



THE GRAPE-SCCIN

Birthday Speaker Meeting

Sunday, November 24th at 7:00 pm

*Hosted by: The Ben Lomond Fellowship
Speaker: Ed O. 25yrs*

**Emeline, Building D
1080 Emeline Ave,
Santa Cruz 4th Sunday of Every Month at 7:00 pm**

Thanks to *Laura* for being secretary @last months' with *Kimber* as speaker

**Thanks to
Old Timers Speaker
Panel on Saturday
October 19th**

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

Michael G	38yrs	Nov 21, 1975
Michele D	37yrs	Nov24, 1976
Chris G	26yrs	Nov 17, 1987
Valerie M	24yrs	Nov 24, 1989
Robin S	23yrs	Nov 29, 1990
Bobbie B	22yrs	Nov 1, 1991
Rich L	22yrs	Nov 2, 1991
Steve D	19yrs	Nov 1, 1994
Max M	18yrs	Nov 22, 1995
Michelle C	18yrs	Nov 27, 1995
John T	15yrs	Nov 22, 1998
Sharon H	14yrs	Nov 17, 1999
Maggie D	12yrs	Nov 7, 2001
Melissa S	12yrs	Nov 12, 2001
Gina S	3yrs	Nov 1,2011

Thanksgiving Day Alcathons!

Downtown Fellowship/9:00am meetings start

Pot Luck+Turkey1:00- 3:00

The Ben Lomond Fellowship

Pot Luck and Turkey!

The Watsonville Fellowship

Pot Luck and Turkey!

November 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4 7:30 What a concept <i>Central Office</i>	5	6 7:30PM Intergroup Council Meeting <i>Aptos Village Park</i>	7	8	9 10:00AM 4 th Step Workshop <i>Ben Lomond Fellowship</i>
10	11	12	13 7:30PM General Service Meeting <i>Aptos Village Park</i>	14	15	16
17	18	19 6:00PM Bylaws Committee <i>Central Office</i>	20 7:30PM Steering Committee <i>Central Office</i>	21	22 <i>Last day for Grapesccon submissions</i>	23
24 Birthday Speaker Meeting Emeline bldg D 7:00 pm	25	26	27 7:00 PM H&I Meeting <i>Central Office</i>	28 Happy Thanksgiving	29	30

The Chairs Corner

ART WORK B



“IT”

“It” was the topic at the Men’s Recovery Retreat 2013 St. Francis San Juan Bautista I just recently attended. I thought I would share some of the spiritual experiences with you.

“It” to me was defined as each person’s individual miraculous program of recovery one day at a time. Doing the next right thing, using the tools of the program to live thy will not our own. To not impose our thoughts or will onto someone or something that is not ours to impose. To live life to the fullest, to lead by example.

I learned more about going to any lengths to get “IT”. Change and indicators of having “IT”. Keeping “IT” during tough times. Keeping “IT” with God, the concept of God and keeping “IT” year to year between retreats.

Some great topics that assisted for me were how we Change and make Decisions from the head, heart and gut. Identifying Virtues, good characteristics and ones that we could work harder at doing better with.

The other spiritual experience for me was during the beginning of the Mass for deceased retreatants. “It” was announced about how the list is developed and I realized that one day my name would be on this list. The fact knowing my fellow AA brothers would be looking up on me and I down on them some day meant more than any tomb stone could deliver.

My life, way of life, “IT” is awesome and I am so grateful to be able to continue in “IT”.

In Service as your SCCI Chair and current author of The Chairs Corner. Rick A.

Suggestion: A wonderful gift for those who may be locked up and have no access to digital media (or

New Meetings (Please find the latest meeting schedule at aasantacruz.org) Service Opportunities

24 Hour Diverter - 24 hour call line staffed by A.A. members.

Arguably one of the most rewarding service positions in Santa Cruz County AA. If you're looking for a great way to be of service then volunteer to cover one of the call line times.

*"I am responsible -
When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help
I want the hand of A.A. always to be there.
And for that: I am responsible."*

The times of monthly service opportunities are continually changing so there is almost always a time that will fit into your busy schedule. The service commitment consists of being available to take and respond to phone calls for a 2 to 4 hour shift once a month. To volunteer or for more information please call Central Office. **475-5782**

Overheard at Meetings*(humor and sayings)*not really overheard, not breaking anonymity, just passing on a smile :-)

"We have the only disease that tells you, you don't have it, and In the meantime, tries to kill you."

"Church is for people who don't want to go to hell. Spirituality is for people who have been there."

"Faith isn't a feeling, It Is an action."

anyone for that matter) would be a subscription to AA's **GRAPEVINE**..... Help give the gift of recovery

"Being able to see only character defects was another kind of defect." to our fellow suffering alcoholics who have limited access!

