

CNIA AREA ACCENTS



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GSR 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.

A reminder for 7th Tradition contributions to CNIA:

Don't forget to include your group's name, GSO ID and to sign the check!

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AREA CHAIR'S REPORT

April 2015

At the Winter Assembly we voted on our only motion so there is no Old Business to discuss. At the Pre Conference Assembly in Selma, time for New Business items will be limited so all General Service Representatives (GSR's) can share with Kelley From the microphone.

Thank you to all the GSR's who will participate in our Pre Conference Assembly. I am sure Kelley will have on his listening ears to become a well informed Delegate with the consciences' of all the groups.

Yours in Love and Service,
Mike K.
Area Chairperson
CNIA 07, Panel 64

April 2015

Pre-Conference Assembly Agenda

Saturday, April 11th

9:00 a.m. - Registration Opens

12:00 p.m. - Call to Order

- GSR Preamble
- 12 Concepts
- 12 Traditions
- Announcements and Introductions
- Housekeeping Address Jeff - Pre-Conference Chair
- Roll call

12:15 p.m. - Weekend Overview

Past Delegate Marianne H. - *Pre-Conference Assembly - Why are we here?*

7th Tradition

12:30 p.m. - Begin "Sharing with the Delegate" on Agenda Items

2:30 p.m. - Break

2:45 p.m. - Continue "Sharing with the Delegate" on Agenda Items

4:30 p.m. - Break

4:45 p.m. - Continue "Sharing with the Delegate" on Agenda Items

6:00 p.m. - Dinner

7:00 p.m. - Continue "Sharing with the Delegate" on Agenda Items

8:15 p.m. Ice Cream Social

8:30 p.m. - Continue "Sharing with the Delegate" on Agenda Items

10:30 p.m. - Close

Sunday, April 12th

9:00 a.m. Assembly Reconvenes

- Assembly Reports
- Final report on 2015 Pre-Conference assembly D43
- Report on 2015 Post Conference Assembly D23,24,25,27,29
- Report on 2015 Election Assembly D53

9:30 a.m. - Reports

- Approval of Winter Assembly Minutes
- Liaison Reports
- DCM Reports
- Appointed Chair Reports
- Officer Reports
- Delegate Report

11:15 a.m. - Old Business/New Business

11:30 a.m. - Ask-it Basket

11:45 a.m. - What's on your mind?

12:00 p.m. - Close

Minutes (Unapproved)

CNIA 07 Winter Assembly

January 17-18, 2015

Mother Lode Fairgrounds, Sonora, CA

The 2015 Winter Assembly of California Northern Interior Area (CNIA) was held at the Mother Lode Fairgrounds, Sonora, CA from 12:01pm-9pm on January 17, 2015 and 9am-12pm on January 18, 2015. Area Chair, Mike K, called the meeting to order followed by the Serenity Prayer. The 12 Traditions were read by John, D42 GSR, the 12 Concepts were read by Milton, D15, and the GSR Preamble was read by Alondra, D56 GSR.

Introductions

First-time assembly attendees introduced themselves.

Mike introduced Past Delegates: Woody R – Panel 50, Paul C – Panel 54, Marianne H – Panel 56, Lee W – Panel 58, Lela M – Panel 62
Weekend Overview – “What Are We Doing Here?” – Lee W

Roll Call

D09-D23, D25-D43, D53-D54 and D56 checked in.

Assembly Reports

Pre-Conference Assembly – April 11-12, 2015 – Hurley T, D43 – It's at Selma High School. We met on January 4. Prices: \$11 dinner, \$11 registration and \$3 bottomless coffee. Dinner is pork or vegetarian. Contact Billy W for back-to-basics housing. Email is preconf@fresnoaa.org. Flyers are available.

Post-Conference Assembly – May 16-17, 2015 – Judy B, D29 – Flyers are available. We have an awesome menu.

Election Assembly – November 20-22, 2015 – Nancy M, Alt-Chair – Venue is Fresno Gem and Mineral Building. Flyers will be at Pre-Conference.

Consideration of the Minutes

Approved.

Delegate's Report – Kelley M

The 65th General Service Conference (GSC) is this year. The annual meeting will be April 19-25. Our theme is Celebrating 80 Years of Recovery, Unity and Service – The Foundation for Our Future.

I'm serving as Chair of the Trustees Committee. We're reviewing the résumés of candidates for Trustees: Northeast Regional, Southwest Regional and at-Large/Canada. We'll review slates for the General Service Board (GSB), AA World Services (AAWS) directors, and AA Grapevine (AAGV) directors. The GSB will meet January 31-February 2, and I'll attend. I'll participate without voting in

the Trustees' Nominating Committee. On January 30, I'll attend committee chair orientation at the General Service Office (GSO).

I'll receive the Final Conference Agenda Items with background on February 13. It will be available to District Committee Members (DCM) at February's Area Committee Meeting (ACM). We're planning Pre-Conference workshops so General Service Representatives (GSRs) can present items to groups. All workshops will be online soon. The Pre-Conference Assembly is for you to give your group's conscience on your chosen agenda items.

The Pacific Region A.A. Service Assembly (PRAASA) is March 6-8. Flyers are available.

Register online at praasa.org

GSO. At the October GSB Weekend, Phyllis H, GSO General Manager (GM), announced she'll retire in October 2015. The GSB hopes to hire a new GM prior to departure. Qualifications are in Spring Box 459. The Search Committee suggests looking at current and past Trustees and Delegates and others with service experience.

