

CNIA AREA ACCENTS



A confidential newsletter, published by the officers of the California Northern Interior Area (CNIA), a General Service Area of Alcoholics Anonymous. Articles appearing in the Accents are the opinions of their authors. Only actions of the Area Committee or Area Assembly speak for CNIA as a whole. In accordance with the Group Conscience of the CNIA Assembly, first and last names are published. Thus, respect the spirit of Tradition 11 when utilizing this newsletter.

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ANNUAL PI/CPC WORKSHOP

Saturday, June 9, 2012

2 PM to 4 PM

Roseville Tuesday Night Group Hall
315 Lincoln St., Roseville

PUBLIC INFORMATION AND COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY (PI/CPC)

"To reach more alcoholics...understanding of A.A. and public goodwill towards A.A. must go on growing everywhere." Bill W., Concept XI

The first Public Information (P.I.) committee in A.A. was formed by the General Service Board in 1956 and the policy for P.I. was written and approved by the General Service Conference. The policy stated, "In all public relations, A.A.'s sole objective is to help the still suffering alcoholic..." Bill W. wrote: "Public information takes many forms--the simple sign outside a meeting place that says 'A.A. meeting tonight'; a listing in local phone directories, distribution of A.A. literature; and radio and television shows using sophisticated media techniques. Whatever the form, it comes down to 'one drunk carrying the message to another drunk,' whether through personal contact or through the use of third parties and the media."

In 1970, the General Service Board started the Committee on Cooperation with the Professional Community

(C.P.C.) and the General Service Conference followed with a similar committee. C.P.C. Committees provide information about A.A. to those who have contact with alcoholics through their profession. This group includes health care professionals, educators, members of the clergy, lawyers, social workers, union leaders, industrial managers, and government officials, as well as those working in the field of alcoholism. Information is provided about where we are, what we are, what we can do, and what we cannot do.

The General Service Office in New York has a Public Information Kit and Workbook and a Cooperation with the Professional Community Kit and Workbook available. These workbooks are service material and give suggested guidance to PI and CPC committees on goals and activities based on shared experience. Goals for a local PI Committee might include putting the Big Book and the Twelve and Twelve in libraries, placing literature racks in high schools, colleges, hospitals and police stations, and placing Public Service Announcements with radio and television stations. CPC goals might include making presentations and providing literature to professionals.

There are also Guidelines (yellow sheets) for Public Information and Cooperation with the Professional Community which are very helpful. Your DCM has copies of these or they can be downloaded from our website at aa.org.

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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! Please mail to: CNIA, P.O. Box 161712, Sacramento, CA 95816-1712

Working within the A.A. Traditions and an understanding of anonymity at the public level are prerequisites for being effective in PI/CPC work. You are encouraged to read *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions* and the pamphlets "A.A. Tradition--How It Developed" and "The Twelve Traditions Illustrated", in addition to information on anonymity written by Bill W. which is covered in the PI and CPC workbooks.

The Alternate Delegate for CNIA serves as Area PI/CPC Chairperson and as a Resource Coordinator for Districts, Intergroups, Central Offices and other PI/CPC Committees. The General Service Office reaches out to CNIA when there is a PI or CPC request they receive from an individual or organization within our Area. This takes many forms such as a request from a health care professional who would like an A.A. presence at their health fair or a radio or television station which has questions about A.A.

If your District would like help with your PI/CPC Committee or needs more information, please contact me and let's work together! Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

*In Love and Service,
Kelley M.*

Alternate Delegate and CNIA PI/CPC Chairperson

CNIA CHAIR REPORT

Vikki L

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The Post Conference Assembly was held on May 19th and 20th in Rocklin. The venue was Sunset Whitney Country Club right next to a golf course. The room we conducted our business in looked more like a banquet room than a business room. It was very beautiful-all decorated in blue. Matthew L, the Conference Chair, and the rest of District 21 did an amazing job!!

Inez Y presented us with a weekend overview. From there, we went right into reports. I loved hearing from the different districts about all the summer activities that are being planned. There are Unity Day picnics, a PI/CPC workshop, a Women's retreat, an ice cream social in Loomis, camp outs, and lots of other events. There is also the NCCAA 65th Annual

Summer Conference in Auburn on July 6th, 7th, and 8th. It has been my experience, that these summer events are an excellent way of getting involved in service and learning to fellowship outside the meetings. Some of these events even encourage us to bring our families and have a good time. We are not a glum lot!!

At the assembly, we were presented with two panels. The first panel was on Saturday afternoon. It was about Public Information/Cooperation with the Professional Community. The second panel was on Sunday. It was about the Grapevine. Both panels were very well presented and very informative. I was impressed with the conversations at the mic after the panels. We literally ran out of time for all the questions and comments. How cool is that?

The highlight of the weekend was our Delegate's Report. Lela M. painted a beautiful picture of her experience in New York. The way she described the other Delegates made me feel like I was with her. I could almost feel their love. Lela presented the Floor Actions, the Advisory Actions and the Additional Committee Considerations in a way that we could all understand. Lela described going to Stepping Stones and sitting at Bill's desk. She even went shopping. (She came back with a pair of shoes that any girl would die for!) All in all, her report was informative but more than that, it was spiritual.

