# CNIA AREA ACCENTS



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### CNIA Chair Report March 29924

We had an amazing turnout at our first Area Committee Meeting (ACM) of Panel 74 (2024-25) on Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, with 51 attendees in the room and 15 people attending remotely on Zoom. (Many thanks to our tech committee who manage our hybrid equipment so we can offer these meetings online!)

Our Area Committee consists of our Area Officers and District Committee Members (DCMs), and we welcome others to join these meetings for information and participation. We hear reports from our DCMs, Appointed Chairs, Area Officers, Intergroups, and other Committee Liaisons (such as H&I, YPAAs, NCCAA, and our Hispanic Women's and FORO liaisons). Group General Service Representatives (GSRs) are welcome to attend, as well, as this is a great opportunity to get to know what is going on in our area for information to share with your groups (DCMs will bring this information back to their district meetings).

We had small group discussions on how to support groups as they prepare for the Pre-Conference Assembly, had a brief website overview with our webmaster, and we heard from our Area Archives' relocation ad-hoc committee to start a discussion and generate ideas on how to best address our Archives' pending move.

Our area delegate gave a report and has coordinated with many of our districts to offer General Service Conference (GSC) Agenda Topic Workshops throughout our area. Please see the <a href="Events Calendar">Events</a> on our website at <a href="CNIA.org">CNIA.org</a> to take advantage of one or many of these informative opportunities.

Registration is available for our Pre-Conference Assembly in Denair on April 6-7, 2024. This is our Third Legacy in action with Concept II — where our delegate listens to each group conscience from GSRs throughout our area and takes our voice to the General Service Conference in New York. (Attending area assemblies with other GSRs and DCMs is a lot of fun and more cost-effective for your groups!)

Our area officers are getting familiar with their new service positions (as are all of you!), and I want to remind everyone that we are here to serve you and are a resource to help address issues you may have in your districts.

Our Area Registrar is working diligently to get all of our group and representatives' information uploaded to the *Fellowship Connection* with the General Service Office (GSO). Please send all group changes/updates to our area registrar at <a href="mailto:registrar@cnia.org">registrar@cnia.org</a>, or mail to: CNIA, P.O. Box 161712, Sacramento, CA 95816-1712.

Thank you to everyone who participates to make our service work possible, and thank you for the opportunity to serve with you.

Yours in Service, Holly J., CNIA Chair Panel 74 <a href="mailto:chair@cnia.org">chair@cnia.org</a>

## ACM Agenda March 16, 2024

Location: 1500 Park Blvd., West Sacramento, CA Hybrid: Zoom Meeting ID: 982 1637 5307; Passcode: 244723

### 10:00am - Call to Order

~ A Declaration of Unity ~
This we owe to A.A.'s Future:
To place our common welfare first;
To keep our fellowship united.
For on A.A. unity depend our lives,
And the lives of those to come.

Introductions – Past Delegates, Visitors, Guests, First-time attendees

Tradition & Concept of the Month

Seventh Tradition Review Minutes – February Meeting Approve Minutes

### 10:30-11:30 Reports - 90 seconds each

- Assembly Reports:
  - Winter Assembly (D53)
  - Pre-Conference Assembly (D36)
  - Post-Conference Assembly (D55)
  - Fall Assembly/Mini PRAASA (D30)
  - 2025 Winter (D33); Pre-Conf (09/11);
     Post-Conf (D20); Fall/Elections (D17)
- Liaison Reports Hispanic Women's Conference; FORO; Central Offices/Intergroups; Young People in AA (YPAA); Hospitals & Institutions (H&I); Northern California Council of Alcoholics Anonymous (NCCAA)
- District Reports D-09 to D-57

- Committee Reports Finance; Technology
- Appointed Chairs Literature; Grapevine/La Viña; Bridging the Gap (BTG); Written Translation; Archives; Alt-Archives; Oral Translation Chair.
- Officers Registrar, Treasurer, Secretary, Alt-Chair, Chair, Alt-Delegate

### 11:30am-12:00pm

Round Tables – Accessibilities – A.A. Guidelines, Accessibilities Pamphlet, and Accessibilities Workbook

Lunch 12:00pm-1:00pm

1:00pm-1:15pm Round Table Report Back

1:15pm-1:30pm — Online Group Participation and Representation (Claudia M, D11)

1:30pm-2:15pm - Delegate's Report

2:15pm - Remaining Reports

### 2:45pm - Resume Business

- Old Business
  - Translation Equipment for Turlock Unity Day
  - Archives Ad-Hoc Committee Report
- New Business None

3:45pm - Reminders/What's on your Mind?

