROUP OF OUR WORLD SERVANTS SHALL BE ALLOWED A VOTING REPRESENTATION IN REASONABLE PROPORTION TO THE RESPONSIBILITY THAT EACH MUST DISCHARGE.**

## MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETINGS

### APRIL 2, 2002

**DISTRICT 3 MEETING** 6:30 PM  
(1ST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH)  
ST. AL'S HOSP. N. TOWER SISTER REGIS ROOM

### APRIL 4, 2002

**DIST 8 MEETING** 7:00 PM  
(1ST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH)  
200 MYRTLE ST. (HAPPY HOUR)

### APRIL 8, 2002

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING** 7:00 PM  
MONDAY PRECEDING 2ND THURSDAY  
1524 VISTA AVE ROOM 10 (CENTRAL OFFICE)

### APRIL 11

**TREASURE VALLEY INTERGROUP** 7:30 PM  
(2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH)  
200 MYRTLE ST. (HAPPY HOUR)

### APRIL 11, 2002

**DISTRICT 4 MEETING**, 5:30 PM  
(2ND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH)  
4TH ST & 10TH AVE S (GRACE EPISCOPAL)

### APRIL 13, 2002

**DISTRICT 9 MEETING**  
(2ND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH)  
DIFFERENT LOCATION EACH MONTH  
CALL KAREEN AT ###-####

### APRIL 15

**CUTOFF DATE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES**

### APRIL 16, 2002

**DISTRICT 5 MEETING** 7:00 PM  
(3RD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH)  
120 E FAIRVIEW, Idaho Pizza, Meridian

### APRIL 20, 2002

**H & I MEETING**, 10:00 AM  
(3RD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH)  
1524 VISTA ROOM 9 (SATURDAY NITE LIVE)

### APRIL 29

**DISTRICT 8 PI/CPC MEETING 7 PM**  
(LAST MONDAY OF THE MONTH)  
ST. STEVENS EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2206 N COLE  
ALL PI/CPC REPS FROM ANY GROUP OR DISTRICT IS WELCOME.

## CENTRAL OFFICE UPDATE

THANKS TO MAC M. (SNL), DEBBIE C. (SHOULDER TO SHOULDER) AND BOB P. (LIVING TODAY) FOR THEIR HELP FOLDING NEWSLETTERS IN FEBRUARY.

IF YOU NEED TO FAX ANY ITEM TO THE CENTRAL OFFICE, YOU MUST CALL THE OFFICE FIRST DURING BUSINESS HOURS SO WE CAN SWITCH THE COMPUTER TO WINFAX. YOU WILL THEN BE GIVEN THE FAX NUMBER IF YOU DO NOT ALREADY KNOW IT.

DUE TO THE FANTASTIC AND ONGOING DEMAND FOR 4TH EDITION BIG BOOKS, WE HAVE FOCUSED OUR EFFORTS ON PURCHASING AND MAINTAINING A SUPPLY OF THESE ITEMS AT THE SACRIFICE OF SOME OTHER ITEMS, MOSTLY FANCY ANNIVERSARY COINS. PLEASE BEAR WITH US IF WE DO NOT HAVE A PARTICULAR YEAR IN STOCK AS WE FEEL OUR PRIMARY PURPOSE IS TO HAVE A.A. LITERATURE AVAILABLE FOR EVERYONE. THANKS FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION.

REMEMBER, ALL ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER, INCLUDING EVENTS, MEETING CHANGES COMMITTEE REPORTS, PERSONAL ARTICLES, ETC. SHOULD BE IN CENTRAL OFFICE NO LATER THAN THE 15TH OF THE MONTH, OR THEY MAY BE LEFT OUT.

