

CNIA AREA ACCENTS



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CNIA PANEL 62 2012 POST CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY AGENDA ROCKLIN, MAY 19-20, 2012

Saturday, May 19, 2012

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Registration
12:00 p.m.	Assembly Convenes
12:00 p.m. - 12:15 p.m.	Call to Order GSR Preamble Traditions, Concepts Introductions Housekeeping
12:15 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Weekend Overview, Past Delegate
12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Approval of Pre-Conference Assembly Minutes Liaison Reports Assembly Reports (Pre-Conference, Mini-PRAASA, Winter) Appointed Chair Reports Officer Reports DCM Reports 7 th Tradition
2:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.	Break
2:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.	Old/New Business
2:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.	Delegate Report from General Service Conference
5:15 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	Dinner
6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.	Panel 1: PI/CPC

7:45 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.	Ice Cream Social
8:15 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	Roundtables

Sunday, May 20, 2012

9:00 a.m.	Assembly Reconvenes Announcements/ Housekeeping
9:10 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Roundtable Reports
9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.	Panel 2: Grapevine
10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.	Delegate Report
11:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	<i>"Ask It" Basket & What's on Your Mind</i>
12:00 p.m.	Assembly Closing

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

CHAIR'S REPORT—PANEL 62

by Vikki L
chair@cnia.org

Thank you to all the DCMs and GSRs who attended the Pre-Conference Assembly! And thank you to Liz and District 32 for hosting an amazing assembly! The event started at noon on Saturday, April 14th, and we immediately began “Sharing with the Delegate.” I was very impressed with the number of people who attended and who waited patiently in line to give their group conscience. Some districts brought over 20 GSRs! How cool is that?

Since our Delegate, Lela, is on the Literature Committee, the first agenda topics that we discussed were the Literature items. After everyone got a chance to share on those items, the floor was opened to sharing on all the agenda items. I was touched by the time, energy, and creativity it took to get a group conscience. Wow!! Our Delegate is truly informed!!

Sunday, April 15th, was our “business day”. We had three hours for all the DCM reports, appointed chair reports, liaison reports and officer reports. Plus there were three motions to discuss. Everybody did very well in keeping their report under two minutes. Thank you! After the reports, it was time to discuss Motion One. The first motion was regarding the Prudent Reserve for the Area. I am happy to say that it passed unanimously with little discussion. It was nice to know that all the GSRs were fully aware of the motion and ready to vote. Yay!!

The second motion up for discussion reads as follows: **I move that we move the Election Assembly to the third weekend in October and have the ACM on the third weekend of November.** As you know, we have been discussing this motion for a while. And after some discussion at the mic on Sunday, the original maker of the motion, Titia A., withdrew the motion.

The third motion reads as follows: **E-services would like to purchase a mobile wireless card at a cost of \$50 and a monthly service fee not to exceed \$100 per month. The card will be used to update Area computer operating systems, virus protections, and would be available for internet access, and ACMs for presentation.** As you remember, this motion was kicked back to the EServices Committee for further

review. So on Sunday, Jenn D, Chairperson of the EServices Committee, officially withdrew the motion indicating that it would be best if we looked into other options.

All in all, the weekend was a huge success!! It was awesome to have six past delegates attending and sharing their experience, strength and hope with anyone who asked. The dinner Saturday was delicious and of course, I liked the ice cream. I am looking forward to hearing our Delegate’s report when she gets back from New York. Our prayers and our thoughts are with her on her journey.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service. I am truly blessed.

Love,
Vikki L
Area Chair
Area 07, Panel 62

MINUTES (unapproved) Pre-Conference Assembly April 14-15, 2012 Lodi, CA

SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2012

The Pre-Conference Assembly of California Northern Interior Area (CNIA) was held at the Lodi Grape Festival Grounds, Lodi, CA, on Saturday, April 14, to Sunday noon, April 15, 2012. Area Chair, Vikki L, called the Assembly to order at noon followed by the Serenity Prayer. The GSR Preamble was read (in Spanish) by De Jesus D, MCD D-56. The 12 Concepts were read by Mike S, GSR D-40, and the Twelve Traditions were read by Teresa D, GSR D-32. It was announced that approximately 200 registered for the Assembly.

