

CNIA AREA ACCENTS



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Chair's Report

November 2016

What an incredible Mini-PRAASA hosted by Districts 47 and 49 in Lemoore, CA!

Thank you to our Area Alternate Chair, Jenn D, for putting together a well thought out Agenda. We squeezed in an Election, Spending Plan discussions, Panel Topics, Roundtable talks and much more. Thanks to all those who participated in this year's Mini-PRAASA weekend.

Trustee-at-Large Election Results - California Northern Interior Area 07 elected Past Delegate Lee Wilson as our nomination for Trustee-at-large. We will hear more from Lee as things move forward.

Video Distribution - A motion was introduced at the Assembly by Mike K, our Alternate Delegate, for the purchase of the new DVD "A New Freedom" for distribution throughout the Department of Corrections Facilities in California. The body passed the motion unanimously.

Spending Plan Approved – The 2017 Spending Plan was approved! Thanks to our Area Treasurer Celia and the Finance Committee for all their efforts in putting this together.

Final Conference Reports - More reports have arrived and will be available at the November ACM. Rumor has it that the Final Conference Report Challenge (reading the report cover-to-cover) has been accepted by many who have read this informative report from the General Service Office.

Spanish Interpretation and Written Translation Help Needed- While you may not be able to translate the English language into Spanish, we are hoping that you know someone who does.

2017 PRAASA - Have you registered yet? Available online now at www.praasa.org! Volunteers still needed, this is a great opportunity to get members into service.

At the December Area Planning Meeting we will be planning the locations of the four Area Assemblies in 2018, is your District interested in hosting an Assembly? The Assembly Guidelines and Assembly Bid Forms can be found in our Area Service Material Book or on our web site - www.cnia.org

I look forward to seeing all the Trusted Servants at the November ACM in West Sacramento.

Thank you for this incredible opportunity to serve,

Tom A.

Area Chair

CNIA 07 Panel 66

November Area Committee Meeting (ACM) Agenda

November 19, 2016

<p>10:00 am Call to Order Serenity Prayer 12 Traditions (short form) 12 Concepts (short form) GSR Preamble Introductions – Past Delegates Guests and Visitors Newcomers to this meeting GSR's, visi tors, etc. Announcements – Handouts, DCM boxes.</p>	<p>Assembly Reports Mini-PRAASA – Report back Winter Assembly 2017 PRAASA Pre-Conference Assembly 2017 Consideration of the September 2016 minutes Liaison Reports H&I Central Offices NCCAA Intergroup</p>	<p>YPAA Special Needs 7th Tradition 10:30 DCM Reports 12:00 Lunch 1:00 Appointed Chair Reports 1:30 Officer Reports 2:00 Delegate's Report 3:00 Old / New Business 3:45 What's On Your Mind? 4:00 Close</p>
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CNIA 07 Area Committee Meeting September 17, 2016 West Sacramento, CA

The Area Committee Meeting of California Northern Interior Area (CNIA) was held at the East Yolo Fellowship, West Sacramento, CA from 10am-4pm on September 17, 2016. Area Chair, Tom A., called the meeting to order at 10am followed by the Serenity Prayer. The 12 Traditions were read by Michael, the 12 Concepts were read by Annie D17, the GSR Preamble was read by Suzie D33.

Introductions

Tom A. Introduced Past Delegates: Mary Ann H. P58, Inez Y–Panel 44, Panel 56, Woody Panel 50. New Gsr's - Armando D53, Julie GSR from D36.

Assembly Reports

Mini-PRASSA – Lemoore- Josh D47- Oct14-16 -Tachi Palace Casino Resort. – Ready to go! Blocks are sold out. Need a room call me?

Winter Assembly- Jenn D. - Flyer is out. Paradise Ca. Elks Lodge Italian for dinner. 4 hotels available.

\$76 per night. Lake Oroville Campsite available for campers.

2017 PRAASA – March 3-5, 2017 / Sacramento – Lee W, Chairperson 50th Anniversary- Looking for volunteers.

Pre-Conference- Report from Francisco D56 April 8-9 Next month will have flyers. Need information

Consideration of the Minutes August ACM (Approved)

Liaison Reports

CCF- Picnic was a success. Thank you. We are still in the red

H&I – Northern California Hospital and Institutions takes meetings and literature into facilities where alcoholics are confined and cannot get out to regular meetings. This includes state and federal prisons, jails, hospitals, rehab centers, mental health facilities, juvenile halls, veteran's facilities and other places where alcoholics are confined. An examination of each area's literature purchases over the last year revealed a wide variation in how much literature is being distributed in each district. A comparison was made of each area based the average monthly amount spent on literature and the number of monthly meetings taken into facilities in that area, to arrive at an average cost per meeting. Areas with an unusually low cost per meeting were encouraged to examine if A) an increase in the frequency of meetings was in order, or B) more literature should be going in to existing meetings, or C) both. Areas with an unusually high cost per meeting were encouraged to examine if A) literature was piling up in places other than the facilities, or B) facilities were stockpiling, or C) both. The ongoing effort to recover literature that was ordered but never delivered to its intended destination

continues, and thus far has resulted in \$4500-\$5000 worth of literature that did not have to be reordered. No literature that goes into prisons or jails can have staples. Northern California H&I removes stapled pamphlets and replaces the binding with thread via a sewing machine by one our members. Part of the recovered literature included stapled pamphlets that were not allowed to go into prisons and jails.