**Treasure Valley Intergroup  
Happy Hour Club  
March 14th 2002**

**In Attendance:**

Richard H. - Seekers	Rod M. - Lunch Bunch	Richard M. - Eagle Downtowners
Jason A. - Hootowls	Ron T. - Turning Point	Sandy S. - Mt. Home Group
Steph T. - Mt. Home Group	Lindsey H. - Meridian Nite Group	Cindy H. - Women's Connection
Ralph F. - As Bill Sees It (BSU)	Paul M. - Ding-A-Lings	Sandy C. - Survivors
John F. - Saturday Nite Live	Pat B. - Midtown	Will H. - Intergroup Chair
Christine C. - Shoulder to Shoulder	Eric S. - Live and Let Live	

Will H. opened the meeting at 7:30 pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer, Intergroup Purpose and Mission Statements. The 12 Traditions were read, followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Eric S. read the minutes from the previous Intergroup Meeting on February 14th. The minutes were accepted with a motion, a second and was carried.

**Treasurer's Report (Cindy H.)** Current balance is \$2,222.78 after expenses and a deposit of \$505.33. A motion to accept Cindy's report was made, seconded and carried.

**Intergroup Trustee's Report (Ralph F.)** Donations to Central Office were \$1,441.89 and outside donations amounted to \$138.00 for a total donation this past month of \$1,771.14. Sales were at \$4,4941.21, and expenses came in at \$6,047.51. Central Offices' net profit for the month was \$259.84.

So far, only one person has applied for the Central Office position now open and advertised in the past issue of Slippery When Wet. If you or anyone you know is interested in this position, please contact Wally T. at Central Office and he will set up an interview with the Board (208) 344-6611. A motion to accept Ralph's report was made, seconded and carried.

**Newsletter Report (Ron T)** (Absent)

**Entertainment Report ((Paul M. for Karen F.:** Entertainment committee is still interested in asking Intergroup to purchase one or two coffee pots for future functions. No prices on pots are yet available. This will be taken up next month once some prices have been obtained. A motion was made to accept Paul's report, seconded and carried.

**Answering Service report (Richard H.)** Still looking for people to volunteer to add their name to the caller referral list to be used by the professional answering service. A motion was made to accept Richard's report, seconded and carried.

**Old Business** Upon considering the Seekers Group's proposal of a Cinco de Mayo celebration banquet and speaker meeting, the Intergroup Committee continued discussion from last month whether or not it is in the interest of Unity among area groups and meetings to provide loans or funding to individual groups' functions. The representatives from this group were not in attendance to provide further input to this process. Based upon a limited amount of time between now and the first weekend of May, it is uncertain whether this initial function will be successful or not. However, a motion was made to grant funding of \$50.00 to the Seekers for the production of flyers for this event. This is a loan, and will probably at least get this function some immediate publicity. The motion for this funding for the flyers was seconded, and passed with a vote of 11 to 5.

**New Business** Ralph F. moved to donate the \$672.00 currently above the treasury's prudent reserve to go to Central Office. (Intergroup Committee's prudent reserve is \$1,500.00) This motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

Cindy H. moved that \$38.00 be issued from the prudent reserve to cover the costs of our post office box. This motion was seconded and carried.

John F. announced that there is a meeting covering the history of AA, reading from our literature. This group meets Mondays at 9:30 pm at Saturday Nite Live.

**Closing** The Intergroup Meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

*(Secretary's Note: Eric S. wishes to express an admission and apology to Intergroup, TVICO, and Treasure Valley AA for missing the deadline for publication of last month's Intergroup Committee meeting minutes and regrets any inconvenience caused by this fault. He can be reached at (###) ###-####.)*

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Area 18 Spring Assembly  
May 10 - 12 2002 Grove Hotel

**NEW MEETING**

THE WILLOW GROUP  
FRIDAY & SATURDAY @ 7:30 PM O N/S  
4477 WILLOW LANE  
CALL DAVID E. ###-####-####

**CANCELLED MEETING**

Womens Meeting

**BILL & LINDA M.  
35TH WEDDING ANNIVERSITY**

OPEN HOUSE & CANDLELIGHT  
AA MEETING  
APRIL 20, 2002

9739 W PIMA DRIVE BOISE 377-3916

ALL AA FRIENDS INVITED

7:00 pm Wednesday Happy Hour

**NAME CHANGE**

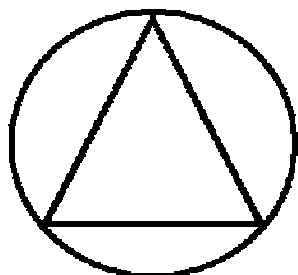
WHEN ALL ELSE FAILS  
Noon, Saturday & Sunday,  
has been changed to  
HAPPY HOUR