INTRODUCTIONS

Vikki introduced the attending Past Delegates: Inez Y – Panel 44, Woody R – Panel 50, Kathy C – Panel 54, Marianne H – Panel 56, Lee W – Panel 58, and Melody T – Panel 60.

WEEKEND OVERVIEW of Pre-Conference Assembly

Presented by Kathy C, Past Delegate – Panel 54

SHARING WITH DELEGATE

The sharing of information was accomplished by many GSRs, Alt-DCMs, and DCMs giving their groups' reports and feedback on the 2012 Conference Agenda Items for our Delegate, Lela M, to take to the Annual Conference in New York. Lela M - Delegate, Kelley M - Alternate Delegate, and Jan P - Recording Secretary, took notes to give to Lela. All feedback was completed Saturday evening. Lela was extremely grateful for all the information shared, and written reports given, during the Assembly. She is taking all of you with her in spirit.

SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2012

The Pre-Conference Assembly of CNIA Area Chair, Vikki L, reconvened the Assembly at 9 a.m. Sunday, April 15, 2012, with the Serenity Prayer. The GSR Preamble was read (in Spanish) by Pedro C, MCD D54 and Mini V, GSR D54. The Twelve Traditions were read by Dale A, GSR, Primary Purpose Group in Stockton, and the 12 Concepts were read by Becky B, Alternate DCM D22. Vikki thanked all who attended and gave their feedback from their Groups and Districts!

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CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES

The 2012 Winter Assembly Minutes were considered and unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Forest Hill GSR is attending this conference for the first time and says: "This is a hoot!"

August 3-4-5, Serenity in the Mountains 20th Women's Retreat in Forest Hill – cabins w/bathrooms.

Pacific Region Spanish-speaking Districts and Groups celebrate La Viña's Anniversary. This July 28-29 the 16th Anniversary for La Viña will be held in Richland, WA. Last year the 15th Anniversary was celebrated in Bakersfield, CA. Registration fees are used to purchase La Viña subscriptions for attendees or other A.A. members - last year over 800 subscriptions were purchased.

Assembly/Liaison Reports

2012 Winter Assembly – no report

2012 Post Conference Assembly: Dick B, DCM D-21, reminded us that Matthew L former DCM-21, is Chair of the Post-Conference Assembly to be held May 19-20, 2012, at Sunset Whitney Country Club, 4201 Midas Avenue, Rocklin, CA. You can go online to website www.district21@cnia.org to register for the assembly.

Mini-PRAASA Titia A, Chair of Mini-PRAASA: Districts 22 and 32 are co-hosting at Jackson Rancheria, Jackson, CA, on October 19-21.

The contract is to be filled out today.

Winter Assembly 2013 – hosted by District 19. Fairgrounds are reserved and working on catering.

SACYPAA – Regina K reported they voted to continue the committee WACYPAA for bidding at the 2013 Conference in Arizona. The new Alternate GSR is Derrick H. Future events are being determined. We attended D-30 meeting to help build rapport with young people there. FRESNO Young People's Conference is next year in March.

NCCAA – needs readers from CNIA – please see or email Vikki (chair@cnia.org) and sign up!

DELEGATE'S REPORT

Thank you to D-31 and D-32 for hosting this assembly. Thank you to those who put together bookmarks for me to be passed around to others at the Conference.

Please remind groups that the following eBooks are available at aa.org – Big Book and 12 & 12.

Spanish background material has been given to their Districts, thanks to Lee W. More 2011 Spanish reports will be coming.

I asked other Delegates on different topics how the Young People participate in other Areas. I received several ideas. These will be discussed at the June ACM.

Submission dates for group updates/changes are due Friday, May 4th, for GSO's for the Western Regional Directory – please give to our Registrar, Brent G (registrar@cna.org).

NCCAA – CNCA Delegate, Ken M, will be giving his Delegate's report in Auburn on Saturday, July 7, 2012, at the Gold Country Fairgrounds.

Grapevine submissions are being accepted for December 'Serenity in the Holidays' issues

Reminder, on the Grapevine website is a sobriety calculator – see how many years, days, even seconds you have of sobriety! Delivery of Grapevine and La Viña are being monitored and are improving. GSO's mailroom is sharing some Grapevine functions. Grapevine moved to the 10th floor from the 12th floor. Grapevine was in the positive with a net profit of \$22,838.00!

