

THE PIPELINE

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CONFERENCE DELGATE PACKET DISCUSSION

BY CLIFFORD MC., COMMUNICATIONS CHAIR

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IN ANTICIPATION OF THE CMA CONFERENCE THIS COMING MARCH, I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE EVERYONE TO MEET WITH THE DELEGATES ON FEB 22ND. WE WILL BE REVIEWING THE DELEGATE PACKET AND HAVE DISCUSSIONS ABOUT WHAT WILL BE THE BUSINESS OF CRYSTAL METH ANONYMOUS.

THIS IS AN EXCITING OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP OF CMA AND FIND OUT ABOUT THE CURRENT ISSUES FACING CMA TODAY.

THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO LEARN ABOUT THE SERVICE STRUCTURE OF CMA AND INDEED ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

I HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE WHO IS INTERESTED THERE. FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL ME AT 602-36-1636.

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- CLIFFORD MC.,
COMMUNICATIONS CHAIR

A NEW WAY OF LIFE

BY ANONYMOUS

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MY WORLD BECAME A DARK PLACE. FULL OF DESPAIR. UNABLE TO TELL IF TREE PEOPLE WERE REAL. THE ONLY PLACE I FELT SAFE WAS LOCKED IN MY BATHROOM WITH A TOWEL COVERING THE OPENING AT THE BOTTOM OF THE DOOR. AS LONG AS I WAS BEHIND THE DOOR, I FELT SAFE. BUT I DID HAVE TO LEAVE THE SAFE HAVEN OF ISOLATION AT TIMES. AND IT SEEMED THAT WHEN I DID 'THEY' WERE THERE. WAITING.

EVEN WITH THE INTERVENTION OF FAMILY, FRIENDS AND THE POLICE; I COULD NOT STOP. WHEN I RAN OUT, THERE WAS NO RE-UP, WITHOUT A JOURNEY INTO THE REAL WORLD, A

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BY ANONYMOUS

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SOBRIETY, LIKE SILKEN ANGELS WINGS
ENFOLDS ME IN QUIET COMFORT

RISING THROUGH ME, LIKE SUN
TEARING OPEN THE DARKNESS
FILLING ME WITH HOPE.

DREAD, DESPAIR, DESIRE
SORROW, SECLUSION, SIN
CHASED AWAY BY IMPENDING DAY.

DEEP WITHIN, THROUGH OUT
EVERY FIBER OF MY BEING
RESOUNDS WITH THE VOICE OF ANGELS
SENT FROM HEAVEN TO WATCH OVER ME.

CLEANSING BREATH DRAWN INTO ME
ANNIHILATES THE RANCOR OF INSANITY.

ON BENDED KNEE I BOW BEFORE CREATOR
BESEECHING AID AND GUIDANCE.

AND WHEN THE HURT BECOMES TOO MUCH,
THE HAND OF GOD WIPES AWAY THE TEARS.

AUGUST 2006

WHAT IS "AUTONOMY"?

BY MIKESTER, 1 YEAR CLEAN

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AUTONOMY IS A SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLE BASED IN THE KNOWLEDGE THAT GOD'S GIFT OF LIFE INCLUDES THE BURDEN AND BLESSING OF FREE WILL. FOR OUR CHOICES TO HAVE ETHICAL VALUE, THEY MUST BE MADE FREELY. THUS, VIGILANCE TOWARD COERCIVE INFLUENCES IS A HIGH VIRTUE.

SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

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COMMUNICATIONS | 3/4/2014 | 5PM
PUBLIC INFORMATION | 3/4/2014 | 6PM
HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS | 3/4/2014 | 7PM
THE ABOVE THREE COMMITTEES MEET AT THE SAME PLACE:
JERRY'S RESTAURANT AT (2323 E THOMAS RD)

EVENTS & FUNDRAISING | 3/5/2014 | 7:30PM
FELLOWSHIP HALL AT (12428 N. 28TH DR.)

CENTRAL AZ DISTRICT | 3/18/2014 | 7PM
FELLOWSHIP HALL AT (12428 N. 28TH DR.)

12-STEPS IN THE PINES | 3/12/2014 | 7:30PM
MY HOUSE AT (7625 N. 39TH AVE)
CHAIR CECILIA Y. (602) 980-9260

2014 CONVENTION: | 2/28 & 3/14/2014 |
(8:15PM)
BRYAN M. (HOME) (480) 584-2806

FELLOWSHIP

PLACE ANNOUNCEMENTS HERE

HELP WANTED: SERVICE COMMITMENTS

FOR *SOBER* MEMBERS OF THE FELLOWSHIP WILLING TO WORK *STEP 12* BY HELPING ANOTHER ADDICT.

