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AA District 09 Solano South

## CENTRAL OFFICE NEWSLETTER



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## WE HAVE OPEN CENTRAL OFFICE POSITIONS!

There is an open position for Thursday afternoon 1-3pm.. Central Office can always use backup support for positions. Contract Trish at 925-238-1425

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"We now know that we do not have to run away, nor ought we again try to overcome adversity by still another bulldozing power drive that can only push up obstacles before us faster than they can be taken down."

AA Co-Founder, Bill W., March 1962, "What Is Acceptance?", The Language of the Heart



#### YOUR CENTRAL OFFICE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Key Central Office positions will be rotating starting January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. There has been a core group of members that have kept the Central Office going for the last two years, during this time of COVID, and its time to rotate out. If you've been involved in Central Office in the past and have been away a while our membership really needs you to step-up.

The description of the all of these positions can be found in the Central Office Bylaws which are on the website – www.aasolanosouth.org. Here are some of the open positions:

<u>Alternate Chairperson</u> - fills in for the Chairperson in his absence, takes over the Chair position next year

General Service Liaison - attends district General Service and Central Office meetings and reports on activities for both.



<u>Newsletter Editor</u> – creates and distributes the monthly Central Office newsletter.

<u>Website Administrator</u> – operates and maintains the Central Office website. Experience with technology a must.

Central Office meeting is the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm on Zoom Zoom Id: 889 2369 2100



## Step 12

"Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs."

#### MEETING NOTES:

The Vallejo Monday Night Women's Meeting has relocated:

Every Monday, we are now meeting at:

**The First Christian Church** 

1035 Indiana St. (corner of Indiana and Colusa St.) Vallejo, Ca. 94590

Please enter from the Colusa St. doors.

Meeting on 2nd Floor (no elevator)

7:00 - 8:00 pm In-Person Meeting / Masks Required



## Water-bottle Earl needs support for his online meetings



Several members can't do in-person meetings for health reasons. Earl is currently the secretary for three online meetings (all use same Meeting ID: 865 7556 2290):

Monday Literature Study 7:30pm-8:30pm Wednesday Spring Hill Step Study 8pm-9pm Friday Night Lights Daily Reflections 8pm-9pm

These meetings could use support, and Earl could use assistance in secretarying the meetings

#### Benicia Sat. Came to Believe/ Candlelight Mtg.

[has moved] as of Saturday Sept. 18 7-8 PM We look forward to seeing you soon in our forever new home!

#### <u>Light House Church 1175 Church Street, Benicia, CA.</u>

<u>Masks</u> <u>Doors will be open</u> <u>Please bring a Jacket</u>

Take the Military West exit. Turn right on 13th Street. Make a left on to Church

Street. Go a little ways and it is on the left with a banner saying Welcome!

Mike C. 707 205 0642 Jason W.925 330 9947 Maggie K 707 235 4182



#### CNCA 06

#### California Northern Coastal Area of AA

#### **Chair Preview**

Thank you to John W. the "AAWS Director" for facilitating our Inventory and to District 04 for a great Assembly we experienced with a huge participation.

At the Assembly we also resumed the discussion on the motion regarding the develop of a graphic novel or a series of graphic novels that depict the first 164 pages of the Big Book, we also heard presentation of two items of New Business; the first one related to the distribution of the Area newsletters (Comments / Comentarios) and the second one, a request to the Trustees Literature Committee that the 2021 advisory action related to the phrase "lustful enough to rape " on page 66 of the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions be returned to the original language. More will be revealed.

What a month; At our Area Committee Meeting we discussed a proposition to increase the hourly rate for interpretation from \$60 to \$75, for both professional and professional quality interpreters. We also had a really good discussion on the topic "hybrid, virtual, and inperson options for CNCA meetings".

At the Area Committee Meeting in October the Area officers decided to create a Hybrid Assemblies Ad Hoc Committee formed by; Ken M, Megan B, Jose M, Russ A, and Michael Q. Ad-Hoc Committees address issues of long-term and significant interest to CNCA and are

The Area website, <u>www.cnca06.org</u> is frequently updated and has up-to-date information on all events.

expected to remain active and engaged in the organization during it's lifetime. The committee to provide a written report of their findings together with any recommendations and will keep minutes of their meetings on file with CNCA Recording Secretary.