Gmail is sharing some experience, strength and hope that does not have the best privacy practice. You can check on the right side of their email/website.

Conference Agenda Items -- some items can be done and some cannot -- one that was tabled was a request that any book published in hard print, eBook, or future format by AAWS or Grapevine be required to have approval by the Conference. The Trustees Committee agreed that correspondence to AAWS and Grapevine will be included with a policy formatting what types of literature need to go forward to the Conference for approval and what do not. They will be looking at editorial and format changes. Another

topic that was tabled was the discussion to add 12 Concepts to the 12 and 12; pricing is being obtained. If Tradition 11 is revised, costs could be included. Another topic tabled at this time is the request that background material for Conference Agenda Items be translated into French and/or Spanish. Unfortunately, the cost of doing so is prohibitive. Translation is currently done as a 'grassroots' effort at this time.

Instructions for eBooks on Apple are available in Spanish and French. There is an updated eBook app for the iPhone; and final testing is completed for the Android app and the translation will follow.

All Delegates were sent procedures outlining when GSO is notified of an anonymity break. If you'd like to know, I will be glad to send you how GSO handles anonymity breaks.

Daily Reflections is currently available on the website aa.org in all 3 languages. GSO is also considering emailing it. It is anticipated that Living Sober and Daily Reflections will be added to the email library. The Committee approved 2015 International theme:

80 years – Happy, Joyous and Free!

AAWS website redesign committee has begun the construction phase.

There is an opening for a Class A non-alcoholic Trustee to replace Judge F in 2013. Please submit candidates' resumes by July 1, 2012. Trustee-at-large will be elected at the General Service Conference in 2013. Mini-PRAASA has an election of people who will be available and will be put forward

to be considered as Trustee-at-large in 2013. Openings for AAWS Non-Trustee Director due July 1, 2012 – AA Grapevine Non-Trustee Director due May 31, 2013.

DCM Reports

D-09 Steve C, DCM – We have posted a website. 2013 Post Conference Assembly looking for a location. We have a 'Spring Band' and upcoming events in June and September. We're planning our District picnic.

D-11 – Larry W, Recording Secretary -- DCM Cindy C and Alt-DCM Maureen R were unable to attend. We held an Agenda Workshop in March. Area Delegate, Lela, presented Literature items; and Area Chair, Vikki, presented Grapevine items. It was well attended with half being simply interested members. Several longtime sober members commented that they were surprised that so much thought went into Agenda items. We have two new GSRs.

D-15 Jenn D, Alt-DCM – 6 GSRs attended today! Thanks to Mike K for giving a GSR School. We are thinking about a Paradise location and need information for room blocks at hotels.

D-17 Jan H, DCM -- We have at least 11 GSRs and extras attending. Southport Serenity Group in West Sacramento is having its 1st potluck-speaker meeting in May celebrating their 15th year. Please check the CCF website for details.

D-19 Judy T, DCM -- The District meeting was held on April 7, 2012. The 2013 Winter Assembly Committee will meet with Area representatives in June or July. Unity Day picnic is June 23 at Lion's Grove/Riverfront Park, Marysville. The District Finance Committee is analyzing costs for our local answering service and making recommendations. The importance of the group's voice at the conference. It was suggested we make this a top priority. June 2nd, Mike K, Alt-Chair, will give GSR School; and August 4th, Lela M, Delegate, will give a General Service Conference report; flyers will be ready in May. Our District's first **annual** calendar will include group events, District meetings, ACMs, Forums, PRAASAs, and Conferences. GSRs were provided with information on Area motions re: Prudent Reserve and Election Assembly to obtain groups input. Our District is considering outreach to homebound members.

D-20 Dan L, DCM -- We met March 31st in our new meeting room at the local hospital. GSRs obtained their groups' conscience on the 2012 General Service Conference Agenda Items. I attended 4 Agenda Item meetings held by D-20 groups. It was humbling and enlightening. I reported back to D-20 my PRAASA experience. (Thanks to Vikki for her help in preparing for that.) Area Registrar, Brent, swiftly corrected a registration problem; and, Lela, Delegate, mailed the Conference procedure for "minority opinion," as part of a group inventory process.

