



The Sunrise-Sunset Group of Alcoholics Anonymous

NOVEMBER 2015

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Thursday Speakers

5th TBA

12th TBA

19th Todd L.

26th Closed

Happy Thanksgiving!

Saturday Speakers

7th Karen R.

Step 3

14th Holly T.

Step 3

21st Charles T.

Step 4 Resentment

28th TBA

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Tuesday Leaders

3rd Bradley A. *

10th Katie C. *

17th Kirk W. *

24th Kathy B. *

* visit our website at SunriseSunsetGroup.org for more information

THE SUNSET GROUP
5056 Van Nuys Blvd., Sherman Oaks
Thursday 7:00-8:30pm



THE SUNRISE GROUP BIG BOOK STEP STUDY
SpiritWorks, 260 North Pass Avenue, Burbank
Saturday 8:15-9:30am

THE SUNSET GROUP BIG BOOK STUDY
11031 Camarillo Street, North Hollywood
Tuesday 7:00-8:00pm



Alcohol's Effects on the Body

Drinking too much – on a single occasion or over time – can take a serious toll on your health. Here's how alcohol can affect your body:

Brain: Alcohol interferes with the brain's communication pathways, and can affect the way the brain looks and works. These disruptions can change mood and behavior, and make it harder to think clearly and move with coordination.

Heart: Drinking a lot over a long time or too much on a single occasion can damage the heart, causing problems including:

- Cardiomyopathy – Stretching and drooping of heart muscle
- Arrhythmias – Irregular heart beat
- Stroke
- High blood pressure

Research also shows that drinking moderate amounts of alcohol may protect healthy adults from developing coronary heart disease.

Liver: Heavy drinking takes a toll on the liver, and can lead to a variety of problems and liver inflammations including:

- Steatosis, or fatty liver
- Alcoholic hepatitis
- Fibrosis
- Cirrhosis

Pancreas: Alcohol causes the pancreas to produce toxic substances that can eventually lead to pancreatitis, a dangerous inflammation and swelling of the blood vessels in the pancreas that prevents proper digestion.

Cancer: Drinking too much alcohol can increase your risk of developing certain cancers, including cancers of the:

- Mouth
- Esophagus
- Throat
- Liver
- Breast

Immune System: Drinking too much can weaken your immune system, making your body a much easier target for disease. Chronic drinkers are more liable to contract diseases like pneumonia and tuberculosis than people who do not drink too much. Drinking a lot on a single occasion slows your body's ability to ward off infections – even up to 24 hours after getting drunk.

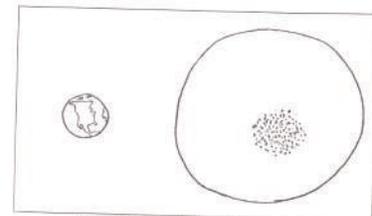
- National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism

An **alcoholic** is a person who, from a single tree, creates a great forest in which he immediately gets lost.

Will K., LaFarge, Wisconsin, August 1997

Heard at Meetings: "When I was sixteen, I was trying to act forty-four, and when I was forty-four, I was trying to act sixteen. I am not sure how, but alcohol made both possible."

David B., Peoria, Arizona, January 2006



"Okay, then it's decided. We'll call this the Moon Group."

From "A Rabbit Walks into a Bar: 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 and Sunset Group and meetings are in District 17 (www.district17aa.org) of Central California (www.aaareg3.org).

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