

AA District 09 Solano South

# CENTRAL OFFICE NEWSLETTER



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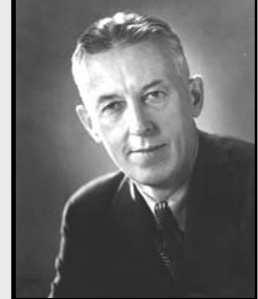
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**Central Office is open most mornings if you need anything. Please call before you come to make sure someone is there. When visiting wear a mask!**

"Without much doubt, a million alcoholics have approached AA during the last thirty years. We can soberly ask ourselves what became of the 600,000 who did not stay."

*AA Co-Founder, Bill W., July 1965, "Responsibility Is Our Theme", The Language of the Heart*



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**Hello Alchies!**

Your CO chairperson here. Just wanted to let y'all know we want to try to start forming a small committee for our potential Zoom Holiday Party. We already have a treasurer for the event. We will probably need a few other members such as:

- A Raffle Organizer
- Santa Claus?
- Sobriety Counter/Chip Person?

Any other suggestions would be welcomed to discuss... I will send out details for a committee meeting On Zoom in the near future!

In service,  
- Alex H. (Human)



## VALLEJO FELLOWSHIP'S Virtual Speaker Meeting!



First Saturday of the Month at 7pm  
**October 3<sup>rd</sup> - John M. from Benicia**  
**November 7<sup>th</sup> - Eileen S. and Bruce S.**  
**from Mississippi**

**MEETING I.D. 238-929-5018**  
**Pass Code: 926465**

**NOTE NEW  
PASS CODE!**

**All Vallejo fellowship meetings** **zoom** 238-929-5018  
**have one code** **Pass Code: 926465**





# Step 10

***“Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong, promptly admitted it.”***

## CNCA 06

California Northern Coastal Area of AA

The Area website, [www.cnca06.org](http://www.cnca06.org) is frequently updated and has up-to-date information on all events.

### Chair’s Preview

The Summer Assembly was incredible. As an Area, we were able to experience a vote, a minority opinion, and a second vote – resulting in the creation of a standing committee for Technology.

We are now seeking out volunteers to help start the newly-approved committee; at this point, the scope of the committee (or the number of members on the committee) is undefined. Members selected to serve through the rest of this panel (which ends in December) would help create guidelines and better define the role of this committee. Anyone interested can send me an email through the Area website to volunteer.

We now begin work on the Election Assembly in November. More information about how we will be voting will be shared soon.

At our Area Committee meeting in August, we rejected a proposal to lease a storage unit for use by the Area Officers, and we approved a request to financially support the Hispanic Women’s Workshop on a yearly basis. With those motions now off of our agenda, we are now discussing business that originated after the pandemic began.

What amazes me is that we really did it. We have been able to transition to a virtual Area, and despite the challenges we have faced (and continue to face), we continue to carry on an 85-year legacy of one alcoholic reaching out and helping another. Service work at this level may not always be glamorous or exciting, but it has deep impact that we might not ever get to see ourselves. Consider that if one person gets sober because of the service you have done, you will have saved that person’s life, and the lives of countless others.

On June 28, 1935, Bill and Bob went to Akron’s City Hospital and brought the still-developing message of AA to the third sober member of our fellowship. A few days before, Dr. Bob had said to Bill: “If you and I are going to stay sober, we had better get busy.”

We have been busy ever since.

Eric L.  
CNCA Chair Panel 69

### Perpetual Change

The news that planning for the 71 st General Service Conference is proceeding on the basis that it will be virtual, reminds me that our fellowship will continue to rely on new technology for the foreseeable future.

Next time around, I have faith that we will incorporate the lessons learned this year so that next year’s Conference can feel more confident about dispatching the business of A.A. and tackling some of the issues that interruption of our comfortable lives has thrown into stark relief. I wonder if we hadn’t become a little too complacent and satisfied with things being a certain way.

The purpose of our General Service Conference is to perpetuate A.A., not the status quo. Perpetual change is what we’re about. Sometimes those changes can appear trivial, but nothing is trivial when you’re in the business of saving lives. The subtleties of the wording and the manner in which our life-giving message of recovery is delivered can make all the difference between life and death. We alcoholics are a sensitive bunch consisting of every diverse shade of humanity and what works for one may repel another. We owe it to our sisters and brothers who have yet to find us to meet them where they are and communicate in terms they understand.

That’s why now is such an exciting time, for our fellowship and for General Service. We’ve discovered that we can adapt and adapt quickly. Hopefully, this gives us courage to cultivate a fresh appetite to get our teeth into some of our staled fare, not with a change for change sake attitude, but with a searching and fearless mindset.