Efforts to simplify clearance and meeting procedures at major facilities continue. One goal was to create a clearance card that would allow volunteers to enter all state prisons. CDCR explained in detail that, logistically and financially, this would not be possible. The effort does continue, however, to make procedures at each facility simpler and more uniform. I will keep CNIA updated.

We are in the process of examining previous levels of donations and expenditures to propose a budget for fiscal year 2016-2017. When the budget is passed by the Northern California H&I General Committee, it will be made public either on line or delivered in hard copy. Hopefully I will have more to report on this at the assembly meeting in October. Current Northern California H&I financial information can be accessed at our website, <http://www.handinorcal.org/> or in the H&I Financial Fact Sheet that I will have at the assembly meeting in Lemoore.

Volunteers are always needed, particularly in major facilities, and especially in the more remote locations such as Corcoran, Susanville, Pelican Bay and the fire camps. Those interested should contact their home group

H&I reps or me at vorderstrassej@yahoo.com. Yours in service, Jim V.

CCF- Please support us as much as possible.

Fresno Inter Group- Bill D43- Revising our By-Laws. Making changes, going to vote in November. Take effect next year. Started a BTG Committee.

NCAC – Rick K, Chair – Committee meets on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 10am @ Gibbons No-al Club 5809 Gibbons Ave Carmichael, Ca. Come join us. Website norcalaccess.org and new email address norcalaccess@yahoo.com. My cell number is (916)300-3451 Please visit our website and let your GSR's know of our existence. Traditional group in Sacramento has an ASL meeting first Monday of the month@6pm. Currently working on verifying all meetings listed in our directory that have handicapped accessibility logo on them are indeed handicapped accessible. Will have table at **WACYPAA** this New Years Eve. Committee is growing. December will have election for service positions. Flyers are available. Committee focus is not only on deaf community it is for all fellow Alcoholics with problems getting to, understanding, seeing, hearing or whatever barriers they face to hear the message.

District Reports

D09 Cindy W. DCM-

D11 – Larry W, DCM- Nine (9) GSRs were in attendance at the September 11 meeting. Flyers were disseminated for the Delegate's visit November 13, and the GSR School Workshop on November 20. There was a discussion about subsidizing GSRs (or anyone) for volunteering at the PRAASA. The feel of the room was to not, since it can get abused. The Inventory Committee met before the meeting; they are excited to be doing an inventory.

D15 Eloy M. DCM- monthly meeting was August 22nd with 13 members present, 8 GSR's and 1 Alternate GSR. Reports were given by the district officers followed by the GSR's group reports. This evening in Chico there is a Quarterly Speaker Meeting hosted by North Valley Intergroup. District members have already registered for the Mini-PRAASA and are arranging carpools and room sharing. All event flyers can be found on our web site calendar aabutte-glenn.org.

D17 – Annie R, DCM

District 17 meets on the 3rd Monday of the month. We will meet on the 19th. I plan to talk to the GSRs about the area inventory and PRAASA 2017 volunteering at that meeting in addition to our ongoing business.

D19 – Roy G, DCM – At our monthly meeting on the 10th of Sept. we elected a new Alt. DCM who is Annette H. District 19 had a PI/CPC Booth at the Veterans Stand Down last weekend of Aug. Yuba City 329 is having their 56th anniversary BBQ/potluck Oct 15th at San Brannon Park in Yuba City Workshop planned for the 22nd of October to include safety in rooms, and how to effectively lead a meeting is in works now.

D20 – Kail R, DCM - We continue to work on our district guidelines are making wonderful progress Our PI/CPC has started a monthly A.A. literature study. The first piece of literature to be studied is A.A. comes of age. We have a date for our District Unity Day; it is October 22 at the Grass Valley Elks Lodge. The theme will be "We are not a glum lot." Each person with a district service position is being asked to create a binder that describes the things they did in that position and what they learned about what worked and what if anything was less than successful. These binders are not meant to be how-to manuals rather they are meant to be an informed pass-it-on for the person rotating into the position next panel so that they may have a clear foundation to build on.