CANDLELIGHT AA MEETING 7 PM

**DISTRICT 8 CPC/PI MEETINGS ARE NOW BEING HELD ON THE LAST MONDAY OF THE MONTH AT 700 PM IN THE ST. STEVENS EPISCOPAL CHURCH AT 2206 N COLE**

ALL CPC/PI REPS FROM ANY GROUP OR DISTRICT IS WELCOME AT THESE MEETINGS. CALL CAROLYN A. ###-####

**AA Archives**



Ever wonder where AA got it's symbol of the Triangle within the Circle? The answer is just one of many bits of AA history available for discovery in the Archives.

"Above us floats a banner on which is inscribed the new (July 1955) symbol for A.A. A Circle enclosing a Triangle. The Circle stands for the whole world of A.A., and the Triangle stands for A.A.'s three legacies of Recovery, Unity, and Service. Within our wonderful new world, we have found freedom from our fatal obsession.

That we have chosen this particular symbol is perhaps no accident. The priests and seers of antiquity regarded the circle enclosing the triangle as a means of warding off spirits of evil, and A.A.'s circle and triangle of Recovery, Unity, and Service has certainly meant all of that to us and much more."

*c. 1985, Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age, p. 139*

Area 18 Archives Committee meets on Monday evenings at 1524 Vista Avenue, Top of the stairs from the Vista Street entrance, at 7 p.m. All interested in learning more about Alcoholics Anonymous, and those interested in joining the committee are welcome to attend.

**BIRTHDAY POT LUCK**

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
911 4TH ST. SOUTH  
NAMPA

BUSINESS MEETING: 4:00 PM  
POT LUCK DINNER: 6:30 PM

HOSTED BY HOW IT WORKS GROUP

COME AND HEAR NEWT SPEAK

*PLEASE BRING A POT LUCK DISH AND YOUR OWN TABLE SERVICE.*

APRIL Meridian Saturday Night Speakers Meeting  
Northview Center @ 7:30 pm

- April 6th - April Fools Dance - Lynda S. - 14 years
- April 13th - Swede - 8 years
- April 20th - Glenda T. - 11 years
- April 27th - Stu B. - 7 years

**RULE 62**

**How many Alcoholics does it take to unscrew a lightbulb?**

**Just one - he holds the lightbulb and the rest of the world revolves around him.**

***JUST ONE MORE***

*by bruce Looselip*

*I just came in to have one drink  
but stayed 'till closin time  
All night long -- it's just one more  
until they ring the chime.*

*They put the stools up on the bar  
So they can sweep the floor  
Then just before they lock things up  
They sweep me out the door.*

*Tomorrow at work -- my head will feel  
At least three times it's size  
The dryness in my mouth will match  
The burnin' in my eyes.*

*All mornin' long I'll cuss and swear  
"I won't do that again"  
But from noon on -- ya know what I'll  
Be thirstin for --- my friend.*

*"I'll just have one" is what I'll say  
"Then I'll go right straight home"  
I can't pass up my just one more  
So --- I'll add to this poem.*

*I'm a grateful alcoholic now  
For a day and then one more  
Harder'n one more drink at times  
But more reward's in store.*

*I'm thankful for AA meetings-----  
What I heard said while there  
But the one who deserves full credit  
Is "The Man who is up there".*

*Oh a day a stayin sober  
Don't really sound like much  
But when you add 'em up-----  
Then you get back in touch.*

*With who you are -----  
What your problems amount to-----  
You come to terms--and realize  
What you can and cannot do.*

*We all can go on one more drunk  
We all know that my friend  
But can we ever--really  
Sober up again.*