Our world has been shaken in unpleasant ways, yes, but hopefully also in ways that open up our minds with the same willingness we know we need for inventory.

Yes, it’s an exciting time and as Panel 69 draws to a conclusion I feel the import of our Responsibility Declaration reverberate in my heart. Sometimes the hand of A.A. is indeed my hand, but most often it’s someone else’s, be they home group member, GSR, trustee, or special worker. My responsibility is to ensure that their hands are also there.

I hope you will join me in in our continual opportunity to develop new service leadership so that we can honor this legacy of perpetual change.

Teddy B.-W.,  
CNCA Panel 69 Delegate

CNCA 06

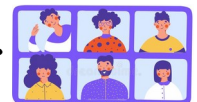
**Fall Assembly (Election Assembly)**

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 7, 2020**

**“2020 - A CLEAR VISION FOR YOU”**

SPANISH-ENGLISH INTERPRETATION  
IS PROVIDED IN THE ZOOM APP

MEETING I.D. 959 4870 3654 JOIN BY PHONE: 408 638 0968





# Web Links/Birthday Speaker Meeting/ In Person Meetings

Click on the text to go to the web page:

[AA Solano South Central Office](#)

[Southern Solano Alano Club](#)

[Northern Solano Intergroup](#)

[Napa Valley Intergroup](#)

[Love & Service AA Group](#)  
in Pleasant Hill

[SF and Marin Intergroup](#)

[Online Intergroup AA](#)

Continental European Region:

[AA Online Meetings](#)

\*CER's AA Online Meeting Listing service lists English language AA online meetings in the Central European Time (CET) and Central European Summer Time (CEST) zone on our website.\*

## District 09 Solano South ONLINE MONTHLY BIRTHDAY SPEAKER MEETING!

**October 9, 2020, 8:00pm**

**zoom ID:**

**83974753905**

*no password*



### List of In Person Meetings

**Sun.-Sat 12 Noon- 1PM** Mask Required, Social Distancing, Tracking, Temperatures  
Alano Club 960 Grant Street, Benicia, CA Parking Lot  
Daily Reflections Every day but Friday (Living Sober)  
12 Noon – 1 PM

**Monday Vallejo 5:30 P.M.** Men only, Mask Required, Social Distancing  
On the green next to Zio Fraedo, 23 Harbor Way, Vallejo, Bring your own Chair

**Tuesday-Thursday Vallejo 5:30 P.M.**, Masks Required, Social Distancing  
On the green next to Zio Fraedo, 23 Harbor Way, Vallejo Bring your own Chair

**Wednesday, 7:30 P.M. Men Only 12X12**  
Mask Required, Social Distancing  
Alano Club inside 960 Grant Street, Benicia, CA.

**Thursday 8:00 P.M. Young People or Young @ Heart,**  
Mask Required, Social Distancing  
Alano Club inside 960 Grant Street, Benicia, CA.

**Saturday 9:00 AM Saturday, Big Book Study,**  
Mask Required, Social Distancing  
Alano Club inside 960 Grant Street, Benicia, CA.

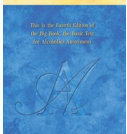
**Saturday 10:A.M,Daily Reflections,**  
Mask Required, Social Distancing  
On the green across from Sailor Jack's, 1st Benicia, CA.  
Bring your own Chair

**Saturday 7:00 P.M. Came to Believe,**  
Mask Required, Social Distancing, Tracking, Temperatures  
Alano Club 960 Grant Street, Benicia, CA Parking Lot

## Resources

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

[Big Book Online](#)



[Big Book Audio Online](#)



[12 and 12 Online](#)

[12 and 12 Audio Online](#)



[Daily Reflections](#)

