



# Maui Serenity Gazette

Maui Intergroup

June, 2011

## The story behind the Manuscript    A little A.A. history for Founders Day, which is June 10th

Bill W. and Dr. Bob S. met in Akron, Ohio and discovered a way to get and stay sober. They began passing their message of sobriety in 1935. Bill returned home to New York and started another group there. In late 1937, Bill traveled back to Akron to visit Dr. Bob and his wife Anne. The two conducted a "formal" inventory and concluded that more than 40 alcoholics were staying dry as a result of the program. Bill had been sober for an amazing three-and-a-half years and Dr. Bob, hadn't had a drink in three years. They decided to write a book explaining how they had gotten sober and what they had done to stay sober in the hope of spreading the message to others and to keep the word-of-mouth message from getting garbled and twisted.

Bill began work on the book in March or April of 1938 and the manuscript was typed by his secretary Ruth Hock. He would send copies of what he had written to Dr. Bob in Akron for checking and criticism and would himself review them with the New York members. By the end of January 1939, the manuscript was sent to the printers but, before the official publication, they decided to circulate 400 copies of the text for review by the group's members, friends and a number of doctors, psychiatrists and religious figures for comments and evaluation.

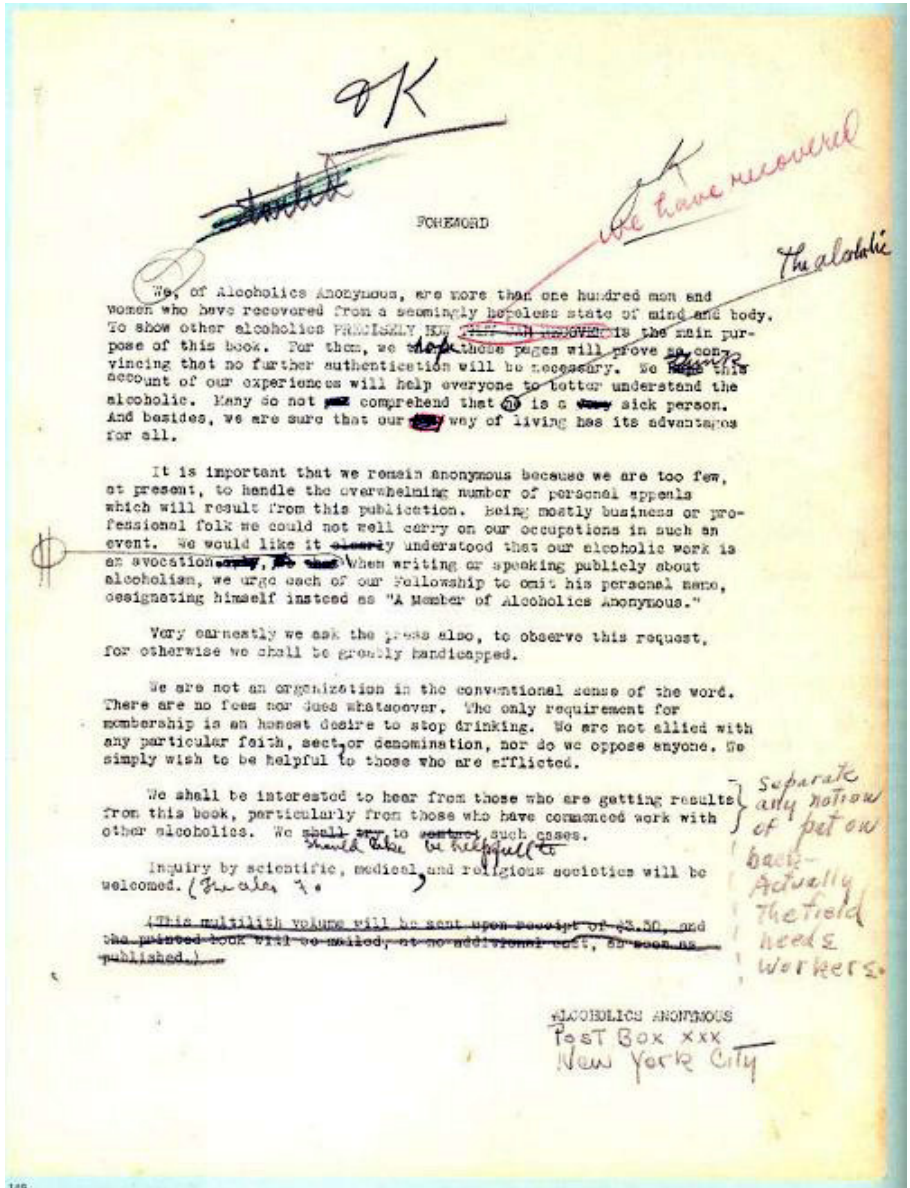
By the time the edited manuscript was delivered back to the printer, it had been revised so much that it was almost unreadable. The plant manager nearly sent it back to

be retyped but Bill's partner Hank persuaded him to accept the copy.