D21 – Bob F, DCM our business meeting was August 23rd – 16 GSR's, 6 District officers in attendance. BTG Coordinator Rick M. attended the BTG in Tucson. We continue to explore ways to increase awareness of BTG's role in treatment facilities. We discussed pros and cons of continuing with existing District tele-service program versus adopting Central California Fellowship's tele-service function. We tackled the first suggested action item from our District inventory – "Maintain an issue log documenting GSR, or Group, concerns or special interests." Talk to GSO, Area officers, or past Delegates, or see how other groups have handled the issue. Raise the item for discussion in local workshops. Develop recommended policies and procedures and place in District binder

D22 – Cindy A, DCM- Filled BTG Position. Help fund those groups that have GSR's that cannot afford Mini-PRAASA. Looked at area inventory questions. District is funding me to Pacific Regional Forum. Mtg. held September 14th; 14 in attendance, including 1 new Alt-GSR. Terry P. stepped up to fill long vacant BTG Chair Position. A couple groups report financial troubles but most groups report all is doing well. D22 will continue to aid smaller groups who can't afford to send their GSRs to Lemoore. Reviewed the Area Spending Plan and Area Inventory Questions

D23 – Deanna C, DCM-

D24 – Kendyce M., DCM- D24 met 2nd Wednesday of September; 9 in attendance. We have Q&A discussion monthly with new GSRs and Alt GSRs. BTG liaison is starting to find volunteers/contacts. GSRs voted to purchase BTG videos. We formed a committee to organize a panel discussion this year. I will be at Mini-PRAASA. District has three new women's meetings

D25 – Tim K, DCM –Our district meeting is held on the 2nd Wednesday at Bethany Presbyterian Church at 5625 – 24th and Fruitridge. The district is holding its own financially. Group 3 was broken into in August. The perpetrators destroyed the soda machine and managed to steal about \$60.00 and the sound system. They did a lot of unnecessary property damage. Well they came back this last Monday. This time they got into the safe and destroyed the new soda machine. The group figures they lost about \$20 in the soda machine and \$200 from the safe plus the money from the closed meetings. It is unfortunate that the group is putting in a security system.

D27 – Margie J, DCM - District 27 meets the Tuesday after the 3rd Saturday of every month at the Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church at 7:00pm. We continue to discuss the preliminary budget for 2017. We have a new Alternate GSR – YEAH Jeff Reeds for stepping up!! Jeff has actively participated in District 27's decisions for many years. I look forward to the rest of the panel with Jeff by my side! I attended the Grapevine workshop August 28th and shared my experience, strength, and hope with writing a story for the Grapevine! It was a great turnout and Judy did a great job putting it together.

D29 – Ron DCM- Seven groups were represented at the August District 29 Business

Meeting. Serenity Book & Step Study Group is experiencing an increase in newcomer attendance and is updating their Sponsor Contact List to meet that increase. Traditional Fellowship holds quarterly workshops and on Sept. 24th the topic will be our Singleness of Purpose. Rick K. came and told us about the services that the Northern California Accessibility Committee provides and how we can get involved

D30 – Greg N., DCM- District Business meeting on September 10, 2016 and it was held at the Unity Day in Sutter Hill, CA. There were about 8 trusted servants attending. Everyone else was taking part in the Unity Day set up. Most of our business was tabled until the next business meeting. Our Gold Country Round Up is being planned for this coming October 14 – 16. This is a 3-day event and features speakers from out of our immediate area. We have a cookout BBQ and breakfast is served on Saturday Morning. See our flyer for details!

D33 – Gina M, DCM – Our last district meeting held on Monday September 12th at 6pm at Veterans Hall. 15 in attendance. All reports completed. Passed spending plan and talked about volunteers at PRAASA and passed around sheet. Looking for District Treasure.

D34 – Phillip – Here today to listen

D36 – Joe Alt. DCM- Unity Day tomorrow. Herd had their Bank account hacked lost \$1100.

D37 – Chris, DCM –

D40 – Inez T, DCM –

D41 – Ron H, Alt. DCM - District 41 had its monthly meeting on 9/14/2016. Alt. DCM (Ron Hickok) chaired the meeting. Eight individuals were in attendance. The GSR reports were given and the 9th Concept was read. The remainder of the meeting was spent on the planning of Soberama 2016, which is being hosted by District 41. As mentioned in the last report, we are in hopes this will be an on-going event to raise the awareness of the importance of all groups within the boundary of District 41 to send a GSR to the district meetings each month.

D42 – Darrel D, DCM – Our District meeting is the 2nd Monday of the month at

7:30, 9161 N. Maple. There were 5 present, one was a new GSR. Groups are well attended and finances are good. District treasury is well funded. Intergroup rep was at a meeting presenting the proposed bylaws to the groups. PI/CPC is very active with numerous events and good support from the groups. We had good lively discussion on our District Inventory.

D43 – Hurley T, DCM – District 43 holds its meeting on first Saturday of each month. Last meeting on September 10th had 6 in attendance. Read Concept 9. Groups are doing well. Continue to reach out to unknown groups. Unity Day Oct 22nd. Mike K will present PI/CPC starts at 11pm. Scheduled workshop on Recovery, Sponsorship, and Service Sponsorship. Dinner at 5:15 followed by speaker meeting Ken M. (Past Delegate) at 6:30.

