

# CNIA AREA ACCENTS



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## Chair's Report

Greetings Trusted Servants,

The 2021 General Service Conference (GSC) Agenda Items and background information are now available for General Service Representatives (GSR) to discuss with their home groups. You will find this information on the Area 07 Website: [cni.org](http://cni.org). Click on the Area07 button and then go to the Delegate's Page. There you will find the Final Agenda Items for the 71<sup>st</sup> General Service Conference. Please note all Agenda Topics are broken down by GSC Committees. The background information for each agenda topic is password protected. Your District Committee Member (DCM) or Area Officers have the password.

The CNIA 07 Pre-Conference Assembly will be held April 10th and 11th on Zoom. Details and Zoom information for the assembly will be available next month in the Area Accents. We encourage every GSR to come and share their group's conscience on the Agenda Items with our California Northern Interior Area (CNIA) Delegate Tom A. He will be attending the General Service Conference April 18-24 virtually over Zoom again this year. This will be an experience for all and is the foundation of our Area's Conference process. As a GSR, you are the link in the chain of communication between your group and the General Service Conference, which operates all year round.

Last month at the February Area Committee meeting, members from Babes in Recovery - District 25, gave a presentation on a draft "Twelve Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous Checklist" they created. The Checklist could be used as aids for sponsors and those being sponsored after working the steps. This is a great service piece shared with our Area! What now? Do we submit it to the GSC for next year's agenda? Please join us this month at the ACM to discuss this service piece.

Please continue to stay safe and well. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve.

Applying Love,

Matthew L.  
CNIA Chair

**Area Committee Meeting Agenda  
March 20, 2021**

10:00 am -Call to Order	Hospitals & Institutions (H&I)
Serenity Prayer	Central Offices & Intergroups
12 Traditions (short form)	Northern California Council of AA (NCCAA)
12 Concepts (short form)	Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous (YPAA)
General Service Representative (GSR) Preamble	Northern California Accessibility Committee
Why We Need a Conference	Hispanic Women's Conference
Introductions –	7th Tradition
Past Delegates	10:30 am – DCM Reports & Area Officer Reports
Guests and Visitors	12:00 Lunch
Newcomers to this meeting GSR's, etc	12:30-1:00 Finish up Officer Reports
Announcements –	1:00-2:00 Delegate Report
Assembly Reports –	2:00-2:45 Old Business: D25 "Checklist"
Pre-Conference Assembly 2021	New Business?
Post Conference 2021	2:45 – 3:45 Share your PRAASA experience
Election Assembly 2021	3:45pm What's on your mind?
Liaison Reports	4:00pm Close

**Join the Area Committee Meeting on Zoom**

Use the Zoom app or go to [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us)

**Meeting ID: 982-1637-5307**

**Password: CNIA\_ACM**

Or call in +1 669 900 6833 or +1 408 638-0968

Phone password: 57673252

**ACM MINUTES, FEBRUARY 2021****CNIA agenda workshops:****Spanish: March 18, 6 pm.****English: Feb. 27, Feb 28, March 13, March 14, all 9 am–1 pm**

The area committee meeting of the California Northern Interior was held Saturday, February 20, 2021 via Zoom. Matthew called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Loren read the Twelve Traditions (short form). Steve L. read the Twelve Concepts (short form); Annette H read the GSR Preamble; and Allen read "Why Do We Need a Conference?"

**Introduction of Past****Delegates:** Mike K (P68), Melody (P60); Marianne (P56); Inez (P44)**Newcomers to ACM:** none

**Announcements:** Zoom links for General Service Conference agenda workshops were provided in chat. PRAASA registration is continuing at PRAASA.org. E-Services Chair, Emily, instructed us about materials available at the password-protected area of [www.cnia.org](http://www.cnia.org).

**ASSEMBLY REPORTS,**

Matthew

**Election:** Host district/D24 is unable to reserve a space large enough to hold the assembly. If we stay online we will keep everyone safe.

**Comments:** Zoom has allowed us to overcome commuting distances/geography. We have had an uptick in participation with Zoom because it's easier to get

people to come. // Matthew noted that our Pacific Regional Trustee typically attends CNIA's Election Assembly to provide a report and facilitate the election. Under New Business, we will discuss rescheduling to accommodate Kathi F.

