

AA District 09 Solano South

CENTRAL OFFICE NEWSLETTER



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WE HAVE OPEN CENTRAL OFFICE POSITIONS!

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

“I expect to be ‘on tap’ but never again ‘on top,’ this being precisely the stance that AA hopes all its old-timers will take.”

AA Co-Founder, Bill W., November 1961, “Again at the Crossroads”, The Language of the Heart



CENTRAL OFFICE HAS MOVED!! KINDA...



The Central Office was moved from the front office in the current building to a office in the back in the building – Suite G.

WE GOT A GREAT DEAL FROM OUR WONDERFUL LANDLORD!

Thank you to the team that got this done!!!



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Inspiring Presentations!



Service Experiences!



Fun, Friends & Food!

PRAASA 2022 MARCH 4TH - 6TH

55TH PACIFIC REGION ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS SERVICE ASSEMBLY

PRAASA 2022 is going virtual!

Hosted by Oregon Area 58 of Alcoholics Anonymous



The Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly is a mix of panel presentations, roundtable discussions, open mic sharing, and speakers. Come join over 1000 excited AA members from all over the Pacific Region and be part of this unforgettable event!

To REGISTER GO TO: praasa.org





Step 3

“Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.”

MEETING NOTES:

Just a little reminder:

Closed 11th Step Discussion Meeting

10am @ Alano Club Sunday

10 minute meditation then readings and shares.
Great meeting. Come join Us!!!



Online Meetings Need Support

Several members can't do in-person meetings for health reasons. These meetings need continued support (all use same Meeting ID: 865 7556 2290):



Tuesday Here and Now Book Study 12noon-1pm
Tuesday Mare Island Rotating Format 7:30pm-8:30pm

Wednesday Spring Hill Step Study 8pm-9pm
Friday Night Lights Daily Reflections 8pm-9pm

Oldest meeting in Benicia Needs Support!

St. Paul's Sunday Night Meeting could use support. 8-9pm; 120 East J Street Benicia, CA

Also, all of the other morning meetings of Attitude Adjustment need support too!
– Tues, Wed, Thur, Fri, Sat 7am-8am



If you have a meeting announcement that could be added to the newsletter please send me an email at:

sosoeditor@gmail.com



CNCA 06

California Northern Coastal Area of AA

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

Chair's Preview

At our last Area Committee Meeting in January, we had a light agenda with good discussions.

We had a presentation for an update of the CNCA Expense Reimbursement guidelines presented by our Finance committee, two Housekeeping Motions were presented; one to send a contribution of full cost per member to the General Conference, and the second; a request for travel expense reimbursement for Area 06 Hybrid Ad-Hoc Committee members, both will be presented as new business in February's ACM. We continued to heard groups and personal opinions on the motion regarding virtual and in-person CNCA Area meetings motion. We got to discuss the item of New Business to increase the hourly rate for professional and professional quality area interpreters from \$60 to \$75. for this it is important to discuss with our groups and ask them to express their thoughts at the monthly Area meetings

In other issues we'll keep you all updated on the county and the Petaluma Community center regarding the in-person Area Committee Meeting currently scheduled to resume in March. We are also looking forward for the upcoming Pre-Conference Assembly as District 12 Sonoma keeps working on the preparations.

We are all anxiously awaiting the arrival the Agenda Topics along with the background material. Our delegate distributed the preliminary Agenda Topics to the DCMCs in January. The officers have their plan in place to start work on the Agenda Topics Summaries on February 15 and have them ready and fully translated for distribution in the first week of March.