D47 – Josh F, DCM – Had interesting meeting this month. YPAA joined us and looked at the “TOO YOUNG” Pamphlet. How effective is this? Who reads the pamphlets? Video seemed better to convey message.

D49- Kimberly DCM- District 49 meeting was another success! Discussion on GSR school and financial guidelines. Motioned to vote on topics at next district meeting. Opened up district bank account. Voted to change District meeting to 5pm every last Sunday of each month and to alternate between Hanford and Lemoore. This is to get more participation.

D53 – Victor S- Meet ever Friday 7-9pm Visit groups on Thursday. Sept. 18th-FORO -4710 N. Cedar Street, Fresno, 1-3pm Oct.7th

D54 – Herminia DCM- Continues to meet 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month. On September 10th, D54 attended BTG Workshop. On September 15th attended speaker meeting Adolfo Nah, from D16 Area 06: 12 Concepts. Out of 24 groups, 13 do not have GSR's, have visited 7 groups in the month of September. GSR Victor from Amor A La Vida made himself available, which makes a total of 13 GSRs, as we only started out with 4 GSRs. I will be attending the 15 FORO Assembly September 18th in Fresno. Good response from groups on PRAASA volunteer sign up sheet. Will attend the Regional Forum, thank you to the groups in D54. District will be attending

XVI FORO Hispano Area 93 in Santa Maria on October 9th, 2016.

D55 – Damian, DCM-

D56 – Ramon, DCM – 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month we meet. On the 2nd we study the 12 concepts and the 4th we have business meeting. Last meeting we decided to invite Alt. Chair Jenn D. to present a GSR School. Also invited Delegate Vikki to talk about what is happening at the conference. Will invite all groups to district meeting for this. GSR School Oct 18th Delegate Report Nov.12th

Appointed Chair Reports

Accents– Brad E. – Timing is everything. Consideration of translation. Want to get your reports in as soon as possible.

Archives – Jeff P-I attended the national archives workshop that was hosted this year by Area 06 at the Concord Hilton. I learned many things about the position and I learned many things about preserving our archives and the history of Area 07 as well as the history of AA. I was at the archives in July and in August on the first weekend. Mike K joined me there and helped me with many tasks and donated many grapevines to get the collection up to date. Thank you Area 07 for making it possible for me to attend the workshop. It was a great learning experience for me and has shown me what I need to be working on from this point on and that is to start properly preserving the items in our archives so that they are here for the future. I would like to encourage all of the DCMs and GSRs to do an updated group history and an updated district history for the archives. This history is so important to have for the future of our area.

BTG- Ken M Chair- I'd like to thank the Area for letting me be of service and for sending me to Tucson for the BTGWWW. We voted to have the 2018 BTGWW in Denver, CO. I learned a lot more about what we can do to pass the message and more about what I haven't been doing. I have used the BTG website but learned more about how to use it last weekend. I will be looking into printing the blue and white cards and the tri-folds as far as cost. I'll be ordering the new video “A New Freedom” for distribution in the Area. Roy and I will be attending the monthly H&I meetings to give our report and get some feedback from them on what's going on, until such time as we can appt a Liaison position on our committee. Clement C. from the GSO

office was at the BTGWW and gave us a report with some statistics; there are 1,375,000 members listed with GSO, 65,200 groups listed with 41% of them contributing to GSO. GSO is in the process of removing "Special Needs" from the literature and we also watched the new video Thank you Roy for putting that all together. I've been thinking about this for a while and have been wondering why there is no link on our website for BTG. So I have a suggestion to make to the Area to put a BTG link on our website. I've tried finding BTG in our Area on the web and have not had any success as far as the average person might do. One of the good things I heard last weekend was that some Areas have a Google voice and Gmail account with a non-personal phone # that they have had printed on business cards to be handed out thus making it easier to get a hold of BTG in their Area. I would also suggest putting our District BTG workbooks on our website, the Tri-folds from GSO & the Blue and White cards also. I asked Clemente why the tri-folds are not on the GSO website and he said they are under the Treatment Workbook where you can print one copy. Contact Requests Received & Sent out – 11 Contacts Made – 2 Several requests sent out of our Area – 1

Co-Chair BTG -Roy D19 -I had the honor of facilitating a BTG workshop for Area 7 on the 10th of Sept. Presenters included Lela M., Diane R who gave history and process of BTG followed by a mock presentation and the showing of the new video from N.Y. "A New Freedom" Barbara M. from Corrections Dept. shared about proper attire when visiting prisons, which are the target inmates LWOPP (Life W/O Possibility of Parole) and those with target release dates. Lorraine M. and Jim V. from H & I were able to share that the H & I committee is eager to work with us, but informed us of our short falls. I learned of a few things our area has not been doing to facilitate a working relationship with H & I. We have not been participating in their steering committee meetings to keep them informed (in person or electronically). We as an Area have not had any presentations to our knowledge during this panel nor last 1/2 of panel 64. At the workshop we had a total of 22 members present, we updated some information for the roster, which was sent out to those present. As a group a monthly meeting was established to be 2nd Saturday each month at 10 AM on a rotating district basis. A sign up sheet will be available for districts to sign up as hosts. Oct 8th at River City Recovery offices located at 500 22nd St. Sacramento is

first meeting in district 24. November is in works for district 19 on the 12th. Overall feeling was this workshop was a huge success, with a new interest in seeing this committee succeed in moving forward to making the vision a reality once again.