By March, 1939, pages were coming off the presses. It had been completed in a single year and presented A.A.'s experience with alcoholism, plus the Twelve Steps program. The forward stated "...There are no fees nor dues whatsoever. The only requirement for membership is an honest desire to stop drinking. We are not allied with any particular faith, sect or denomination, nor do we oppose anyone. We simply wish to be helpful to those who are afflicted."

With a few changes and additions, that statement of purpose would be repeated as a preamble to thousands of A.A. meetings every day in the years to come.

(This information was taken, some verbatim, from the book "Pass It On" with permission from A.A. World Services. There is much more detail in the book, which is available for purchase at the Maui Central Office for \$13.50)





## BILL'S DINE & DANCE



Saturday,  
August 27th

Maui Tropical  
Plantation



There is a principle which is a bar against all information, which is proof against all argument, and which cannot fail to keep a man in everlasting ignorance. This principle is, contempt prior to examination.

- This statement, quoted at the end of Appendix II of the Big Book is attributed to [Herbert Spencer](#) but there are no records of Spencer ever saying or writing it, the first known attributions to him occurring in 1931. The source of the phrase "contempt prior to investigation" seems to have been [William Paley](#), in *A View of the Evidences of Christianity* (1794): "The infidelity of the gentile world, and that more especially of men of rank and learning in it, is resolved into a principle which, in my judgment, will account for the inefficacy of any argument, or any evidence whatever, viz. contempt prior to examination."

### TURNING NEGATIVE TO POSITIVE

Our spiritual and emotional growth in A.A. does not depend so deeply upon success as it does upon our failures and setbacks. If you will bear this in mind, I think that your slip will have the effect of kicking you upstairs, instead of down. -AS BILL SEES IT, p. 184

In keeping with the pain and adversity which our founders encountered and overcame in establishing A.A., Bill W. sent us a clear message: a relapse can provide a positive experience toward abstinence and a lifetime of recovery. A relapse brings truth to what we repeatedly hear in meetings—"Don't take that first drink!" It reinforces the belief in the progressive nature of the disease, and it drives home the need for, and beauty of, humility in our spiritual program. Simple truths come in complicated ways to me when I become ego driven. -DAILY REFLECTIONS, MAY 26th

**Step 6: Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.**

My fondest experience of Step 6 was from my sponsor.

She took my list of 150 or so separate character defects and whittled it down to eight or ten sane and truthful ones! What a great relief that was and still is.

She gave me the gift of simplicity by her sharing her experience of Step 6 with me. This experience continues to help me uncomplicate my thinking, continue with the rest of the Steps and, most of all, stay sober and give back.

-Thank you and love to my sponsor's sponsor.

-Jean McD

**Tradition 6: An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.**

To me, the Sixth Tradition keeps the A.A. message clear as to the primary purpose of A.A.

This message is working today for the man and woman who want to stop drinking and can't on their own.

Also, the Big Book has stories from the first 100 plus members of A.A. Through making many mistakes, they found out what is most important; that is, to stay sober and keep the message clear without any affiliations other than A.A. This message is for all who want to stop drinking addictively and live a new life free from the chains of alcohol. -Jean McD

**Central Office Report**

- Calls: Not counted, Books sold: 52, Pamphlets sold: 31
- We are over \$2000 behind the level of group contributions which we have historically received over the previous four years. June is usually a better month because some groups only contribute on a quarterly basis so hopefully, things will get better.
- We have a new Intergroup Treasurer, Bill D. We are still looking for an Intergroup Secretary so if you are looking for a fun and worthwhile service position, this is it. You also get to be the boss of the Central Office manager so, c'mon!
- We are also still in need of a Phone Coordinator to oversee the nighttime and weekend phone crews. It does not require too much of a time commitment yet will provide you with lasting comfort in your heart - at least you will have that going for you.



