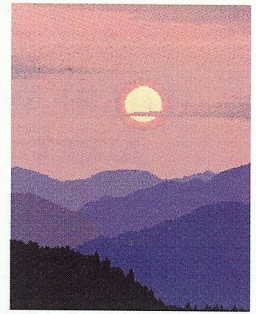


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THURSDAY SPEAKERS

- Nov 4: **Kane C.**
Nov 11: **tbd**
Nov 18: **Marion G.**
Nov 25: **NO MEETING**

SATURDAY SPEAKERS

- Nov 6: **Julie P.**
Steps 10 & 11
Nov 13: **Jim M.**
Step 12
Nov 20: **Clair S.**
Step 12
Nov 27: **Nikki N.**
Traditions 1, 2, 3

TUESDAY LEADERS

- Nov 2: **Lorraine C.**
Nov 9: **Bobby M.**
Nov 16: **Belinda T.**
Nov 23: **Mike R.**
Nov 30: **Sheila R.**

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From the AA Grapevine Archives

Why I Do What I Do

About five years ago, I asked what, in retrospect, was a dumb question: "What does a Grapevine representative do?" I was told by the man who eventually became my sponsor, "Go to the business meeting and find out!" Well, that was it. That was the beginning of five years of service to the Grapevine, and I'm not done yet.

It started with my serving as a group GvR, attending monthly meetings at the area office and bringing Grapevine news back to my group. I also was able to coax five copies a month out of the group, which I handed out to newcomers. Any unsold copies went into the "jail box" for optional facilities chair, and I'm not done yet. After a while, I heard my district was in need of a Grapevine rep. I figured since I was going to the area meeting anyway, why not? That's when I started working with the area Grapevine committee and going to conventions, area assemblies, and bookers' exchange. Any place that the Grapevine was needed, I went. Now I'm the alternate chair for our area Grapevine committee. It's a little more responsibility, but it's worth it. We've got an awesome committee!

"Go to the business meeting and find out!"

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My service sponsor used to say that if everyone in AA found their niche in service, we wouldn't have such a hard time finding volunteers for different positions. It seems that the Grapevine is mine. The reason I do what I do is simple: I don't want to be the guy in the casket whom people look at and say, "He was a nice guy. It's too bad he died a drunk." I want to be the guy who gets it, keeps it, and passes it on.

My service sponsor also liked to recall the gleam in people's eyes at his first meeting. That light has gotten brighter for me with each year of service.

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WHERE WE MEET

THE SUNSET GROUP meets every Thursday night from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at 11145 Morrison Street, North Hollywood.



THE SUNRISE GROUP BIG BOOK STEP STUDY meets every Saturday morning 8:15-9:30 a.m. on the second floor of PINZ Bowling Center, 12655 Ventura Blvd., just east of Coldwater Canyon.

THE SUNSET GROUP BIG BOOK STUDY meets every Tuesday night from 7:00-8:00 pm. at the Vineland Adult Daycare Center, 5629 Vineland Ave, just north of Burbank. Parking is in the back off Ensign Avenue.

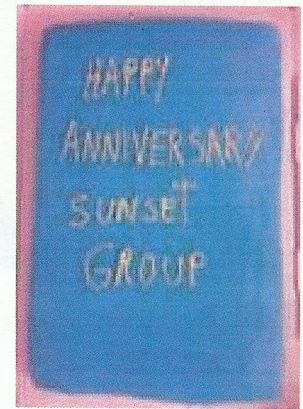


Happy Anniversary

In October the Sunrise/Sunset group celebrated its founding with cake (see photo, right—thank you, Jeff G.) and a favorite speaker.

The first meeting of the Sunset group occurred 14 October 2004 and Scott Redman was the inaugural speaker. He spoke each year until his death. Danny M. is now the anniversary speaker.

The Sunrise group first met Saturday, 14 October, 2000.



Practice These Principles

Tradition Nine: AA, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards of committees directly responsible to those they serve.

1. Do I still try to boss things in AA?
2. Do I resist formal aspects of AA because I fear them as authoritative?
3. Am I mature enough to understand and use all elements of the AA program--even if no one makes me do so--with a sense of personal responsibility?
4. Do I exercise patience and humility in any AA job I take?
5. Am I aware of all those to whom I am responsible in any AA job?
6. Why doesn't every AA group need a constitution and bylaws?
7. Have I learned to step out of an AA job gracefully--and profit thereby--when the time comes?
8. What has rotation to do with anonymity? With humility?

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Steering Committee

The Sunrise/Sunset steering committee meets quarterly to deal with the annual workshop, group participation at conventions, annual elections, and financial contribu-

tions to area offices. You become a voting member at your second meeting.

Each quarter we make donations to our district and area, the SFV Central

Office, and the New York Central Office in accordance with AA custom.

The next meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on 22 November 2010.

For information and di-

rections see Matt or send e-mail to

Matt.Jackson.Law@gmail.com. There will be an optional potluck dinner at 6:00. See Belinda or call her at (323) 654-1719 to arrange a contribution.

You become a voting member at your second steering committee meeting.