The business part of the assembly was very short. We had no old business to go over and there was no new business presented.

Although the Conference is over, there is still more work to do all year long. Lela reminds us that we are in service for a reason. It is our responsibility to carry the message of recovery to the alcoholic who still suffers and to help ensure that Alcoholics Anonymous will be around for our children, grandchildren and their children. It is an honor to be of service in Alcoholics Anonymous.

With love,

Vikki L

Area Chair

Area 07, Panel 62

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**MINUTES
CNIA 07 Area
Committee Meeting
March 17, 2012
East Yolo County
Sacramento, CA**

The March Area Committee Meeting of California Northern Interior Area (CNIA) was held on March 17, 2012 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Area Chair, Vikki L, called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. followed by the Serenity Prayer. The GSR Preamble was read in Spanish by **Narcisco, D-53**. The 12 Traditions were read by **Harry B, D-31**. The Twelve Concepts were read by **Jon C, D-27**.

INTRODUCTIONS

Vikki introduced Past Delegates: **Woody R** – Panel 50, **Marianne H** – Panel 56, **Lee W** – Panel 58, **Melody T** – Panel 60.

**ASSEMBLY/LIAISON
REPORTS**

Pre-Conference Assembly

Liz B, Chair, D-32

Flyers available – April 14-15 @ Lodi Harvest Festival, 15 pre-registrations so far – need at least 100 more to Pre-Register!

Post Conference Assembly

Matthew L, D-21

May 19-20 in Rocklin; Pre-registration can be done today; there is a form on website; you can use PayPal to Register on the website: **district21@cnia.org**. Caterers need your food choices; there are 3 hotels available!

MINI-PRAASA

Districts 30 and 22

Still working with Jackson Casino; they want to include more than our needs! Don't forget, it's a 3-day assembly -- October 19-21!

Winter Assembly, January 19-20, 2013

Judy, D-19

Venue is reserved; hotel accommodations confirmed; 3 choices for dinner identified with preferred choice not confirmed; cost of registration not yet decided. We have a vigorous committee!

CCF

The liaison / Assistant CCF Chair is unable to attend CNIA to give a report. Their Delegates and Officers are working out what they will do.

PRAASA 2016

Jan P

Announcement was made by our Delegate, Lela M, at PRAASA in Bellevue, WA, that we are submitting a bid for 2016. There are 2 other locations bidding: Spokane, WA, (last PRAASA was 2001) and Southern California. CNIA last hosted PRAASA in 2002. 2016 will be the 49th PRAASA. We will go for the 50th PRAASA in 2017 if we don't get the bid!

Hospitals & Institutions

Woody R

The H&I website, handinorcal.org, now provides information about local Area committee meetings. Selecting the tab "How Can I Help" a map outlining California Counties in Northern California along with H&I Regions and Areas will appear. When clicking on a county, the user will get information on the dates and times of the local H&I Area meetings. The Pink Can letter has been updated. The revised letter can be accessed from the H&I website by selecting the "About H&I" tab. A proposal to divide Northern California into smaller Spanish Speaking H&I Regions is expected to be presented at the next Steering Committee meeting on May 12th in Sacramento. The 41st Annual Hospital and Institution

Conference "I want the Hand of A.A. Always to be There" will be held in Redding on May 18, 19, and 20.

SACYPAA

Jessica

Monthly speaker meeting at St Mark's Church, Sacramento. March speaker is Gregg from GIGYPAA with Chili Cook-off following. Tuscon, AZ, got the bid. Elections on February 26th; we reconvened on March 11 to elect remaining positions. Our Alternate GSR is Derrek H. WACYPAA will be re-established. April 1 we will talk about the agenda items.

PRAASA Report backs:

Dick B, DCM D-21; Jan H, DCM D-17; Jon C, Alternate DCM D-27; Dan L, DCM D-20; Tom A, DCM D-22; Cynthia B, DCM D-32; Lee P, DCM D-27; Brent G, Registrar, and Past Delegate Lee W. Everyone gained more information and met more members in A.A. It was the 1st time to PRAASA for at least 5 who spoke!

OLD BUSINESS

Topic #1 - Prudent Reserve

MOTION: District 30 would like to make a motion to define the Area 07 Prudent Reserve. The principle of our Prudent Reserve will be to provide the financial resources needed to continue fundamental services for up to one (1) year in the event of an unexpected and substantial reduction in contributions to Area 07. The prudent reserve would be based on the following annual expenses (the figures shown are those applicable to 2012) and would allow Area 07 to fulfill the essential purpose of sending an informed Delegate to the annual meeting of the General Service Conference: ACM Meeting Room Rent (\$800.00), Archives Facility Rental (\$2,700.00), Liability Insurance (\$480.00), General Service

Conference – Delegate’s miscellaneous expenses (\$900.00), General Service Conference – CNIA contribution to GSO for the cost of our Delegate’s attendance at the annual meeting of the General Service Conference (\$2,000.00).