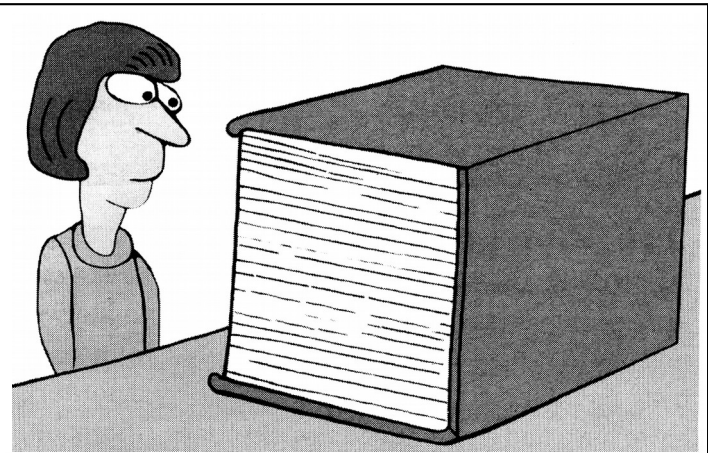
Miguel H, Panel 71 CNCA Chair

Delegate's Corner

I'm writing this at the Marriott Hotel in Brooklyn, NY, where I have had the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to attend the January General Service Board (GSB) weekend as a Conference committee chair. My head is swirling with information and ideas, and my heart is bursting with gratitude and joy. I will share some of what I saw, heard, and felt here, and more when I see you in the days to come... either in person or in the virtual squares. You will also get to hear a detailed report from our Pacific Regional Trustee, Kathi F., at PRAASA. Don't miss that! It will be her last one.

I surprised myself a bit when I spoke up in the General Sharing Session and made myself vulnerable. One of the gifts I have found in A.A. is letting others get to know me. Several people spoke to how there can be a separation of "us" and "them" when we are serving at different levels in the structure. These past two years have been tough. How we communicate is so important. People often ask for more transparency, when I think what they really want is to feel part of the decisions. When we don't feel heard, or don't feel trusted, we might start to question other people's motives or build resentments. I feel that our Area has a long history of trust in the Board and the Conference process. But I think we can do better to foster that trust and unity within our own Area structure. Recognizing that we all have passion and love for our fellowship and concern for the future, what am I not understanding in someone else's experience? What part of self is standing in the way of my usefulness? I intend to keep taking my own inventory in this regard.

Jennifer B., Panel 71 Delegate

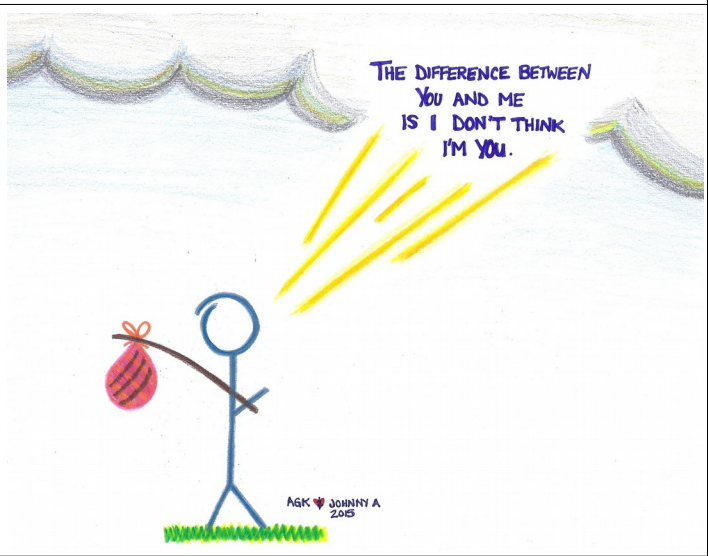
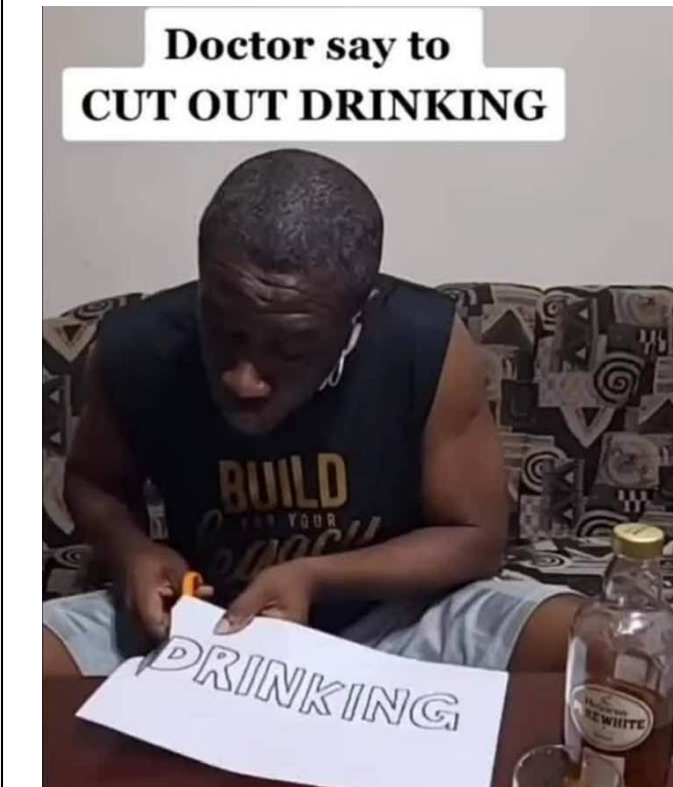