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NEEDED: SOMEONE TO DELIVER THE PIPELINE TO CLUB HOUSES, RECOVERY HOMES AND OTHER FACILITIES. APPLY ON 2/4/14 AT COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING. 5:00PM AT JERRY'S RESTAURANT.

PLEASE: ASK YOUR HOME GROUP TO ELECT A PUBLIC INFORMATION LIAISON TO ATTEND COMMITTEE MEETINGS ON 1ST TUESDAYS AS WELL AS PERFORMING OUTREACH FOR YOUR GROUP. FREE TRAINING!! EMAIL AZPIO@CMAAZ.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION OR PHONE MIKESTER: 602 492 4201

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADVERTISE YOUR SERVICE COMMITMENT, PLEASE SEND THE AD TEXT TO PIPELINE@CMAAZ.ORG OR CALL MEREDITH AT 602-980-9259

A NEW WAY OF LIFE (CONT.)

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PLACE I FELT ALIEN, ALONE AND DIFFERENT. PRISON COULD NOT DISTURB THE OBSESSION. THERE WAS NO WAY OUT. WHEN I GOT THE JUDGE NUDGE, I KNEW AS A MASTER MANIPULATOR THAT I COULD DO THE DEAL AND RETURN TO MY ADDICTION. THERE WOULD BE NO CONSEQUENCE. I WOULD BE HOME FREE. FREE TO LOCK MYSELF BACK UP IN MY BATHROOM AND LIVE MY LIFE.

THEY TOLD ME TO GO TO MEETINGS, TO CHOOSE A SPONSOR. THAT I WOULD HAVE TO TAKE ON SERVICE COMMITMENTS. THEY ENCOURAGED ME TO PARTICIPATE. I TOOK THE COTTON OUT OF MY EARS AND PUT IT IN MY MOUTH. I STAYED JUST LONG ENOUGH FOR THE SEED TO BE PLANTED.

AFTER A YEAR OF FIGHTING GOD, I CAME TO REALIZE THAT I WAS NOT GOD. I COULD NO MORE EXPLAIN THE UNIVERSE, THAN DIRECT ITS ACTION. AND THE IDEA THAT THERE WAS SOMETHING MORE, SOMETHING GREATER, FINALLY SANK IN AND I WAS READY TO DO AS SO MANY HAD DONE AND MAKE A DECISION THAT CHANGED THE COURSE OF MY LIFE. SLOWLY. IT WAS SIMPLE. NOT EASY, SIMPLE. I DID NOT HAVE TO TAKE CONTROL. I WOULD SURRENDER. PERHAPS THE MOST DIFFICULT PROCESS I HAD EVER BEEN THROUGH. MY CONCEPT OF A HIGHER POWER COULD HAVE DOMINION OVER MY LIFE AND ALL I WOULD HAVE TO DO IS PRAY AND THEN LISTEN. JUST SIMPLY SHUT UP AND LISTEN.

I HEARD MANY THINGS FROM PEOPLE WHO HAD FELT LIKE ME, AND THEY HAD RECOVERED. THEY HAD SEEN THE THINGS THAT I HAD SEEN, HEARD THE VOICES, THEY KNEW THE TREE PEOPLE! AND THEY RECOVERED.

I FOUND MYSELF LEAVING BEHIND OLD BEHAVIORS AND TAKE ON A NEW WAY OF THINKING. I FOUND MYSELF IN THE MIDST OF A GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO LOVED ME EVEN WHEN I COULDN'T STAND MYSELF. I FOUND A NEW WAY OF LIVING THAT MADE SENSE. I DIDN'T HAVE TO STAY LOCKED UP IN THE BATHROOM - I HAD BEEN SET FREE - TRULY FREE. THE IDEA THAT I WOULD DIE AN ADDICT'S DEATH HAS LEFT ME. I HAVE CLEANED HOUSE, I TRUST MY CONCEPT OF GOD, I WORK WITH OTHERS TO HELP THEM FIND THE WAY. AND ALL I HAD TO DO WAS LISTEN TO THESE PEOPLE WHO HAD BEEN THROUGH WHAT I HAD BEEN THROUGH AND TAKE THEIR SUGGESTIONS.

TODAY I AM A FREE MAN! THANK YOU GOD! THANK YOU CMA!