Four Regional Forums are held every year (one in alternate years in each Region). The Regional Trustee, Area Delegates and GSO jointly decide the details. The host committee is responsible for contacting the hotel. The GSO Forums Coordinator distributes registration forms to groups and service workers in the Region and coordinates Forum details. The GSB covers meeting room expense. This year at the General Service Conference we'll vote for the 2018 Pacific Regional Forum host.

GSB approved Local Forums in 1996. The purpose is to bring information to those in remote, sparsely populated areas, urban neighborhoods, or underserved communities. Any AA community or service entity may request a Local Forum. The Local Forum committee assumes the costs. The GSB will send a Board member and a GSO or GV office worker and display literature at Board expense. The trustees' International Conventions/Regional Forums Committee must approve. The Regional Forums Coordinator works closely with the Local Forum Organizing Committee on the agenda. No formal actions result. Forum sharing is in Forum Final Reports. Forums provide opportunities to share and exchange valuable experience, ask questions and spark new ideas. The last Local Forum was held July 2012 in San Francisco (Area 06). Requests must be received by April 1.

The International Convention will be July 2-5 in Atlanta GA. It's not sold out. Atlanta and outlying areas have plenty of housing. Dorms with lower room rates have been added. Information is at aa.org

A 2015 Grapevine Subscription Challenge for states and provinces of U.S. and Canada is beginning. The greatest percentage increase wins. Percentage of contributing groups in CNIA as of October 31, 2014 went up. Through October

2015 was 41.3% and through October 2014 was 42.58%. Thank you for encouraging your groups to make splits. I've given a letter to CNIA's Finance Committee regarding our contribution to funding GSC expense.

I'm looking forward with great anticipation to my participation in the General Service Conference. Thank you for allowing me to share with you today!

Old Business

Written Translation Appointed Chair

D15 DCM Brooke D's motion at Panel 64

Mini-PRAASA: I make a motion that we accept the Written Translation Appointed Chairperson Job Description on page 10 of the October 2014 Accents/Acentos as the job description for a Written Translation Appointed Chairperson.

// (Brooke reads the job description from the October Accents.) A volunteer is doing work equal to an Appointed Chair. We should support. If we don't, eventually the work won't happen.

// Q: What about financial impacts other than Assemblies? A: The cost would be comparable to other Appointed Chairs. The Finance Committee estimated \$1,700 per year. // Other people are providing services at the Assembly. For this, what service is being rendered at the Assembly? // I'm an Appointed Chair and don't have a function at Assemblies. I've been asked to participate in Area. I do much work at home. The Translation Committee has done much work.

// Could we have an Alternate Chairperson instead? // Appointed Chairs also come to Assemblies to report activities to entire Area. Translation Committee is led by its Chairperson. The Chairperson could chair written and verbal translators and make reports for the entire committee. // I've met two new translators at assemblies. We have seven translators. We translate Accents and other documents. Information is sent to committee members. I get it back and edit it. As we grow, the job could be too much for one. // The four Spanish-speaking Districts have talked with no conclusion. We don't want to rush into a mistake. // Perhaps the most important reason for this is the alcoholic we haven't met. What about the Spanish-speaking person that doesn't feel able to be in General Service? // Concepts for World Service page 19, "... It is our shining ideal that the 'spiritual corporation' of AA should never include any members who are regarded as 'second class'..." // I think money shouldn't be the deciding factor. This is an investment in our leaders. // Not many English speakers came to a statewide Spanish-speaking conference. Translation is tiring. Written is difficult. Better is enemy of best but remember it's progress, not perfection, and we can do better. // Responsibility Declaration.

Not funding this is saying the hand of AA will be there when we find someone with time to do it. Everything we do in General Service is to help 12th Step work. // I think it's the Spanish-speaking

Celebrating 80 Years of Recovery, Unity and Service – The Foundation for Our Future

I am grateful to have attended the Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (PRAASA) in Layton, Utah. I returned from PRAASA less than two weeks ago and much of the discussion, centered around the 65th General Service Conference (GSC) Theme of “Celebrating 80 Years of Recovery, Unity and Service – The Foundation of Our Future”, is still fresh in my mind.

I heard how the Three Legacies stand as familiar and durable guideposts to the Fellowship’s future and point the way from hopelessness to hope, from chaos to coherence. In AA Comes of Age (p. 49) it states, “The chief inheritances of the first twenty years of Alcoholics Anonymous are the Legacies of Recovery, Unity, and of Service. By the first we recover from alcoholism: by the second we stay together in unity: and by the third our society functions and serves its purpose of carrying the AA message to all those who need it and want it.”

On another note, while at PRAASA, I heard Past Trustees share the Pacific Region Delegates are reputed to be some of the most well informed participants at the GSC. Yet other Area Chairs I talked with were surprised that we conduct Pre Conference Workshops and our delegate listens to every General Service Representative (GSR) group conscience at our Pre Conference Assembly. I thank all those who took the time to attend the Pre Conference Workshops and everyone for helping to send a well informed delegate this year.

I am grateful to be sober today and reminded how the strength of AA’s future depends on our ability today to carry the message not just of recovery, but also of unity and service. It is an honor and privilege to be of service in AA, to help carry the message in AA, and to ensure the AA doors are open for those yet to come as they were kept open for me.

