

SCIF 2025 JULY NEWSLETTER



NEW MEETING **STARTING SATURDAY JULY 5, 2025**

H.O.P.E. (NEWCOMERS)
HEARING OTHER PEOPLE'S EXPERIENCES

SATURDAYS AT 12PM
LADYBUG PARK CLUBHOUSE
8517 LIMAN WAY
ROHNERT PARK, CA 94928

ACCEPTING 12 AND 12 BOOK DONATIONS!

Alternates Speaker Discussion and Literature Discussion (steps 1-3 from the 12 and 12)

Contact us if you have questions:
Teresa: 707-328-4550
James: 707-400-7102

TEMPORARY MEETING CHANGE:
Santa Rosa AA.

Starting Monday June 9th Serenity Fellowships 9:30 Mid-Morning Meeting, Monday through Friday at The Doyle Park Clubhouse will move to Christ Church United Methodist at 1717 Yulupa Avenue until Friday August 15th and returning to The Clubhouse on August 18th.

35th Annual Lake County Soberfest

"WE WILL BE AMAZED..."

JULY 18, 19, 20 2025
Event Location: Pine Grove Resort Cobb, CA

PINE GROVE

15960 Bottle Rock Rd.
Cobb, CA 95426

CAMPING* MEETINGS* GROUP ACTIVITIES* FRIDAY & SATURDAY
DINNERS* SOBRIETY COUNTDOWNS*
RAFFLE PRIZES & 50/50* FELLOWSHIP & MORE!

REGISTRATION FEE: PRE-REGISTRATION \$20 CAMPING PASS \$30
DAY OF: \$25/\$35 DINNER \$15
CHILDREN UNDER 12 FREE

PARK CONTACT/INFORMATION: JIM 707-295-6079



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"ICSC Approval Process for New Literature for the Bookstore."

First: Bookstore Manager will bring book suggestions to the ICSC with the following information per SCIF Policies and Procedures #10.

1. Business reasons: Are local members asking for and using this title?
2. AA Principles: Does the content follow the AA 12 Steps and AA 12 Traditions?

Second: ICSC review process as follows.

1. 3 or more ICSC members need to read & thoroughly review the book after presentation by Bookstore Manager. They can also seek opinions from other SCIF members, in the spirit of transparency.
2. ICSC reviewers check if the content follows the AA 12 Steps and AA 12 Traditions?
3. Next ICSC meeting, the ICSC members give their Book Reports and state their opinion if the book should be purchased for sale or not.
4. ICSC votes on the book. If approved by simple majority; the new book will be reported at SCIF General Meeting as a newly approved book.

This month the ICSC is reviewing 'A Woman's Way Through the Twelve Steps.'

Yours In Service,

Wendy P

ICSC Chair

SONOMA COUNTY INTERGROUP FELLOWSHIP GENERAL MEETING MINUTES – May 26, 2025

Meeting opened with the SERENITY PRAYER at 7:31pm

PREAMBLE: Mary TRADITION 5: PJ

CONCEPT V: Ben

INTRODUCTION OF NEW REPRESENTATIVES

BIRTHDAYS SINCE WE LAST MET: In person: Ed 4yrs; Online:

Maureen 13 yrs; Hilda 2yrs

"REPRESENTATIVES, PLEASE SIGN IN"

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

Activities: None Selected.

ICSC Nominating Committee: 2 slots. - available, Hilary G. & Mike; they qualify; Vote; Elected Hilary & Mike. They join Greg to find nominees. Newsletter: (Bruce no longer available) None selected. Morgan made herself available in the interim. Will add to next month's agenda.

Who may vote and also present at the microphone:

-Intergroup Representatives (or their Alternates if the Representative is not present)

-SCIF Officers and Committee Chairs (Steering Committee members)

-Paid workers (Concept IV)

Housekeeping:

Change of order, due to time conflicts.

Motions:

-Discussion/Vote regarding Non-Conference Approved Literature being sold at the bookstore. -Each presenter is allotted 2 minutes to present their group's conscience at the microphone. -If

you have a question for the SCIF Committee to answer, please submit your question(s) in writing to intergroup@sonomacountyaa.org with the Subject: NCAL Question. The answer(s) will be provided at the general meeting next month.