**Pre-Conference, Post-Conference:** Will be held over Zoom.

**LIAISONS**

**Northern California Hospitals & Institutions Committee,** Jason (CNIA Uniendo las Orillas/BTG) for Vikki: The general meeting was held Feb. 14. We discussed expanding the sponsorship program to other prisons. Ad hoc committee was formed to provide virtual Grapevine material.

**Northern California Council of AA (NCCAA):** no report, not present. A GSR reported the Grapevine calendar shows NCCAA has no scheduled events in 2021.

**Central California Fellowship (Sacramento):** Veronica: CCF has adopted bylaws.

**Northern California Accessibility Committee:** No report, not present.

**Fresno Intergroup:** We have had trouble updating our Google Maps listing since moving 2 years ago. If the request went through, it should clear up any confusion.

**Central Valley Intergroup,** Julie: Chips and literature are available; call Phil for pickups.

**Young People in AA SACYPAA (Sacramento):** SACYPAA hosts monthly speaker meetings and events on 4th Saturdays, 7 pm. The

committee has open positions. If interested, email [sacramentoypaa@gmail.com](mailto:sacramentoypaa@gmail.com). **PLAYPAA (Placer County):** Thank you to Jenn and Holly for participating in our For the Love of Service event. Tom also attended. Meetings are 2nd and 4th Sundays, 6-7:30 pm on Zoom. Our monthly speaker meeting and event are held 1st Saturdays at 6 pm on Zoom.

**7th Tradition:** Margie, Treasurer, instructed us with making digital and mail contributions.

**DISTRICT REPORTS****D09,** no report

**D11, Lauralyn:** We met February 14 with 6 in attendance. We have a Zoom ID and are working on getting that out to members. We elected a treasurer. We are looking forward to hosting the Post-Conference Assembly. **D15, John:** We are updating our bylaws.

**D17, Lindsay:** We are writing bylaws. Had a good workshop on group health and unity.

**D19, Annette:** We met Feb 6 with 7 members present. D19 is financially healthy. We welcomed a new GSR.

Groups are meeting by Zoom or in person. One group has a hybrid Zoom/in person. Most groups report doing ok but still needing contributions. The Keystone Group, one of our longtime fellowships, closed. They were in person for 11 meetings a week during most of the pandemic; could not maintain financially. D19 Unity Event was held Feb 13, hosted by Alt. DCM Steve.

**D20, Todd:** Hoping to get 2021 budget finalized. D20

lost a meeting hall which was sold in January. The Grass Valley Fellowship is hosting a Traditions Workshop March 27, 10 am. [www.dist20aa.org](http://www.dist20aa.org)

**D21**, Steve: Spoke about the Pre-Conference Assembly and 2021 spending plan.

Workshops will be posted at [www.aaplacer.org](http://www.aaplacer.org).

**D22**, Loren: The 2022 Post-Conference Assembly will be at the El Dorado County Fairgrounds; it includes a kitchen and seats 200.

**D23**: We have some new members and one new group. New address: PO Box 953, Rancho Cordova, CA 95741. We added a women's meeting to the district business meeting.

**D24**, read report: We are moving to a hybrid in-person/ Zoom meeting by April 2021.

We have made our District available to host the 2021 Election Assembly in person. We are financially solvent, with a solid amount of prudent reserves and minimal expenses. Groups are in favor of being given more time with the Agenda Items should this become an option.

**D25**, Don H. for Everett: Joe H and Nancy K are transcribing meeting notes from our district inventory. We will have another meeting for action items. Babes in Recovery has submitted an item for Area new business. Thank you Claudio for coordinating recent events.

**D27**, Ash L.: We started discussing our 2021 spending plan. We have a substantial amount of unused funds from last year we would like to apply in the district, area or future GSR travel expenses. We have some open committee positions and will be reaching out to Area committee chairs/liaisons. In the

next month or two, will be trying to have more discussion about agenda items.