E-Services- Cindy D22- The eServices Committee met Tuesday, September 13th. All Area hardware in use is functional at this time. Still working on an Inventory of all equipment Area owns cnia.org website is up to date. (Let me know, BTG?) As far testing of our new website, it is coming along really well, but it is not quite ready to show off yet. eServices to test in the next week or two, hope to show it off in November and December ACM (Bilingual help needed)// Working on our bid for NAATW 2017 or 2018. Have bid package and will present in November

Finance – Herminia V- met 8:45 this morning. Spending plan 2017, still stands as presented. Review the year to date financials. Income expectations, everything is cool!

Grapevine/La Vina. – Judy- Greetings from the Grapevine! On August 28, all the Sacramento districts and group 3 hosted a Grapevine-writing workshop. It was a huge success! On September 2nd, Grapevine put out a new book called "Our Twelve Traditions." I will have copies for sale at Mini-PRAASA. I attended the Hand and Hand women's conference on September 10th. On September 24th, I will be attending District 19 at their Unity Day Picnic. The October issue of the Grapevine features stories from Atheist and Agnostic members. The September and October issue of the La Vina feature stories on ego deflation. Please invite me to your events. I would love to come!

Literature –

Verbal Translation –

Written Translation –Jose Please kindly excuse me for missing I had been sick for several days, Thank you Alondra P. and Luis C. For your help translating the Acentos his Month. I appreciate everyone sending me their Articles and other Materials on Time So I can translate in Time. Please send me the Accents, Articles and other Materials I am ABLE to translate documents!

Officer Reports

Registrar – Betsy L.– Please turn in your change forms. DCM's Please take a look at your district lists and make sure all is correct

Secretary – Matthew L.- Please send your reports in as soon as possible so I can enter them into the ACM Minutes.

Treasurer- Celia- As you can see on the finance report, we have \$11, 266 dollars in the bank, on top of our prudent reserve. We are currently ahead \$2,571. Contributions: Thank you to all the groups and districts who sent 7th Tradition contributions to CNIA this month. It is really a privilege to hold each contribution in my hand. Contributions really vary, depending on the group's circumstances—from over \$800 to \$2.10. We really appreciate all contributions—every single one of them is significant. What's important is the act of participating in our 12th Step, not the amount contributed. That group that sent in \$2.10 could have bought cookies for their meeting. Instead, they chose to send us the money they had in order to be a part of our 12th Step activities, to make possible Bridging the Gap, PI/CPC, and Vikki's conference reports. I honor them for that choice. Some groups may not be able to contribute at present. That is also okay— each group does what they can, with their first priority being to keep their meeting open for the alcoholic who walks in the door. We perform our services on behalf of all groups in CNIA, and we are available to all of them. But just bear in mind, no contribution is too small. They are all meaningful. Looking forward to our discussion of the spending plan a little later. Please go over the spending plan with your GSRs. We will be discussing and possibly approving it at the Mini-PRAASA and it's important that we give the GSRs the background to make an informed decision. Please have them email or call me with any questions.

Alternate Chair- Jenn D. - Mini-PRAASA inventory questions are in this months Accents. Please share them with your groups so we can discuss at the assembly. Patty M. from Alaska will be sharing with us as well. Facilitating the inventory. If you have not presented at an assembly, let me know I'd like to get you up to present.

Old Business

Chair –Tom A- We will be accepting resumes for the Literature Chair position, resume forms are available at our web site www.cnia.org. Resumes will be accepted until October 10th, we hope to fill this position before the Mini-PRAASA Assembly in Lemoore, CA (D-47) in October. There are plenty of reports in English, Spanish, and French for all the DCM's and GSR's with plenty of extras for those other members interested. September 12th we had an Officer's Conference Call with full participation. Looking ahead, I will be speaking on the importance of a home group, as it relates to General Service in District 53 on October 2nd. I look forward to attending the NCCAA Conference in Modesto on October 7, 8 & 9th and hope to participate in a Panel topic on General Service. While in Modesto, it is my intention to get over to the H&I Regional Conference on that same Sunday, just a few blocks away.

Alternate Delegate –Mike K. –attend for the 15th FORO. Have a poster. December 4th Starts early for breakfast and will also have lunch. If you would like to support this FORO. Please see any of the Spanish Speaking Districts. Attended the Area Grapevine and BTG Workshops. Fantastic! If you did not make it please contact Roy or Judy and they can come to your district. Reported about getting new video to the corrections department. When they approve it will distribute more.

