

WESTERN SLOPE NOTES

July-Aug.

2021



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Dear Western Slope AA,

Tradition seven states that “Every AA Group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.” Your AA Western Slope Intergroup office is fully self-supporting through the purchases and contributions that you make. The Western Slope Intergroup does not solicit or accept funds from the public at large. When you drop a few coins or dollars in the basket as it gets passed around in your group, some of those funds end up supporting the Intergroup for the Western Slope of Colorado. Each group is autonomous in deciding how much to contribute to the support of the Intergroup. Those contributions ensure that when anyone reaches out, the hand of A.A. is there for them. This is done by maintaining a physical office. When I first came to Colorado, I visited the Western Slope office to meet the staff and ask about opportunities for service. I asked Teresa to point me to the pockets of enthusiasm for A.A. on the Western Slope. The Western Slope Intergroup maintains a website (aa-westerncolorado.com) that has current information on all of the meetings on the Western Slope. This is a really valuable tool. Especially during these times of change and transition. Meetings are closing, going from in person to virtual and then back again. New meetings fill voids that are left. The Intergroup office works hard to ensure that the most up-to-date information is on their website. This data also feeds into the A.A. “Find a meeting” app. Your dollars are also used to help maintain a 24 hour hotline so that, again, the hand of A.A. is there. The Intergroup office maintains an inventory and sells A.A. books and literature. These purchases also help support the Western Slope Intergroup. Thanks to all of you who provide financial support. It is money well spent. A large group of volunteers work hard to leverage those funds to maximize the services provided. If you want to get involved in the Western Slope Intergroup, give them a call at (970) 245-9649. It is 12th Step work at its finest.

Yours in service,

Doug T

Intergroup Chair

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Group Contributions

	<u>Apr 24 - Jun 24, 21</u>
Abe's Study	150.00
Attraction Group	107.50
Austin Group	29.57
Cortez Fellowship	75.00
Durango Central	150.00
Eagle AA	600.00
Go For It -- Delta Women's	68.62
Insanely Early Birds	900.00
Jump Start - Rifle	192.00
Odd Balls	265.00
One Day At A Time-Olathe	30.00
Original Clifton	153.00
Palisade Happy Open	110.00
Promises @ 530	810.00
Ridgway 12x12	70.00
Silt Wild Bunch	60.00
Silverton Wednesday Night	50.00
Sometimes Slowly	170.00
Sunday Night Men's-Montrose	29.75
There Is A Solution-Montrose	320.00
Two Mile High Group	61.30
Vail Group	241.16
W T F	102.00
TOTAL	<u>4,744.90</u>

Individual Contributions

April 24 -June 24 2021

\$2587.46



Step 7 Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.

Step 8 Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.

Tradition 7 Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.

Tradition 8 Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.

You might be an alcoholic if the liquor store went broke after you moved!

You might be an alcoholic if you refer to the dents in your car as whiskey dents!

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★ Founder's Day was a great success!! We would like to Thank All the Volunteers ★
★ from Lunch Bunch with a Special Thanks to Bonnie who spearheaded the group!! ★
★ And Big Thanks to Judy L for making the trip to be our guest speaker! ★
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July Sobriety Celebration

Brian	J	Telluride	7	1	22	Doreen	D	Brown Baggers--GJ	7	21	25
Chuck		Telluride	7	1	31	Crystal	S	H.O.W. -- GJ	7	22	15
Gayle	V		7	1	9	Rex	J	What's the Point?	7	23	31
Jim	P	Telluride	7	1	30	Sharon	G	Grand Mesa	7	23	35
Leslie	P	Craig #1	7	2	19	Bob	L	Over the Hump	7	24	39
Anders	A	Steamboat Seagulls	7	4	24	Leslie	F	Odd Balls	7	24	8
Bill	B	H.O.G.	7	4	43	Steve	Y		7	24	10
Cheryl	N	Telluride	7	4	30	Tom	R	Clifton Original	7	24	29
Craig	M	Odd Balls	7	4	10	Rex	D	Lunch Bunch	7	25	33
Bud	W	Odd Balls	7	7	41	Susan	L		7	25	12
Karen	M	One Day At A Time	7	7	16	Sherri	M	Open Parachute	7	27	11
Keith	M	Attraction	7	7	36	Brad	C	S.I.O.G.A.	7	28	30
Richard	T	Telluride	7	8	40	David	S	Burning Mtn Action	7	28	39
Jim	C	Brotherly Action	7	9	20	Dianne	M	Keep It Simple	7	28	35
Sharon	S	Telluride	7	9	17	Judy	M	Serenity Speakers	7	29	30
Susan	K	Grand Mesa Group	7	9	22	Lois	H		7	30	32
Anna	D	Lunch Bunch	7	10	20	Dyer	O'C		7	31	36
Brent	P	Original Clifton	7	10	35						
Cheryl	B	Ute Mountain Group	7	10	42						
Kit		Telluride	7	10	20						
Ron	J	H.O.G.	7	10	23						
Chris	P	H.O.G.	7	11	10						
Dianna	M	Lunch Bunch	7	11	34						
Jaime	H		7	11	32						
Karalee	P		7	11	23						
Mark	N	Odd Balls	7	11	26						
Paul	P	Odd Balls	7	11	39						
Stephanie		Telluride	7	12	31						
Wayne	J	Fruita Sunset	7	13	45						
Alison	C		7	14	35						
Walt	B		7	14	41						
Charlie		Bantron	7	16	25						
Dan	J	Delta Area Group	7	16	33						
Rick	J	Early Birds I	7	16	28						
Tom	H	Delta BB Study	7	16	10						
Lynette		Open Parachute	7	17	14						
Jack	S	Grand Mesa	7	18	25						
Mike	P	Aspen	7	18	26						
Millie	S	Womens Outreach	7	18	42						
Jim	O	Lunch Bunch	7	19	19						
Lil	P	Brown Baggers--GJ	7	19	21						
John	F	Early Birds I	7	20	32						
Justin W	T		7	20	4						
Tracy	M	Grand Mesa	7	20	32						
Dana	B	Insanely Eary Birds	7	21	15						