D-21 Dick B, DCM -- 30 members were present at the March 2012 District meeting. Topics included group conscience on Conference Agenda Items, attendance goals at Pre-Conference Assembly and host-

ing Post-Conference Assembly. Flyers are available. You can register on line at district21cnia.org and click on "assembly". The Annual Loomis Ice Cream Social is June 9th at Veteran's Memorial Hall in Loomis with speaker Rod B. of Utah. Flyers are available. Auburn Unity Day is July 14th. Flyers pending. I looked up the word "squander", and have learned since being in General Service that we DO NOT squander!

D-22 Tom A, DCM -- District Meeting was held March 14th with 21 attending, including 2 new GSRs. Eleven GSRs at the Pre-Conference Assembly in Lodi brought feedback from their groups. GSR registration is nearly up to date. West Slope Unity Group needs volunteers - open to ideas for Quarterly Speaker Meeting Evening format. PI/CPC gave a Grade School presentation and literature was given to Big Brothers/Big Sisters. The District Web Committee discussed updating guidelines for website submissions and a Spanish version site. Archives Rep announced we could utilize storage space available as a group, thus saving storage costs. Tape librarian shared he has 700 CDs and is receiving CDs from New Jersey with a total of 2000 speakers, A.A. presentations and audio books. He's converting to MP3 format. He has offered to upload to District website. Recording Secretary, BTG, and Grapevine rep positions are still open. Next month is District Group Inventory, District Guideline Review and feedback from the Pre-Conference Assembly.

D-24 Jon S, DCM -- District Meeting was held on April 11th. We had 14 in attendance. GSRs shared experiences with Conference Agenda Items. We elected BTG and CCF

liaisons. PI/CPC and Grapevine liaison positions are still open. A motion to support Sacramento's Unity Day on June 30, 2012, passed unanimously. I announced my joining the Area Finance Committee.

D-25 Deanna, DCM -- Thanks to ICCYPAA for their generous contribution. Our meeting was visited by Dave C, Archives Chair, who gave a presentation. On May 13th Vikki is coming to share her experience of General Service. In June, Celia, Literature Chair, will share her experience. Thanks to Vikki and Woody who helped with group inventory for Group Three. We discussed a group with a large prudent reserve. They have a weekly breakfast asking for a \$5 contribution. We have concerns with Concept XII and Tradition 3.

D-27 Lee P, DCM -- District meeting was held Tuesday, March 20th, with 27 Alternates/GSRs and 5 officers. One group sent their first GSR. We prepared for presenting Agenda Items at Pre-Conference Assembly. Jon, Alt-DCM, and I shared our experience at PRAASA. Motion was approved for a \$300 donation for Sacramento Unity Day. Also, motion was approved for \$200 scholarships to assist GSRs with room and registration expenses to the Pre-Conference Assembly. Gibbons Noon group Annual Picnic is June 8th at Miller Park in Fair Oaks. District 27 had 29 GSRs, Alternates and Officers at Pre-Conference Assembly. We thank Districts 31 and 32 for all their hard work and hosting a great assembly.

D-29 Nancy M, DCM -- 9 GSRs attending today! District meeting was on March 27th; 9 GSRs in attendance! I'm proud of them! Two new

GSRs: Thomas J from Red Eye Group, and Alt-GSR for SACYPAA, Derrick H. We discussed Agenda Items with group members. Good information and responses were brought up. H&I had changes to the needs list. Two motions re: Prudent Reserve and Election Assembly were discussed. The DCM gave PRAASA report with tears of gratitude.

D-30 Larry A, DCM – 15 GSRs at Assembly! District 30 holds our business meeting April 21 due to the Pre-Conference Assembly. Finance Committee is preparing our budget for next fiscal year and beginnings of YPAA project is moving forward. I hope to schedule a Secretary's Workshop in June and either an A.A. Etiquette or Sponsorship Workshop after that. The District is planning a Unity Day this summer.