**OUTSIDE  
ISSUES**

**A.A. RX**

The antidote for indifference and apathy is to get involved in meaningful A.A. service. As mentioned above, Intergroup is looking for a Recording Secretary. The Secretary keeps notes of actions taken at the once-a-month Intergroup meeting and sends them to Central Office for inclusion in the Serenity Gazette each month (see page 5). The Secretary is also a voting member of the Steering Committee, along with the Chair, Vice-chair, Treasurer and Central Office manager.

**You might just be a Big Book Thumper if:**

You thumped your Big Book so hard that you knocked all the references to "Humility" out of it.

# **Third Annual**

# **BILL'S DINE & DANCE**

**Saturday, August 27th  
Maui Tropical Plantation**

**Time: 6PM - 10:00PM**

**Dinner Served: 6:30PM**

**Ticket Price: \$45 or 2  
for \$80.**

**All Kine Sounds will be the DJs**

**Dinner Buffet menu:**

**Field of Greens Tossed salad,  
Plantation Style Potato salad,  
Mahi Mahi fish in Lemon Caper Sauce  
Pineapple Sesame Teriyaki Chicken  
Sautéed Garden Vegetables  
Rice  
Assorted Cakes  
Plantation Grown Coffee  
Iced Tea**



## INTERGROUP MEETING MINUTES FOR MAY 14, 2011 MEETING

✦ Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm and opened with the Serenity Prayer. Preamble read by Rich, followed by introductions.

✦ Matt G. volunteered to record the minutes of the meeting.

Minutes were reviewed and accepted. Rich clarified that the decision to not hold a Mini Conference this year was a group decision, not “per Rich,” as stated in the minutes.

### STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

Rich reported that he had a candidate for the Treasurer position, but we still need a Secretary.

### TREASURER’S REPORT

Rich gave summary of April’s finance’s (see May Serenity Gazette for details). Rich explained that the check for Kilakila was accidentally mailed with the rent check, was returned by landlord, sent to Kilakila. Central Office continues to run at a deficit.

### CENTRAL OFFICE REPORT

Rich reported that he will send a request for articles with the next Serenity Gazette and that he would like Intergroup Reps to solicit articles from their groups’ members. Emailed articles are preferred, hard copy is OK.

### OLD BUSINESS

Bill D was unanimously elected Treasurer after he introduced himself and gave his qualifications.

### NEW BUSINESS

✦ After some discussion, it was unanimously decided that Friday Night Young People’s Group will host the New Year’s Alcahthon at a location of their choosing. Jessie B of Friday Night Young People’s Group will bring information about various possible locations back to Intergroup next month (June).

✦ Also by unanimous decision, Upcountry Sunrise will host Gratitude Night on October 16, 2011. It is being held in October rather than November because of the plethora of events in November.

✦ Maria P of KMS is going to encourage KMS to host the Christmas Alcahthon.

✦ Rich reported that he needed to give Maui Tropical Plantation a \$500.00 deposit for Bill’s Dine and Dance and he wanted to print tickets for the event. Intergroup gave its unanimous consent.

Discussion was held on raising money for Central Office.

Suggestions made:

Check World Service AA Guidelines about selling or raffling non-AA approved items.

Ask groups how they feel about above idea and for suggestions.

Encourage groups to give birthday envelope with suggested amount going to Central Office.

### DISTRICT / AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS

Matt B DCM from Tri-Island (#13) District reported that the Crossing to Lana’i was a raging success. A.A. pamphlets were brought to clinics on Lana’i and some members of the Young People’s Group flew over on their own plane!

Compiled by: Matt G, acting Secretary for the meeting.  
Thank you Matt!

2011 Intergroup Sponsored Events		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Group Hosting Event</u>
August 27 Saturday	Dine & Dance Maui Tropical Plantation	Intergroup
Oct 16	Gratitude Night Pukalani/Tavares Com. Ctr Dinner & Speakers 6-9 pm	Upcountry Sunrise
Nov 23 & 24 Wed & Thur	Thanksgiving Alcahthon Cameron Center November 23, 2:00 p.m. to November 24, 4:00 p.m. Dinner 1pm on Thurs., Nov 24	Happy Hour
Dec 24 & 25 Sat & Sun	Christmas Alcahthon Cameron Center December 24 at 2pm to Dec. 25 at 4:00 p.m. Dinner at 1 pm on 12/25	Kihei Morning Sunrise
Dec 31, Jan 1 Sat & Sun	New Year’s Alcahthon Venue TBA December 31 at 2pm to 1/1/2011 at 4:00 p.m. Dinner at 1pm on 1/1/2011	Friday Night Young People

