

PASS IT ON March 2018

A Fragment of History and a Tribute

By Bill W.

Dr. A. Wiese Hammer, seventy-seven, and a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, died at Philadelphia December 27th, 1956.

This simple account of the passing of one of America's finest surgeons stirs memories that will always be bright in the annals of Alcoholics Anonymous. Dr. A. Wiese Hammer was one of the best friends that AA will ever have.

Several of Philadelphia's old time members have written up the full story of Dr. Hammer and his benefactions. And here is the substance of what they had to say:

It was February, 1940. Jim, a New York AA, had just moved to Philadelphia and he was trying to get a local bookstore to carry the book "Alcoholics Anonymous" in their store. The bookstore's manager protested that his customers could have no possible interest in the book "Alcoholics Anonymous". As for himself, he couldn't care less.

Overhearing this turndown, a lady standing nearby got into the act. She said she had sent "Alcoholics Anonymous" to her alcoholic nephew in Los Angeles. To the astonishment of the whole family, the problem boy had sobered up instantly and he had stayed that way for some three months. This was unheard of. Nevertheless, the bookstore manager remained unimpressed.

But when Helen Hammer heard of Jim's attempt to start the group at Philadelphia, her delight was boundless. She immediately led Jim and one of his new prospects to her surgeon husband.

Dr. Hammer in all that he undertook was a huge enthusiast. This full-blooded ruddy-faced man had a mighty zest for living which poured out of him right around the clock. And this joyous contagion he could spread to just about everybody he met. The moment he heard Jim's story about AA his good work for our society began at once. As we shall see, it was not confined to Philadelphia only; Dr. Hammer went to bat for us nationally at a time when AA had great need for this kind of good friend.

Here is what Dr. Hammer did: opened his home to all AA members - secured the Philadelphia Group its first meeting rooms - introduced us to Dr. Stouffer, another great friend-

to-be, who was then Chief Psychiatrist at the Philadelphia General Hospital - secured us treatment and visiting privileges there - had AAs speak before the County Medical Society - along with his good wife, Helen, attended nearly every AA meeting for years - gave free medical and surgical aid to every AA who wanted it - visited other cities to talk about AA and paid the expenses of the Philadelphia members he took along - offered to buy the Philadelphia Group its first clubhouse (which had to be declined) - saw that his friend, Judge Curtis Bok, owner of the Saturday Evening Post, became interested in AA - and finally induced the Judge to assign Jack Alexander to do the famous article in 1941 that made our fellowship a national institution.

This is only an abbreviated list of Dr. Hammer's good works for our society. Doubtless hundreds of his benefactions will never be known, except to those individual sufferers to whom he was so notably kind.

Then, too, I find it impossible to write about Dr. Hammer without the happy recollection of Dr. Dudley Saul, another noted Philadelphia physician who constantly vied with Dr. Hammer in good works for us drunks.

To our intense astonishment - and always to our great benefit - these two great gentlemen fiercely competed with each other to figure out something bigger and better they could do for Alcoholics Anonymous. This is a great story in itself which I'm going to tell one of these days. How could AA in its infancy ever have survived without friends such as these - these Philadelphia physicians who worked shoulder to shoulder with Drs. Tiebout and Silkworth at New York?

To Helen Hammer I send AA's deepest sympathy and gratitude. And I often wonder what her memories of our early days must be.

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AA Meetings in need of support

Babes of Anonymity Thursday @5:30 680 24th street
(OWD)

Friday Night Action Friday 8pm; 3329 Harrison Blvd. St
Paul Lutheran Church.

Coalville AA @ The Firehouse Sunday, 7pm

SOS Group 1579 South State, Clearfield
Friday 8:00 pm O, WC

Wed Night Mixed Gr 8:00 pm 3350 Harrison (OD)
United Church of Christ Congregational

Admitted We Were Powerless

Saturday 7PM Elevation Church
375 South State, Clearfield

Clearfield Group Saturday 5:00pm
Clearfield Community Church
200 South 500 East Clearfield

Sisters In Sobriety Tuesday 5:00pm
5700 S. 2050 W. Roy Baptist Church
Women's 12 x 12

(Suggested Announcements)

The Inter Group/IGR Meeting is now at 6:30 the second
Monday of each month.

Central Office is now open Saturday and Sunday staffed
with volunteers.

You will want to call to insure a volunteer is in the office
on those days.