GROUP REPRESENTATIVES SHARING for NCAL:

IN PERSON:

Anita (group name): Yes

Clark (Tues night beginners meeting) : Yes

Eric (Wed Night Men's): Yes

Hilary (No Frills Group): Yes

Karen (Open Door Meeting): Yes, with provisions

Ben (Monte Rio Fellowship): Yes ¾

Carly (Southend Solutions): Yes

Maria (Vision For You): Yes

Steve W (The Rooms): Yes 11:2

Mary (River Grace Meeting): Yes

Joshua (Sunday Night Madness): Yes

ONLINE:

Ceylon (River Women's Meeting): Yes

Russ (Cotati 12x12): Yes

Ellen (Early Birds Zoom): Yes

Joanie (Tues Noon Womens): Yes

Catalina (Monday Night Alcoholics Only): No

Kristen (The Tonight Group): Yes

DISCUSSION:

IN-PERSON:

Linda - Volunteer at Bookstore. We are providing a service to our fellowship. Alanon is our sister program and they stemmed from our Big Book.

Adrienne - One of the "No's", Kenwood was hoping to apply this discussion to the Traditions. The Washingtonians took outside opinions, but they weren't successful. It's important that we don't argue.

Keep it simple. Rule 62. Hoping that it's exploratory

Clark - Personally don't read/use those books. There is a clear sign delineating those books. Saw sponsee today purchasing, "Drop The Rock". Love the conversation.

PJ - Volunteer at the bookstore. We had a woman that found an Alanon book and was thrilled.

Anita - Would like to know the vetting process. ***See top pg 3**

ONLINE:

Joanie: Use these books with my sponsee's, find these books enriching.

Maureen: Safe space for an alcoholic to look and see what's out there.

Paul: Volunteer at the bookstore for 9yrs, a lot of books that are available are books that I have heard more than once asked, "do you have this book...?" The cart before the horse, didn't get a proper group conscience? If books were vetted, then we should continue to carry them.

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Deo - Worked at the bookstore and has been assistant manager. Not new to just our Intergroup SMF-29, put out by General Service in NY. The conference does not disapprove of such literature. Saying that we as a group get to decide what helps the alcoholic. SF & Marin County only have conference approved literature. Grapevine - not conference approved because it's a slow process to get conference approved. There are bylaws published on the website, I personally helped pull them out, we just need to educate everyone. Show of hands as to who is an IG rep and ready to vote. Majority of hands in person and online.

After hearing the feedback from the Fellowship, and a thorough review of the process to bring Non-Conference Approved Literature into the bookstore, the Sonoma County Intergroup Fellowship (SCIF) Steering Committee has realized the need for an informed group conscience, and vote, by the Fellowship. A vote is needed to determine whether we should continue to sell the non-conference approved literature in the bookstore. The literature consists of: Drop the Rock, 24 Hour Hazelden, New Pair of Glasses, The Little Red Book, and some AI-Anon books.

James B. is to lead the discussion and vote. ¾ of the votes "no" required to overturn SCIF decision to sell NCAL.

IN PERSON:

Yes: 32

No: 2

Abstain: 1

ONLINE:

More than ¾ in favor. That motion passes.

Offered minority opinion:

In person - none

Online - none

***Motion to continue to carry non-AA approved literature carries as voted in.**

OFFICER REPORTS:

CHAIR: (Joshua P.) - New officers, Jake our Tech guy and Maria on Teleservice and we have nominated Joanne for ICSC. Good work Intergroup

VICE CHAIR: (Angie G.) - TY new reps showing up to orientation.

SECRETARY: (Amy P.) Motion to pass April and May's meeting minutes. Motion passed

TREASURER: (Mike H.) Report for April 2025:

REGISTRAR: (Stacy T.) MEETINGS: 235 Groups 423 meetings. 116 zoom 286 in person 22 hybrid. IG representation 14% - REPS: Zoom: 8; In-person: 26; New Rep: 6

ICSC REPORT: (Wendy P.) The ICSC is a management and oversight committee specifically charged with responsibility to set the policy, regulate the affairs, and oversee the operation of the SCIF Central Office and Bookstore. The ICSC has met twice this month, to cover #10 on the Policies and Procedures which states "The job descriptions (in the ICSC Handbook) of the Central Office/Bookstore Manager and the Bookkeeper shall be reviewed annually to determine if they are accurate under current conditions." There is consensus that an additional person needs to be hired as a part-time hourly Bookkeeper to address the missing internal controls, checks and balances for the finances of the Sonoma County Intergroup Fellowship. Bob is assisting the ICSC by writing a list of responsibilities that he suggests for the new person, along with what is already listed in the Handbook. Please announce the job opening at meetings and send requests for the details of the position to ICSC@sonomacountyaa.org or treasurer@sonomacountyaa.org. In April and May, the ICSC approved several purchases of enamel AA Anniversary chips for sale at the Bookstore. The bookstore will continue to sell the small selection of previously approved non-Conference books approved literature until SCIF representatives vote on the proposal. The ICSC will begin vetting new literature selections from Hazelden or other publication sources for inclusion in our sales inventory. Please contact myself or anyone on the ICSC if you have any questions.