CONTRIBUTING GROUPS	May	2011 YTD
3rd Step Turn It Over	\$66.00	\$195.00
Alana Ohana		\$915.00
Anonymous Contributions	\$20.00	\$686.00
Back To Basics	\$40.00	\$81.00
Club 449		\$154.20
District 13 Business meeting		\$31.00
Food For Thought	\$144.01	\$238.71
Friday Gay & Lesbian Big Book		\$24.18
Fri Nite Young People Kihei		\$100.00
Haiku Hang Loose Group		\$112.50
Happy Hour	\$373.50	\$1,429.25
HICYPAA		\$232.63
High In The Sky - Kula	\$300.00	\$450.28
Intergroup - Monthly Meeting	\$16.91	\$104.91
Just Do It		\$48.75
Kahana Spinners		\$300.00
Kihei Beach		\$170.77
Monday Kihei Women's Step	\$100.00	\$200.00
Lahaina Big Book Study		\$354.65
Lahaina Study Group		\$90.00
Maui Sunset	\$112.00	\$1,109.27
No Ka Oi Group		\$50.00
Over the Rainbow	\$66.00	\$66.00
Paki Maui Group		\$500.00
Paniolo Group		\$100.00
Pau Hana (Kahului)		\$23.50
Primary Purpose		\$1,650.00
Sisters Of Sobriety	\$50.00	\$50.00
Sober And Crazy	\$70.00	\$585.93
Step Sisters	\$22.38	\$22.38
Sunday Sunset Feelings		\$44.82
To Thine Own Self Be True		\$309.00
Upcountry Sunrise		\$46.14
Upcountry Sunset	\$60.00	\$60.00
Wailuku Group		\$10.35
We Agnostics	\$174.28	\$425.00
Womens AA Way of Life		\$41.88

INCOME REPORT: May, 2011		
DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT
Total Group Contributions:		\$1,615.08
This year 36 Groups have contributed		
This Month 14 Groups Contributed		
Refund from County for Central Office Bash		
Literature Start Balance	\$550.18	
Sales / Deposit	\$541.05	
Expenses	\$1,074.00	
Closing Balance	\$17.23	
Operating Account		
Beginning Balance	\$2,870.41	
Income / Deposit	\$1,615.08	
Expenses	\$3,618.25	
Total Operating account	\$867.24	
Prudent Reserve	\$7,587.54	
<b>TOTAL INCOME:</b>		<b>\$1,615.08</b>
<b>2011 YEAR TO DATE INCOME:</b>		<b>\$17,084.58</b>

EXPENSE REPORT: May, 2011		
DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT
Haran Development (rent)		\$525.00
Kilakila		\$2,046.40
BOH (stop payment charge, check 1384)		\$25.00
Kilakila		\$1,021.85
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES:</b>		<b>\$3,618.25</b>
<b>2011 YEAR TO DATE EXPENSES:</b>		<b>\$16,848.17</b>
<b>YTD NET INCOME</b>		<b>\$236.41</b>

Thank you for your generous contributions. Without your financial support Central Office cannot exist to serve A.A. members on Maui.




Photo by Rich

<b>MONTHLY 2011</b>	\$1,615.08	\$9,903.10	\$1,980.62	2011 Avg
<b>2010 Totals</b>	\$1,626.94	\$13,448.72	\$2,689.74	2010 Avg
<b>2009 Totals</b>	\$1,952.09	\$12,138.34	\$2,427.67	2009 Avg
<b>2008 Totals</b>	\$1,955.52	\$10,551.43	\$2,110.29	2008 Avg
<b>2007 Totals</b>	\$1,381.74	\$10,077.63	\$2,015.53	2007 Avg
<b>Average - Last 4 years</b>	\$1,729.07	\$11,554.03	\$2,310.81	4 yr Avg

**GIVING WITHOUT STRINGS**

And he well knows that his own life has been made richer, as an extra dividend of giving to another without any demand for a return. **-AS BILL SEES IT, p. 69**

The concept of giving without strings was hard to understand when I first came into the program. I was suspicious when others wanted to help me. I thought, "What do they want in return?" But I soon learned the joy of helping another alcoholic and I understood why they were there for me in the beginning. My attitudes changed and I wanted to help others. Sometimes I became anxious, as I wanted them to know the joys of sobriety, that life can be beautiful. When my life is full of a loving God of my understanding and I give that love to my fellow alcoholic, I feel a special richness that is hard to explain. **-DAILY REFLECTIONS, MAY 19**

(This is so appropriate for Founders Day that it printed itself again)

## Do You Remember When??

We died of pneumonia in furnished rooms where they found us three days after when somebody complained about the smell.