Delegate's Report–Vikki R. – Why are we here? I love to do this work. Others think different. The Message will be here for those to come. These doors will be open. Going to look at Final Conference Reports. Very busy last month. This month: Sept 24th. Going to D19 Unity Day. NCCAA still needs a reader. Area officers are available to attend any of your District Meetings or events. Video "A New Freedom" available for \$10 at aa.org Need Correction Correspondence writers. Please contact GSO. Regional Forum, I'm going to go. Thank you! Sept.30-Oct.2nd, Kona HI. Open Staff Position at GSO on website. Details include represents Alcoholics Anonymous, communication skills, tech skills. 6 years experience, applications on website. PRAASA advisory board. I'm the chair. More to be revealed. Conference reports: read it! Cover to cover come let me know and will get a prize. Look over Final Conference Report.

A. Chris D37- wants to round up on the 2/3rds vote at the election, Area 07 rounds down. Any fraction is rounded down

The motion: When calculating the number of votes required to elect an officer; the number of votes cast will be doubled and then divided by three, any remainder will add one to the required number of votes to carry the election. Greg DCM D30, 2nds motion

Vote: 7 in favor 21 opposed

B. 2017 Proposed Spending Plan Spending plan based on figures from past 2 years.

See Flow Chart

Will be voted on at assembly. Any questions please call or email Celia.

New Business

Archives Workshop Jeff attended. Thank you for financing me. Big learning experience for me. If want to continue this archives, we as CNIA07 need to change how we are doing things. Have learned the proper way to do things. As an Area, the discussion needs to be started on how to do this. We need to decide what we want to do? Group history forms Start here. Thank you Area 07!

What is on your mind? Talking about the Archives Workshop & BTGWWW.

Motion and second to adjourn 2:50@ pm

Respectfully submitted,
Yours in Love and Service,
Matthew L., CNIA 07 Secretary

Service

My Service journey began at the October 2008 business meeting at the Rocklin Racetrack Group, which was one of the meetings I attended regularly. I had been the coffee maker, greeter, and secretary. The GSR position had been open for some time and I decided if no one else wanted this position, I would make myself available at the next business meeting. It was unanimous. The position was mine. The next thing I was told was that I had to attend the District 21 Business Meeting on the 4th Tuesday of the Month, 6pm at the Auburn Fellowship. I remember thinking “all the way up there”!

What had I done! For the first couple of meetings I just sat in the back of the room and kept quiet and listened. I did not want to get involved except to fulfill my GSR requirement. I would announce what meeting I was from and say our group was fine then sit back down and leave as soon as the meeting was over. This went on for several months, then in April of the next year when our district was hosting the Post Conference Assembly at the Roseville Fairgrounds. Each meeting in the district had to volunteer their group for a service position for the event. The Racetrack Meeting cooked the Saturday dinner. After dinner, I walked out into the main assembly room for the first time and saw all of these people listening to the main speaker share. This was a big turning point for me being here with this group of people I did not even know, and did not understand what was going on yet, but yet I felt so much a part of.

The next few D21 business meetings I attended were much more interesting. The other GSR's and district officers shared about the different activities happening in the area at the time. I began to see that my district was very active and had lots going on. The D21 Unity day was the next big event and I participated fully. This was awesome! This event was another moment for me to be serving my local meeting community.

I had been attending District meetings for over a year and it was time for our District elections for Panel 60. I made myself available for the DCM position and after four ballots; there was no clear winner. I had no understanding of the Third Legacy Procedure, and the names went to the hat. I was very confused. The name that came out was Tony, not mine. However, I was elected as the Alternate DCM for D21. This was the best thing that ever happened to me this far in service. The DCM and his wife just had a new baby and he could not attend the ACM's or Area Assembly's. Then there was PRAASA. I was informed by the DCM, he could not attend and that I needed to book my flight as soon as possible.

Attending my first PRAASA in Anchorage, Alaska was an experience that I will never forget. As I walked through the door at the venue, I was greeted by an old high school drinking and party friend whose Sponsor forced him to be there. He had been sober for 11 months. Sharing with him my experience in General Service at the time really brought home to me why I was there.

My Higher Power had a plan for me some 8 years before when I had “turned my will and life over to His care”. By participating in my sobriety by showing up to meetings, working with my sponsor, and helping others my God granted me this gift. The gift that keeps on giving back to me today as long as I keep showing up.