***In a situation where Area 07 experiences a temporary cash-flow shortage the Prudent Reserve would remain available for -any Area 07 expenses and would be replenished as soon as revenues permit.**

The current Prudent Reserve would be set at \$6,880.00 to be reevaluated annually by the Finance Committee and the ACM, based on actual changes to the above-specified expenses.

Discussion: Is Prudent Reserve a CD or cash in bank? ANS: The Prudent Reserve is a CD. Bank of America Savings is our Prudent Reserve as noted on the financial statement. If a withdrawal, there is a penalty. Was done only once last Panel because we had a shortage of funds (penalty was minimal). It was reimbursed within a short period of time. We pay our bills and do not save great sums of money. // Concern regarding Delegate actual cost is \$5,000-\$6,000 and our contribution of \$2,000 and GSO requests \$1,200 // Remember that the costs are paid by group contributions; if a group wants to contribute specifically they may do so; our Area does pay more than the requested amount, some Area’s pay the actual cost while other Area’s cannot pay the amount // Current amount in Prudent Reserve is \$9K – will some funds be transferred to the General Fund? ANS: Yes // ACM does recommend this go to the Pre-Conference Assembly as in favor of the motion.

Topic #2 - Motion – Election Assembly

Titia A/Jan P – I move that we move the Election Assembly to the third weekend in October and have the ACM on the third weekend of November.

Discussion: This is to begin with Panel 64 (January 1, 2014-December 31, 2015) // Coastal’s Election Assembly (held even numbered years) alternates (their guidelines state 1st or 2nd Saturday in November; their preference is the 2nd Saturday in November) with our Election Assembly (held odd numbered years) // At PRAASA Roundtables 5 of 15 hold their Election Assembly in November // may lose Pacific Region Trustee if changed to October // Originally, the reason for changing to November was so we could have the Pacific Region Trustee be our speaker at the Election Assembly held in November // It doubles with another event that a particular District has and wants the change so they could attend the annual event in their District // Motion was made without considerations by Districts // More discussion needed before a decision is made // It’s possible the motion may be amended // Decision is NOT made for the 2013 Election Assembly // Tabled to the Pre-Conference Assembly.

DELEGATE’S REPORT

By Lela M

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New Groups: Snowline Group, Pollack Pines --- Sunday 12x12 Group, Chico --- Vintage Group, Redding --- Practicing Principles Group, Visalia --- 12 & 12 Touchstone Group, Folsom --- Back to Basics, Valley Springs 7% growth in membership in

CNIA 07 in 2011! We are still growing!

Agenda Items: Thanks to Kelley for support with Agenda Items. Spanish CDs are being translated by Connecticut people and our Area 07 is helping! I need Circles of Love write up, sketch, drawing, etc. for any changes. ‘CO’ on Circles of Love means Central Offices NOT Correctional Officers. CNIA is in background material (D-17 requested Pioneering Women in A.A.) 2 submissions received from CNIA 07 members for the Atheist/Agnostic/Spirituality pamphlet. CNIA D-21, Dick B, wrote some background for the Military pamphlet – suggesting None Left Behind on the front of the pamphlet.

Pre-Conference Assembly – Portion of the Agenda will be for Literature ONLY information to share by GSRs; then open to all other agenda items. Please don’t come to the mic and say ‘yeah’ or ‘nay’ on Agenda Item Letter or # without specifics. Please give minority opinion too. Your information can be in writing and placed in a box at the front of the room.

AAWS – staff international – Asian Creole translation is almost completed. There is an A.A. contact in Iran. A website re-design is occurring. Daily Reflections is online and email delivery as well – no date yet. Publishing eBooks: Big Book and 12 and 12 apps are available for iPhone; still developing apps for iPad and Android – no date yet. Daily Reflections and Living Sober are planned as eBooks. December 11, 2011, thru January 23, 2012, sold 2,850 eBooks. GSO income comes from Big Book sales. 945,000 Big Books were distributed in 2011 compared to 845,000 in 2010.

Rod B, Trustees Report – Grapevine was in the positive \$22,838 for 2011.

Grapevine Board is looking at budget. They postponed the idea of mailing 6 per year. Instead, they are staying with 12 mailings per year. The Grapevine office moved from the 10th to 12th floor in February. **Finance** – Contributions can be made online. This began June 2010 -- \$156K has been received so far. **International Convention** -- Committee 2015 theme: 80 Years Happy, Joyous & Free. **Literature** -- Consideration to add the 12 Concepts to the 12 and 12 book.

Grapevine News – eBook Young and Sober in May 2012. Themes coming: April - A.A. Around the World; May - Cornerstones of A.A.; June - Founders Day. Grapevine has needs and opportunities for 6 A.A.s with at least 4 years of sobriety to serve a 4 yr term. They should have public communication, graphics and art expertise. They are seeking non-Trustee Directors.

LaVina -- March/April is dedicated to Spanish youth with new section Singleness of Purpose. Thank you for your patience regarding distribution of LaVina.

BOX 4-5-9 -- News and notes given by GSO. Article ‘My Name is ... etc.’ history of when it began --- 60 Second Conference --- Finances as background materials (see all services that are provided) such as, periodic mailings to CPC chairs which they receive in June/July.

