

The Sunrise-Sunset Group of Alcoholics Anonymous

AUGUST 2020

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(Zoom access available 10 minutes before start of each meeting)

Thursday Speakers

6th **Jeremy F. ***

13th **Sharon C. ***

20th **Omar S. ***

27th **Cyndi M. ***

Saturday Speakers

1st **Sheldon F.**
Step 1

8th **Tayisia S. ***
Step 1

15th **TBA ***
Step 2

22nd **TBA ***
Step 2

29th **Danielle S. ***
Step 3

Tuesday Leaders

4th **Tanya F.**

11th **Michael B.**

18th **Greg F.**

25th **TBA ***

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THE SUNSET GROUP

Thursday 7:00-8:30pm

Web browser: <https://zoom.us/j/85749785880?pwd=Sm11TTdBYlMzVkRGRbWhlUj1VWZlUT09>

Meeting ID: 857 4978 5880

Password: 776970

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THE SUNSET GROUP BIG BOOK STUDY

Tuesday 7:00-8:00pm

Web browser: <https://zoom.us/j/128842620?pwd=enBsZUpaZGtYTBjWitDbVR4aHpKUT09>

Meeting ID: 128 842 620

Password: 028654

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THE SUNRISE GROUP BIG BOOK STEP STUDY

Saturday 8:15-9:30am

Web browser: <https://zoom.us/j/347486176?pwd=Z2NqdoZKaXFBVEU2ZS9JTndocStvUT09>

Meeting ID: 347 486 176

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As the situation around the coronavirus continues to evolve, we're living life differently and learning as we go. Now is a time to be kind to each other — and to ourselves. Here are some simple things you can do to take good care of yourself right now.

Eat as healthy as you can

Eating a variety of healthy foods is always important, but it's easy to fall back on less healthy options when you're feeling anxious. It's not about perfection, it's about doing what you can to nourish your body the right way.

Get creative with exercise

When you're worried, get out of your head and into your body. Virtually any form of physical activity can act as a stress reliever, so have fun changing up your routine.

Stay socially connected

Talk with people about how you feel — from a safe distance, of course. Every opportunity to reach out is an opportunity to help lift someone up — including yourself.

Practice kindness

Simple gestures mean a lot. Small acts of kindness add up, and the benefits go both ways.

Rest and relax

It's important to replenish your energy and recharge your brain. Take breaks to rest throughout the day. Be sure to get enough sleep.

Make time for mindfulness

Ease anxiety about what the future holds by intentionally focusing on the present moment. That's exactly what mindfulness is.

Get things done

Explore a new hobby you've been meaning to try, or tackle a project you never seem to have time for. Accomplishing simple tasks like cleaning out drawers and closets can be rewarding, while moving your attention away from anxious thoughts.

Take breaks from the news

Of course it's important to stay up to date. But it can also be overwhelming and make stress and anxiety worse. There's a lot of misinformation going around, and it can be tough to separate the myths from the facts.

When times are uncertain, it's never a comfortable feeling. Stress, fear, and anxiety are normal. Making time to practice self-care can help you find some relief.

- excerpted from "A Range of Kindness Activities Boost Happiness," *The Journal of Social Psychology*, May 15, 2018

OLDIES BUT GOODIES

The speaker at the Convention's big meeting walked up to the podium, looked out at the stadium full of people and said, "My heart is beating, my knees are weak and my stomach is in knots. I used to pay a lot of money for this feeling."

—CHRISTINE H. Mich, March 2012

MEETINGS IN HELL

I don't know whether there is a heaven or hell, but I am certain that if there is, there will be AA meetings in both places. The only difference will be that in hell, there will be advice-giving and cross talk!

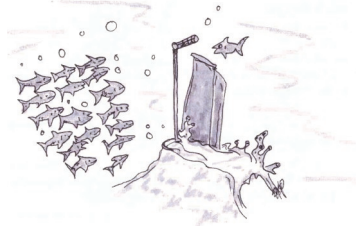
—TERI H. Bloomfield, Conn., Oct 2012

DREAM ON

I was at my Tuesday men's stag meeting celebrating my AA birthday with my wife recently. While we were waiting for the cake to be brought out, I turned to her and said, "Honey, did you ever in your wildest dreams think you'd be standing here helping me celebrate 48 years of sobriety?"

She turned to me and said, "Bruce, let me tell you something. You're not in my wildest dreams!"

—BRUCE D., Manhattan Beach, Calif., Oct 2013



"And there I was, hanging out with the sharks, and I thought this was normal behavior."

From "Take Me To Your Sponsor: Best Jokes & Cartoons from AA Grapevine"

The San Fernando Valley Central Office is at 16132 Sherman Way, Van Nuys CA 91406, 818-988-3001 (sfvaa.org).

The Sunrise-Sunset Group and meetings are in District 17 (www.district17aa.org) of Area 93, Central California (www.area93.org).

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