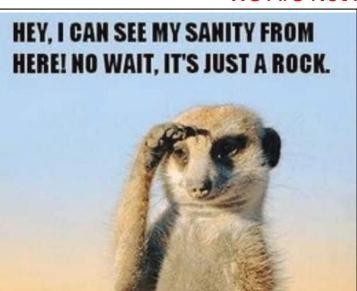
In more news; The Area Committee Meeting will resume meeting in person in January 2022 at the Petaluma Community Center at 320 North McDowell Boulevard in Petaluma. We will keep meeting the fourth Saturday of every month. The DCM and DCMC Sharing Sessions will start at 10:00am, as well as the Literature/Grapevine/ La Viña Sharing Session. The Archives, I&T, and Finance committees all meet at 11:00am. The Area Committee Meeting will start at its regular time, 12:30pm. In the next few months, all other committees will also resume in-person meetings.

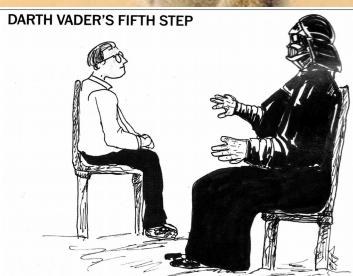
We will continue to monitor all health and safety guidelines regarding Covid-19 as we return to onsite meetings. Masks will be required, no food or coffee will be served, but you can bring your own.

I came to AA broken, smoking free cigars from the coordinator's desk, drinking coffee hoping not to drink the next day, the human need is the creator's opportunity materialized in AA.

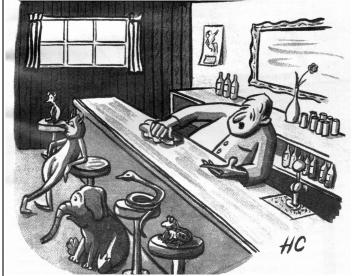
#### Miguel H

CNCA 06, Chair P71





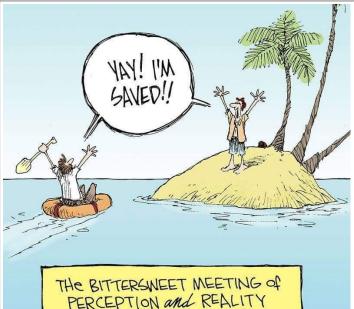
"I pulverized Planet Alderaan, tried to lure my son to the Dark Side, destroyed Garrison Moon of Kessel..."



"You're all early. He usually doesn't get here until around six."



"I think my mistake was making Carrot Top my higer power."





"I told you that tough love does not work on drunks of his kind. Now out of my way."

SEND YOUR SUBMISSIONS TO SOSOEDITOR@GMAIL.COM

## VALLEJO FELLOWSHIP'S Virtual Speaker Meeting!

First Saturday of the Month at 7pm



December 4<sup>th</sup> – Kim M. *from Stockton Pershing Group* 

zoom

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

The Vallejo Fellowship's Business meeting is now inperson. The meeting is held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 6:45pm at the Fellowship Hall: 942 Tennessee Street

### OPEN JERVICE POJITIONS

#### **District General Service:**

<u>District Committee Member (DCM)</u> – each of the three sub-districts has a DCM, regularly attends all District meetings, the monthly area meeting and area assemblies, assist GSRs in becoming acquainted with The AA Service Manual and other service material.

<u>District Cooperation with the Professional</u>
<u>Community/Public Information Chair</u> - attends the monthly
District meeting, reach out to the Professional Community
in District, attend monthly Area CPC meetings.

<u>District Literature/Grapevine Chair</u> - attend the monthly District meeting, attend groups and talk about AA literature and the Grapevine, attend monthly Area Literature/Grapevine meetings.

Bridging the Gap Chair - attend the monthly District meeting, act as liaison with the Area BTG Committee – attending the monthly Area BTG meeting, create and maintain a list of volunteers who act as the contact people.