Sharing on Concept 4 – Participation and voting, there are no 2nd class A.A.’s – every single one of us is a leader. I question, do I encourage and provide opportunities for others to participate? It’s about

being included and inclusive – we do this together, not alone!

APPOINTED CHAIR REPORTS

Accents/Acentos

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Mary O – unable to attend; Accents/Acentos was 16 pages – lots of Agenda Items and reports – CNIA 07 is growing! Hopefully it will be kept to 12 pages in the future.

Archives

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David C – met with Dean C, past Archives Chair, who gave me a set of keys and was able to get into the Rogers Bldg. Was unable to use the computer and do emails; there is no telephone line in the room. I was able to do 20 pages of Archives that New York sent me. Received a letter from GSO giving information regarding Archives and how to use the workbook and adopt information where language is more understood. It’s best to reach me on my personal cell. I need another contact person. Archives is open the 1st Saturday of the month 12-4. If bringing groups, please make reservations.

BTG

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Matthew L – This month we had 11 contacts and connection has been done. Please send your BTG Committee Chair contact information to **btg@cnia.org** to update or add to our list of contacts. A presentation was made to D-54. They talked about how to start a committee. Please call me or email me if you’d like information or a workshop in your District.

Eservices

eservices@cnia.org

Jenn D -- Most pressing: **1.** Root email is i.e., **chair@cnia.org**; other is **chair.p62@cnia.org** (changes each panel). The root email will forward to **p62@cnia.org** address. Email **eservices@cnia.org** will contact me. **2.** Two working computers and 1 sort of working computer. Three computers were purchased; new software for each. **3.** Guidelines for committee and how to interact with each entity. Have renewed web account. Still need a 5th committee member with bilingual and technical experience.

Finance

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Tom A – I’ve been elected Chair of the Finance Committee. We still need another DCM to complete the committee. We are reviewing the finances and budget.

Grapevine/LaVina

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Connie G -- There is an opening for a Grapevine Non-Trustee Director. Resumes and attachments are due May 31, 2012. The Best of Bill is now available as an eBook—so that’s Kindle, Nook etc. I attended PRAASA and talked to Ami B, Editor of the Grapevine. Thanks for sending me to PRAASA. Whenever the Grapevine has an excess, they contribute to the reserve fund. La Vina is still in financial trouble. For every dollar of subscription, the General Service Board currently contributes a dollar to produce the magazine. We need more subscribers. Please consider having your Districts or groups order GV and LV to use as a PI/CPC tool, distributing to the public waiting rooms (with permission) to help carry the message of recovery. I will be at the Pre-Conference Assembly loaded with new materials—books and

CDs in English and Spanish! Please call or email me to come with displays at your events.

Literature

literature@cnia.org

Celia B -- There's a wide selection of books, pamphlets, service material, videos, CDs, wallet cards, and wall displays that would be a good addition to your events. One cool piece of literature is the service piece "Services Provided by GSO/AAWS". This 9 page document lists all that AAWS does from coordinating the General Service Conference to responding to inquiries from treatment professionals and sending out letters to new Literature Committee Chairs. I'm available for your events. I can be reached at literature@cnia.org.

Translation

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Luz Maria G -- Thank you for sending me your reports -- I'm really busy! Our committee is growing -- 1 more member today! A computer has been lent to me by Area 07 -- it's a bit old and 'rusty' and the USB 'thing' has clichés. Thanks to Efren P, past Translation Chair, who continues to help me. Thanks for receiving the Winter Assembly minutes early for translation.

Webmaster

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Eddie A -- no report

DCM REPORTS

D-09 Steve C, DCM -- District 09 completed our first Service Workshop at Unity Hall in Yreka on March 11th. About 30 people attended. Topics addressed by our panel were: General Service, Group

Secretary, Sponsorship and Bridging the Gap. Our new Bridging the Gap chair Craig C's presentation was well done. Our District website has been approved by the general service body. We have 3 new GSRs and look forward to more group representation. We hope to seat a committee to host the 2013 Post-Conference Assembly by April and report a location by May.

D-11 Cindy C, DCM -- March 25th a workshop on Agenda Items was held at the Redding Alano Club, 1-3 p.m., with Lela and Vikki leading. We have PI/CPC, BTG and Grapevine chair positions open, yet we hope to have them filled by April. Intergroup and District 11 need PI/CPC reps. We are considering combining these positions with one person for both.

D-15 Jenn D, Alt-DCM -- We're planning and moving along with the Election Assembly. We are trying to get the budget passed. Everything is going well.

D-17 Jan H, DCM -- We had a great turnout at our last District Meeting. DCM -- Jon S. D-24 joined us. Other DCMs are invited on 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in Davis. We received a letter from Ami B, Executive Editor/Publisher of A.A. Grapevine, Inc. informing us that the A.A. Grapevine Board of Directors discussed our suggestion to develop a book with stories of "Early Pioneer Women in A.A.". They determined that a "Pioneer Women in A.A." section be added to the current plan for a book with stories from women in A.A. If accepted at this year's conference, there is a one-year waiting period for the fellowship agreement. GSRs will be attending the Pre-Conference Assembly in Lodi.