*That's the way it was back then  
But there's more to this rhyme  
It's simply stayin sober  
Twenty four hours at a time.*

*I admitted I couldn't handle liquor  
My life was in a mess  
If I just pass up the first one  
There ain't one more and stress.*

*If ya can't pass up your "just one more"  
They ain't no need to fear  
Make it ---AA meetins--coffee---sex  
Instead a wishy wine or beer.*

*(c) Looselip 94*

**There will come a time when you believe everything is finished. That will be the beginning.**  
~Louis L'Amour~

**The world is round and the place which may seem like the end may also be only the beginning.**  
~Ivy Baker~

**TVICO BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
MARCH 11, 2002**

**CHAIR:** CARL O. (DISTRICT 5)      **CO-CHAIR:** RALPH F. (INTERGROUP) ABSENT  
**SECRETARY:** LISA S. (DISTRICT 4)      **TREASURER:** WALLY T. (CENTRAL OFFICE)  
**DISTRICT 3:** MIKE R.      **DISTRICT 8:** KEVIN D.

**CALL TO ORDER** AT 7 PM WITH READING OF THE SERENITY PRAYER

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** READ AND APPROVED

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** A SLIGHT PROFIT IN FEBRUARY OF \$259.84. \$118.00 PUT IN PRUDENT RESERVE BRINGING TOTAL TO \$614.00. 4TH EDITION SALES: 400 HARD COVER, 360 SOFT COVER, 420 POCKET AND 60 LARGE PRINT.

**INTERGROUP REPORT:** PRUDENT RESERVE IS OVER \$1500.00, PLAN TO DONATE \$700 TO \$900 TO CENTRAL OFFICE. SEEKERS GROUP IS PLANNING AN AA BENEFIT FOR CINCO DEMAYO IN MAY, MORE LATER.

**MANAGERS REPORT:** ONE PERSON HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED FOR PART TIME POSITION. DUE TO LATE MAILING OF SLIPPERY WHEN WET, INTERVIEWING WILL CONTINUE THRU MARCH. THE 3 TOP QUALIFIED APPLICANTS WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE BOARD AT THE APRIL TRUSTEE MEETING FOR FINAL SELECTION

**OLD BUSINESS:** THE TOPIC OF CHANGING THE NAME WAS DISCUSSED AND VOTED DOWN.

**NEW BUSINESS:** DISTRICT 5 ASKED THE BOARD IF THEY COULD USE CENTRAL OFFICE TAX ID NUMBER FOR THE 2003 SPRING ASSEMBLY. THE BOARD INFORMED THEM THAT THIS HAS NOT WORKED IN THE PAST AND THEY WILL HAVE TO APPLY FOR THEIR OWN NUMBER.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:45 PM WITH THE LORDS PRAYER. NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE APRIL 8 AT 7 PM

**UPCOMING OUT OF AREA EVENTS  
FLYERS AVAILABLE AT CENTRAL OFFICE**

May 23 - 26 45th ICYPAA, Louisville, Kentucky

June 7 - 9 FOUNDERS DAY, Akron, Ohio

July 25 - 29 FELLOWSHIP OF THE SPIRIT, SILVER CREEK, COLORADO

August 30 - Sept 1 10th ANNUAL SPONSORSHIP CONFERENCE  
SEATTLE WASHINGTON

September 28 EXOTIC CARIBBEAN 7 NIGHT CRUISE  
DEPARTS AND RETURNS TO MIAMI FLORIDA

**T.V.I.C.O. FINANCIAL REPORT  
FEBRUARY 1 - FEBRUARY 28 2002**

RENT	\$300.00
NEWSLETTER EXPENSES	\$194.02
OFFICE EXPENSES	\$686.67

**T.V.I.C.O. GROUP DONATIONS  
FEBRUARY 1 - FEBRUARY 28 2002**

LUNCH BUNCH	\$36.24
LIVE & LET LIVE	\$49.17
SUNDOWNERS	\$50.00
DING-A-LINGS	\$54.18
LIVING TODAY	\$20.00

WAGE EXPENSES	\$1415.97
TELEPHONE EXPENSES	\$124.21
PURCHASES	\$3386.54
SHIPPING & HANDLING EXP	\$3.58
TAXES	
IRS/MONTHLY DEPOSIT	\$341.52
WITHHOLDING	
STATE SALES TAX	
INSURANCE/UNEMPLOYMENT	
TOTAL	\$6452.51