BOOKSTORE REPORT: (Bob F.) Book of the month for June is the large print Daily Reflection in English & Spanish for \$15.96.

We have some 'new' World Conference merchandise, come see us. Group contributions are only used for the Central Office and Intergroup services, the bookstore sales pay for bookstore inventory and its share of the overhead. Your Central Office & Bookstore is here to help your group with resources. Give us a call or come on in for more info. The new physical year for group insurance has started as of May 12. Make sure your meeting location is covered for the 2025-2026 policy rider. Most certificates have been sent out and some are still forthcoming. Service positions needed to help with service guide, clerical and publishing, and the online bookstore web development. Contact us if interested. 'Watch party' not being offered now as too late to organize. You can login on your own, link on the AA website.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

OUTREACH: (Morgan P) Outreach goes to meetings identifying if meetings have representation and encourage them to get involved. Needs volunteers.

ACTIVITIES: (vacant)

ALKATHONS: (Isabel) Nothing to report

COMMUNICATIONS/NEWSLETTER: vacant

WEBMASTER: (Jay F.) Not present - Nothing to report

SEMINARS: (Clark W.) Next seminar May 31st in Sebastopol. Possible upcoming seminars: Plain Language Big Book, What Is Intergroup? - Are you interested in being on the Seminar Committee? If you have ideas, please contact Clark.

TELESERVICE: (Maria) -Shifts available: Wednesday 10pm - Thursday 8am(overnight) Friday 8am - 1pm(daytime) Once Weekly year-long commitment. 1yr sobriety req..

ICSC NOMINATING COMMITTEE: (Greg A.) Hilary G and Mike newly elected.

TECH POSITION: (Jake H.) Hopefully getting another webcam, new equipment working.

LIAISON REPORTS:

SPANISH CENTRAL OFFICE: (David) Oficina Central Norte Información General (Spanish Central Office General Information) 5959 Commerce Boulevard, Rohnert Park, See the flyer for all upcoming events.

SOCYPAA: vacant

HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS: (Joe S.) Reps please attend meeting.

GENERAL SERVICE: (Maureen G.) Ben covering. Gen Service Delegates BBQ June 2; 6:00-9:15pm.

BRIDGING THE GAP: (Jason F.) Not in attendance

PI/CPC: (Brett G. / Ed M.) Check out flyer. Provide speakers and literature to schools, DUI classes and professionals. You will also see how to get into service!

ACCESS SONOMA COUNTY: (Ben G.) Making AA accessible to all. Access meets the second Thursday of the month, on Zoom, at 7:30pm. We have an opening for "Recording Secretary" on our committee. We are continuing our discussion on insurance for childcare at meetings. We are also working on a Safety Workshop for later this year. Accessibility Checklists are available to determine the level of accessibility at your group meeting site. Please have this discussion with your groups. **Save the date for January 17, 2026 for a Special Forum, on Zoom, for the deaf and hard of hearing.**

DISTRICT 18: (Alma T.) Not in attendance.

OLD BUSINESS: Book store is supporting more than Sonoma County AA. We are the best bookstore in a large area. We are supporting Lake and Napa counties as well as others. Please take back to groups asking ideas of how to build and foster relationships with these fellowships

NEW BUSINESS:

James B. - How do we vet new books? See Blurb Below.

H&I - Hosting Unity Day planning meeting 5/27/25 at Bookstore 6:30p. Josh will be attending and would like to invite anyone else to come.

CLOSE with Responsibility Statement - In-Service, Amy P (Secretary) A DECLARATION OF UNITY This we owe to AA's future; to place our common welfare first; to keep our Fellowship united. For on AA unity depends our lives, and the lives of those to come.