"Finally finished my Fourth Step!"

—BETSY H., West Chester, Pa.



"Yes, of course, Mrs. Baxter, your suggestion to everyone at the office party will be completely confidential."



**SEND YOUR SUBMISSIONS TO
SOSOEDITOR@GMAIL.COM**

VALLEJO FELLOWSHIP'S In-person Speaker Meeting!

First Saturday of the Month
Event starts at 6:45pm

March 5rd – Gabe C.

April 2nd – Joe E.



At: Vallejo Fellowship Hall
942 Tennessee St.
Vallejo, CA

Vallejo Fellowship's ARCHIVE IN-PERSON MEETING



Tuesday March 15th at 6:45pm

942 Tennessee St.
Vallejo, CA

OPEN SERVICE POSITIONS

District General Service:

CURRENT TREASURER IS DONE AFTER THIS MONTH!!! WE REALLY NEED SOMEONE TO STEP UP!!!

District Treasurer - attend the monthly District meeting, process group contributions, and issue checks for operating expenses, any other reimbursements.

District Committee Member (DCM) – DCMs are needed in two of the three sub-districts, 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.

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

District Literature/Grapevine Chair - 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**

The Central Office Corner

Sobriety Birthdays In the month of March



Mark R. 3/15/99 (23 Years!!)

Alan Y. 3/27/14 (8 Years!!)

Dale D. 3/17/2009 (13 Years!!)

Michael H. 3/18/2008 (14 Years!!)

Gary Q. 3/04/2001 (21 Years!!)

Tony G. 3/11/2013 (9 Years!!)

Central Office:

Alternate Chairperson - 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

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

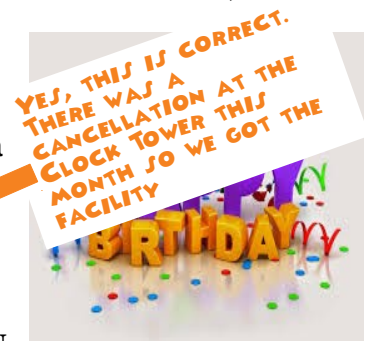
District 09 Solano South MONTHLY BIRTHDAY SPEAKER MEETING!