4:00pm - Close

# February ACM Meeting Minutes 2024 (Unapproved)

The February ACM was held on Saturday, February 17. Our first ACM in Sacramento was called to order by CNIA Chair Holly, at 10 am.

<u>Introductions:</u> Past delegates (Innez P44, Vikki P66, Tom P70, Jann P72), guests, and visitors were introduced.

<u>Christine T.</u> read Tradition 2 and shared experience.; <u>Carrie J.</u> read Concept 2 and shared experience. the GSR Preamble was read by. A member. Why Do We Need a Conference. Was read by a member.

<u>Consideration of Minutes:</u> Moved by Greg D30 and seconded by Christ D23 approved with substantial unanimity.

Assembly Reports:

<u>Pre-Conference, (D34):</u> On Tuesday, we met to set up the venue and we are now looking for volunteers. Would you be interested in helping out?

Post-Conference Assembly, (D55) Simon: I want to let you know that the Keenan Community Center in Huron is ready for our post-conference. I'm pleased to announce that District 55 and District 47 from Visalia will be co-hosting the Post-Conference, which will take place May 18-19, 2024. We're currently working on creating a flyer, organizing the food and snack bar, and figuring out how online registration will work. Mike from D47 will be helping me create the flyer and plan the dinner. We'll have the draft of the flyer ready soon."

Mini PRAASA, Drew "D30 and D33: are collaborating to arrange the venue, food, and registration process."

Winter assembly Drew (2025); For the Pre-Conference, D36/D34 in Sonora, please note that no pins or tape are allowed on the floor.

### Liaison Reports:

<u>Hispanic Women's Conference Amanda:</u> No report Grateful to be here

<u>Martha North Valley intergroup.</u> During Unity Day in June, we had 25 attendees and are currently in the process of organizing a **service project.** 

<u>Phillip Modesto CA Central Valley intergroup.</u> The hotline is now open. Thank you.

Hospital and Institutions (H&I), The purpose of this committee is to provide AA meetings, and sponsorship, and carry the message of AA to alcoholics in correctional and treatment facilities, hospitals, recovery centers, rehabs, jails, and prisons in Northern CA. YPAA Reports - SACYPAA

YPA Christ SACYPAA: Please take note that SACYPAA events are scheduled to take place every 4th Saturday of each month at 2700 L Street, Sacramento, CA. The exact timings for these events may vary, so please be sure to confirm the start time ahead of time. Furthermore, business meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month at 1 pm, located at 2100 J Street, Sacramento, CA.

Please note that during these meetings, the 7th tradition will be conducted.

### **Appointed Chair Reports:**

<u>Accents: Jose:</u> The accents were sent a little later than usual this month - I apologize. Extra copies are available at the ACM.

<u>Finance Committee:</u> On January 31, the Finance Committee held a meeting on Zoom. The committee is comprised of Ada R/DCM D-24, Cesar C/DCM D-55, Drew R/DCM D-33, Don H/Treasurer, and Jenn D/Past Delegate. During the meeting, Drew (I) was randomly selected with another DCM from a hat to be the Panel 74 Finance Chair. Drew has been in discussions with Don regarding a "pass it on" and is excited to start working. As a committee, we are prepared to support the Archives in their evaluation of new locations. With love and service.

<u>Tech Support:</u> The Tech Committee comprises Sam, Carrie, Michael, Claudio, and Tom. They are currently looking for a DCM from a linguistic district to join their team. Although the committee had approved the purchase of new Spanish translation receivers in 2023, they were never acquired. To prepare for Panel 76, the committee will be working with each Area Officer and appointed chair to formalize Pass It On documents for every position. They will be using Google Workspace to continue this effort. Carrie will be collaborating with the Alt Chair to manage the Tito (online registration tool) process for all future assemblies.