**D29**, Patrick: We're financially stable. We passed a resolution to support D42's motion to move the conference date and passed along the info to Tom. Traditional Group is moving in April, after 18 months of looking at properties. A new place is being built out. A lot of landlords did not want us because they have heard we loiter outside and smoke. We need to be aware of being good stewards of AA. Upcoming workshop, Sobriety and Service during the Pandemic.

**D30**, Michael: We are doing Zoom meetings, including district meetings. A virtual tour of Bill W's house is almost ready.

**D41**, Joshua G.: Still without a secretary. Attendance at our largest fellowship: 30 meetings a week averaging 700 participants, masks required. Having a call for sponsors for newcomers. A fellowship has gone virtual and relinquished their physical meeting room. We are discussing geographical designations for groups, a virtual numbering system, and introducing a "ZCM" that can appropriately represent voices for virtual groups that do not belong to a physical district. GSRs reported back from the Winter Assembly and D42 GSR School. Posted a flyer to the Fresno Intergroup website, seeking to connect with underrepresented groups.

**D42**, Reyna: Jenn spoke at our meeting about PI/CPC, which struck GSRs with interest to get involved with the local PICPC committee. We voted in a new Treasurer. Our biggest expense is Zoom. Evelyn was elected as

Intergroup Chair. New GSRs have come onboard. A committee is being formed to gain better understanding of the bylaws in our district. Harvest Fellowship will be hosting our March speaker meeting. Most groups are hybrid and going in-person. GSR training went well with D42 and D41, about 20 in attendance.

**D49**, Chair, Matthew: They are on line and we will be going to their next district meeting.

**D53**, Jorge: We have four meetings, on Fridays. We are looking at moving to a bigger and safer location. There have been several break-ins at the building.

**D54**, Rafael: We meet the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month. We discussed the topic of finances. In March, we will start talking about agenda topics.

**D55**: No report, not present

**D56**, Gilberto: We met the 3rd Thursday with 5-6 members. We continue to motivate groups to send GSRs. PI Committee is working with the radio station and we are receiving a lot of calls inquiring about Alcoholics Anonymous.

## **APPOINTED CHAIRS**

**Accents**, Celia: The newsletters are going well. The printer was a little ahead of schedule, so the postal newsletters went out early on Feb. 11. Thank you to all for your help with the newsletters. Amanda, our Written Translation Chair, makes it possible to publish the Acentos in Spanish. Our Registrar, Herminia, can help you receive Accents/Acentos and update your information with the General Service Office. Looking forward to attending PRAASA

and the Area Agenda Item workshops.

**Archives**, Jeff: Inez and I are working hard at the Archives. We will be attending PRAASA from the Archives Center. Nancy will be joining us later in March. We received our new scanner and I am learning to use all the features. The scanner is working faster than the laptop. We could upgrade our computer. I have discovered many years' worth of minutes, bylaws and fliers. International Convention photos have been framed with archival materials.

**Bridging the Gap**, Jason: Received 5 blue cards from CNCA 06. 3 made contact, 2 are awaiting release. Passed along 4 cards from a facility to Area 42 and Area 06. Thanks to districts and BTG volunteers who respond and keep me informed. I love hearing about bridges in your areas.

**E-Services**, Emily: We met this week to check in. I will be adding district meeting information to the website. <https://cni.org/area-07/districts/>. Please email updates: [eservices@cni.org](mailto:eservices@cni.org).

**Finance Committee**: Annette: We met Feb. 18 for our monthly meeting. We want to stress the importance of our 7th Tradition, not only for groups to be become fully self-supporting, but to consider A.A. treasuries that "accumulate funds for no stated A.A. purpose." Our bank balance continues to grow with your contributions and our decreased expenses during Covid.

**Grapevine**, Brad: Haven't sold any materials this month. Hosted D19 Unity Day's "20 Questions" game. I plan to attend PRAASA and have registered. Thanks to Tom for

asking me to help with agenda items workshops.

**Literature**, Julie: aa.org has a new pocket book for sale. It was originally slated as a souvenir at the 2020 International Convention. Tom asked me to watch a video about the Big Book originating from the General Service Conference. I suggested we have a roundtable meeting to discuss gendered language, simple language, Big Book dictionary, and other needs of the fellowship with requests for literature.