D-32 Cynthia B, DCM – Thank you D-31 and D-32 for all your help! District meeting was held on March 21st at Fremont Fellowship with 8 GSRs and 4 members-at-large attending. GSRs received a CD of the Agenda Items. They were reminded to bring a copy of their Agenda Topics results to Pre-Conference for the Delegate and Secretary. Cherokee Fellowship is starting at 2 pm Saturday meeting. A report was given about PRAASA to GSRs and a copy of Roundtable results. The District supported me going to PRAASA. The whole experience was informative and greatly appreciated.

D-34 Philip S, DCM – 2 GSRs attended today! Our District is slowly coming together. The Family event for Salida Unified School District went very well.

D-36 Roy L, DCM – Our District has grown since January. The Liv-

ingston Group is organizing. Karen D, PI/CPC rep, has communicated with a health care facility and has given them information. Atwaters Winners Circle Fellowship is well-attended with monthly speaker meetings. I'm contacting groups and fellowships about sending GSRs to be represented at District meetings.

D-40 Pete C, DCM – We will have Founder's Day event with Traditions Play and Traditions Panel on Sunday, June 10, in Oakhurst. We're planning Unity Day at Bars Lake on September 9th. We welcomed North Fork Fellowship into our meeting rotation! Our next District Meeting will be on May 6th in Oakhurst @ 1:30 pm.

D-41 David D, Alt-DCM – 6 GSRs present! District 41 meeting was held on April 9th at 7pm. Six GSRs and Alt-DCM present. Treasurer's report was given and a motion passed to distribute funds above prudent reserve to Central Office, Area and GSO after the Post Conference Assembly. Discussed Agenda Items and GSRs gave group reports. A motion passed to schedule a trip to the Archives on Saturday June 2nd. Six GSRs, DCM and Alt DCM are going to the Pre-Conference Assembly. Fresno won 2013 ACYPAA. The 1st ACYPAA was held in Fresno in 1990.

D-42 Bill L, DCM – Met with all 3 Fresno Districts on Saturday, April 1st. Went over Agenda Items and encouraged all to attend and participate at Pre-Conference Assembly. Enthusiasm is great!

D-43 – Rodney, DCM -- March 31st met regarding Agenda Items with Districts 41, 42 and 43. On April 1st worked at obtaining a let-

ter of non-profit to IRS. Our secretary resigned. We are also looking for Alt-DCM. One GSR from Life on Life Terms (Ray H.) put together a questionnaire on Agenda Items and passed to fellowship members and asked if anyone wanted to participate. I'm proud to write he did a fantastic job! He got lots of feedback. He has helped the District tremendously!

D-47 Sherry B, DCM – Thank you District 32 and 31 for hosting this assembly. We have 8 in attendance, 6 GSRs with 4 attending their first Pre-Conference and 1 member at large. Our meeting was April 4th. District 47's transition from the previous panel to the current panel has been slow. The goal is to increase participation at District/Area level. We hope to have some service events soon to facilitate participation. We are planning for the Pre-Conference Assembly for 2013. We determined that the Area enjoyed the assembly held at Tachi Palace Casino last year and proceeded with plans. The facility is not available for the proposed dates of April 13th and 14th. Our District was able to secure the palace for the 6th and 7th of April 2013 and I will take those dates to the June Area Committee Meeting for approval.

D-53 Miguel E, DCM -- Meeting was held the 13th of April with GSR Preamble. 11 GSRs present – continue to have 4 meetings per month. We talked about Agenda Items. Study meetings made topic of Agenda Items. It was approved more stories from atheists and agnostics be available. This is inclusive.

D-54 Pedro C, DCM -- 5 GSRs came to Assembly! 7-8 GSRs are present at meetings 1st and 3rd of the month. We are participating with other Districts for Sacramento Uni-

ty Day on June 30, contributing \$100. This is my first time doing this service and I am grateful. Thanks to Lela and the whole committee as they have participated with our District.

D-55 Luis L, DCM – 12 GSRs come to meetings. I visit one group per week and I am working with Districts 54 and 56 organizing the 11th Forum. We have meetings every Wednesday – they are participating in groups, events, member’s anniversaries, speaker meetings. They are supporting committees for the 11th Forum. I appreciate AA for all I’ve learned!