CLICK FOR ACCESS TO AA LITERATURE



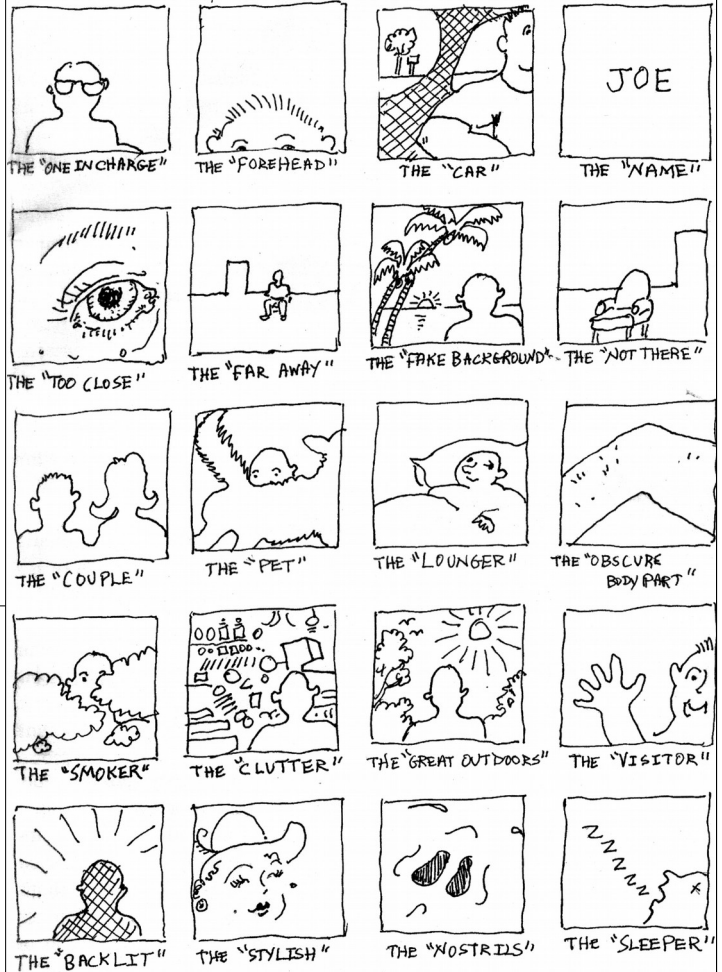


*"I'll help you hit bottom a little quicker."*

-ANONYMOUS

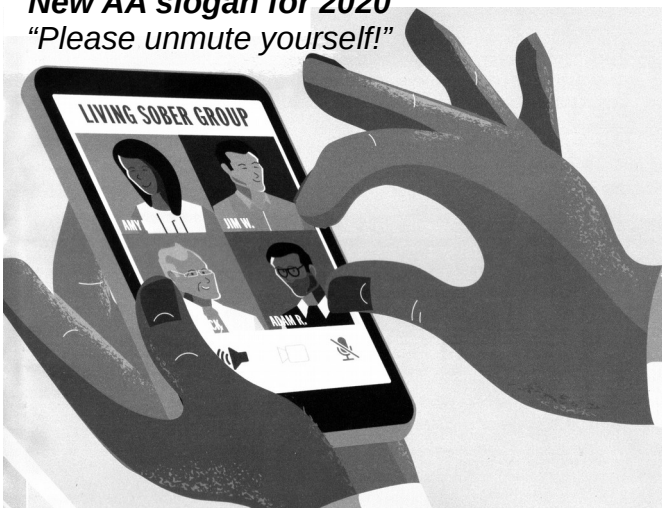
### Virtual Meeting Archetypes

By Chuck L.



*"I had a layover in Omaha ... which led to a hangover in Des Moines."*

**New AA slogan for 2020**  
*"Please unmute yourself!"*



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**SOSOEDITOR@GMAIL.COM**

## Alcoholics Anonymous® *A Few Messages from GSO*

**New aa.org webstore to launch September 9, 2020**

Dear A.A. friends,

We are delighted to announce the launch of the new A.A.W.S. webstore for business-to-business (intergroups and central offices) and all other customers on September 9, 2020.

This newly designed webstore features many improvements. You've asked for specific fixes, and we heard you. Working with a team of e-commerce and tech experts, we took diligent action to improve our webstores in efforts to make the purchase of our literature easily accessible to all who need and want it.

We established an intra-office collaborative workgroup team, bringing together professionals from our tech services, communications, group services, order entry, customer service, editorial, and publishing divisions.

We invited into our development process webstore testers from the Fellowship, intergroups and central offices, and our corporate boards to inform our user acceptance testing.

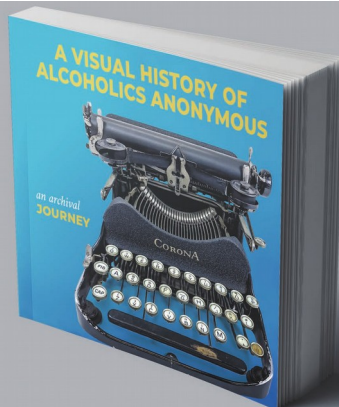
Here is a sampling of helpful, user-friendly fixes and enhancements we've added, utilizing the most up-to-date "native" capabilities of our NetSuite ERP platform:

- **webstore site navigation**
- **search and sort by item number, format, categories and language**
- **"Quick Order"**
- **easier to navigate shopping cart**
- **highlighting of new items of literature**
- **special offers!**
- **and more.**

We invite you to visit the site and enjoy! [click here](#)