**Oral translation**, Jose: Thank you to all of you who send me your reports. It's really helpful.

**Written translation**, Amanda: I'm excited to help with translation and happy to attend my first PRAASA.

#### **OFFICERS**

**Registrar**, Herminia: I thank everyone for your patience in replying to your requests. I am excited to learn to use the new Fellowship Connection system. All DCMs and GSRs will need an email address to be entered in the system. I was invited to share at East Yolo Fellowship. It felt good to walk through those doors that I had not visited for 1 year. I was invited by D56's Public Information Committee to share about carrying the message to women. I joined the unity evening with D53 and D54. Please let me know if you prefer email or a hard copy of the Accents/Acentos. In March I will be emailing the quarterly updated Area Committee list. I continue to look forward to being of service to all the districts with any questions you might have.

**Treasurer**, Margie: Attended NCAC anniversary meeting, PI/CPC workshop and unity

meeting with D53/D54. I have reimbursed officers' PRAASA registrations. Payments for liability insurance and to our accountant will be on next month's report. I sent a \$3,200 contribution for Tom to attend the General Service Conference. GSO's requested contribution is \$1,800. The actual cost to attend has averaged \$7,000 in recent years. I mailed a payment for the Zoom account (Misc Expenses, March 2021). This was an unanticipated expense on the 2021 spending plan. Will pay about \$1,000 in 2019 unpaid invoices for literature purchases. We have received \$13,449 contributions above expenses. Funds at the end of the year normally go toward PRAASA and assembly expenses at the beginning of the next year. Treasurers should include their group number on contributions.

**Secretary**: I attended the NCAC anniversary party and PICPC sharing session. I confirmed the Accents and minutes schedule with Celia. Assisted with D17 to provide information on bylaws. I am registered for PRAASA and may be a greeter with a YPAA group. Looking forward to participating with agenda topics workshops.

**Alt Chair**, Claudio: I attended the PICPC workshop, NCAC anniversary, D17 Group Health and Unity workshop. I did a GSR school for D42 and CNIA unity meeting hosted by linguistic districts, D53 and D54. D19 will host in March. I attended D19, D24, and D49 meetings.

**Chair**, Matthew: I am registered for PRAASA. I attended PI/CPC workshop, NCAC anniversary,

H&I meeting, and chaired a Big Book Study in London. To DCMs, start considering your pass-it-on. Reach out to Area officers and your service sponsor for help. District officers and chairs may write their own job description. It's good to have information on how your district does things. The next few months are the busiest of the year but don't forget about recovery.

**Alt Delegate**, Jenn: In February I participated in the monthly officer's conference call; E-Services meeting; D42 meeting, and PLAYPAA event. I registered for PRAASA. I hope that many of you will be able to attend. The PICPC workshop (Jan 23) was amazing. Racy J from the General Service Office shared about Public Information. Class A Trustee Nancy Mc shared about Cooperation with the Professional Community. // Jenn outlined some suggestions provided for doing CPC work. She asked Nancy how AA can support the cost of programs to provide tablets to incarcerated individuals in several prison systems, and a Grapevine Board project to provide Grapevine materials on the tablets. Nancy said she would ask the General Service Board. // Consider asking your district or home group to take part in the Carry the Message Project.

**Lunch break**; reconvened at 1:00 pm with the Serenity Prayer. **Announcements**: Claudio asked for people's interest in attending a Zoom breakout room during the Saturday dinner break at PRAASA.

**Delegate**, Tom: Intro: I love to hear the expression of love in our meetings or gatherings. A

lot of moving parts, much work to be done, there's no reason we can't hear back from the fellowship. Grateful for past delegates, appointed chairs and officers.

Feb 2021: Monthly meeting w/ Pacific Regional Delegates; attended PICPC, Grapevine, Bridging the Gap workshops. Met with Conference Committee Chair, re. agenda item clarifications. We voted by poll to approve a participant from India: 96-0, 37 abstentions. Registered for the North East Regional AA Service Assembly. All delegates will give Area Highlights at PRAASA. Go to [www.praasa.org](http://www.praasa.org) for registration and other info.