D-56 Martin C, DCM -- This District received Agenda Items but not enough time to discuss; yet a few groups came to group consciences. 4 GSRs came to Assembly. New GSRs are coming to District in rotation of service and some groups have same GSRs. Thank you for all your service in Area.

Appointed Chair Reports

Accents – Mary O — Thank you 31 and 32 for hosting this Assembly. Thank you for the incredible cooperation and help with Accents. Lee W checks my work and finds what I don’t – I appreciate that. Luz Maria and I have become more acquainted. Thanks to all the Officers for their help!

Archives – David C
Went to Archives in Stockton and continued scanning and filing material I’ve received from GSO. I cre-

ated a new file that condensed some scanned material. I looked for a telephone jack to enable going online to send/receive CNIA emails. There was none in the room. No one came to visit Archives Center; I left @ 4 pm. Deanna C, D-25, asked me to make a presentation at her group’s monthly meeting. I took Archive information and the tri-fold display. Alt-DCM of D25, David C, expressed an interest in visiting the Archives Center with members of D-25 next month. More information from GSO has been sent. In the interest of preserving I have put contents on a thumb drive and need the group’s thoughts on the most efficient method of saving our Archives electronically.

BTG – Matthew L

Updating contact list for BTG coordinators in your District, please see me if there is someone new. Contact me or see me if you’d like me to come to your District or meeting for information on BTG. A workshop is being planned for CNIA this summer. A host District is needed, please come forward.

Eservices (eservices@cnia.org)

– **Jenn D** -- 3 computers have been distributed to Translation, Registrar and Treasurer! Lee W worked really hard getting them setup. Technology needs are being addressed for the Area. Please email me if you are not getting emailed Accents/Acentos to me and I will get them straightened out.

Finance (finance@cnia.org) – Tom A

It’s an honor to serve. March 30th we discussed what we are doing and I’m looking forward to meeting with Past Finance Chair, Titia A.

Grapevine/ La Viña

(grapevine@cnia.org) **Connie G**

— Highlights from the Grapevine Newsletter is available to all of us at www.aagrapevine.org/gvr. Grapevine moved up to 12th floor saving over \$50,000 in rent per year. (Note: this helped Grapevine to end 2011 in the black with more than \$22K.) Grapevine’s shipping fee will increase this September as approved by the Grapevine Board. The GV Quote is coming June 2012 and will be previewed at Conference. It features excerpts drawn from the deep well of classic Grapevine. Selections will be posted daily on the website and may be requested to receive via email delivery to your inbox. I attended PRAASA and attended both La Viña and Grapevine sharing sessions. Ami B., our Executive Editor/Publisher spoke at both sessions. La Viña earns \$100K every year with 8,500 subscriptions but it costs two times that to produce the magazine. To break even La Viña needs to double in subscriptions. La Viña is supported by the General Service Board as a service to the fellowship. The question is: NOT is it important; it is: How do we support it?

New books are: *Step by Step* and *Emotional Sobriety II* and we have some in stock. *The Best of Bill* is out as an Ebook and coming this month are *Emotional Sobriety*, *Emotional Sobriety II*, *Step by Step* and *Spiritual Awakenings II*. The next book/Ebook *Young and Sober* will be released in May. Many groups do not have Grapevine Reps (GVRs) or La Viña reps. Please act as the conduit for Grapevine information to your group or to your GVR if your group has one. This Assembly is where you hear the latest information which doesn’t

reach our groups unless someone looks at the website. Please share with your groups.

Literature

(literature@cnia.org) Celia B — Check out our books, pamphlets, service material, videos, CDs, wallet cards, and wall displays. I've given each District a copy of the service piece "Services Provided by AAWS/GSO". I hope that it will be useful in communicating to your groups and Districts the importance of our essential services and our responsibility for the 7th Tradition. I've improved our selection of items in Spanish. Please let me know what else you'd like. A few items are on sale and Spanish language Service Manuals are on sale for \$2 each. The DVD "Markings on the Journey" is on sale for \$14. It tells AA's history using rare items from the GSO archives. The DVD "Bill's Story" is on sale for \$9.00. One set of Steps and Traditions window shades is available for \$40. There are some pamphlets and service material for free. Please contact me for your events.