D-19 Judy T, DCM -- We had 14 attendees at our District Meeting on March 3. We have an increase in participation. Mike K will be presenting a GSR school on June 2nd. We have a quarterly newsletter titled: "*As 19 Sees It*". Sutter Buttes Round-up is May 4-6 at Veterans' Memorial Community Bldg, Yuba City. Our annual Unity Day Picnic is in June. Lela will be attending our August 4 District Meeting with the Post Conference report. And, our local Veteran's Standown is in August. The PI/CPC Committee is increasing their efforts to recruit members. The newly formed Finance Committee will be researching options to reduce the cost of our local answering service.

D-20 Dan L, DCM -- There were GSRs from 18 of the 23 groups in our District, nearly a dozen officers, and a few A.A.s who came on Saturday morning. We (1) confirmed our move from the Grass Valley Fellowship to the hospital; (2) made clear that we were changing our location in GSO's "Local Resources Guide", so we would be listed as Western Nevada County, CA, (rather than under the Auburn listing); (3) voted on the DCM trip to PRAASA in Bellevue, WA; and, most importantly, prepared for the 2012 General Service Conference with a visit from our CNIA Delegate, Lela M.

D-21 Betsy L, Alternate DCM -- Elected Penny A. Alt-Secretary vice pro-tem. Final Agenda and Background CDs were delivered to 31 trusted servants. Michael K conducted GSR School. GSRs are busily working on the Conference Agenda-Group Conscience process. Dry Diggins has a Spring Speaker Meeting on April 12, 2012. Post-Conference Assembly is May 19-20, 2012, at Sunset Whitney Country Club in Rocklin. Register

online at www.district21cna.org. Loomis Ice Cream Social in Veteran's Hall is June 9, 2012, with Rod B from Utah as speaker. Auburn Fellowship is hosting the 24th Annual Unity Day on July 14, 2012. District 21 sent me to PRAASA and they received a different DCM in return.

D-22 Tom A, DCM -- There were 19 attendees at our last District Meeting. Michael K came for a GSR School in January. Lela and Kelley gave information on the Conference Agenda items Sunday, March 11. Our Web Committee met regarding having a Spanish version on our website. The following discussions were: possibly adding audio files to our District; doing a Group Inventory; poll of 10 attendees going to Pre-Conference Assembly; and a new group, Snowline Meeting, in Pollock Pines. District contributions were up slightly. I attended PRAASA and am grateful to be funded by the District.

D-23 Athena W, Alt-DCM -- 100 copies of the CNIA pamphlet were done for distribution throughout our District. We are doing well.

D-24 Jon S, DCM -- 8 attended our last District meeting with one new GSR. We discussed the 2 motions: Prudent Reserve and the proposed changed date for the Election Assembly. We had our Agenda Items Workshop with 47 attendees. Thank you to Lela, Kelley, Vikki, Jon and Nancy D-27, and all the participants. Districts 17, Jan H and 25, Deanna co-hosted and were a huge help. Our District calendar is being added to the cna.org website, thanks to Eddie.

D-25 No report

D-27 Lee P, DCM - District 27 had 35 in attendance on Feb 21st at our District meeting. Lela, Kelley and Lee W covered the Agenda Items. They gave our many new GSRs experience and help regarding how to communicate with their groups. Each was provided with Agenda items and a disk with background information. Jon, Alt-DCM, and I are contacting GSRs and Alt-GSRs to answer any questions. We hope for 100% participation from our active groups. I attended PRAASA, thanks to the support of our District. We will be discussing participation with the Sacramento Districts for "Unity Day" and, the possibility of providing 2 hotel rooms at the Pre-Conference Assembly for GSRs not supported by their groups.

D-29 Nancy M, DCM - At our District Meeting on Feb 27th we had 10 GSRs, our Delegate, Lela M, Alt-Delegate, Kelly M, and guest, Jon S D-24, were in attendance. We had a great overview of the conference process and discussion from Lela on all the Literature Agenda Items. Kelley spoke about Public Information and some Treatment items. All GSRs expressed how helpful this was. Thank you to Lela and Kelley. 2 Groups: The Red Eye Group and We Can Friday Night GSRs plan to attend and get involved in the GSO Conference season! Three GSRs and I attended the District 24, 25 and 17 Workshop on March 10th. A step-by-step process with a "sample survey" was sent to District 29 GSRs hoping they bring group information to the Pre-Conference Assembly in Lodi.

D-30 Larry A, DCM -- District 30 had our District Meeting Saturday, March 11, with 30 people in attendance. Two members of

SACYPAA gave a presentation to the District. Thanks Gina and Regina! I attended PRAASA this year and found it to be all I had heard and more. The DCM and YPAA Roundtables were extremely informative to help young people in our District participate. We also had a good discussion on the Agenda Items and a brief preview about what to expect in Lodi at next month's assembly. Overall, District 30 is doing well, our finances are sound, and the Third Legacy of A.A. is being practiced in Amador and Calaveras Counties.