Conference agenda items: Final list and background are at [www.cnia.org](http://www.cnia.org), Delegate's Page. DCMs have the password. Spanish and French should be available the first week of March.

Pacific Regional Trustee: Kathi F, following General Service Board Weekend, Jan. 30-Feb. 1. Conference Committee chairs and Delegate chair are invited, as well as Class A Trustee candidates. General Manager Greg T. rotating out. Stephanie L is temporary replacement. 8 Trustees are rotating out. 2 Class A Trustees are up.

AAWS: [aa.org](http://aa.org) will have a page on Remote Communities.

Corrections: "Sharing Behind the Walls" was distributed to US/Canada prisoners. Inmates are being matched with correspondence and Grapevine.

Group Services: Fellowship Connection team is working with area registrars on the new system. Finances: All-time high in contributions (20% increase). Comparisons of

revenue splits: 37% literature, 63% contributions this year. Historically, 58% literature, 42% contributions. Prudent Reserve is at 7.7 months. Publishing: "Our Great Responsibility": 43,000 copies sold. 50,000 copies published in May 2019. Profit was all realized in 2020. Videos: Materials to be added to website and YouTube, incl. video pamphlets. Podcasts: In draft format. Cross-corporation convergence conversation. AAWS + AAGV: Officially launched ebook and audiobook distribution to 38 platforms and 13 vendors. Grapevine: Chris C is acting publisher. Carry the Message project had about 5,000 subscribers in 2020. New book, "Free on the Inside" about prison, publishing in Spring 2021. Unaudited financials show slight year-end loss. Subscriptions and literature sales are down. La Viña: website in Spanish, [www.aalavina.org](http://www.aalavina.org). New book focusing on women, publishing in Spring 2021. General Service Board support was higher than budgeted and higher than 2020 actuals. General Service Board: Conference: We will have longer days this year, based on surveys about insufficient time for discussion. Motion was entered to allow Panel 70 delegates to observe a future Conference. CPC: Discussed developing language that would encourage conversations. Exploring opportunities to exhibit at events. Reviewed a memo from Communication Services re. "Does Alcoholics Anonymous Work?" video produced at Stanford University. Treatment and Accessibilities: Additional call for stories: "AA for the Older Alcoholic" pamphlet. The

deadline is March 15. Audio interviews with military professionals: The final draft was reviewed. Remaining interviews are being finalized. *Corrections*: Looking to revise correspondence request form to include gender options for transgender inmates, considering identification and safety needs. ebook and audiobook are available through National Corrections Library. Discussing correspondence needs with Canada. *Finance*: Committee recommended GSB approval of 2021 GSO, Grapevine, and La Viña budgets. *International*: World Service meeting was held virtually, Nov 28–30, 2020. Planning for all International Conventions and Regional Forums to be virtual this year. 2020 East and West US/ Canada each held 2-day virtual forums. 4,000 members attended. General sessions in English, Spanish, French, closed caption and ASL. AAWS would like the Trustees Committee on International Conventions to consider similar future events. *Literature*: More draft pamphlets this year. A video was produced to recreate a talk given at the Agenda Reduction meeting prior to the 70th Conference, at the request of the Conference Committee on Literature: “The Big Book: Researching Issues, Possible Tools and Access.” The video suggests discussions, accessibility, and digital material, including developing a plain language version of the Big Book to overcome accessibility and relatability barriers. *Nominating*: Virtual interviews were held for Class A trustee and GSB chair candidates. Katie H, from CNIA, was reappointed for an

additional 1-year term. A Statement of Concern and Motion to censure the General Service Board was submitted after 70th GSC. The Trustees Committee carefully considered it and took no action. *Public Information*: Suggesting continued cooperation with websites and other digital assets. GSO podcast to be forwarded to Conference committee. Triennial membership survey report suggests conducting a survey in 2021.

2020 consolidated GSO annual income: Unaudited statement indicates contributions totaled more than \$10 million. Online contributions doubled to more than \$2 million.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

##### **Date change for CNIA**

**Election Assembly**, Matthew: Usually our Pacific Regional Trustee helps facilitate our election. Kathi F is unavailable on the 3rd weekend of November but is available the 2nd weekend of November.