Yours in Love and Service,

Mike K.

Area Chairperson

CNIA 07, Panel 64

community’s job. // I’ve always assumed verbal was the primary translation focus. Celia is chairing a committee that could include verbal. I support one translation committee. This is about organization, not money. // The language difference at a Spanish-speaking workshop wasn’t a barrier. I suspect there are political opinions. Not funding travel is theft. Let’s open our hearts. // The Spanish-speaking Districts have been working hard to get someone to do this. We’re trying to work together. Our participation will improve if we’re well-informed. // If there is a need, money will arrive. We shouldn’t not decide because we don’t know the outcome. // I want us to be all-inclusive.

Bill L, Harvest Group GSR, moves to call the question. It’s seconded and passes. // There is substantial unanimity in favor of the main motion. Minority opinion: We need to be self-supporting. If we can support it, let’s do it. If we can’t, let’s not. // I support translating but my concern is organizational. One problem is top-down versus bottom-up organizations. We can create committees that are directly responsible to those they serve. // We funded Written Translation but not Young People. That’s also a worthy group. Bill L, Harvest Group GSR, moves to reconsider. It’s seconded and fails. Main motion passes.

New Business

E-books. We’ve used page numbers to reference

Alcoholics Anonymous. Currently, Alcoholics Anonymous on Kindle uses Locations, not page numbers. Kindle has books with page numbers. D43 requests pulling Alcoholics Anonymous from the Kindle or using page numbers on it. Response: GSO is fixing this.

“BTG” (Bridging the Gap) is not in the list of acronyms in the Service Manual. I would like to make a motion to discuss this to put it in the Service Manual. Chair Mike K: please submit this in writing.

Liaison Reports

H&I – Will R, Liaison – At our last Steering Committee Meeting, we discussed changes to the Pink Pamphlet and recommended to move it to the General Committee Meeting in Santa Rosa. We discussed a newly implemented statewide system for clearances. We’re improving Grapevine and La Viña subscriptions.

Central Valley Intergroup – Michael J – We started a Christmas Alcañon. We could use more support and have empty positions.

Fresno Intergroup – Bill L – Central Office is moving to 755 Gateway Dr. Phone number remains same.

MCVYPAA – Michael J – We’re an ACYPAA bid committee. We work with SANJYPAA. We’ll submit a report to discuss the YPAA Chair again. Our events are on cviaa.org.

SACYPAA – Franchesca A, GSR – We have business meetings every second Sunday and events every fourth Saturday. Many positions are available in upcoming elections on January 25, 1pm-5pm at St. Mark’s Church. SACYPAA bid for WACYPAA. It went to Portland. CA Northern Special Needs – Rick K, Chairperson – we have a flyer. We’re a new Special Needs committee. We’ve provided an ASL DVD to DCMs. We’re looking for help. Our website is cnsn.info.

Appointed Chair Reports

Accents – Jenn D – We’ve been completing it on time. We have a new email server. In future months, emailed Accents should come earlier. They’re usually postal mailed on time. The Accents are coming earlier in February. Thank you for submitting materials quickly. I’m grateful to the Written Translation Committee.

Archives – Steve H – Thank you to E-Services for getting all new software downloaded onto the laptop so I can now scan, print, copy and photograph at Archives (corner of Navy and Fresno in Stockton). I will contact the landlord about using wi-fi only through the offices. I envision the day when anyone can access anything digitally at Area 07 Archives! Peter M, CNCA and NCCAA Archivist, scheduled a visit to the Archives on January 25th to compare notes. Please email me at archives@cnia.org to schedule me for

events. If you don't hear from me promptly, call my number in the non-anonymous Accents. BTG – Ken M – Thanks to all that helped and Area for letting me be of service. I did not attend the D25 BTG workshop due to surgery recovery. I received and sent 16 contact requests. I received 5-6 more today. I received notice of a deaf person going to Sacramento.

E-Services – Brooke D – Email addresses exist for CNIA DCMs. The format is dcmDistrict###@cna.org. You can ask me for assistance. I'm planning a February Stockton trip to help Steve with the new equipment. We were asked to research teleconferencing the ACM. I'd like to experiment with a Skype audio call, taking our mixing board, a couple microphones and a PA speaker home to experiment with a computer dedicated to teleconferencing. I'm hoping to test it during February's ACM. The flyers for 2015 Pre-Conference and Post-Conference Assemblies will be posted in English and Spanish.

Finance – Jenny M – We met last month before ACM. We discussed the Area inventory and Spending Plan discussion. We reviewed the bank statements and Treasurer's report for 2014 4th Quarter. We're discussing improving methods of recording sales with Grapevine and Literature. We're grateful for your groups' contributions. Grapevine/La Viña – Steve C – Email me to come to your events. There is a 2015 Subscription Challenge. GV/LV generates all kinds of books. February's GV is on sponsorship. Sober Travel, Technology and Anonymity and Letting Go Of Resentments are upcoming special topics. LV's current spotlight is veterans.

Literature – Mary O – I have Service Manuals in English and Spanish, the Spirituality pamphlet, the revised Circles of Love and Service, and 75th Anniversary Alcoholics Anonymous. Please invite me to your events. Lee W and I met recently so he could take Service Manuals in Spanish.