We died against bridge abutments and nobody knew if it was suicide and we probably didn't know either except in the sense that it was always suicide.

We died in hospitals, our stomachs huge, distended and there was nothing they could do.

We died in cells, never knowing whether we were guilty or not. We went to priests, they gave us pledges, they told us to pray, they told us to go and sin no more, but go. We tried and we died.

We died of overdoses, we died in bed (but usually not the Big Bed). We died in straitjackets, in the DT's seeing God knows what, creeping, skittering, slithering, and shuffling things. And you know what the worst thing was? The worst thing was that nobody ever believed how hard we tried.

We went to doctors and they gave us stuff to take that would make us sick when we drank on the principle of "so crazy, it just might work," I guess, or maybe they just shook their heads and sent us to places like Drop kick Murphy's. And when we got out we were hooked on paraldehyde or maybe we lied too. And the doctors, they told us not to drink so much, just drink like me. And we tried, and we died.

We drowned in our own vomit or choked on it, our broken jaws wired shut.

We died playing Russian roulette and people thought we'd lost, but we knew better.

We died under the hoofs of horses, under the wheels of vehicles, under the knives and boot heels of our brother drunks.

We died in shame.

And you know what was even worse was that we couldn't believe it ourselves, that we had tried. We figured we just thought we tried and we died believing that we hadn't tried, believing that we didn't know what it meant to try.

When we were desperate enough or hopeful or deluded or embattled enough to go for help, we went to people with letters after their names and prayed that they might have read the right books, that had the right words in them, never suspecting the terrifying truth, that the right words, as simple as they were, had not been written yet.

We died falling off girders on high buildings, because of course ironworkers drink, of course they do. We died with a shotgun in our mouth, or jumping off a bridge, and everybody knew it was suicide.

We died under the Southeast Expressway, with our hands tied behind us and a bullet in the back of our head, because this time the people that we disappointed were the wrong people.

We died in convulsions, or of "insult to the brain," we died incontinent, and in disgrace, abandoned. If we were women, we died degraded, because women have so much more to live up to. We tried and we died and nobody cried.

And the very worst thing was that for every one of us that died, there were another hundred of us, or another thousand, who wished that we could die, who went to sleep praying we would not have to wake up because what we were enduring was intolerable and we knew in our hearts it wasn't ever going to change.

One day in a hospital room in New York City, one of us had what the books call a transforming spiritual experience, and he said to himself "I've got it" (no, you haven't, you've only got part of it) "and I have to share it." (Now you've AMOST got it) and he kept trying to give it away, but we couldn't hear it. We tried and we died.

We died of one last cigarette, the comfort of its glowing in the dark. We passed out and the bed caught fire. They said we suffocated before our body burned, they said we never felt a thing, that was the best way maybe that we died, except sometimes we took our family with us.

And the man in New York was so sure he had it, he tried to love us into sobriety, but that didn't work either, love confuses drunks and he tried and we still died.

One after another we got his hopes up and we broke his heart, because that's what we do. And the worst thing was that every time we thought we knew what the worst thing was something happened that was worse.

Until a day came in a hotel lobby and it wasn't in Rome, or Jerusalem, or Mecca or even Dublin, or South Boston, it was in Akron, Ohio, for Christ's sake.

A day came when the man said I have to find a drunk because I need him as much as he needs me (NOW you've got it).

And the transmission line, after all those years, was open, the transmission line was open. And now we don't go to priests, and we don't go to doctors and people with letters after their names.

We come to people who have been there, we come to each other. And we try. And we don't have to die. - Jack Murphy

(Jack's permission? Here: "Feel free to read the poem to any audience any time. But if you should give out a printed copy or an email, please make sure my name is on it. If the poem survives, I'm not humble enough yet to want it to be as 'by Anonymous.'")