SLIP — Sobriety
Losing its Priority



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Aug. Sobriety Celebration



Betsy	C	Women's Outreach	8	1	54
David	H		8	1	24
Goroy	L		8	1	23
Jim	R	Meeker #1	8	1	44
Penny			8	1	9
Trevor	N	Promises	8	2	8
Chuck	S	Lunch Bunch	8	5	32
Mary		Thursday Womens	8	5	17
Buck	W	Bantron	8	6	27
Tim	S	Original Clifton	8	6	33
Frank	B	Insanely Early Birds	8	7	22
Meri Kriss	R		8	7	11
Dwight	W		8	8	10
Greg	M	Lunch Bunch	8	8	33
Roger	I	Early Birds I	8	9	23
Tom	H	Early Birds	8	10	46
Claudia	F	Womens Outreach	8	11	32
Steve	P	Lunch Bunch	8	11	17
Linda	C		8	14	22
Ron	N	Odd Balls	8	14	15
Barb	R	Open Parachute	8	15	35
Keith	A	Odd Balls	8	15	13
Linda	H	Steamboat Seagulls	8	16	20
Wayne	M	S.I.O.G.A.	8	17	36
Cheryl	J	Open Parachute	8	18	22
John	G	Aspen	8	18	23
Susan	S		8	18	25
Bill	V	Open Parachute	8	19	35
Carlos	R		8	19	15
David	D	Early Birds I	8	19	15
John	R		8	19	32
Patricia	K	Eagle	8	19	33
Charles	F	New Beginnings	8	20	37
Christina	H	Lunch Bunch	8	20	39
Michael	S		8	20	12
Mark	R	Early Birds I	8	21	18
John	W	Attraction	8	22	34
Marilyn	H		8	22	26
Chris	K	Aspen	8	23	23
Sarah	B		8	23	10
Louis	G		8	25	35
Matt	S	Just for Today	8	25	15
Connie	M		8	27	16
Becky	H	Odd Balls	8	28	17
Jack	P	Lunch Bunch	8	28	25

Karma	B	Aspen	8	28	30
Bud	N	Craig #1	8	29	41
Helena	G		8	29	10
Sharon	S	Up To Ouray in AA	8	29	36
Ray	A	Aspen	8	30	24



If you know of someone who has passed and should be removed from our Sobriety Celebrations list, please let us know.

Full Disclosure

Me: "Hi, my name is Rick and I'm an alcoholic."

Man on other end of the phone : Sir this not AA, It's Triple A

Me: "I know. I'm just explaining why my truck's in the lake."

A Real Catch: They say in the first year of sobriety you should be careful of romances and finances.

I'm quite the catch. I am still single and I haven't paid a bill in over a year!



Miracles to Go

I remember the best AA meeting I ever attended!

It was in a western town, a noon meeting in an old building next to the railroad tracks. I was new & not talking yet. I hunkered down on the dilapidated couch, comfortable from years of use, my hat pulled low. Cigarette smoke hung from the ceiling, sunbeams streamed at an angle, landing on a very old wood floor. The coffee was very strong. The meeting began as usual, & a man was called upon to read "How It Works". He began to read very slowly: "Rarely . . . Have . . . We . . . Seen" . . .

I thought, this is going to take forever; they should get another person to read.

But they didn't. I looked at the big man struggling to speak each word. His face was scarred & pockmarked. His hands were like mitts. He must have weighed close to 300lbs. One agonizing word after another, and "How It Works" trickled out. The meeting was to end promptly at 1PM. It was 12:35, then 12:40. Everyone was Silent. No one got up. Forty of us, each had our own thoughts.

For the first time I noticed how many times the word "Honesty" was mentioned in "How it Works".

At 12:45 a wave of something invisible fell over me. I knew I belonged. If there was an answer here for this man, there was going to be one for me. That hour showed me AA at its best ----- Unconditional Love & Sincere Hope that progress in our lives can happen! At 12:50 the basket came around. The man was still slowly reading. Everyone had tearful eyes, including me.

Who can dispute that a miracle happened that day? This man---- who I learned later, had spent a hard life in prison --- finished the last word of "How It Works" at 12:58 We all stood, held hands & finished simply with the Lords Prayer.

Norm M

Cedaredge Colorado

(Submitted By Lee B.)

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What's Happening



**2021 Summer Assembly
July 9 - 11, 2021
Hosted by District 11
Burlington Community Center, Burlington, CO**

**2021 AA Colorado State Convention
Sept. 3-5 2021
Keystone Resort & Conference Center
Keystone CO**

**Steering Committee/InterGroup
August 14
(Skipping July) 2nd Saturday of every month
11:00am via zoom
Each and Every Group needs to have a
Voice & Vote**

**Save the Date Sept. 17 - 19, 2021
ColorDaze**

**WE ARE NOT A GLUM LOT
Planning Meeting
Call Sue B 970-379-8856
NEED VOLUNTEERS**



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