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FINANCIALS

SCIF Group Contributions for May 2025					
Group Number	Name	City	Day	May	Total
606963	Bobs BB Study	Sonoma	Tue	\$ 186.60	\$ 186.60
723776	Cloverdale Sunday Group	Cloverdale	Sun	\$ 180.00	\$ 205.00
86288	Early Bird Zoom	online	Sun	\$ 289.74	\$ 309.74
119816	Eldridge Group	Glen Ellen	Mon	\$ 104.00	\$ 179.00
125734	Fresh Air Group	Santa Rosa	Tue	\$ 125.00	\$ 245.00
695254	Friday Night Vets	Santa Rosa	Fri	\$ 947.23	\$ 1,629.15
716681	Knuckleheads	Santa Rosa	Tues	\$ 250.00	\$ 400.00
373719	Mid Morning Sanity	Zoom	M-F	\$ 220.55	\$ 277.75
	Prayer & Meditation	Sebastopol	Thurs	\$ 290.00	\$ 290.00
175166	Quitting Time	Petaluma	Th,Sa,Su	\$ 158.54	\$ 711.36
100513	Sat Afternoon Winners	Santa Rosa	Sat	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
173254	Serenity Fellowship	Santa Rosa	VAR	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
355860	Sonoma Sober Sunrise			\$ 187.84	\$ 713.27
75715	South Park Survivors	Santa Rosa	Fri	\$ 182.00	\$ 182.00
631609	St. Andrews Big Book Study	Sonoma	Mon	\$ 229.08	\$ 523.08
101340	Sunday Morning Villa AA	Healdsburg	Sun	\$ 275.00	\$ 275.00
102266	Sunday Niters	Sebastopol	Sun	\$ 160.00	\$ 160.00
603444	Thursday 4th Edition	Cotati	Thu	\$ 108.78	\$ 204.52
179493	Tuesday Night Elim	Petaluma	Tue	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
	unknown			\$ 120.00	\$ 345.00
677693	Wednesday Westsiders	Petaluma	Wed	\$ 411.40	\$ 667.76
27277	Wednesday Wonders/HBC	Sonoma	Wed	\$ 377.00	\$ 377.00
688037	Women in the Solution	Petaluma	Sun	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
657167	Women's Book Study Group	Healdsburg	Sat	\$ 220.00	\$ 420.00
675551	Women's Tuesday at Noon	Windsor	Tue	\$ 222.35	\$ 377.81
	PayPal Feb-May included		May totals	\$ 7,295.11	
				all groups YTD	\$26,638.09

**Sonoma County Intergroup Fellowship
Statement of Activities by Entity
May 2025**

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	Bookstore	Central Office	TOTAL
▼ Ordinary Income/Expense			
▼ Income			
▼ Bookstore			
► Sales Bookstore	8,803.78	—	8,803.78
Total Bookstore	8,803.78	—	8,803.78
▼ Central Office Income			
► Contributions	—	8,466.74	8,466.74
Total Central Office Inc...	—	8,466.74	8,466.74
Total Income	8,803.78	8,466.74	17,270.52
► Cost of Goods Sold	5,850.59	—	5,850.59
Gross Profit	2,953.19	8,466.74	11,419.93
► Expense	3,162.49	4,764.00	7,926.49
Net Ordinary Income	(209.30)	3,702.74	3,493.44
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	1st WEDNESDAY 2 H&I Center for Spiritual Living, 2075 Occidental Rd, Santa Rosa. 5:45 New Rep Orien. 6:15pm Business Mtg.	3	4	5
1st SUNDAY 6 SOCYPAA hybrid Business meeting, 7:30pm, meeting ID: 83913098280 no password 1551 Montgomery Dr, Santa Rosa, CA	1st MONDAY 7 GENERAL SERVICE Zoom ID: Email chairperson. Location: 4930 Newanga Ave, Santa Rosa, CA 95405 New Rep Orientation, 6:30p Business Mtg, 7:30p	8	2nd WEDNESDAY 9 PI/CPC Hybrid Meeting In person at the AA Bookstore Zoom ID: 934 2984 1277 / PW: 804715 7:00 New Rep Orien. 7:30pm Business Mt-g	2nd THURSDAY 10 ACCESS SONOMA COUNTY Meeting via Zoom ID: 934 2984 1277 PW: 804715 7:15pm Business Meeting	11 NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEAD-LINE - 5pm newsletter@sonomacountyaa.org 10 days prior to inter-group meeting.	12
13	2nd MONDAY SCIF 14 STEERING COMMITTEE In person at the AA Bookstore - 7:30PM 750 Mendocino Ave. and on Zoom . Go to sonomacountyaa.org for meeting ID and password	3rd TUESDAY 15 BRIDGING THE GAP In Person Only @ the Bookstore. 6pm New Rep Orien. 6:30pm Business Mtg	16	17	18	19
3rd SUNDAY 20 SOCYPAA hybrid Business meeting, 1551 Montgomery Dr, Santa Rosa, CA 7:30pm Meeting ID: 83913098280 no password...	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	4th MONDAY 28 SCIF INTERGROUP Business Mtg 7:30p address: St. Luke Church 905 Mendocino Ave, S.R. Hybrid. Meeting ID: 860 4370 3384 Pswrd: 62 New rep orientation 7p	29	30	31		