Written Translation – Celia B – Thank you to committee members who did an awesome job translating this month. They get 2-4 pages and have five days. You can tell they put their heart into it. Thank you for creating the Appointed Chairperson position and for funding me today to participate. I will talk to the Spanish-speaking Districts today. Please get flyers and emails to me to translate. I encourage anyone who speaks both languages and is comfortable with written to join the committee.

Officer's Reports

Registrar – Matthew L – If you're a new GSR/Alt-GSR, new DCM/Alt-DCM or a new District Officer, please complete a form. Please see your DCMs for your group number.

Secretary – Jon C – I emailed the Mini-PRAASA minutes to Accents and Translation on December 20 and most of the December APM minutes on January 5. Once the December Area Planning Meeting minutes are approved, I will submit a hard

copy and soft copy of the 2014 approved minutes to Archives.

Treasurer – Tom A – I sent year-end financials to Jenn. The DCMs have a sheet with all contributions from your District. 420 groups contributed to Area out of 1,064 listed. Percentage of groups contributing went down while total contributions went up. Sales Tax will be paid by January 31. Federal and State taxes will be reported at the end of May. We don't pay taxes but we file. Please ask group treasurers to put the group number on their check. If you don't receive a receipt, I don't know where your contribution comes from.

Alternate Chair – Nancy Mc – On December 20 we had a fabulous ACM, potluck and 2016 Assembly bidding process! Our 2016 Assembly hosts are: Winter – D11; Pre-Conference – D40; Post-Conference – D09; Mini-PRAASA – D47. On January 10 I attended a BTG workshop in Galt. Woody gave an excellent history on BTG. Then I spoke at a Sponsorship workshop in Stockton. I presented on service sponsorship! We're preparing for the agenda items workshops before Pre-Conference Assembly hosted by D43 in Selma, April 11-12. Please pre-register if possible.

Chair – Mike K – I attended many events including D-24's inventory, 13th annual Foro, D25 BTG workshop and two Officer conference calls. Thanks to Michael J for translating at Winter Assembly and Rosemary and Lee for helping. The Translation Chair is vacant.

Alternate Delegate – Vikki L – On January 25 at North Hall in Sacramento will be a PI/CPC Sharing Session. Guest speaker is CNCA Past Delegate Ken M. On February 7, D43 is giving me two hours for a PI/CPC workshop in Fresno. D34 and D11 have new committees.

District Reports

D-09 – Lance V, DCM – D09 met in Mt. Shasta with 18 attending. Everyone was excited about the 2016 Post-Conference Assembly in Mt. Shasta. We discussed upcoming Pre-Conference workshop location and date, archives committee, district position descriptions, and an e-services position. We are withholding donations to Redding's Central Office because the phones are not answered. Steve C, Alt-Intergroup Rep, will research.

D-11 – Maureen R, DCM – D11 met on December 29 in Redding. We were excited about 2016 Winter Assembly. Our PI/CPC Committee has diligently read the workbooks. We've progressed in reaching our dark groups. Our District eagerly awaits a District inventory.

D-15 – Brooke D, DCM – D15's last meeting was on December 8 with 17 attending. I and two other PI/CPC Committee members presented to Butte County Family Court mediators. Thank you to Jenn D and past D15 DCM Mike P for participating. D15's third Mock Conference is February 28 in Chico. Area Delegate Kelley M and

several Area Officers and Appointed Chairs will attend. We'll start at 10am with an overview then gather in "Conference Committees" to discuss agenda items, then reconvene after lunch to report conclusions. We've added Hmong information to the website and ordered Hmong literature.

D-17 – Paul K, DCM – I'm glad to see participation from D17. Our last District meeting was December 15 with many present. A member-at-large volunteered for Workshops Chair. We discuss a Concept each month.

D-19 – Terry D, DCM – We elected a Secretary. Attendance was small. BTG met once and received one call. We discussed safety and formed a committee to create guidelines for groups and individuals. We're holding a workshop in late March. I have flyers for Sutter Buttes Roundup.

D-20 – Justin P, DCM – We've had seven successful BTG connections. Diane R, BTG Chair, put posters in county jail and some sobriety houses. We're planning dark group visits.

D-21 – Betsy L, DCM – 14 attended today. PI/CPC is sharing at Placer County DUI classes. We passed our spending plan and planned a District inventory. The Rocklin Racetrack celebrated 25 years. We've started planning for events: Unity Day (June 20), Loomis Ice Cream Social (June 27) and Agenda Item Workshop (March 14). The Rocklin Fellowship is examining their corporate structure. D-22 – Cindy A, DCM – D22 met on January 14 in Placerville. 15 attended. In beginning, Becky B announced her stepping down as DCM. D22 thanks Becky for her service to D22 and AA as a whole. We voted to hold an open Concepts Study Meeting. It will be on the 2nd Wednesday of the month 6:15pm-6:45pm at Senior Center in Placerville.

D-23 – Phillip C, Alt-DCM – Joey had a family emergency. We're not sure if he's coming back. 9 people attended our last District meeting. We're trying to reach some of our dark groups.

D-24 – Kendyce M, Alt-DCM – D24 met on January 15. Five GSRs and Alternates attended with officers. We welcomed Delegate Kelley M who spoke about Winter Assembly, the 65th GSC theme and holding a Sacramento Pre-Conference workshop. We went over agenda items from our district inventory. We're writing a mission statement and gaining clarity on conducting our meetings. We can't meet at our old location. Next month we'll meet at 500 22nd Street Sacramento, 2nd Wednesday at 6pm.