Wade F. From Santa Fe, NM
March 11th
8:00pm

Host group:
Saturday Night Benicia
Candlelight Meeting

At Benicia Clock
Tower

11189 WASHINGTON
STREET, BENICIA



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



A.A. District 09 March 2022 Southern Solano County

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
27 This isn't the complete list of meetings in District and meetings are changing weekly regarding COVID. Check the website for the latest.	28 Attitude Adjustment Get to the Point Discussion St. Paul's Episc. 1st & J St., Benicia 8:00-9:00 PM Every Monday	1 American Canyon Fellowship 11 Poco Way American Canyon 7-8:00 AM Every Tuesday	2 CENTRAL OFFICE Business Meeting the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm on Zoom Zoom Id: 594 146 1966	3 Benicia Hill Top Discussion 1305 West 2nd St. Benicia Congressional Chr. 8:00-9:00pm No Smoking Every Thursday	4 Vallejo Fellowship 12:00 Noon to 1:00pm 942 Tennessee St, Vallejo Every Friday	5 Vallejo Fellowship Speaker Night starts at 6:45pm In Person 942 Tennessee St, Vallejo First Saturday of the Month	
6 Go to Any Lengths Online 9:30am-10:30am Zoom: 834 3950 6139 Every Sunday	7 American Canyon Fellowship 11 Poco Way American Canyon 7-8:00 PM Every Monday	8 Mare Island Grp Online Rotating Format 730pm—830pm Zoom:865 7556 2290 Every Tuesday	9 Vallejo Fellowship <i>Early Birds</i> 7-8:00am 942 Tennessee St, Vallejo Every Wednesday	10 Benicia First Street Group 6:30-7:30pm Heritage Pres. Ch 1400 E 2nd St, Benicia Every Thursday	11 District 09 Monthly Birthday Speaker Meeting 8:00pm Benicia Clock Tower	12 2 or More Book Study 9-10:00 am Reception Hall 101 Temple Way Vallejo Every Saturday	
13 * denotes "closed" meetings. Only humans with a desire to stop drinking are encouraged to attend	14 DISTRICT 09 GENERAL SERVICE Business Meeting the second Monday of every month at 7pm on Zoom Zoom Id: 895 6759 4853	15 Benicia Straits Speaker Discussion Southern Solano Alano Club 2046 Columbus Pkwy, Benicia 7:30-8:45 Every Tuesday	16 Attitude Adjust St. Paul's Episc. 1st & J St. Benicia 7-8:00 AM Tu-Sat	17 11 th Step Meditation Meeting So. Solano Alano 2046 Columbus Pkwy, Benicia 6:30-7:30pm Every Thursday	18 First Street Group Big Book Study Heritage Presbyterian Church 6:30pm 1400 E 2 nd Street Benicia	19 Serenity on Saturday Speaker/Discussion, Online Zoom 881 3928 1979 10:00-11:00am Every Saturday	
20 Benicia Sunday Night Discussion St. Paul's Episc. 1st & J St., Benicia 8-9:00 PM Every Sunday Bday meeting 4 th Sunday	21 Attitude Adjust Online Zoom: 401 588 9043 PW: Attitude 7-8:00 AM Mon 6:30-7:30 AM Sun	22 Here & Now Big Book Study Online Zoom: 865 7556 2290 Noon-1:00 Every Tuesday	23 Spring Hill Study Group '12 by 12' Online Zoom: 865 7556 2290 8-9 pm Every Wednesday	24 Vallejo Fellowship <i>Early Birds</i> 7:00-8:00AM 942 Tennessee St, Vallejo Every Thursday	25 Friday Night Lights Daily Reflections Online Zoom: 865 7556 2290 8-9 pm Every Friday	26 Came to Believe Overlook Park Light House Church 1175 Church Street, Benicia 7:00-8:00pm Every Saturday	
27 Vallejo Fellowship Early Birds 942 Tennessee St, Vallejo 7:00 AM 7 days/WK	28 Vallejo Women's Group* The First Christian Church 1035 Indiana St. Vallejo, Ca. 94590	29 Benicia First St. Group Heritage Pres. Ch. 1400 E 2 nd St Benicia 6:30-7:30pm Every Tuesday	30 Men' 12by12 Study * Southern Solano Alano Club 2046 Columbus Pkwy, Benicia 7:30-8:30pm Every Wednesday	31 Benicia 1st St Grp Topic discussion Meeting Heritage Pres Ch. 1400 East 2nd St 6:30-7:30pm Every Thursday	1 TGIF Living Sober Book Study Southern Solano Alano Club 2046 Columbus Pkwy, Benicia noon-1:00pm.	2 A Vision for You Online Zoom: 719 577 3029 Noon to 1:00pm Every Saturday	
3 First Street Group 12 and 12 Meeting Heritage Presbyterian Church 1400 East 2nd St Benicia 5-6:00 PM Every Sun	4 Vallejo Fellowship Early Birds 7am 942 Tennessee St. Vallejo	A.A. On the Web... Alcoholics Anonymous Official Site: http://www.aa.org/ District 09 Southern Solano AA http://www.aasolanosouth.org/ NorCalAA http://norcalaa.org/index.html				You can make your contributions to Central Office electronically through:  venmo	