D-31 Jim H. DCM -- Our district meets on the 3rd Wednesday, after the ACM. We still need a District Treasurer. I attended the planning meeting for the Pre-Conference Assembly at the Cherokee Fellowship in Stockton (D-32).

D-32 Cynthia B, DCM -- Thank you to Lela for the information and Mike K for the GSR school. District 32 will meet on March 21st at Fremont Fellowship at 8pm in Stockton. I have made copies of the Agenda Items and background information and gave to the GSRs whom I was able to contact. A correction regarding a new group: Sisters in Sobriety, is not in District 32, but District 31, on Lincoln Road, not Lincoln Street. Some of the groups in our District are struggling with participation and need more unity in their groups. A bilingual group is requesting someone or a panel to come and explain what the functions of General Service, PI/CPC, BTG, H&I and Inter-Groups are. We have our last committee meeting on March 31st at Cherokee Fellowship in Stockton at 1 pm. We are still receiving Pre-Registration for the Pre-Conference. I thank my District for

sending me to PRAASA. I was an interpreter during the DCM Roundtables and met some really nice Spanish speaking members from the Pacific Region.

D-33 Ray D, DCM
No report

D-34 Philip S, DCM – We had 12 GSRs present at the District meeting and 3 new Alternate GSRs on Wednesday 3/4/12. We discussed a few of the Agenda Items. I was contacted by a rep from Salida School District for an event on 3/23/12. They needed information in both English and Spanish. I contacted District 56 Intergroup. I was overwhelmed by the help I am getting from others – it is wonderful!!! Thank you D-56!

D-36 Roy L, DCM
No report

D-40 Pete C, DCM -- We had our District Meeting in Mariposa on March 4th with 4 groups represented. Madera reported that there was confusion concerning their contributions to the District and CNIA Area. It has been cleared up. I distributed the background information for the Conference Agenda Items. I was contacted by Brent (Area Registrar) to verify addresses for mailing Accents this month, and the information has been forwarded. Our next District Meeting will be in North Fork with a new group now participating in our District rotation (we rotate with 4 group locations).

D-41 Dave D, Alt-DCM -- The District 41 meeting was held on March 12th. Six GSRs, one Alt-GSR, DCM, Alt-DCM, and the Liaison from FCYPAA were present. We discussed the Agenda Items for the upcoming Pre-Conference As-

sembly. We agreed to schedule a meeting with Districts 42 and 43 to review the topics in the Agenda Items within the next two weeks. The District finances are ok. Registration for the Pre-Conference Assembly was discussed. DCM Eddie A will be celebrating 25 years of sobriety on March 25th at the T.I.E. Group in Fresno.

D-42 Bill L, DCM -- District Meeting was held Monday, March 12th. We discussed Agenda Items, gave background CDs to GSRs for their groups' opinions. We are scheduling a meeting with Districts 41, 42, and 43 members to go over Agenda Items and obtain more feedback. The monthly Intergroup Speaker Meeting hosted by District 42 had Sue A. [5years] and Paul M. [40 years] as speakers and 50 members attended -- it was a big success. Sierra Fellowship's "Unity Day" is in May and the Annual "Intergroup Picnic and Volleyball Tournament" is set for early June. A new group, Holy Spirit Village Group, has become an official member of the District. We welcome them to the Fresno family. Overall attendance is up and A.A. is doing very well in North Fresno.

D-43 Rodney M, DCM – March 3rd we had our 2nd meeting. It has grown from 3 to 7 GSRs. We elected a Treasurer and we are looking forward to our next meeting. Thank my Higher Power for making a difference – thank you for your support.

D-47 Sherry B, DCM – We meet on the 1st Wednesday of the month and this month had 7 GSRs and a past DCM in attendance. A committee has been formed for the 2013 Pre-Conference Assembly. Tachi Palace where the Post Conference Assembly was held in 2011

has been contacted and is offering the same package. The Lamp Litter and Holiday Inns will also be contacted this month for pricing. Some concern from the groups regarding the motion for the Prudent Reserves - the fact that the money can be used for anything. They are asking for clarification. Increasing the GSR participation is a real focus for our District. We have approximately 70 groups in our District with only 10 to 12 GSRs involved at the District and Area levels. A District website is being considered. The District is working on its budget for the next two years. Contributions are down. Any suggestions from other Districts experiencing the same situation would be greatly appreciated.

D-49 Peter L, DCM
No report

D-53 Inocencio S, DCM **No report**

D-54 Miguel, DCM – We meet every Friday of the month; 2 meetings are study meetings, one is information and the other is Agenda Items. Study groups are discussing the Agenda Items. We are also working for the anniversary of our District and the 11th Forum. We are deciding about having the GSR Preamble at our District meeting. We are also looking for a Treasurer and PI committee.

D-54 Pedro – Our District meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month. We are celebrating the 16th anniversary of our District on 18th of March. We want to thank Lela for coming out to participate at the District and also Matthew and his committee for BTG. Their information was well received. Mike K and Kelley will be doing a GSR school at our District. We have 10-

12 GSRs present. There are 22 groups working hard to get to know each other.

D-55 Damian, Alternate DCM – We have 4 meetings a month every Wednesday: 1st meeting is information, 2nd is study group, 3rd is Agenda Items, and, the 4th is just the Board. Our District has 10 GSRs. We are organizing a sub-committee for the 11th Forum. Monday we visit the groups. We are motivating the groups to fill spots open at the District.