D-25 – Tim K, DCM – We had four new GSRs in January. We discussed our well-attended BTG workshop. All GSRs participated. Matthew and Woody talked. We voted on starting a BTG committee. Steve M, Secretary, is stepping down. Group 3 is having 70th Anniversary in July.

D-27 – Rick K, DCM – We'll co-host the agenda roundtable on March 14. We'll send flyers via CCF.

D-29 – Judy B, DCM – We meet on last Monday at 6:30pm. The Traditional Group had successful Christmas and New Year's alcahons. Thank you

to D25 for the BTG workshops and D37 for the sponsorship workshop. One meeting in D29 is closing due to no participation.

D-30 – Laurese M, DCM – Our District meeting was January 10 with about 20 attending! Our Workshop Committee is finalizing three more service workshops (possibly Pine Grove, Jackson and Murphys) in February-Spring. Several GSRs stated their groups are interested in holding these D30 workshops. There was much discussion regarding our BTG, PI/CPC and H&I Committees. Our BTG Chair stepped down. We read Concept 12 and Warranty Two.

D-33 – Gordon N, DCM – D33 met on January 12 in Sonora with 14 attending. Dave F presented a budget for 2015. Several questions and comments were made. Dave will make changes and submit for approval and forwarding to everyone for final approval.

D-34 – Jenny M, DCM – 10 members are here. D34 meets on the 2nd Wednesday in Modesto at 7pm. 18 attended this week's meeting. We welcomed Paul as new GSR for Modesto Fellowship. Betty Ann V is new Alt-DCM. Norm A reported on the 8th Tradition and Concept.

D-36 – Gary M, DCM – D36 met on December 21 with 12 attending. PACP meetings are held monthly at Gateway Church in Merced with District PI/CPC attending to offer literature. PI/CPC is working to update literature in motels. Attendance has increased at USP – Atwater. We'll meet with the new warden soon. We need extra volunteers for hotline. Bill B, GSR for Eye Opener Fellowship, stepped down and we thank him for his service.

D-37 – Jeff P, DCM – We'll meet this Wednesday in Stockton at 7:15pm. We didn't meet in December. We had a well-attended Sponsorship workshop on January 10. Thank you Nancy and Woody for presenting. I'm looking forward to working with GSRs on agenda items. I have two new GSRs – Kathleen and Sue.

D-40 – Carrie J, DCM – We met in Mariposa in January and will meet in Oakhurst in February. Our District is excited and terrified to host the 2016 Pre-Conference Assembly. We decided to accept a donation from the Yosemite Conference. We're planning our Unity Day in September. We had a new Spanish-speaking member but could not find online information in Spanish. We'll add information to the D40 website and ask Intergroup to do the same.

D-41 – Dave D, DCM – D41's business meeting was January 14 at 7pm in Fresno with 9 present. Concept One was read and discussed. We discussed Winter Assembly; four people committed to come and three more considered. Five are here. 2015 PRAASA is still being discussed with final decision at next meeting. Keith

S was elected Alt-DCM for remainder of Panel 64. Karen W, past DCM, was elected D41 BTG liaison to Fresno County. The Spanish Translation Chair was discussed. We discussed the ASL translation motion. I'll be on the PI/CPC panel at Unity Day.

D-42 – Darrel D, Alt-DCM – We met on January 12 with 9 attending. Central Office is moving to 755 Gateway Dr. Suite 102 in February. Take Your Sponsor to Dinner event is February 28 at Hope Lutheran Church. We're looking for a Teleservice Coordinator. Hector is coordinating PI/CPC at Unity Day. I reviewed 2016 Assembly locations. Bill L was approved for \$50 in Winter Assembly expenses. Alt-DCM expenses will be covered. Motion to post D42 minutes on web was tabled until next meeting.

D-43 – Hurley T, DCM – On January 4 we met in Fresno with 12 attending. We discussed our upcoming Unity Day in Fresno on February 7. The agenda includes a PI/CPC workshop, Al-Anon panel, AA panel, Alateen panel, dinner and AA speaker (Debbie D from Concord). Thank you D43 for funding me to my second PRAASA.

D-47 – John H, DCM – The District is well with old trustees, old hippies, young enthusiasts and bleeding deacons. Our January meeting had five out with illness. I'm trying to honor Rule 62.

D-53 – Luis, Alt-DCM – We've formed the Panel 64 Election Assembly Committee. D53 will celebrate its 22nd birthday in June. We're also motivating groups to get a GSR. We tell of the need for translators. Thank you to the translators. D-54 – Luz Maria G, DCM – 15 people attended our meeting on January 15. We formed the organizing committee for the 14th Foro in Sacramento. Herminia, District Treasurer, is Chair. Jose, GSR, is Treasurer. Rosemary, District Registrar, is Secretary. Our first meeting is on January 25 from 1pm-3pm at Amor y La Vida in Woodland. D54 is celebrating our 19th birthday on Sunday February 22nd at Volver a Nacer in Sacramento 9am-3pm. You're all invited. We also participated in Interdistrict.