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

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

CODE	Book Description	Price
B-0	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
B6	Came To Believe	\$6.50
B26	Came To Believe (Large Print)	\$7.00
B3	AA Comes of Age	\$12.00
B8	Dr. Bob and the Good Old Timers	\$12.00
B9	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

Updated as of 3/8/21

Southern Solano Central Office Monthly
Birthday Speaker Meeting

Speaker:

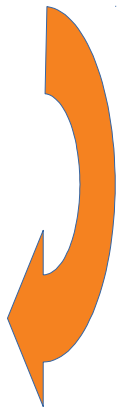
Wade F. *from Santa Fe, NM*



**YES, THIS IS CORRECT.
THERE WAS A CANCELLATION
AT THE CLOCK TOWER THIS
MONTH SO WE GOT THE
FACILITY**

Friday, March 11th, 2022

8 pm at the Clock Tower in Benicia
Host Group: Saturday Night Benicia Candlelight Meeting



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.

FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL



SERVICE ASSEMBLY

CALIFORNIA NORTHERN COASTAL 02 ALASKA 09 MID-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA 69 UTAH 05 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA 92

WASHINGTON STATE EAST 93 CENTRAL CALIFORNIA 03 ARIZONA 53 OREGON 42 NEVADA 17 HAWAII 18 IDAHO

SAVE THE DATE

MARCH 4-6, 2022

WHAT IS PRAASA? It is 3 day program which includes panel presentations on the General Service Conference theme and agenda items, roundtable discussions for members to network with others who share their service position, open mic sharing, questions and Al-Anon participation.

WHAT IS PRAASA'S PURPOSE? The purpose of PRAASA is to develop greater unity among the members, groups, and Areas of the Pacific Region; to encourage the exchange of ideas and experiences; and to provide an opportunity for members to discuss pertinent aspects of AA. The Assembly and the PRAASA committee should always foster the Recovery, Unity and Service legacies of AA.

AN EXPERIENCE YOU MUST NOT MISS! Come join over 1,500 excited AA members from all over the Pacific Region and be part of this unforgettable event. ASL and Spanish translation available.

WHY ATTEND?

- To recharge your enthusiasm for service
- Panel of Past and Present Trustees
- Ask It Basket
- It's in Oregon – first time since 2007

ALL AAs WELCOMED
REGISTRATION IN THE
FALL OF 2021
www.PRAASA.org



2022

DISTRICT 12
PRAASA
ZOOM ROOM

MARCH 4-6

VIRTUAL ROOM OPEN ALL WEEKEND

-DROP IN BETWEEN PANELS

-SHARE EXPERIENCES

-FELLOWSHIP

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Passcode: 1935

**NCCAA
73rd Annual
Spring Conference**

**Northern California Council of
Alcoholics Anonymous**

Oldest AA Conference Since 1947!

San Jose, CA

Holiday Inn San Jose-Silicon Valley

1350 North 1st St San Jose, CA 95112

March 11, 12, 13, 2022

<u>Friday March 11, 2022</u>	<u>Saturday March 12, 2022</u>	<u>Sunday March 13, 2022</u>
2:00 PM Registration Opens 5:00 PM Long Timer's Panel 8:00 PM Open Speaker Meeting	11:00 AM – NCCAA Delegates Meeting – Officer Elections 8:00 PM Open Speaker Meeting	8:00 AM Morning Meditation 10:00 AM Open Speaker Meeting
Dave B. Torrance, CA	David D. Los Gatos, CA	Nicole C. Morgan Hill, CA
Additional program information on back of flyer		

Al-Anon and Spanish Speakers & Participation

Area 06 & 07 Updates – Marathon Meeting

Saturday Night Dance – Free Drawing

Sunday Morning Meditation Meeting

Officer Elections will be held at this Conference

Visit NCCAA website for more information on how to be of Service to NCCAA.