Respectfully submitted,
Yours in Love and Service,
Matthew L., CNIA 07 Secretary

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

PRAASA 2017 in Sacramento

March 3-5, 2017 Contact Steve or Becky(208) 891-1446

CNIA Income and Expense - Year-to-date 2016
January 1 through Oct 31, 2016

	Jan 1 - Oct 31, 16	Spending Plan	% of budget
Income			
4010 · Group Contributions	37,870.17	43,000.00	88.07%
Total 4020 · Seventh Tradition	1,854.23	2,000.00	92.71%
Total 4050 · Contribution - Other	944.91	100.00	944.91%
Total 4 · Contributed support	40,669.31	45,100.00	90.18%
5110 · Literature Sales	659.92	2,000.00	33.00%
5140 · Grapevine Sales	3,210.50	3,000.00	107.02%
5160 · Assembly Net Income/Loss	5,031.93	2,000.00	251.60%
5310 · Interest-savings/short-term inv	0.76	1.00	76.00%
Total 5 · Earned revenues	8,903.11	7,001.00	127.17%
Unapplied Cash Payment Revenue			
Total Income	49,572.42	52,101.00	95.15%
Expense			
Total 66900-Reconciliation Discrepancies	-2.10		
Total 7620 · Delegate	5,910.46	6,330.45	93.37%
Total 7640 · Alt. Delegate	2,763.54	2,611.02	105.84%
Total 7660 · Chair	2,577.87	2,273.83	113.37%
Total 7680 · Alt. Chair	3,205.67	2,870.38	111.68%
Total 7700 · Secretary	1,333.95	1,422.92	93.75%
Total 7720 · Treasurer	2,606.76	2,843.71	91.67%
Total 7740 · Registrar	1,517.44	1,704.31	89.04%
Total 7600 · Officers Expenses	19,915.69	20,056.62	99.30%
Total 7820 · Literature Chair	1,102.96	1,736.74	63.51%
Total 7840 · Grapevine Chair	1,936.98	1,472.40	131.55%
Total 7860 · Bridging The Gap	3,289.33	2,389.86	137.64%
Total 7880 · Accents Chair	1,520.08	1,345.31	112.99%
Total 7900 · Archives Chair	2,587.58	2,388.00	108.36%
Total 7940 · Oral Translation Chair	2,079.45	1,522.13	136.61%
Total 7940.1 · Written Translation Chair	128.24	1,522.13	8.43%
Total 7960 · Other Appointed, Ad Hoc Commit	2,195.01	500.00	439.00%
Total 7800 · Appointed Chair Expenses	14,839.63	12,876.57	115.25%
Total 8700 Area Workshops	761.20	unbudgeted	
Total 8100 · Accents, Grapevine, Literature	9,177.78	12,600.00	72.84%
Total 8200 · Meeting Room Expenses	4,938.00	4,200.00	117.57%
Total 8500 · Misc expenses	4,200.33	6,140.00	68.41%
Total 8600 · Taxes & Fees	463.00	550.00	84.18%
Total Expense	54,293.53	56,423.19	96.23%
Net Income	-4,721.11	-4,322.19	109.23%

Checking Account Balance	\$7,140.86	
Prudent Reserve Account Balance	\$9,233.57	***Fully Funded
Total Account Balance	\$16,374.43	

**CALIFORNIA NORTHERN INTERIOR AREA 07 - WINTER ASSEMBLY
JANUARY 21 – 22, 2017**

Hosted by District 15 at

The Paradise Elks Lodge, 1100 Elk Lane, Paradise, CA 95969

For more information, please contact:

District 15 Assembly Chairperson - assembly@aabutte-glenn.org
or District 15 Registration Chairperson - registration@aabutte-glenn.org

Directions to the Paradise Elk Lodge -

From the South - Take CA-70 North toward CA-191, turn left onto CA-191 (Clark Road). Elk Lane is approximately 15 more miles on your left.

From the North – Take CA-99 South toward Chico. Take exit 383 onto Skyway/Park Ave. Turn left at the light as you exit the highway. In twelve miles, turn right onto Elliot Rd. In 0.9 miles, turn left onto Clark Rd. In 0.7 miles, turn left onto Elk Lane.

Pre-Registration Form – Please PRINT legibly –

Please make checks payable to: District 15

Name _____ District # _____

Address _____

Telephone # _____ Email _____

Service Position: GSR ____ Alt GSR ____ AA Member ____ Other ____

Area Officer _____ Panel # _____

Name on Badge _____

Registration \$11.00 _____ Unlimited Coffee \$3.00 _____

Saturday Night Dinner \$18.00 _____

(Please circle your selection for dinner)

Pasta Primavera w/chicken or Pasta Primavera (vegetarian)

Please mail your Pre-Registration Form with payment enclosed to:

District 15

CNIA 07 Winter Assembly

P.O. Box 6531, Chico, CA 95927

Paradise Inn

5423 Skyway

Paradise, CA 95969

(530) 877-2127

www.paradiseinnmotel.com

One Queen Bed - \$68

Two Queen Beds - \$75

Paradise Lodge

(formerly the Comfort Inn)