Make Sure your home group has a General Service Representative (GSR) so your group's voice can be heard. (Maybe the "Most Important Position in AA")

District General Service meeting is the second Monday of every month at 7pm on Zoom Zoom Id: 895 6759 4853

#### **Reminder:**

Please bring your old AA chips to turn in when getting your new chip at the Solano South Monthly Birthday Speaker Meeting



You can turn them in to Mike at the front table

#### The Central Office Corner

# Sobriety Birthdays In the month of



## December



Tom P. 12/2/2014 (7 Years!!)

Bill H. 12/19/1985 (36 Years!!)

Elmer C. 12/12/2009 (12 Years!!)

Charlie B. 12/10/2004 (17 Years!!)

Marty L. 12/28/2009 (12 Years!!)

Chuck E. 12/04/2014 (7 Years!!)

Darren Woody 12/03/92 (29 Years!!)

Sue D. 12/24/1998 (23 Years!!)

Anrae W. 12/07/1984 (37 Years!!)

Bruce M. 12/29/1984 (37 Years!!)

Ed C. 12/29/1987 (34 Years!!)

Karen F. 12/17/1988 (33 Years!!)

Suzanne C. 12/28/1987 (34 Years!!)

Josh G. 12/03/2002 (19 Years!!)

Stephanie G. 12/16/2003 (18 Years!!)

Maggie K. 12/24/1975 (46 Years!!)

### **District 09 Solano South**

MONTHLY BIRTHDAY

SPEAKER MEETING!

## Tina O. From El Sobrante

December 10th 8:00pm

Host group: to be announced

## At Benicia Clock Tower

11189 WASHINGTON STREET, BENICIA



## A.A. District 09 December 2021 Southern Solano County

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
This isn't the complete list of meetings in District and meetings are changing weekly regarding COVID. Check the website for the latest.	29 Attitude Adjustment Get to the Point Discussion St. Paul's Episc. 1st & J St., Benicia 8:00-9:00 PM Every Monday	30  American Canyon Fellowship 11 Poco Way American Canyon 7-8:00 AM Every Tuesday	CENTRAL OFFICE Business Meeting the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm on Zoom Zoom Id: 594 146 1966	2 Benicia Hill Top Discussion 1305 West 2nd St. Benicia Congressional Chr. 8:00-9:00pm No Smoking Every Thursday	Vallejo Fellowship 12:00 Noon to 1:00pm 942 Tennessee St, Vallejo Every Friday	4 Vallejo Fellowship Speaker Night 9:00pm Zoom. 238-929-5018 Pass Code: 926465 First Saturday of the Month
Go to Any Lengths Online 9:30am-10:30am Zoom: 834 3950 6139 Every Sunday	6 American Canyon Fellowship 11 Poco Way American Canyon 7-8:00 PM Every Monday	7 Mare Island Grp Online Rotating Format 730pm—830pm Zoom:865 7556 2290 Every Tuesday	8  Vallejo Fellowship  Early Birds 7-8:00am 942 Tennessee St, Vallejo Every Wednesday	9 Benicia First Street Group 6:30-7:30pm Heritage Pres. Ch 1400 E 2nd St, Benicia Every Thursday	District 09 Monthly Birthday Speaker Meeting 8:00pm Benicia Clock Tower	2 or More Book Study 9-10:00 am Reception Hall 101 Temple Way Vallejo Every Saturday
* denotes "closed" meetings. Only humans with a desire to stop drinking are encouraged to attend	DISTRICT 09 GENERAL SERVICE Business Meeting the second Monday of every month at 7pm on Zoom Zoom Id: 895 6759 4853	Benicia Straits Speaker Discussion Southern Solano Alano Club 2046 Columbus Pkwy, Benicia 7:30-8:45 Every Tuesday	Attitude Adjust St. Paul's Episc. 1st & J St. Benicia 7-8:00 AM Tu-Sat	16  11 <sup>th</sup> Step Meditation Meeting So. Solano Alano 2046 Columbus Pkwy, Benicia 6:30-7:30pm Every Thursday	The Grapevine Speaks Grapevine/Discussion Online Zoom: 312-029-395 6-7pm Every Friday	Serenity on Saturday Speaker/Discussion, Online Zoom 881 3928 1979 10:00-11:00am Every Saturday
19  Benicia Sunday  Night  Discussion  St. Paul's Episc.  1st & J St., Benicia  8-9:00 PM  Every Sunday  Bday meeting 4 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	20 Attitude Adjust Online Zoom: 401 588 9043 PW: Attitude 7-8:00 AM Mon 6:30-7:30 AM Sun	Here & Now Big Book Study Online Zoom: 865 7556 2290 Noon-1:00 Every Tuesday	Spring Hill Study Group '12 by 12' Online Zoom: 865 7556 2290 8-9 pm Every Wednesday	23  Vallejo Fellowship  Early Birds 7:00-8:00AM 942 Tennessee St, Vallejo Every Thursday	24 Friday Night Lights Daily Reflections Online Zoom: 865 7556 2290 8-9 pm Every Friday	25  Came to Believe Overlook Park Light House Church 1175 Church Street, Benicia  Christmas
26  Vallejo Fellowship Early Birds 942 Tennessee St, Vallejo 7:00 AM 7 days/WK	27  Vallejo Women's  Group*  The First Christian  Church  1035 Indiana St.  Vallejo, Ca. 94590	28  Benicia First St. Group Heritage Pres. Ch. 1400 E 2 <sup>nd</sup> St Benicia 6:30-7:30pm Every Tuesday	29 Men' 12by12 Study * Southern Solano Alano Club 2046 Columbus Pkwy, Benicia 7:30-8:30pm Every Wednesday	Benicia 1st St Grp Topic discussion Meeting Heritage Pres Ch. 1400 East 2nd St 6:30-7:30pm Every Thursday	31  TGIF Living Sober Book Study Southern Solano Alano Club 2046 Columbus Pkwy, Benicia noon-1:00pm.	A Vision for You Online Zoom: 719 577 3029 Noon to 1:00pm Every Saturday New Years