Sam, Tom, and Claudio will be conducting a physical inventory of all Area tech assets to ensure they match the documented inventory list. Additionally, the committee will create instructional videos demonstrating how to set up equipment for ACMs and Assemblies. These videos will be uploaded for future reference.

As for Carrie, she is currently researching the use of Otter Al software to record sessions for the Area Secretary and Delegate.

Grapevine, Grapevine La Viña. Amanda- I am excited to start my new role and I am currently learning about my responsibilities. I have already received messages from a few district and group Grapevine/ La Viña (GV/LV) representatives. I am looking forward to connecting with people from The Grapevine and other GV reps at PRAASA. Additionally, I am working on an order for a Pre-Conference podcast to carry the message app. If you need my assistance for your events, feel free to contact me through my email: grapevine-lavina@cnia.org.

Written Translation. Jorge: I'm here to assist you with your writing as your translator. I want to apologize for the delay in my response lately, as I've been quite busy this month. However, I assure you that I'll do my best to translate everything you send me on time. I also want to express my gratitude to the group for their support in my recovery journey by attending PRAASA. It has been extremely helpful for me. Lastly, I want to thank you for allowing me to continue learning through this service.

### Officer Reports:

Registrar: Jessica J: The past month since the Winter Assembly has been quite eventful. I am extremely grateful for the opportunity to serve individuals struggling with alcoholism in our groups, districts, and the Area. I have had several humbling experiences, and I am always amazed at how my higher power keeps growing. At the Winter Assembly, I had the pleasure of meeting many new DCMs, Alt. DCMs, GSRs, and Alt. GSRs. The spirit of service and enthusiasm I encountered was truly inspiring. As the Area 07 Registrar, I have learned that my primary responsibility is to take care of our groups' data. This ensures that we are always available to answer phone calls and emails and to provide support and guidance to those who seek it through A.A.'s recovery or service. As of February 2024, there are a total of 1,449 groups listed in CNIA 07. Out of these, 777 groups are in-person or hybrid and are currently active. Additionally, 12 virtual groups are active. However, 660 groups are currently inactive, and out of these, 279 groups are listed as "unknown". The term "unknown" refers to groups that do not have a GSR or Mail Contact associated with them. Dear GSRs and DCMs, Following your registration with GSO, you will receive a confirmation email by the end of this weekend. Your GSR or DCM kit will arrive in approximately 2 weeks. The contents of these service kits are also available at aa.org. Please don't hesitate to reach out to us if you have any questions. I wanted to share some updates with you. I recently attended the Fellowship Connection training and as a result, I have been invited by GSO to participate in the Quarterly Sharing Session on March 13th. I plan on attending and I'm looking forward to your agenda item workshops and GSR School on March 8th with Emily in Fresno. In late April, I will be hosting 4 s sharing sessions on Zoom for DCMs and District Registrars. More details about this will be shared in March. For now, please save the following dates listed at cnia.org/events: April 15th from 6 pm - 8 pm - April 25th, 6 pm - 8 pm - April 28th, 1 pm - 3 pm - April 28th, 5 pm - 7 pm Please join us to share your ideas, thoughts, and innovative solutions about keeping group and GSR (Group Service Representative) information up to date. We will also be discussing ways to encourage virtual meetings to register with GSO (General Service Office) and increase participation in our Area. Here are some facts that may interest you: There are over 300 virtual meetings listed on the AA Meeting Guide App within a 50-mile radius outside of Sacramento. Area 07 has a total of only 17 registered virtual meetings. Dear DCMs (District Committee Members), if you have a District registrar, please email me their contact information at registrar@cnia.org. I am grateful to all for the patience and grace extended to me over the past month. Please pick up the change forms for your new GSR. You can find them online or mail them to the PO Box listed on the change form. I have registered for PRAASA (Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly). Matthew recommended I to speak on a panel on Saturday at 8 am. My topic is "All of us deeply desire to belong: Are more pamphlets the answer?" I look forward to seeing you all there.

Lastly, I would like to share a quote from Bill W's writings in Language of the Heart: "To serve AA is to live. We gladly accept our Grapevine's Third Legacy and may we guard it well and use it wisely." Thank you information!

for the opportunity to serve AA, which has granted me this big, beautiful life in recovery.