5475 Clark Rd.

Paradise, CA 96969

(530) 876-0191

One King Bed – \$76.00

Two Queen Beds - \$76.00

Ponderosa Gardens

7010 Skyway

Paradise, CA 95969

(530) 872-9094

www.ponderosagardensmotel.com

Queen Bed - \$109

Two Queen Beds – \$129

Lantern Inn -

5799 Wildwood Lane

Paradise, CA 95969

(530) 877-5553

www.thelanterninn.com

One Queen bed (one person) - \$72

One Queen bed (two people) - \$84

Two Queen beds - \$91

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G.S.R. Preamble

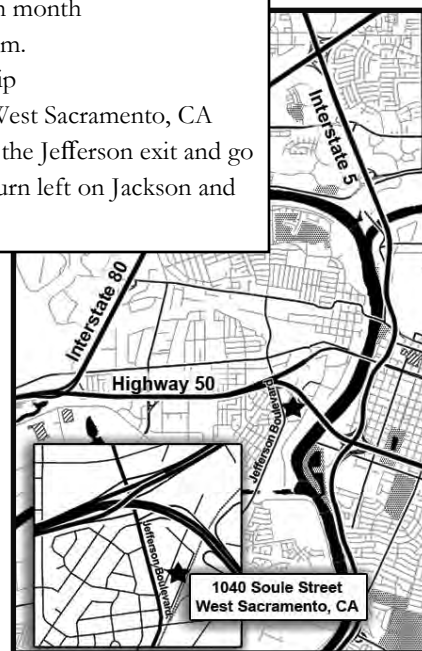
We are the General Service Representatives. We are the link in the chain of communication for our groups with the General Service Conference and the world of A.A.

We realize that the ultimate authority in A.A. is a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. As trusted servants, our job is to bring information to our groups in order that the group can reach an informed group conscience. Passing along this group conscience we are helping to maintain the unity and strength so vital to our fellowship.

Let us, therefore, have the patience and tolerance to listen while others share, the courage to speak up when we have something to share, and the wisdom to do what is right for our groups and A.A. as a whole.

Area General Service Meetings

3rd Saturday of each month
from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
East Yolo Fellowship
1040 Soule Street, West Sacramento, CA
From 80/50 - Take the Jefferson exit and go south to Jackson. Turn left on Jackson and right on Soule.



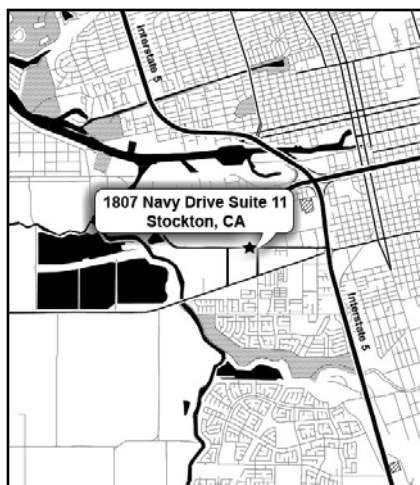
CNIA Archives Center

1807 Navy Drive (at Fresno Ave) Suite #11 Stockton, CA 95555
(ROGERS Construction, Inc Near Port of Stockton)
Second Floor Rear

From Fresno (and other points south): North on 99, West on 120, North on I-5, Exit at W Charter Way - turn left at bottom of ramp. Keep to right and after about 100 ft make a right on to Navy Drive.

From Sacramento (and other points north): South on I-5, Exit at Fresno Ave - turn right at bottom of ramp. Keep to right and after about 100 ft make a right on to Navy Drive.

From both directions Continue on Navy Dr until just past Fresno Av. The Archives is located in the building on the NW corner of the intersection of Navy and Fresno. The entrance is at the far end of the building, up the stairs.



CNIA Archives will be open the 1st Saturday

Noon to 5 pm

California Northern Interior Area
 Calendar 2016-2017

2016 (District)

Jan 16-17	Winter Assembly (D11)	Redding
Feb 20	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Mar 4-6	PRAASA	Spokane, WA
Mar 18-20	NCCAA	San Ramon
Mar 19	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Apr 9-10	Pre-Conference Assembly (D40)	Madera
April 17-23	General Service Conference	New York, NY
May 21-22	Post Conference Assembly (D9)	Mt. Shasta
Jun 10-12	NCCAA	Santa Rosa
Jun 18	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
July 16	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Aug 20	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Sep 17	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Sep 29-Oct 2	Regional Forum	Waikoloa, HI
Oct 7-9	NCCAA	Modesto
Oct 14-16	Mini-PRAASA Assembly (D47)	Lemoore
Nov 19	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Dec 17	Area Planning Meeting	W. Sacramento

2017 (District)
 PROPOSED

Jan 21-22	Winter Assembly (D15)	Paradise
Feb 18	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Mar 3-5	PRAASA	Sacramento
Mar 10-12	NCCAA	Foster City
Mar 18	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Apr 8-9	Pre-Conference Assembly (D56)	Modesto
April 23-29	General Service Conference	Rye, NY
May 20-21	Post Conference Assembly (D19)	Yuba City
Jun 9-11	NCCAA	Sacramento
Jun 17	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
July 15	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Aug 19	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Sep 16	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Oct 13-15	NCCAA	Lodi
Oct 21	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Nov 17-19	Election Assembly (D24/25)	Sacramento
Dec 17	Area Planning Meeting	W. Sacramento

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