D-56 – Francisco J, DCM – Some Area officers attended the recent Interdistrict meeting. Vikki talked about PI/CPC and Matthew about Registration. We have 7-8 GSRs, some members-at-large and our La Viña Chair. We're inviting groups to take posters we made of the General Service structure. We discussed a La Viña celebration with Area 06.

Area Inventory Report Back

It became obvious we have things we need to talk about. We have five categories with questions under each. We hope you take these back to your Districts and discuss them.

Finance: Is Area 07 being fiscally responsible and a good custodian of the 7th Tradition monies

entrusted to us? – Consensus was CNIA is doing a good job. Financials are in Accents and taxes are being filed. Some desired more clarity. Assemblies: Are the Area 07 Assemblies really helping to carry the message? What could be done better or differently? – Support for Pre-Conference Assembly format. Suggestions: make point quickly, don't repeat points and hold applause until end of panel or reports.

Elections/Officers/Trusted Servants: Our trusted servants are an important part of carrying the message of AA. Do we, as an Area, make sure that we are well informed as we choose our trusted servants? How could we do it better? – Comments: attend function to see actions of those available for election. Serve through the Election Assembly.

Service Sponsorship: Does Area 07 do an effective job informing new trusted servants about the role of the Area and about the importance of Service Sponsorship? – Have DCM's service sponsor attend district meeting to inform on service sponsorship.

Serving All Districts: Is Area 07 considering the diversity and geographical challenges of our entire Area? – Ask past trusted servants to visit other districts and lend support.

Questions/Comments:

At Post-Conference, we'll have schools for various commitments (Grapevine, PI/CPC, DCM, etc.). I encourage your GV reps, PI/CPC reps, etc. to attend Post-Conference. // The Finance Committee is excited to create pie charts for expenses. // What is the current state of security for résumés? There have been requests to send resumes electronically. That doesn't happen currently. // One of the main duties of GSRs is to observe others to see who will be our next trusted servants. Area Service Material has a couple documents to help. Résumés are not the only way to choose our next trusted servants. I don't think sending résumés ahead of time will help us. // The sponsorship pamphlet includes a service sponsorship section. // Our district has discussed increasing district participation. // We are talking at the GSC about how the Assemblies are helping to carry the message. We want to talk about the theme of the Conference. I encourage everybody to use the theme and bring it to your group. // Many GSRs in our District wouldn't come because it's an overnight Assembly. // Can this inventory be put on the website?

Ask-It-Basket

What's On Your Mind?

Motion and second to adjourn @ 12:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Yours in Love and Service,

Jon C, Secretary

CNIA Condensed Revenue and Expense - Year-to-date 2015

January 1 through March 28, 2015

	Jan 1 – Mar 28, 15	Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
4 · Contributed support			
4010 · Group Contributions	10,322.77	43,000.00	24.01%
Total 4020 · Seventh Tradition	<u>563.77</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>28.19%</u>
Total 4050 · Contribution - Other	<u>0.00</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
Total 4 · Contributed support	10,886.54	45,100.00	24.14%
5 · Earned revenues			
5110 · Literature Sales	431.00	2,000.00	21.55%
5140 · Grapevine Sales	602.22	3,000.00	20.07%
Total 5160 · Assembly Income	3,144.39	10,000.00	31.44%
5310 · Interest-savings/short-term inv	<u>0.25</u>	<u>2.00</u>	<u>12.5%</u>
Total 5 · Earned revenues	<u>4,177.86</u>	<u>15,002.00</u>	<u>27.85%</u>
Total Income	15,064.40	60,102.00	25.07%
Expense			
7600 · Officers Expenses			
Total 7620 · Delegate	789.23	4,778.00	16.52%
Total 7640 · Alt. Delegate	954.77	2,026.00	47.13%
Total 7660 · Chairman	1,043.55	1,624.00	64.26%
Total 7680 · Alt. Chairman	800.17	1,475.00	54.25%
Total 7700 · Secretary	443.45	1,151.00	38.53%
Total 7720 · Treasurer	<u>1,710.65</u>	<u>3,068.00</u>	<u>55.76%</u>
Total 7740 · Registrar	<u>651.55</u>	<u>1,757.00</u>	<u>37.08%</u>
Total 7600 · Officers Expenses	6,393.37	15,879.00	40.26%
7800 · Appointed Chair Expenses			
Total 7820 · Literature Chairman	756.41	1,242.00	60.9%
Total 7840 · Grapevine Chair	889.14	1,585.00	56.1%
Total 7860 · Bridging The Gap	899.17	2,325.00	38.67%
Total 7880 · Accents Chairman	524.29	1,318.00	39.78%
Total 7900 · Archives Chairman	82.29	1,638.00	5.02%
Total 7940 · Translation Committee	<u>682.82</u>	<u>2,150.00</u>	<u>31.76%</u>
Total 7960 · Other Appointed, Ad Hoc Commit	<u>586.09</u>	<u>500.00</u>	<u>117.22%</u>
Total 7800 · Appointed Chair Expenses	4,420.21	10,758.00	41.09%
Total 8000 · Assemblies	1,000.00	10,000.00	10.0%
Total 8100 · Accents, Grapevine, Literature	2,904.39	14,600.00	19.89%
Total 8200 · Meeting Room Expenses	1,575.00	4,200.00	37.5%
Total 8500 · Misc expenses	<u>2,500.00</u>	<u>4,750.00</u>	<u>52.63%</u>
Total 8600 · Taxes & Fees	<u>254.00</u>	<u>413.00</u>	<u>61.5%</u>
Total Expense	<u>19,046.97</u>	<u>60,600.00</u>	<u>31.43%</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>-3,982.57</u>	<u>-498.00</u>	<u>799.71%</u>
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Area Checking Account Balance – 03/28/15 \$ 2,621.02