GSO – Area 69 –

District 1, & 11 - Information

**District 1 – 2nd Thru, 6:30PM 131W Forest St. Brigham

**2018 Budget will be voted on at the March 8th
meeting!!**

*District 11 – 2nd Wed 6:30PM-1131 S Main St
Centerville, Utah

PRAASA March 2-4, 2018 Area 42 Sparks, NV

Area 69 Pre-Conference Assembly

April 6-8, 2018 District 3 Provo

(See attached flyer for more details)

Events listed are presented solely as a service to
readers, not as an endorsement by Intergroup Service of
Northern Utah or AA. For any additional information,
please contact Central Office at 801393-4728

*Alano Club Activities, 680 24th Street, 801-393-
5054 Alano Club Webpage alanoninc@gmail.com*

Alano Club Karaoke every Sunday 8pm

*Alano Club Dance Every Saturday Night
8:00pm to Midnight
(Non-Members \$2.00)*

*(support the Alano Club by purchasing an annual
membership)*

***Women's Retreat House is looking for live in and
volunteer managers Please call 801-393-0344***

**Area 69 2018 Post Conference Assembly Hosted By
Dist 6**

MAY 18, 19 & 20, 2018

North Sevier Recreation Center

373 West 400 North Salina, UT 84654

(See attached flyer for more details)

Email CO at igrcentraloffice@gmail.com

Central office Web Site <https://www.northernutahaa.org>

Suggested Contributions

(District One Pink Can Contributions can be sent to Central Office)

50% - Intergroup AA
Suite 108A 3480 Washington
Ogden, Utah 84401

10% - Area 69
P.O. Box 6044
Clearfield, Utah 84089

30% - GSO
P.O. Box 459, Grand Central Station
New York, NY. 10163

10% - District 11

1805 N. 1450 W.

Layton, UT

84041 - 1517

OR

(whichever applies)

10% - District One

Brigham City, Utah 84302

P.O. Box 953

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February 12, 2018

In attendance were Steering Committee Members – Mike W., Jody H., Bob A. and William B., Central Office manager – Nike D., website editor – Kelly C., IGR's – Mike L., Dustin H., John H., Randy C., Curtis P. and Earl T.

Mike W. opened the meeting at 6:30 pm with a moment of silence for the still suffering alcoholic and recently passed of Dennis G. William B. read the preamble, Dustin H. read the 12 Traditions and the 7th tradition basket was passed, collecting \$20.

Nick D. reviewed the JAN financial statement.

Nick D. provided the Central Office JAN report. In JAN the office received 47 emails, 92 office visits, 74 phone calls and 1 12 Step call. The office has a full volunteer staff for the afternoon weekdays. Thanks to William B. for his book runs to the SLC Central Office.

Kelly C. provided an update on the website. The website received 1224 hits in JAN. Kelly has added the District 1 guidelines to the website and will be adding District 11's.

Old Business

A motion to make the website editor position a voting member of the steering committee was voted down as it would create an imbalance in voting members.

All Pink Can donations sent directly to the respective districts for accounting and distribution.

New Business

A motion was passed to maintain all Central Office reports for a period of 3 years.

William B. has volunteered to acquire a new vacuum for the office.

District 1 will provide a new budget and guidelines to the office.

Mike W. closed the meeting at 6:50pm with the Serenity Prayer.

Service Opportunities at Central Office

- IGR's needed if you are interested get with your home group and represent them at the Central Office Inter Group meeting the second Monday every month at 6:30.
- Women and Men needed for the 12 Step Call list, get with Nick at Central Office to get signed up.
- Central Office is open Monday thru Friday 11 to 3 and we are looking for volunteers to keep the office open after hours and on week-ends 12 to 4. Get with Nick at Central Office to get signed.
- Central Office 801-393-4728

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Proposed District 1 2018 Budget