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First Street Group 12 and 12 Meeting Heritage Presbyterian Church 1400 East 2nd St Benicia 5-6:00 PM Every Sun

#### A.A. On the Web...

Alcoholics Anonymous Official Site: <a href="http://www.aa.org/">http://www.aa.org/</a>
District 09 Southern Solano AA <a href="http://www.aasolanosouth.org/">http://www.aasolanosouth.org/</a>
Northern Solano AA: <a href="http://www.aasolanonorth.org/">http://www.aasolanonorth.org/</a>
Our Neighbors in Contra Costa: <a href="http://www.contracostaaa.org/">http://www.contracostaaa.org/</a>
NorCalAA <a href="http://norcalaa.org/index.html">http://norcalaa.org/index.html</a>

The Vallejo Fellowship is located at: 942 Tennessee St, Vallejo, CA Vallejo Fellowship Telephone number is 707-557-6318

You can make your contributions to Central Office electronically through:

venmo

Please visit Venmo.com on your computer or the Venmo app on your phone and search for our Treasurer, @Michael-LaPlante-8. You will be able to make a contribution there. *Thank you!* 

## South Solano County Central Office

## All Prices include 8.625% Sales Tax

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B-0	Applyorsary 75 Edition of Alashaliss Aparymous	¢12 F0		
	Anniversary 75 Edition of Alocholics Anonymous	\$13.50		
B1	Alcoholics Anonymous 4th Edition(Hard Cover)	\$11.00		
B30	Alcoholics Anonymous 4th Edition (Soft cover)	\$10.00		
B16	Alcoholics Anonymous 4th Edition (Large Print))	\$12.00		
B35	Alcoholics Anonymous 4th Edition (Abr. Pocket Version)	\$5.75		
B2	12 Steps and 12 Traditions	\$11.00		
B15	12 Steps and 12 Traditions (Soft Cover)	\$9.50		
B14	12 Steps and 12 Traditions (Large Print)	\$10.00		
B17	12 Steps and 12 Traditions (Pocket Soft Cover)	\$7.50		
B12	Daily Reflections	\$12.00		
B19	Daily Reflections (Large Print)	\$13.00		
B7	Living Sober	\$6.50		
B25	Living Sober (Large Print)	\$7.00		
B5	As Bill Sees It (Hard and Pocket Version)	\$10.00		
B27	As Bill Sees It (Large Print)	\$10.50		
В6	Came To Believe	\$6.50		
B26	Came To Believe (Large Print)	\$7.00		
В3	AA Comes of Age	\$12.00		
B8	Dr. Bob and the Good Old Timers	\$12.00		
В9	Pass It On	\$12.00		
B13	AA In Prisons: Inmate to Inmate	\$4.00		
B20	Experience, Strength, and Hope	\$7.00		
GV-06	The Language of the Heart	\$15.75		
GV-11	The Language of the Heart (Soft Cover)	\$14.50		
GV-15	The Home Group- Heart Beat of AA	\$15.00		
GV-17	Emotional Sobriety/ GV- 26 Emotional Sobriety II	\$15.00		
GV-13	Thank You for Sharing /GV- 34 Forming True Partnerships	\$15.00		