Discussion: Changing the date would give more time before Thanksgiving. // The assembly schedule is not yet final. Claudio will reach out to CNCA for their availability. // We haven’t always had our current Pacific Region trustee as the speaker.

Sidebar discussion: Future Covid-19 vaccinations, other reasons for the assembly to go virtual. Paul Z., D24 DCM, said the district has discussed and voted twice on hosting in person. They have a location with pricing. Groups are able to provide food. // Area Chair, Matthew, noted that if the assembly was held at a physical location it would be our first hybrid event. E-Services would have to work out a way to

make it fair for everyone and effective. Not everyone would be willing to meet in person. We want to keep everyone safe so the decision was made to keep it online. CNCA would be participating. Our Pacific Regional Trustee is willing to travel.

Motion: Drew D33 submitted a motion by chat; Julie D36 seconded. The motion was read. “*Move the election assembly from 3rd weekend in November to 2nd weekend in November to accommodate the Regional Trustee, regardless of the event being on zoom, in person.*” The motion was seconded by Julie D36.

Additional discussion: Will it be a concern if CNCA has a conflict? Alt Chair, Claudio sent a text to see if they would be available on Nov. 12.

Voting: Matthew described eligible voters. Joe D23 called the question. We voted by zoom poll. Result: 21 in favor of moving to 2nd weekend of November; 5 against. No minority opinion was offered.

The Election Assembly is changed to Nov. 12–14.

##### **Discussion: In-person or virtual Election Assembly**

We continued discussing holding an in-person, virtual, or hybrid Election Assembly.

Comments: We need time for E-Services to have a standard procedure. // Concerned about having people stand equitably to the body. // We wouldn’t necessarily need Coastal volunteers to count votes if done by Zoom. // We might have Winter Assembly 2022 as our first hybrid. // If someone doesn’t want to attend, that’s not a reason to not have it in person. // We have a structure that allows for people to vote who are alternates. I am not

sure how strong a factor Covid should be in the decision. // After 1 year of the pandemic, CNIA has not started planning for hybrid meetings or deciding to purchase equipment. Alt Chair, Claudio, said we'd have only 1 day to set up, and it is important for an election assembly to be one or the other. There are many unknowns, for example, would we send people away if too many show up in person? Regarding internet connections, people may not be able to show their face on streaming video. Alt Delegate/ Jenn noted that officers discussed how some people cannot go to an in-person event, as many members are older with underlying health conditions. We have spent most of this panel virtually. If some people attend virtually and others in person, giving hugs and shaking hands in person would be politicking, whether we are meaning to do so or not. // At CNCA's election assembly last fall, Emily, Claudio, Tom and Jenn took over the hosting abilities during the election. Everyone could vote, no one in CNCA had influence over their own polls, and they taught us how to work the polls.

Continued: We discussed the need to follow public health guidance; that the election is a business meeting, not a recovery event; lagging participation on Zoom; better audio on Zoom; some people have poor internet quality.

Action: Paul, D24 DCM, said he would check again with the location. GSRs are handling questions of laws, notices, and guidelines, and investigating workarounds to voting and technical issues. Claudio will give Kathi the new dates. Area 06 reported they are available to help. Discussion will continue in March.

**Discussion: D25 piece, "Twelve Step Checklist"**

Presentation: Don, on behalf of DCM/Everett, reported on a Twelve Step Checklist developed by members of the Babes In Recovery group. Nancy M read the rationale. Excerpt: "This all began as a result of one of our members working with her service sponsor on the Concepts and wondering why there was not a checklist for the Steps. . . .After the original Checklist was well received by District 25, we decided to develop an expanded Checklist that went more in depth in answering the questions. . . .They would complete the Third Legacy Triangle."D25 submitted endorsements from people who have used the checklist or are familiar with it. A rehabilitative credit analyst with the CA Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation says their inmates and clients could use the item. The documents were provided by Zoom chat for download. Discussion will continue in March.

**Discussion: Seventh Tradition, Finance Committee**

Presentation: Treasurer/Margie, reported that the Finance Committee has asked groups and districts to talk about how to utilize the Area's excess funds. Finance Committee member, Annette, read the long form of Tradition Seven and asked people to share ideas.