	2015	2015	2016	2016	2016	2018	2018	2018
<u>COMMITTEE</u>	Spent	Balance	Budget	Spent	Balance	Budget	Spent	Balance
CPC	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$180.00	\$80.00	\$100.00	\$0.0	\$0.0
Corrections	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$6.00	\$294.00	\$300.00	\$0.0	\$0.0
Grapevine	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.0	\$0.0
Literature	\$54.55	\$45.45	\$100.00	\$61.50	\$38.50	\$100.00	\$0.0	\$0.0
P.I.	\$60.20	\$39.80	\$100.00	\$122.96	\$22.96	\$100.00	\$0.0	\$0.0
Treatment	\$208.70	\$91.30	\$300.00	\$273.20	\$26.80	\$300.00	\$0.0	\$0.0
Work Shop	\$237.34	\$37.34	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$0.0	\$0.0
Total	\$560.79	\$839.21	\$1,400.00	\$643.66	\$756.34	\$1,400.00		
<u>OPERATING</u>								
Central Office (\$30)	\$720.00	\$0.00	\$720.00	\$720.00	\$0.00	\$360.00	\$0.0	\$0.0
P.O. Box	\$73.00	\$47.00	\$66.00	\$98.00	\$32.00	\$100.00	\$0.0	\$0.0
Secretary	\$59.84	\$90.16	\$150.00	\$136.47	\$13.53	\$150.00	\$0.0	\$0.0
Treasurer		\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$150.00	\$0.0	\$0.0
B.C. Alano Rent (\$15)	\$180.00	\$0.00	\$180.00	\$180.00	\$0.00	\$180.00	\$0.0	\$0.0
Total	\$1,032.84	\$237.16	\$1,216.00	\$1,134.47	\$81.53	\$940.00		
<u>DEFRAIMENT COSTS</u>								
DCM / Alt. DCM	\$757.25	\$842.75	\$1,600.00	\$986.33	\$613.67	\$1,500.00	\$0.0	\$0.0
PRAASA	\$295.00	\$295.00	\$1,600.00	\$461.25	\$1,138.75	\$1,600.00	\$0.0	\$0.0
Forum (only held even years)	\$204.00	\$204.00	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$0.0	\$0.0
Total	\$585.04	\$1,014.96	\$4,000.00	\$1,447.58	\$2,552.42	\$3,900.00	\$0.0	\$0.0
<u>Total</u>								
	\$2,178.67	\$2,091.33	\$6,616.00	\$3,225.71	\$3,390.29	\$6,240.00		

Presented to Budget Committee January 11, 2018 / Final Budget reviewed and sent by GSR's for group approval February 8, 2018

Final Approved Budget to be March 8, 2018 District 1 Business Meet

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2017 Northern Utah Central Office Financial Statement

2017 Group Donation Totals

12 O'clock High Group	\$275.00
702 Group	\$50.00
Bear River (7) / We Ain't Saints	\$300.00
Beyond the Horizon Group	\$505.00
Clearfield Group	\$127.00
Courage to Change Group (R R)	\$428.50
Delta Group	\$33.00
Flying High Group	\$150.00
Group Brigham City Alano	\$46.00
Grupo Primer Paso de Ogden (SP)	\$105.00
Higher Ground Group (Fruit Heights)	\$630.00
It's In The Book	\$225.00
Last Thursday 12&12 Group Roy	\$12.00
Meat and Potatoes ABSI Study	\$468.23
Meat and Potatoes Big Book Study	\$468.23
Our Ladies of the Mountain (WRH)	\$20.00
Primary Purpose Group (Layton)	\$97.50
Recovery Together Group (5)	\$850.00
Sat Am Men's Brotherhood Group	\$895.00
Sat Night Alumni Group ORM	\$204.00
Saturday Night Alumni	\$150.00
Serenity Happy Hour Gr (Layton)	\$1,280.00
Serenity Happy Hour Group Wednesday	\$68.00
Sisters' In Sobriety Group	\$105.00
Stone of Sisyphus Group	\$202.20
Sunday Morning Serenity Group -	\$9.67
Sunday Night Unity Group	\$839.80
Thursday Night Harrison Group	\$98.22
Tuesday Morgan Group	\$400.00
Tyler Ave Group	\$500.00
Valley Camp	\$1,126.25
Wednesday Night Alumni Group ORM	\$750.00
Women's Circle Of Hope	\$180.00
Women's Retreat House Groups (AI)	\$1,461.00
Total 2017 Group Donations	\$13,059.60

District One Pink Can 2017

Beginning Balance	116.97
Total Deposits	959.33
Total Sales	790.5
Ending Balance	285.8

2017 Total Income

Department		Qty Sold	Ext Price
Books		928	8,680.90
District Donations		7	420.00
Group Donations		125	12,963.55
Individual Donation		14	102.75
Literature	Misc / Other	142	1,140.13
Medallions/Chips		2,697	2,589.00
Pamphlets		990	230.74
Web Site Donations		3	218.36
Total			25,381.10
Literature	Pink Can	29	964.33

Annual Activity

On Line Donations +	\$533.51
Deposits +	\$24,722.33
Card Trans +	\$2,242.53
Card Fee	(\$35.32)
Answering Service	(\$1,428.51)
Bank Fee	(\$2.00)
Books	(\$8,462.61)
Chips	(\$1,643.24)
Insurance	(\$475.00)
Payroll	(\$6,329.16)
Rent	(\$4,840.00)
Tele/Internet	(\$1,680.30)
Supplies	(\$906.38)
Web Start Up	(\$261.18)
Operating Account	
2017 Ending Balance	\$1,390.46
2017 Beginning Balance	\$1,217.21
Annual Increase	\$173.25
Prudent Reserve	
2017 Ending Balance	1,881.86
2017 Beginning Balance	1,730.40
Annual Increase	\$151.46

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UTAH AREA 69 CALENDAR OF EVENTS As of February 2018