With all best A.A. wishes,

Greg T.  
General Manager



COMING SOON:  
FEBRUARY 2021

## The Central Office Corner

# Sobriety Birthdays In the month of



# October



**Terry H. 10/10/2014 (6 Years!!)**

**Audrey C. 10/03/2008 (12 Years!!)**

**Debbie O. 10/2/2000 (20 Years!!)**

**Burt M. 10/12/2012 (8 Years!!)**

**Michael B. 10/19/1992 (28 Years!!)**

**Elizabeth B. 10/20/1988 (32 Years!!)**

**Matt P. 10/21/2013 (7 Years!!)**

**Gary a. 10/01/2014 (6 Years!!)**

**Peter V. 10/4/1983 (37 Years!!)**

**Liz E. 10/13/1986 (34 Years!!)**

**New online contributions experience to launch  
September 9, 2020**

Dear A.A. friends,

We are very pleased to announce the launch of a newly redesigned online contributions experience available to all groups and members in the United States and Canada on Wednesday, September 9, 2020.

This new redesign comes with significant improvements. Working in tandem with the team of experts assisting us with our webstore, we have created what we hope is an experience that is appealing and inviting to use for all contributors.

Our hope is to provide the most accessible and streamlined experience possible on all web-ready devices, including the ability to contribute without registering for an account and to receive instant email acknowledgments. For members who choose to register an account, both their contribution and webstore details will be available in one unified view.

We deeply thank you for your continued support and invite you to visit the new online contributions experience by visiting [contribution.aa.org](https://contribution.aa.org)

With all best A.A. wishes and sincere gratitude,

Greg T., General Manager



# Danville – Diablo Speaker Meeting

## Alcoholics Anonymous

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month

8:00 PM – Zoom Opens at 7:30pm PST



*Birthday Celebration*



Birthday Chip Drive Through in the church parking lot 6-6:45 pm PDT.  
We will collect names & length of sobriety & post them at the end of the meeting.  
Community Presbyterian Church, 222 W. El Pintado, Danville, CA 94526

### ZOOM ONLINE FORMAT

Zoom ID 948 2720 6866

Password 146975

Or Dial by your location

+1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose)

**7th Tradition** online contributions  
at Zelle\* and Venmo.

Zelle account for electronic deposit:

Diablo Danville Alcoholics Anon

ddsmtreas@gmail.com

\*Zelle is affiliated with many banks. We recommend  
accessing through your online account.

Venmo account for electronic deposit:

Mark-Falgout-72

or QR Code



### 2020

Sept 5 - Dawn M, Laguna Hills, CA

Oct 10 - Frank H, Concord, CA

**NOTE: SECOND SATURDAY**

Nov 7 - Bob D, Las Vegas, NV

Dec 5 – Pat Y, Los Angeles, CA

For Zoom link, more  
call in numbers, and  
7th Tradition details  
visit web site:

**ddsm.org**

General meeting inquiries or questions - danvillediablosm@gmail.com  
Business Meeting - Sunday 4pm, for Zoom login contact email above. All are welcome to attend.



Contra Costa Intergroup  
presents...

## **THE 3-S WORKSHOP: SECRETARY, SERVICE, & SPONSORSHIP**

- **Sunday, October 18, 2020**
- **10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**
- **VIRTUAL EVENT**

To REGISTER please email:  
[ccsc.memberchair@gmail.com](mailto:ccsc.memberchair@gmail.com)

(Contact (925) 222-7967 for more details.)

★★★★★

This is an opportunity to learn about being a Secretary for your group, Service Opportunities, and Sponsorship. The Panel members will share their experience on these topics and offer suggestions. Your participation is key to our success. Bring your thoughts, questions, ideas, and join us on this broad highway.

# CALIFORNIA NORTHERN COASTAL AREA 06 OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

## FALL ASSEMBLY 2020

“2020 – A Clear Vision for You”  
**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 7, 2020**

[CLICK HERE FOR ZOOM JOIN LINK](#)

MEETING I.D. 959 4870 3654

JOIN BY PHONE: 408 638 0968

Orientation	9am	9:30am
<b>Presentations</b> What Makes an AA Leader? The Third Legacy Procedure Area Officer Qualifications		
Elections	9:30am	12:00pm
<b>Report</b> Kathi F., Pacific Regional Trustee		
Lunch Break	12:00pm	12:30pm
<b>Report</b> Trish L., Trustee-at-Large Canada		
Elections	12:30pm	End

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SANTA CRUZ COUNTY INTERGROUP

presents the

FUNraiser  
exZOOMed

**TALENT SHOW**

Dancing, Singing, Comedy, and Costume Contests!  
(and PRIZES!... Don't forget PRIZES!)

**Saturday, Oct. 24**

**7pm PST**

**ZOOM ID: 883 1659 7676**

**PASSCODE: 8675309**

**SPEAKERS:**

Nancy H., South County Fellowship

Magi, Intergroup Chairperson

Zoe, Early Risers

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ALI 831-420-7253

or GREY 831-535-3539