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## **Our Greatest Danger: Rigidity**

### **Bob Pearson**

Bob Pearson (1917-2008) was General Manager of the General Service Office from 1974 to 1984, and then served as Senior Advisor to the G.S.O. from 1985 until his retirement. His story is in the Big Book as "AA Taught Him to Handle Sobriety," 3rd edit. (1976) pp. 554-561, 4th edit. (2001) pp. 553-559. During the 1986 General Service Conference, Bob gave a powerful and inspiring closing talk to the conference at the closing brunch on Saturday morning, April 26. It was an especially significant occasion, because he knew that he was going to retire early the next year, and that this would be his last General Service Conference. The following excerpts are taken from that farewell speech, as published in the Conference's final report: The Thirty-Sixth Annual Meeting of the General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous (Roosevelt Hotel, New York City, April 20-26, 1986).

**This is my 18th General Service Conference -- the first two as a director of the Grapevine and A.A.W.S., followed by four as a general service trustee. In 1972, I rotated out completely, only to be called back two years later as general manager of G.S.O., the service job I held until late 1984. Since the 1985 International Convention, of course, I have been senior adviser. This is also my last Conference, so this is an emotionally charged experience. I wish I had time to express my thanks to everyone to whom I am indebted for my sobriety and for the joyous life with which I have been blessed for the past nearly 25 years. But since this is obviously impossible, I will fall back on the Arab saying that Bill quoted in his last message, "I thank you for your lives." For without your lives, I most certainly would have no life at all, much less the incredibly rich life I have enjoyed. Let me offer my thoughts about A.A.'s future. I have no truck with those bleeding deacons who decry every change and view the state of the Fellowship with pessimism and alarm. On the contrary, from my nearly quarter-century's perspective, I see A.A. as larger, healthier, more dynamic, faster growing, more global, more service-minded, more back-to-basics, and more spiritual -- by far -- than when I came through the doors of my first meeting in Greenwich, Connecticut, just one year after the famous [July 1960] Long Beach Convention. A.A. has flourished beyond the wildest dreams of founding members, though perhaps not of Bill himself, for he was truly visionary. I echo those who feel that if this Fellowship ever falters or fails, it will not be because of any outside cause. No, it will not be because of treatment centers or professionals in the field, or non-Conference-approved literature, or young people, or the dually-addicted, or even the "druggies" trying to come to our closed meetings. If we stick close to our Traditions, Concepts, and Warranties, and if we keep an open mind and an open heart, we can deal with these and any other problems that we have or ever will have. If we ever falter and fail, it will be simply because of us. It will be because we can't control our own egos or get along well enough with each other. It will be because we have too much fear and rigidity and not enough trust and common sense. If you were to ask me what is the greatest danger facing A.A. today, I would have to answer: the growing rigidity -- the increasing demand for absolute answers to nit-picking questions; pressure for G.S.O. to "enforce" our Traditions; screening alcoholics at closed meetings; prohibiting non-Conference-approved literature, i.e., "banning books"; laying more and more rules on groups and members. And in this trend toward rigidity, we are drifting farther and farther away from our co-founders. Bill, in particular, must be spinning in his grave, for he was perhaps the most permissive person I ever met. One of his favorite sayings was, "Every group has the right to be wrong." He was maddeningly tolerant of his critics, and he had absolute faith that faults in A.A. were self-correcting. And I believe this, too, so in the final analysis we're not going to fall apart. We won't falter or fail. At the 1970 International Convention in Miami, I was in the audience on that Sunday morning when Bill made his brief last public appearance. He was too ill to take his scheduled part in any other convention event, but now, unannounced, on Sunday morning, he was wheeled up from the back of the stage in a wheelchair, attached with tubes to an oxygen tank. Wearing a ridiculous bright-orange, host committee blazer, he heaved his angular body to his feet and grasped the podium -- and all pandemonium broke loose. I thought the thunderous applause and cheering would never stop, tears streaming down every cheek. Finally, in a firm voice, like his old self, Bill spoke a few gracious sentences about the huge crowd, the outpouring of love, and the many overseas members there, ending (as I remember) with these words: "As I look over this crowd, I know that Alcoholics Anonymous will live a thousand years -- if it is God's will."**

## The Bookworms

A few years ago, the Grapevine began a series of issues which asked the question, "Is AA Changing?"

My first reaction was "Yes!" after witnessing so many changes in the meetings across three states where I had lived and attended meetings.