March 2-4, 2018 PRAASA Area 42 Sparks, NV
April 6-8, 2018 Pre-Conference District 3 Provo
April 22-28, 2018 General Service Conference New York, NY
May 18-20, 2018 Post Conference Assembly District 4 Filmore
June 16, 2018 Bridging the Gap Workshop District 11 Bountiful
August 18-19, 2018 Pre-Assembly Workshop District 10 SLC
September 7-9 2018 Pacific Regional Forum Area 6 San Jose CA.
September 21-23, 2018 Fall Assembly (Area Elections) District 10 SLC
November 3-4, 2018 Fall Workshop TBD TBD
December 1, 2018 December Committee Mtg. TBD TBD
February 26, 2019 February Committee Mtg. TBD TBD
March 2019 PRAASA Area 9 Irvine CA.
April 5-7 2019 Pre-Conference Assembly District 11 Bountiful
April 21-27 2019 General Service Conference New York, NY
May 17-19 2019 Post-Conference Assembly District 8 Vernal
June 15, 2019 Bridging the Gap Workshop TBD TBD
August 17-18 2019 Pre-Assembly Workshop TBD TBD

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Valley Camp

2017/2018 Dinner and a Meeting Schedule and Events
\$6.00 per Plate—Kids 12 and Under are Free

Date:	Dinner:	Hosted By:
2/3/18	Pulled Pork	Riley
2/17/18	Enchiladas	Mike and Jody
3/3/18	Pork Caritas & Rice	Josh and Jana
3/17/18	Pork Enchilada	Mike, Tyler, Kevin and Trent
3/31/18	Valley Camp Easter Egg Hunt Ham Dinner	Valley Camp
4/21/18	Chicken and Dumplings	Ryan and Megan
5/5/18	Chili Verde Cook Off	Enter Your Chili Verde (Winner Receives Free Family Pass to Campvention)
5/26/18	Summer BBQ Kickoff	Blair

Dinner Starts at 6:30pm

Board Elections Start at 3pm-----Easter-Egg Hunt Egg Start 12:00pm (Noon)

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Area 69, 2018 Pre Conference Assembly

Presented by District 3 Provo, Utah
April 5 6 & 7-2018
Elks Lodge 1000 South S University Ave

Send registration of \$15.00 to 2018 Pre-Conference Assembly
P.O. Box 1021
Spanish Fork. Utah 84660

Fairfield Inn
801-377-9500
1515 S University Ave
Provo, Utah

Hampton Inn
801-377-6396
1511 S. 40. E.
Provo, Utah

Sleep Inn
505 S 40 E St,
Provo, UT 84606
(801)377-6597

Ramada Inn
801-374-9750
1460 S. University Av.
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Area 69 2018 Post Conference Assembly Hosted By Dist 6

MAY 18, 19 & 20, 2018

North Sevier Recreation Center

373 West 400 North Salina, UT 84654

Friday

5:00 - 6:30 Registration
6:30 Welcome
6:40 Area Standing Chair Roundtables
8:30 Speaker Meeting James S. Staying Alive Group, Salina

SATURDAY

8:00 Business meeting Registration
8:30 General Service orientation
9:00 - 5:00 Area business
5:00 - 5:30 Break
5:30 Dinner - Baked Potatoes Bar
7:15 Sobriety Countdown
7:30 - 8:30 Speaker Meeting David R. Area Chair
9:00 - 11:00 "Bringing back the fun Dance" Live DJ

Sunday

8:30 DCM, GSR & Standing Chair Orientation
9:00 Panel Presentations "Introduction to the 2018 Theme and workshop topics"
10:00 Ask-it-Basket
11:00 - 12:00 Spiritual Speaker meeting / TBA

Super 8 Motel \$78.00 & tax	Hitching Post Motel \$65.00 & tax
375 East 1620 South,	60 North State Street,
Salina UT 84654 435.529.7483	Salina UT 84654 435.529.2120

*** Mention that you're with "Area 69, Post Conference 2018" in order to get these rates ***

Registration

Name: _____ Service Positions: _____ District: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

PREREGISTRATION BY MAY 1 2018	\$10.00
REGISTRATION AT THE DOOR	\$12.00
DINNER	\$10.00

TOTAL:

Send preregistrations to:

District 6 / Post Conference 2018
2502 E. SR 119 Richfield, UT 84701

Make checks payable to:

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ST PATTY CELEBRATION



SATURDAY MARCH 17
BACKSTREET ALANO CLUB
5056 S. COMMERCE DR. (300 W) BOUNTIFUL, UT
STARTS 9:00 PM - \$7/PERSON \$10 COUPLE



RAFFLE, MUSIC, GAMES, PRIZES & FOOD

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY



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