Area Prudent Reserve Account – 03/28/15 \$ 7,601.41

CNIA 2015 Pre-Conference Assembly

Hosted by District 43



Email questions to preconf@fresnoaa.org

April 11 & 12

Selma High School Dining Hall

3125 Wright St. Selma, CA. 93662

SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2015 Registration 10:00am; Assembly 12 Noon

SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2015 Registration 8:30am; Assembly 9:00am

Name _____ Name On Badge: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email Address _____

District _____ Group _____ Service Position _____

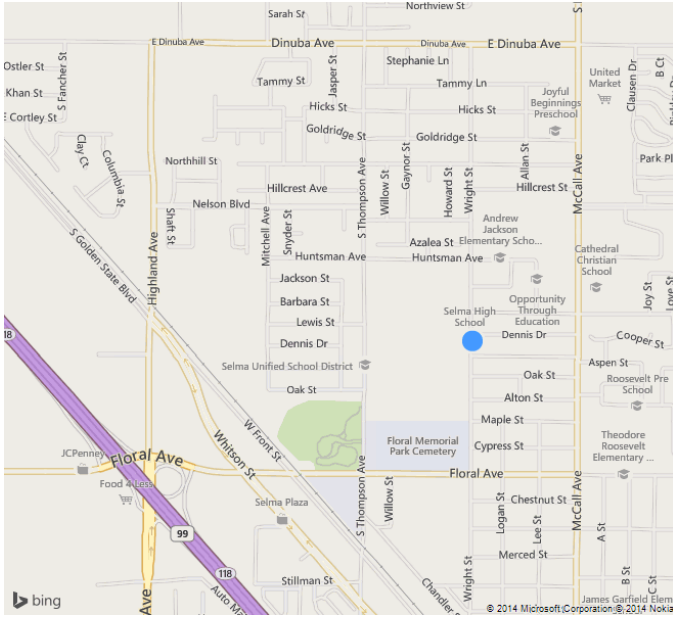
Registration \$ 11.00 ___ Coffee \$ 3.00 ___ Dinner \$11.00 ___ Total _____

Pork _____ Vegetarian _____

Online Registration at www.district43area7.org (Prereg prior to March 31, 2015)

Mail to : District 43 P.O. Box 4666 Fresno, CA 93744

**Selma High School, 3125 Wright St, Selma, CA
93662**



To Selma from the North: take CA-99 south (Bakersfield/Los Angeles) to exit #118/CA-43 S/Hanford/Corcoran toward Floral Avenue (0.4 mi). Turn left onto Floral Ave (0.9 mi). Turn left onto Wright St (0.3 mi). Your destination on Wright St is on the left

To Selma from the South: Take CA-99 north. Take exit #118/Floral Ave/Highland Ave (0.3 mi). Turn right onto Floral Ave (0.6 mi). Turn left onto Wright St (0.3 mi). Your destination on Wright St is on the left.

ROOMS AVAILABLE AT:

Super 8 Selma (Rated 6.7)

1-888-263-4415

3142 South Highland Avenue, Selma, CA 93662

Best Western Colonial Inn (Rated 6.7) \$79.00

1-559-891-0300 (Ask for CNIA Rate)

2799 Floral Avenue, Selma, CA 93662

Motel 6 Kingsburg (Rated 7.2)

(559) 897-1022

401 Sierra Street, Kingsburg, CA 93631

(4.5 miles from Selma)

Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Selma

Kingsburg Rated 8.4

216 Ventura Court, Kingsburg, CA 93631

(4.3 miles from Selma)

Holiday Inn Selma-Swancourt

1-888-263-4415

2950 PEA SOUP ANDERSEN BLVD, Selma, CA 93662

La Quinta Inn & Suites Fowler \$79.00

1-559-834-6300 (Ask for CNIA Rate)

190 N. 10th Street, Fowler, CA 93625

Americas Best Value Inn/Kingsburg

1-888-263-4415

10.7 miles from Selma in Kingsburg, CA

Starting Rate: \$59.00

**Back to Basics Housing
Available**

POST CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY 2015



CNIA AREA 07

May 16th & 17th, 2015
Host Districts: 23, 24, 25, 27, 29

Mack Powell Event Center
2003 Howe Ave.
Sacramento, CA 95825
(916) 437-1209

Saturday, May 16th, 2014 from Noon to 9:00 p.m. Registration @ the door 9:00 a.m.
Sunday, May 17th, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Registration @ the door 8:00 a.m.

Directions to the Assembly: Traveling East or West on Highway 50—Exit Howe Ave. Continue North on Howe Ave. Then turn left into 2003 Howe Ave.

Traveling East on I-80—Business 80 Exit to Arden Way East. Continue east on Arden. Turn left (north) on Howe Ave. Then turn left into 2003 Howe Ave.

Traveling West on I-80—Business 80 Exit to Arden Way, continue left (east) on Arden Way. Turn left (north) on Howe Ave. Then turn left into 2003 Howe Ave.