Comments:

- Provide assembly and PRAASA scholarships.
- Pay for hotel rooms and internet for those giving presentations, meetings.
- Rent Tom a hotel room with upgraded internet to attend the General Service Conference.
- Identify districts' needs for equipment for Zoom meetings, purchase equipment for Area hybrid meetings and assemblies, help districts design

websites. Jenn said the E-Services Committee decides what technology items to purchase, possibly translation and assisted listening system devices (\$100 each). Invite NCAC to discuss their needs.

Support workshops.

Contribute to financially struggling groups, central offices/intergroups.

Support the Grapevine Carry the Message project.

Purchase Grapevine and La Viña for district and local PI/CPC committees to give to rehabs and professionals.

Action: People should send ideas to Margie. The Finance Committee will create a new list to be sent to everyone.

**Overview of 2021 GSC agenda**

Tom gave a brief explanation of agenda items in each committee. He emphasized that the most important discussions are what's of interest to each group. Area workshops will include likely main discussion topics at the Conference.

Key words: Review: We are looking at something already in progress. // Consider: Often a new idea. // Discuss: Something that doesn't necessarily make it to the Conference body, but is talked about in Conference Committee.

**Adjournment:** We closed the meeting at 4:03 pm with the Responsibility Declaration.



JANUARY 1--FEBRUARY 28, 2021

	Jan 1-Feb 28, 2021	Spending Plan 2021	% of budget
<b>Revenue/Income</b>			
4010 Group Contributions	6,794.07	54,380.00	12.49%
4020 Seventh Tradition	49.00	3,360.00	1.46%
4050 Contribution - Other	142.00	1,250.00	11.36%
<b>Total 4 Contributed support</b>	<b>6,985.07</b>	<b>58,990.00</b>	<b>11.84%</b>
5110 Literature Sales	0	1,200.00	0.00%
5140 Grapevine Sales	0	2,100.00	0.00%
5160 Assembly Income (net)	0	6,000.00	0.00%
5310 Interest-savings/short-term inv	0.16	1.50	10.67%
<b>Total 5 Earned revenues</b>	<b>0.16</b>	<b>9,301.50</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 6,985.23</b>	<b>\$ 68,291.50</b>	<b>10.23%</b>
<b>Expenditures/Expense</b>			
Total 7620 Delegate	315.85	7,527.00	4.20%
Total 7640 Alt. Delegate		5,017.00	0.00%
Total 7660 Chair	15.00	3,117.00	0.48%
Total 7680 Alt. Chair		3,212.00	0.00%
Total 7700 Secretary	15.00	1,997.00	0.75%
Total 7720 Treasurer	38.45	4,222.00	0.91%
Total 7740 Registrar		2,177.00	0.00%
<b>Total 7600 Officers Expenses</b>	<b>384.30</b>	<b>27,269.00</b>	<b>1.41%</b>
Total 7820 Literature Chair		2,557.00	0.00%
Total 7840 Grapevine Chair		2,462.00	0.00%
Total 7860 Bridging The Gap Chair		4,157.00	0.00%
Total 7880 Accents Chair		2,247.00	0.00%
Total 7900 Archives Chair	402.75	3,067.00	13.13%
Total 7920 Alt Archives Chair		3,097.00	0.00%
Total 7940 Oral Translation Chair		3,482.00	0.00%
Total 7940.1 Written Translation Chair	15.00	1,962.00	0.76%
Total 7980 E Services Chair		900.00	0.00%
<b>Total 7800 Appointed Chair Expenses</b>	<b>417.75</b>	<b>23,931.00</b>	<b>1.75%</b>
Total 8000 Assemblies		6,000.00	0.00%
Total 8070 Area Workshops		800.00	0.00%
Total 8100 Accents, Grapevine, Literature	2667.34	10,920.00	24.43%
Total 8200 Meeting Room Expenses	1639.00	5,580.00	29.37%
Total 8300 Website		500.00	0.00%
Total 8500 Misc expenses	3500.00	6,315.00	55.42%
Total 8920 Hispanic Women's Wk Liaison		1,000.00	0.00%
Total 8930 Hispanic Local Forum Liaison		2,000.00	0.00%
Total 8600 Taxes & Fees	14.82	620.00	2.39%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 8,623.21</b>	<b>\$ 84,935.00</b>	<b>10.15%</b>
<b>Net Revenue/Income</b>	<b>\$ (1,637.98)</b>	<b>\$ (16,643.50)</b>	
Checking Account Balance	\$50,145.09		
Prudent Reserve Account Balance	\$9,881.03		
<b>Total Account Balance</b>	<b>\$60,026.12</b>		