Translation

(translation@cnia.org) — Luz Maria G

I have been assisting translation with Lela at Spanish speaking meetings. Thank you for one of the new computers – it is a real blessing when doing translation for various needs. The Translation Committee consists of 9 members so far and more are needed. My home group Latino Americanos and District 54 asked me to translate for Lela with the Agenda Items and BTG Chair, Matthew. On April 28, I will accompany Mike K and translate for a GSR School in Modesto for District 56. Thank you all for allowing me to serve and your help!

Officers' Reports

Secretary (secretary@cnia.org)

Jan P – Thank you for your support and financial assistance to attend PRAASA in Bellevue, WA, in March. I always learn so much more about A.A. and meet others in service. Please send an email of your reports or give me your reports in case our recording equipment doesn't work, and to have correct minutes and information for Accents/Acentos newsletters. I am available to come to your meeting to serve. Just let me know. Thank you everyone for your efforts and service for A.A.!

Registrar (registrar@cnia.org)

Brent G – no report

Treasurer (treasurer@cnia.org)

Ann R – The Area bills are paid; group contributions have been deposited. I continue to become more learned in the use of our booking application Quick Books. I am looking forward to using the new laptop the Area purchased for the Treasurer. You were provided with two reports, the Income & Expense report January-April 2012; and a copy of the Budget vs. Actuals-to-date report. I hope it is of value to you. We are doing fine financially. It is typical the 1st quarter of the year to spend a higher portion of our budget for Winter, Pre-Conference and Post-Conference Assemblies, and participate in PRAASA; plus, contribute to the Delegate's expenses for the General Service Conference in New York. I share with you the letter received from GSO regarding our contribution to the 2012 GSC:

"Dear Friends, We very much appreciate receiving the contribution

of \$1,200 and the generous contribution of \$800 over and beyond the established amount toward the California Northern Interior Area delegate expenses as a splendid example of the principles embodied in Tradition Seven. With gratitude and love to you and all in the California Northern Interior Area. In fellowship, Conference Coordinator, GSO of A.A., New York."

Alt-Chair

(alt-chair@cnia.org) Mike K

I look forward to hearing Lela's report next month. I gave a GSR School in District 15 and participated in a conference call with Officers. Meetings in Districts 17, 19, 54, 56 have asked me to give GSR Schools; and, a group in Stockton asked me to participate in their group inventory. Thank you host Districts 31 and 32 and all the volunteers in helping setting up and serving us this weekend.

Chair

(chair@cnia.org) Vikki L — On March 24, I went to Rancho Cordova to share experience, strength and hope. I had the opportunity to go to Redding with Delegate Lela to discuss Agenda Items. In addition, District 25 asked me to attend their District meeting to share what Area Service is. May 27th I will moderate a group inventory for Pershing Fellowship. I'm enjoying serving; please invite me. Officers meeting via conference call on April 9th. Several items discussed: Importance to be prudent with our expenses; Area taxes and possibility of an audit of CNIA Financial books; disbursement of new computers to Officers. NCCAA will be held in Auburn July 6-8. We need readers, please see me and sign up!

Alt-Delegate

(alt-delegate@cna.org) Kelley M

-- Thank you for the opportunity to be of service and for financially supporting the Officers and Appointed Chairs to attend PRAASA in Bellevue, WA, in March. A panel "Safety in AA, Our Common Welfare" really opened my eyes to issues needing to be discussed within our groups. As a member of the EServices Committee, we have been meeting via Skype and have had full agendas of items to work on including our website, computer and translation equipment needs. I am grateful for the service of our Chair, Jenn D., Committee members, Sherry B. and Lee P. and our Webmaster Eddie A. As Chair of PI/CPC for CNIA, I want to encourage all of you who can to attend the PI/CPC workshop co-hosted by CNIA and the Central California Fellowship (CCF) PI/CPC Committee. The Workshop will be held on Saturday, June 9, at the Roseville Tuesday Night Group, 315 Lincoln Street from 2-4 pm. Flyers are available. This is open to all AA members. I remain available as a resource for all Districts and hope to continue to improve communication among local PI/CPC Committees within CNIA.

