GOLD COUNTRY FELLOWSHIP

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Early Members: Della A., Don R., Connie N., Bruce J., Terry M., Ken B. et al

Original Location: Northern Mines Alano Club, 10656 Alta Street, Grass Valley

Meeting Day & Time: Fall of 2019, basically three meetings daily, at 8:30 a.m., 12:00 noon and 5:30 pm. with a few exceptions (4:00 pm First Step meeting on Sunday, 11:00 am Sober Sisters on Saturday and Young People at 7:00 pm on Saturday)

Present Location: 10656 Alta Street, Grass Valley (through January 31, 2021)

The Gold Country Fellowship (GCF) was formed from the individual groups that met at the Alano Club in 1993 as a way of keeping poorly attended meetings open by sharing expenses with well-attended meetings. As of August 1998, GCF was comprised of 29 weekly meetings, the earliest at 8:30 am; the latest at 7:30 pm. As of the Fall 2019, GCF had 23 meetings weekly.

In 1995, Don H. (presently in Sparks, NV) was the General Secretary of the Steering Committee. It's possible that Bruce J. was the first General Secretary.

Throughout the years GCF transformed into an active viable Fellowship. For many years, it hosted a late summer BBQ potluck, Thanksgiving Dinner and Christmas Dinner for the AA community.

During the 2020 pandemic, when most physical meetings in the District closed, GCF kept pace, most recently with 14 online meetings weekly and 21 in person. That was expected to continue in 2021; however, now that the Alta location has closed, physical meetings are temporarily suspended pending the securing of a new physical location. A search for a more permanent location is in process. Online meetings may be accessed via Zoom by **ID# 792 210 048; pc**: *dontdrink*. Zoom meetings are held daily at 8:30 am., Wednesday Noon, and 5:30 pm daily except Sunday. In person meetings were held daily at 8:30 am and 5:30 pm and daily at Noon, except Sunday until January 31, 2021 when the Alano Club closed down due to the owner wishing to sell the property.

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