# **CALIFORNIA NORTHERN INTERIOR AREA 07**

## **PRE - CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY**

**APRIL 10-11TH, 2021**

Please attend to inform and advise our Delegate on your Group's conscience regarding agenda items that will be discussed at the 71st General Service Conference.

**SATURDAY APRIL 10TH**

**9:00am - 8:00pm**



**SUNDAY APRIL 11TH**

**9:00am - 12:00pm**

**ZOOM MEETING ID: 971-4411-4585**

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## GSR Preamble

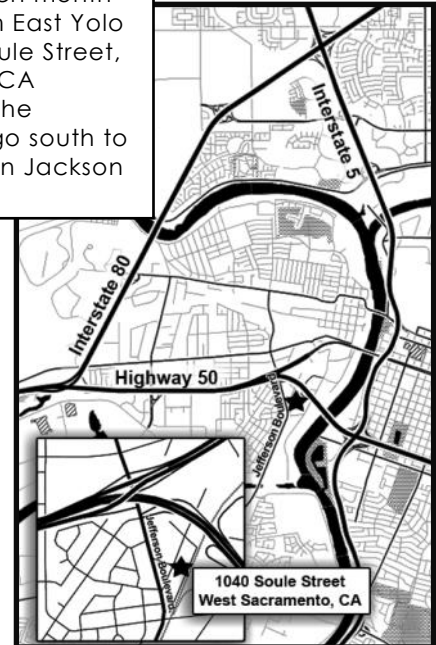
We are the General Service Representatives. We are the link in the chain of communication for our groups with the General Service Conference and the world of A.A.

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.

## Area General Service Meetings

3rd Saturday of each month  
from 10 am to 4 pm East Yolo  
Fellowship, 1040 Soule Street,  
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Jefferson exit and go south to  
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**CALIFORNIA NORTHERN INTERIOR AREA · CALENDAR 2021–2022**

**2021**

**2022 (Proposed)**

Jan 16	Winter Assembly	Zoom	Jan 15-16	Winter Assembly	Sonora/Jamestown (D33)
Feb 20	Area Committee Meeting	Zoom	Feb 19	Area Committee Meeting	West Sacramento
March 5–7	PRAASA	Zoom	March 4–6	PRAASA	Portland, OR (Area 58)
March 20	Area Committee Meeting	Zoom	March 19	Area Committee Meeting	West Sacramento
April 10–11	Pre-Conference Assembly	Zoom	April 9-10	Pre-Conference Assembly	Auburn (D21)
April 18–24	General Service Conference	Virtual	April 24-30	General Service Conference	New York
May 15–16	Post-Conference Assembly	Zoom	May 21-22	Post-Conference Assembly	Placerville (D22)
June 4-6	NCCAA	San Ramon	June 18	Area Committee Meeting	West Sacramento
June 19	Area Committee Meeting	Zoom	July 16	Area Committee Meeting	West Sacramento
July 17	Area Committee Meeting	Zoom	Aug 20	Area Committee Meeting	West Sacramento
Aug 21	Area Committee Meeting	Zoom	Sep 17	Area Committee Meeting	West Sacramento
Sep 18	Area Committee Meeting	Zoom	Oct 14-16	Mini-PRAASA	Marysville/ Yuba City (D19)
Oct 8–10	NCCAA	Rocklin	Nov. 19	Area Committee Meeting	West Sacramento
Oct 16	Area Committee Meeting	West Sacramento	Dec 17	Area Planning Meeting	West Sacramento
Nov. 19–21	Election Assembly	Sacramento (D24)			
Dec 18	Area Planning Meeting	West Sacramento			