For more information or for information about Back-to-Basics Housing, contact:
postconferenceassembly@cnia.org

To register online, go to <http://area07postconf.EventBrite.com>

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM—Please detach form and mail along with your check to:

District 24, 2256 Markham Way, Sacramento, CA 95818
Please make checks payable to: District 24, notated “2015 Post-Conference”

Name: _____ Phone: _____ District/Area: _____

Badge Name: _____ Title: _____ Panel # _____ (or check one below)

GSR____, Alt.GSR____, DCM____, Alt.DCM____, AA Member____, Other _____

Registration \$16.00 \$ _____ Pre-registration helps guarantee meal orders.

Bottomless Coffee \$ 3.00 \$ _____ Entree choice (check one): Roasted Chicken _____

Dinner (Saturday) \$15.00 \$ _____ King Salmon _____ Spring Veggie Cassoulet _____

Total \$ _____ Pre-registration ends May 1st, 2015

When reserving rooms, use the code: CNIA

Hotels:

Residence Inn/Cal Expo: 1530 Howe Ave., Sacramento, CA 95825, (916) 920- 9111.
\$109.00 for Studio and \$119.00 Studio DBL. (Has free high speed internet,
kitchen/kitchenette and an extra couch if you choose to add another person. Hotel offers
free breakfast.)

Sacramento Inn: 1401 Arden Way, Sacramento, CA 95815. (916) 922-8041.
Rate: \$89.00 (Includes breakfast.)

Quality Inn and Suites: 1413 Howe Ave., Sacramento, CA 95825, (916) 922- 9833.
Single or double: \$72.99 (Hotel provides internet and breakfast.)

Reservations to be made by 4/15/2015.

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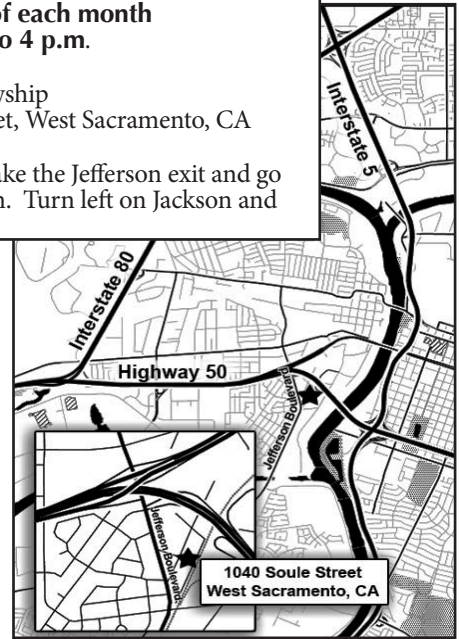
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Grapevine Chair	grapevine@cnia.org
Translation Committee	translation@cnia.org
Eservices Committee Chair	eservices@cnia.org
Pacific Regional Trustee	joel@joncast.com

Area General Service Committee 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

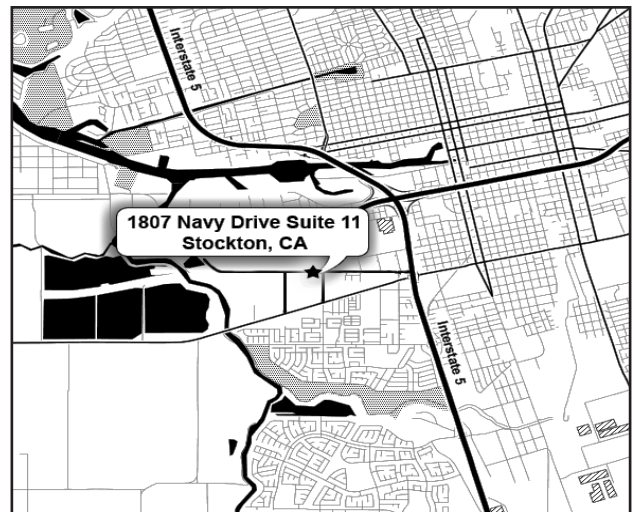
1807 Navy Drive (at Fresno Ave) Suite #11 Stockton, CA 95555
(ROGERS Construction, Inc Near Port of Stockton)
Second Floor Rear

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 inter-section 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**



CNIA AREA ACCENTS
 6200 Rustic Hills Drive
 Rocklin, CA 95677
 ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

California Northern Interior Area

Calendar 2015-2016

2015 (District)

Jan 17-18	Winter Assembly (D33)	Sonora
Feb 21	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Mar 6-8	PRAASA	Layton, UT
Mar 13-15	NCCAA	Foster City
Mar 21	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Apr 11-12	Pre-Conference Assembly (D43)	Selma
April 19-25	General Service Conference	New York, NY
May 16-17	Post Conference Assembly (D29)	Sacramento
Jun 5-7	NCCAA	Auburn
Jun 20	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Jul 2-5	80th International Convention	Atlanta, Ga
July 18	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Aug 15	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Sep 19	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Oct 17	Area Committee Meeting	W. Sacramento
Oct 30-Nov 1	NCCAA	Fresno
Nov 20-22	Election Assembly (D53)	Fresno
Dec 19	Area Planning Meeting	W. Sacramento

**2016 (District)
 PROPOSED**

Jan 16-17	Winter Assembly (D11)	Red Bluff
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)	Mariposa
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

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