Warm send off to our Delegate, Lela

Melody T, Panel 60 – This is an incredibly emotional moment. You all have worked so hard with the Agenda Items for Lela; it was wonderful to see and hear your efforts. Lela, you have our group conscious and Right of Decision now – we are with you in the fellowship of the spirit – we are right with you on the conference floor – we wish you Godspeed and we love you as we send you off to New York!

(Everyone agreed, stood, applauded facing Lela.)

Old Business

Topic #1: Prudent Reserve

MOTION -- Panel 60

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 re-evaluated annually by the Finance Committee and the ACM based on actual changes to the above-specified expenses.

Vikki indicated this motion was introduced at the Election Assembly with discussion following each month. Lee W suggested information regarding who was eligible to vote. Vikki gave Eligible Voters: DCMs, (Alternate DCM if DCM is absent), GSRs (Alternate GSR if GSR is absent) and Area Officers. Call for the Question made by Mary O. Explanation by Vikki of "call for the question" that everyone is informed and ready to vote. Vikki indicated we need 2/3rds majority to pass. Show of hands in favor; opposed – no one.

Motion carried unanimously.

Topic #2: Eservices

MOTION – Panel 60

E-services would like to purchase a mobile wireless card at a cost of \$50 and a monthly service fee not to exceed \$100 per month. The card will be used to update Area computer operating systems, virus protections, and would be available for internet access, ACMs for presentation. Motion made by E-Services Committee, Panel 60

Jenn D, Eservices Chair, discovered after Winter Assembly that we need more information from Eservices before making a decision; we are not sure what all this entails before any motion; therefore, we withdraw this motion.

Motion is withdrawn.

Topic #3: Election Assembly

MOTION – Panel 60

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.

Vikki asked for discussion. Letter was read by an A.A. member with concerns / CNCA ok with switch – Lela verified the CNCA Election Assembly is even numbered years and does not conflict / concerns of other entities and their events / what is the compelling reason?

Titia A. came to the mic: This motion was brought forward during the December Planning Meeting not considering all the various situations within the Area, meeting and personal activities; there is a definite need for more discussion to move the Election Assembly; therefore Titia A, DCM Panel 60, and Jan P, who was not eligible to make a motion withdraw the motion

Motion is withdrawn.

New Business

There was no new business to report.

Pre-Conference Assembly closed @ 11:57 a.m.

Blessings & Humbled
Thankfulness,
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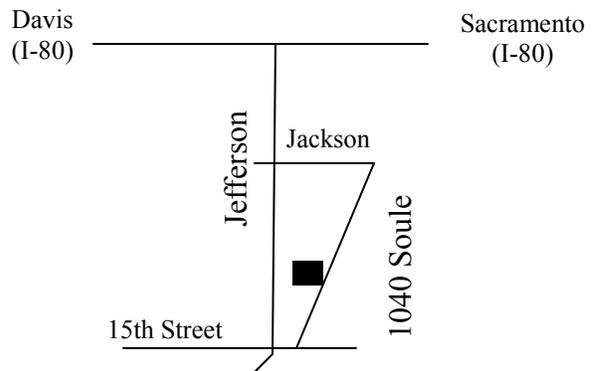
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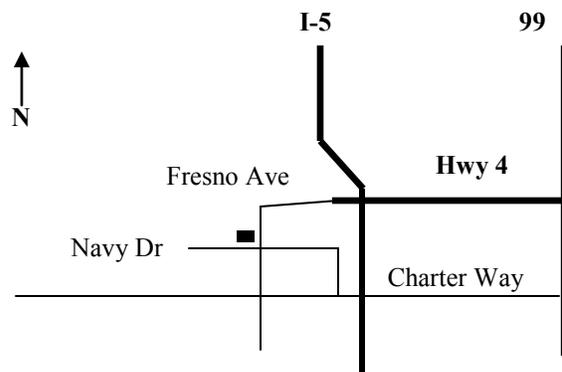
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(DISTRICT)

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 Ftr/ds)
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
JAN 25-27	NCCAA	FRESNO
FEB 16	AREA COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO
MAR 1-3	PRAASA	BOISE, ID
MAR	NCCAA	FRESNO
MAR 16	AREA COMMITTEE	W. SACRAMENTO
APR 13-14	PRE-CONFERENCE ASMBLY (D47)	TULARE / VISALIA
APR 21-27	GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE	RYE NY
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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