Common Acronyms

SCIF = Sonoma County Intergroup Fellowship

ICSC = Intergroup Central Service Committee

PI/CPC = Public Information/In Cooperation with the Professional Community

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HAPPY SOBER **JULY** 2025. HAPPY SOBER EVERYTHING!

PI/CPC

- is a branch Sonoma County General service. We introduce the A.A. program in D.U.I. classes and the Orenda center. We also work with schools and the professional community. We share what the A.A program is and what it is not. We present the fundamentals of the program including steps and traditions. We also distribute literature across the county.

Our district PI/CPC leader, Claudia, just attended our Delegates BBQ last week and came away with some suggestions from other folks about ways to improve our focus on getting our message out. She highlighted our need to reach the younger generation to get them familiar with us. We need to do some brainstorming around that and would welcome thoughts and ideas to improve our communication with them.

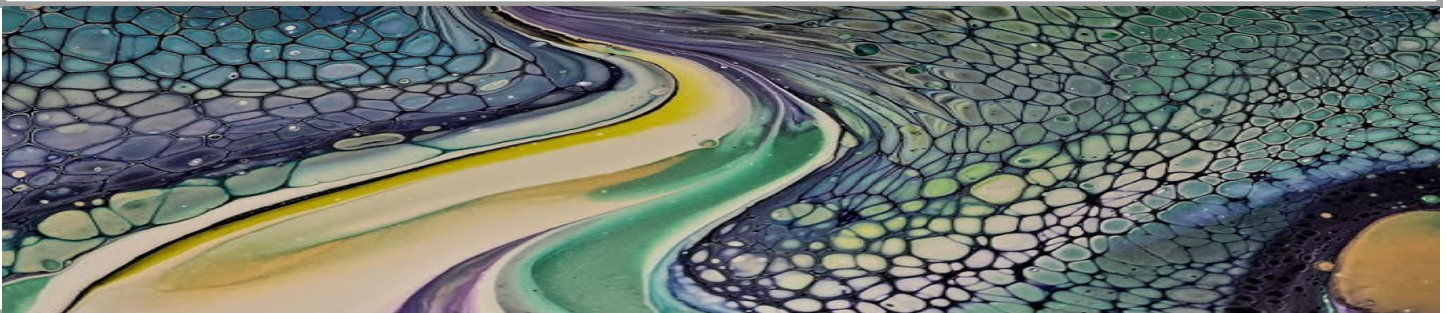
We would appreciate any feedback from all of you, young and old. Our monthly meeting is on the second

Tuesday of the month.

We can be emailed at: PICPC.aa.sonoma.county@gmail.com

Thank you for your consideration.

Mark J



Hospital and Institution Committee

The Hospital and Institution business meeting area 22 took place at the Center for Spiritual Living on Wednesday, June 4th, at 6:15 pm.

A warm welcome to our newest Meeting Reps: Anna H. Saturday Night High Steppers, Darci W. Taking a Trip, Patty R. Expect a Miracle, Chris D. There is a Solution, Deborah K. Single Purpose Group, Zach D. Petaluma Valley Group, Mary M. Think About it, Patricia R. Good Neighbors. Thank you for your service!

Welcome to our Visitors: Scott, Randal, Ariel, Ben, and Cliff. Keep coming back! June Sobriety Birthdays: Kathleen K. 15yrs, Anna 6 months, Scott 9yrs, Caroline 9yrs, Ashley 7 months, Michael K. 11 months, Dakota 11 months. Happy Birthday!

Unity Day News! H&I will be hosting this wonderful event in October that honors those in service to AA. SOCYPAA will be shadowing us as they will be hosting in 2026. Current Venue and date TBD. The next planning meeting is at the Bookstore on Tuesday, June 24th at 6:30pm. Come with your ideas and energy! The next business meeting is on Wednesday, July at 2nd 6:15 pm at The Center for Spiritual Living in Santa Rosa. New Rep and visitor orientation begins at 5:45, and all are welcome to attend.

In Service, Cat C.

A.A. HOTLINES

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