[NCCAA Website](http://www.norcalaa.org)

norcalaa.org

PRE-REGISTRATION CUT OFF DATE IS MARCH 1ST, 2022

CONFERENCE RATE FOR HOTEL CUT OFF DATE IS FEBRUARY 22ND, 2022

PRE-REGISTRATION - \$20.00 (per person) - AT THE CONFERENCE - \$25.00

If you already registered for the canceled 2020 San Jose Conference your Registration will be honored.
Please check NCCAA website to check if your name is on the list.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT --<http://www.norcalaa.org>



Alcoholics Anonymous
Solano North General Service District 90



Agenda Topics Workshop 2022

Saturday March 12, 2022

Help your meeting make an informed group conscience on the Agenda Topics presented at the General Service Conference in New York!

Christian Church of Vacaville
66 Vine Street, Vacaville, CA
95688

Chili Lunch!!!

10:30 Registration
11AM Opening
11:15 First Session
12:15 Lunch
1:30 Session Two
2:30 Presentation
3:00 Close

Chili Lunch!!!

Gain insight about the 2022 Agenda Topics
Apply best practices in the group conscience process
Develop your experience!

General Service Conference Theme: AA Comes of Age 2.0

Concept I: Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. World Services should always reside in the collective group conscience of our whole Fellowship



SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 2022
12:00 noon – 3:30 PM PST

AGENDA TOPICS WORKSHOP
District 04 & 40
Santa Clara County Area 06

12:00 noon	Introductions
12:10 PM	Panel Presentation: The Conference Process Speaker from Area 06 present on the 2022 agenda topics and the assembly process.
1:30 PM	Break
1:50 PM	Panel Presentation: The Group Conscience Speaker from Area 06 present on the 2022 agenda topics and gathering Group Conscience.
2:10 PM	Break-out Mock Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none">✚ Practice sharing sessions-learn how to conduct a sharing session.✚ How to deliver your Group Conscience at the Pre-Conference Assembly
2:45 PM	Wrap-up: Questions & Answers with speakers

Responsibility Statement

I am responsible, when anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there, and for that I am responsible.

ZOOM ID: 323 808 9901 PW: Service

Conference Theme:

AA Comes of Age 2.0: Unified in Love & Service



Alcoholics Anonymous District 7 & 70
Alameda County North & South General Service present:
Agenda Topics Workshop 2022
On March 12, 2022, 10 AM - 2 PM

- *Learn how to help your meeting make an informed group conscience on the Agenda Topics that will be presented at the 72nd General Service Conference in New York.*
- *Meet and share with past Delegates and Trustees.*
- *Learn more about this year's Agenda Topics from experienced GSR's, District & Area Officers.*

Meeting ID: 774 061 7133

Password: CNCA

Agenda

10:00 - 10:10 am	Opening
10:10 - 11:00 am	Nancy H., Past Delegate Panel 49, Past Trustee
11:00 - 11:55 am	Break Out 1
11:55 - 12:05 pm	Bio Break
12:05 - 1:00 pm	Raymundo L., Past Delegate Panel 65
1:00 - 2:00 pm	Break Out 2



2022 Conference Theme: "A.A. Comes of Age 2.0: Unified in Love and Service"

For more information and to RSVP, contact:
Manish G. (617) 388-4659 manishguptah@gmail.com
Roy H. 916-600-9301, roytherman@gmail.com

The Novato Alcathon Committee presents

Save paper,
snap a photo
and share

St. Patrick's Day Alcathon



Thursday March 17th, 2022 3pm to 9pm

All Saints Lutheran Church

2 San Marin Drive, Novato

across the street from San Marin High School

45 minute meetings start at the top o' the hour

3pm, 4pm, 5pm, 7pm, last meeting @ 8pm

Dinner served from 6pm - 7pm

Menu: Corned beef, cabbage, carrots & potatoes

Speaker meeting at 7pm with special guest: *Gusty M.*

past District Chair for Marin General Service, panel 69

Please bring festive treats to share at the earlier meetings

Suggested donation \$15 for dinner

children under 10 free

*You won't be turned away for lack of funds,
simply donate what you can.*



The Novato Alcathons are open meeting events.

Newcomers, families & friends are all encouraged to attend.

For even more luck, please stay awhile and help us clean up

For questions - Please call: Tommas 415-505-6469