D-56 Martin C, DCM – They have 2 meetings on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month. We are studying the Agenda Items so the GSRs can take to the groups and bring the information to the Pre-Conference Assembly. There is a LaVina Committee working hard to motivate groups to subscribe. The District is experiencing the change of new GSRs and being a part of the District. They still need a committee for BTG and people to serve on the committee. In April they will have the GSR school led by Michael K because this District has many new GSRs.

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Brent G – Currently there are some changes not completed yet. There are concerns regarding the forms for registering. We can take care of this at the ACM and Assemblies to be sure groups and members are up-to-date. All email subscriptions are on the website. In updating email Accents/Acentos, go to the cnia.org website and click on the

link to enter/change the name/email address. Also, you can choose what you want to have sent to you (Delegate's information, Accents/Acentos, etc.) Be sure to enter your group # that is GSO's registered # (6-digits), NOT a central office/intergroup number (5-digits). Please contact me by email or telephone if you need help. There are forms you can fill out. Please send to me at registrar@cnia.org – not the GSO address.

Secretary
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Jan P -- Thank you for sending me to PRAASA! I have always *loved* PRAASA and learn so much about A.A. I attended the Agenda Items Workshops at North Hall on March 10th and Hi Flyers on March 11th. The minutes for the March Accents/Acentos were sent to Accents Publisher and Translation on Friday, February 24th and the minutes from the Winter Assembly were sent on Saturday, February 25th for the April issue. I'm available to come to your meetings or events – email me or give me a call.

Treasurer
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Ann R – Thank you to Brent and past officers for their support and help. Contributions from groups have been deposited. Our rent for March is paid, as well as other bills. The insurance certificate was processed for the Pre-Conference Assembly and balance payment for the rental of the assembly site will be done on Monday. Thank you Sunni and your crew ensuring all is taken care of for the Assembly location. I also made the CNIA 07 contribution of \$2,000.00 to New York to assist in the Delegate's expenses for the 2012 General Conference. I

participated in the Officers' March monthly conference call which proved to be invaluable. I thank CNIA 07 for supporting my participation at the 2012 PRAASA in Washington!

Alternate Chair
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Michael K -- Thank you for supporting me to go to PRAASA. It was great to watch and hear all the CNIA 07 people who participated. Roundtables were helpful: How are we using our committees? Don't always answer yes. Try something different for working on the Agenda items next year. I continue working on Area assemblies – pleasure working with D-31, 32 and Matthew D-21 BTG. Gave GSR schools at D-21 (some GSRs were "big-eyed"); and scheduled with D-19, 54, 56. I signed up for electronic subscription BOX 459 for information gained. Upcoming positions opening up are: Class A Trustee, 3 Class B Trustee positions; and, AAWS Non-Trustee Director position. Grapevine is recognized by the conference as an International Journal and is part of the Charter itself. A quote from Bill W in 1946: "The Grapevine will be the voice of the Alcoholics Anonymous movement. The Grapevine will try to carry the A.A. message and practice the A.A. principles in all of its affairs." Article on A.A. in Uganda requested the Big Book be translated and were given permission. They even paid for the first 1,000 copies.

Chair
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Vikki L – On Sunday, February 19th Woody R and I conducted a group inventory for Group 3. I had never been part of that process and

learned a lot. Thank you to Woody, Deena and Dave for your hard work. I went to PRAASA! It is difficult to put into words what PRAASA meant to me.

I attended all the Panels and Roundtables and came away with a better understanding how the conference works, and the importance of a well-informed group conscious. I attended the Agenda Workshop at North Hall on March 10th. Nancy M and I covered items regarding the Grapevine. Officers met via conference call and talked about the need of updated computers for trusted servants. We discussed Pre-Conference Assembly agenda, dates and times for future conference call meetings.

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Kelley M – PRAASA 3-days were filled with informative Panels, Roundtables and great fellowship. Many CNIA 07 members participated on the panels. A panel on “Safety in AA, Our Common Welfare” really opened my eyes to issues needing to be discussed within our groups. The Past Trustee’s Panel is always educational and helpful. Greg M., past GSO General Manager reminded us to trust our Trusted Servants and a World Service Trustee from Japan reminded us to never put Service above our Recovery. The Roundtable meetings with alternate delegates in the Pacific Region and Yukon/BC area highlighted the similarities and many differences in how our Areas approach the dissemination of the Conference Agenda Items to our Districts, Groups and Members. I joined Lela in some of the meetings and workshops on the Conference Agenda items. There was an impressive turnout of GSRs and other

members at the meetings. I attended a Sponsorship Workshop at North Hall Group in Sacramento organized by DCM Jon S, D-24. CNIA and the Central California Fellowship (CCF) PI/CPC Committee will be co-hosting a PI/CPC workshop from 2-4 p.m. on Saturday, June 9, at the Roseville Tuesday Night Group, 315 Lincoln Street. As Chair of PI/CPC for CNIA, I remain available as a resource for all Districts and hope to continue to improve communication among local PI/CPC Committees within CNIA. As a member of the E-Services Committee, I am grateful for the service of our Chair Jenn D, Webmaster Eddie A and the other members of our committee.