NEW BEGINNINGS	\$311.31
HAPPY HOUR	\$220.03
EAGLE FRIDAY NIGHT	\$100.00
T.V. BIRTHDAY SPEAKERS	\$250.00
SATURDAY NITE LIVE	\$124.41
CHAPTER 9	\$30.00
STEPPING STONES	\$25.00
THE SEEKERS	\$60.00
TURNING POINT	\$141.55
TOTAL GROUP DONATIONS, FEBRUARY	\$1471.89
TOTAL DONOR'S CLUB DONATIONS	\$138.00
TOTAL MEMBERS DONATIONS	\$161.25
TOTAL DONATIONS , FEBRUARY	\$1771.14

**TO ALL RECIPIANTS OF SLIPPERY WHEN WET:  
PLEASE CONSIDER USING DONORS CLUB ENVELOPE AT  
LEAST ONCE A YEAR TO HELP SUPPORT PRINTING &  
MAILING COST. PERHAPS ON YOUR AA BIRTHDAY!**

**THESE ADDRESS NEED TO BE UPDATED  
TREASURERS - PLEASE SEND NEW INFORMATION**

**INTERGROUP NOTES**

THE APRIL INTERGROUP MEETING WILL BE:

**THURSDAY APRIL 11, 2002**

WE MEET THE 2ND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT:

**200 MYRTLE (HAPPY HOUR BLDG) AT 7:30PM**

***IS YOUR GROUP  
REPRESENTED??????***

YOUR INTERGROUP REP IS THE PIPELINE FOR YOUR HOME GROUP'S OPINIONS, SUGGESTIONS, AND COMMENTS. COME AND PARTICIPATE. HELP PLAN ACTIVITIES AND GET YOUR GROUP INVOLVED.

THE PURPOSE OF INTERGROUP IS TO PROMOTE UNITY, PROVIDE INFORMATION TO THE AA COMMUNITY THROUGH THE NEWSLETTER AND TO HELP KEEP CENTRAL OFFICE IN OPERATION.

DOES YOUR GROUP HAVE A PART IN MAKING THINGS THE BEST THAT THEY CAN BE? APPROXIMATELY 12 GROUPS OUT OF 112 ARE REPRESENTED EACH MONTH.

**WHERE TO SEND CONTRIBUTIONS**

<b>AREA 18 (New)</b> PO BOX 2841 HAILEY, ID 83333-2841	<b>TVICO</b> PO BOX 5144 BOISE, ID 83705
<b>GENERAL SERVICE OFFICE</b> PO BOX 459 GRAND CENTRAL STATION NEW YORK, NY 10163	<b>H &amp; I WEST</b> PO BOX 2513 BOISE, ID 83701
<b>DISTRICT 3</b> PO BOX 7892 BOISE, ID 83707	<b>DISTRICT 8</b> PO BOX 696 BOISE, ID 83701
<b>DISTRICT 4</b> PO BOX 1408 CALDWELL, ID 83606	<b>DISTRICT 9</b> 405 E. HANTHORNE WEISER, ID 83672
<b>DISTRICT 5</b> 308 15TH AVE. SO NAMPA, ID 83651	

**THERE IS ALWAYS A LOT TO BE THANKFUL FOR IF YOU TAKE THE  
TIME TO LOOK FOR IT!**

**For Example:**

I AM SITTING HERE THINKING HOW NICE IT IS THAT WRINKLES DON'T  
HURT

SOME MISTAKES ARE TOO MUCH FUN TO ONLY MAKE ONCE.

YOU DON'T STOP LAUGHING BECAUSE YOU GROW OLD. YOU GROW  
OLD BECAUSE YOU STOP LAUGHING.