Yet, for many, many months my husband and I continued to wrestle with this question. More and more, we turned to AA books and literature and to the words of Dr. Bob and Bill W. for the answers to our questions concerning what we felt were problems or potential problems with such things as rehabs, multiple addictions, special interest meetings, disappearance of old-timers at meetings, and so forth.

In the Grapevine and in "Box 4-5-9," we began to see that we were not alone in our concerns. After trying (largely unsuccessfully) to justify the manifestation of these changing conditions in meetings as necessary change in AA, and after many lengthy but never finished letters to the Grapevine in answer to its question, we stopped short one day, and came to the conclusion that no, AA is not changing. The program is still the same. The Big Book and the "Twelve and Twelve" are still the same. The Traditions still apply--if we apply them.

Therefore, in the fall of 1989, we decided to start reading the AA-Conference-approved books at our home every other Saturday morning, with two equally interested and concerned AA friends. We started with *AA Comes of Age*, then we did the Big Book, *The Language of the Heart*, and now we're reading *Pass it On*. We keep the discipline of meeting at a regular time, with a brief opening exercise and a rotating chairperson.

We all look forward to each meeting, and are gaining more understanding of and even greater love for the AA program, its founders and early pioneers, which enriches our lives and helps us to carry the message all the more enthusiastically and effectively.

In May of this year, we decided to form an AA group similar to our little Saturday morning meeting and began to announce our new closed Bookworms Group, where we read the AA books. We finished *AA Comes of Age* a while back, are doing *Dr. Bob and the Good Oldtimers* now, with *Alcoholics Anonymous* coming up in a few weeks.

We have a small nucleus of members and get more interested and curious folks from time to time; some become "regulars." This is a very close-knit group. We feel a great satisfaction in carrying the message in this way, and through these meetings we are learning how to enjoy our own sobriety more and more.

Recently, we were delighted to read in *Dr. Bob and the Good Oldtimers* what an early Cleveland member, Warren C., said in 1977. We found that our own conclusions had unwittingly echoed his comments: "I think the program is just the same," he said. "The principles are there; the Steps are there; the practices are there; and the opportunities are there. If you do as the Big Book says, then **it is the same program that existed when I came in, in 1939.**"

-Anita H., Levant, Maine

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From studying page 17 in **Alcoholics Anonymous**, it is evident that it's the common solution that keeps us together, not the common problem.

### Estimates of Groups and Members as of January 1, 2011

	Groups	Members
United States	59,905	1,279,664
Canada	<u>4,968</u>	<u>94,017</u>
Sub-Total	62,873	1,373,681
Correctional facilities (U.S. and Canada only)	1,559	38,938
Internationalists	3	-
Lone Members	—	<u>105</u>
Total	64,435	1,412,724
Outside U.S. & Canada	<u>43,541</u>	<u>644,498</u>
Grand Total	107,976	2,057,672

1. The General Service Office does not keep membership records. The information shown here is based on reports given by groups listed with G.S.O., and does not represent and actual count of those who consider themselves A.A. members.

2. We are aware of A.A. activity in more than 180 countries, including 60 autonomous general service offices in other lands. Annually we attempt to contact those G.S.O.s and groups that request to be listed in our records. Where current data is lacking we

**MEETING CHANGES**

**NIGHT OWLS**

Has moved from the old Kihei Bridge Club to the Kihei Lutheran Church, 220 Moi Place (which is at the corner of Moi Place and Pi'ilani Highway). The meeting is at 10:00PM on Fridays

Sometimes the most important thing in a whole day is the rest we take between two deep breaths.  
- Etty Hillesum

**SUNDAY, June 26th**  
**Hana Caravan**  
Meet at Wananalua Church in Hana  
**POTLUCK DINNER at 4:30pm**  
**A.A. Meeting at 5:30pm - 7pm**

**Contact A.A. on Maui Central Office**  
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**808-244-9673**  
Phones are answered 24 hours  
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**Monday thru Friday: 10am-6pm**  
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**TWO SPEAKERS**  
**GAMES**

**PICNIC**  
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**FUN IN THE SUN**  
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**SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2011**

**10AM-PAU**

**WHERE: KIHEI VFW**  
**1136 ULUNIU RD., KIHEI**

Thanks to Bill W.

**TALK STORY**

Thanks to Dr. Bob

Please bring Main dishes or meat for BBQ

Side dishes, desserts and pupus welcome

Sodas or Water also welcome

Please try to bring items early so we can cook or cool them.

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