What’s on My Mind?

I attended my first PRAASA in Oakland. I became aware how important A.A. is when someone who spoke said they began in 1978, and I was born in 1979! That made me aware that it is our job to keep Alcoholics Anonymous alive – it’s us doing it as members and being responsible. /I got sober at a Young People’s Convention when I was 29, and it got me into General Service. They said if I do it for 2 years I’m guaranteed sobriety --- so I thank YPAAs for getting me into sobriety and service!

Motion and seconded to adjourn @ 3:43 p.m.



Jan P, Recording Secretary
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 Area 07 — Panel 62

**CNIA PANEL 62
 JUNE AGENDA
 Saturday,
 June 16th, 2012**

- 10:00 am
 - Call to Order
 - Serenity Prayer
 - 12 Traditions (short form)
 - 12 Concepts (short form)
 - Introductions
 - Announcements
 - Assembly Reports
 - Consideration of the March 2012 minutes
 - Liaison Reports
 - Central Offices
 - H&I
 - YP
 - 7th Tradition
 - Appointed Chair Reports
 - District Committee Member Reports (DCM’s)
 - Officer Reports
 - Housekeeping (coming out of reports)
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:00 Delegate’s Report—
- 1:30 New Business
- 2:00 Discussion Topics
- 3:30 What’s On Your Mind
- 4:00 Close

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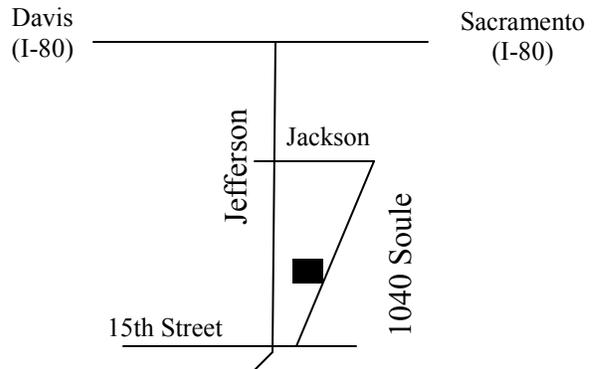
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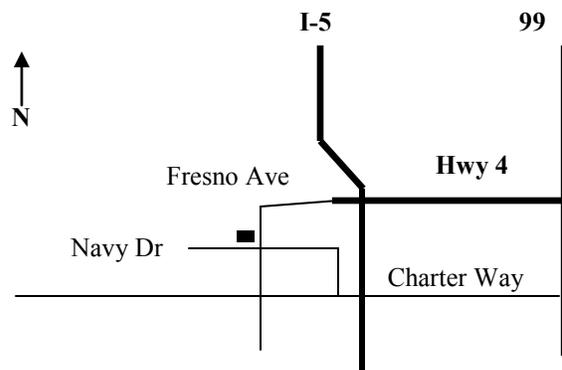
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CALENDAR 2012-2013**

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JAN 21-22	WINTER ASSEMBLY (36)	MERCED
FEB 18	AREA COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO
MAR 2-4	PRAASA	BELLEVEUE, WA
MAR 16-18	NCCAA	SAN RAMON
MAR 17	AREA COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO
APR 14-15	PRE-CONFERENCE ASMBLY(32)	LODI
APR 22-28	GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE	NEW YORK
MAY 19-20	POST-CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY(29/21)	ROSEVILLE
JUN 16	AREA COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO
JUL 6-8	NCCAA	AUBURN ^(Gold City Frfrds)
JUL 21	AREA COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO
AUG 18	AREA COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO
SEP 14-16	PACIFIC REGIONAL FORUM	FAIRBANKS, AK
SEP 15	AREA COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO
OCT 5-7	NCCAA	SACRAMENTO
OCT 19-21	MINI-PRAASA (30 / 22)	JACKSON
NOV 17	AREA COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO
DEC 15	AREA PLANING COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO

2013 - Proposed

(DISTRICT)

JAN 19-20	WINTER ASSEMBLY (D19)	YUBA CITY
FEB 16	AREA COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO
MAR 1-3	PRAASA	BOISE, ID
SPRING	NCCAA	FRESNO
MAR 16	AREA COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO
APR 13-14	PRE-CONFERENCE ASMBLY (D47)	TULARE / VISALIA
APR 21-27	GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE	RYE NEW YORK
MAY 18-19	POST-CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY (D9)	YREKA
JUN 7-9	NCCAA	FOSTER CITY
JUN 15	AREA COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO
JUL 20	AREA COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO
AUG 17	AREA COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO
SUMMER/FALL	BTG—BRIDGING THE GAP (D56)	SACRAMENTO
SEP 21	AREA COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO
OCT 19	AREA COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO
NOV 15-17	ELECTION ASSEMBLY (D15)	CHICO
DEC 21	AREA PLANING COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO

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