GV-31	No Matter What / GV- 29 Happy, Joyous & Free	\$15.00		
BM31	The AA Service Manual and 12 Concepts For World Service	\$5.00		
BM32	12 Concepts For World Service	\$4.75		
BB-06	The Best of Bill (Soft Cover)	\$6.25		
BB-07	The Best of Bill ( Large Print )	\$7.25		
NP-01	Newcomer Packets	\$1.00		
All	Pamphlets and folding Wallet Cards	\$0.25		

ALL SPANISH BOOKS ARE THE SAME PRICE AS THE ENGLISH VERSION

## **Southern Solano Central Office Monthly**

## **Birthday Speaker Meeting**

Speaker:

## Tina O. from El Sobrante



## Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021

## 8 pm at the Clock Tower in Benicia

DIRECTIONS TO THE CLOCK TOWER @ 1189 WASHINGTON STREET, BENICIA: Concord: Take HWY 780 to Fifth Street Exit. Turn left onto Fifth Street at bottom of ramp.

Vallejo: Take HWY 780 to Fifth Street Exit. Turn right onto Fifth Street at bottom of ramp

Proceed to the light and turn left onto Military East. Proceed about half of a mile, bear left at the fork when the street splits. As you near the end of the street, look for an uphill driveway on the left side with a gate that says "Johansen Square/Commandant's Lane". This is the Clock Tower entrance.





## NEW YEAR'S EVE OBLEBRATION



For More Info, Contact Sam at 510.776.1939



## **SAVE THE DATE!!**

The Birthday Speaker
Meeting is going live
Saturday, January 1, 2022
Mid County Senior Center
829 Bay Ave Capitola CA 95010
7-8:15pm

BSM SPEAKER MEETING
COMMITTEE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS
Contact Kathy C for more info
bsmcommittee@gmail.com
Masks and proof of vaccine mandatory
MORE WILL BE REVEALED!!



## Sobriety by the Bay



Friday, January 7th - Sunday, January 9th 2022

## Grace Cathedral; 1100 California St San Francisco, California



## REGISTER: SobrietyByTheBay.org

### \$30 before January 1st/\$35 after January 1st

### Friday 1/7

5:00 pm Set-up

7:00 pm Speaker Greg H. Brentwood , CA (Gresham Hall)

#### Saturday 1/8

8:00 am Too Early Big Book (Gresham Hall)

10:30 am Speaker Samantha B. Santa Barbra, CA (Gresham Hall)

2:00 pm 4th Step Workshop (Gresham Hall)

> 7:00 pm Speaker Chris R. Ingram, TX (Nave)

#### Sunday 1/9

11:00 am Speaker Terri M. Sunnyvale, CA (Gresham Hall)

Our mission statement is in accordance with the Fifth Tradition, which states, "Each group has but one primary purpose – to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers."

Sobriety by the Bay will be compliant with all CDC guidelines, including protocols specific to San Francisco.

\*masks and vaccination cards will be required\*