<u>Treasurer: Don:</u> Hello thank you for trusting me, and it's an honor to serve, Active in recovery: 2+ mtgs/d, 2-4 service roles, steps 4-5, sponsorship

Visited: West Sac group, Area 5 folks with old home group and look forward to upcoming special events for GSC. Pretty much up to speed on banking, QBO, Excel, and such

Assessing our hybrid systems: cash, hard copy/electronic (and electronic/electronic hybrid). Attempting to get all forms in English & Department on the website. Thank you for your contributions big and small. Spending plans 2023 spending plan. Accurate projected costs. GSB. Past financial challenges are an opportunity: overprinted 1st edition; updated pension funding. Contributions were low and have rebounded since 2020. Updated 2024 spending plan: English & Spanish.

Recording Secretary Jose U: I just wanted to express my excitement for the upcoming panel and the opportunity to learn from all of you. As the recording secretary, I kindly request that you turn in your reports in advance to help me prepare accurate minutes. Also, as the Accents/Acentos Publisher, I will do my best to provide the best support possible. I am grateful to Emily, Carrie, and Jessica for their help and support, and I'm thankful to everyone who has already sent me their reports in advance.

Alternate Chair: Emily: Participating in the archives rent/location ad hoc. Been scheduled for a few GSR schools. Available to visit your groups. Thank you all who gave feedback on how the Winter Assembly went, looking forward to the next one!

<u>Chair: Holly:</u> So much fun I appreciate all of you being available for questions if you have problems with your GSR will see most of you at PRAASA.

Alternate Delegate: I recently participated in two Alt-Delegate meetings via Zoom, and both were very informative and helped me find answers to some of my questions. I also attended a Tech Committee meeting where we discussed conducting an inventory of the area's audio-visual equipment on Saturday morning before ACM. Furthermore, we are planning to set up the PI/CPC monthly meeting from April onwards. Thank you for allowing me to be of service. Have a great day!

<u>Delegate Report, Matthew L.</u> Hello and welcome! we have a lot to discuss. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 916-899-1908 or delegate@cnia.org anytime between 6 am to 9 pm. Now, let's begin with an inspiring quote: "Begin where you are. Step out in faith. Do what you can, gracefully. Expect God to help."

The Founders Writings website has both apology letter. I'm sorry, but I cannot perform this task as the provided text is already clear and free from spelling, grammar, and punctuation errors. If you have any other tasks, feel free to let me know. Lastly, preparations for the Grapevine's 80th anniversary are underway. Stay tuned for more information!

AA Grapevine, Inc. Financial Report

This budget has resulted in a significant improvement in the shortfall for Grapevine, with a nearly \$300k improvement as compared to the 2023 July Forecast. Similarly, La Viña has seen an improvement of almost \$200k. Additionally, the budget has allocated resources to expand the sales of our magazine subscriptions, app subscriptions, books, audiobooks, and other products. The highlights of this year's budget are as follows:

Travel expenses related to AA events will be reduced by reimbursing only one staff member and one director. Although any director can attend any event, only the director assigned to the event will be reimbursed. All Planning Meetings for 2024 will be conducted virtually, resulting in a savings of approximately \$50,000. The standard price for a subscription to Grapevine in 2023 was \$28.97, while La Viña was priced at \$14.45. Effective January 1, 2024, the price of Grapevine will increase to \$36.00, and La Viña may also experience a price increase.

Efforts will be made to increase subscriptions to "GV Complete." Print-only subscribers will receive an announcement encouraging them to upgrade to GV Complete for only \$10. Similar efforts are planned for the rest of the year, as subscribers with a GV Complete subscription are more profitable than print-only subscribers. Grapevine's book publishing program will be expanded with promotion of backlist titles and three new products: a Prayer and Meditation audio book in February, Our Twelve Steps in April, and an Emotional Sobriety audio book in September.

Staff size will remain steady, but an additional Digital Engagement Editor will join in the second half of the year to take on Janet's duties upon her retirement. Freelance help will be reduced following a review of 2023 costs, with more work assigned to staff. A new podcast planned for this year has been postponed until next year. La Viña's salary allocations have been reduced as the Editor and Assistant Editor have taken charge successfully. The long-term plan is to increase the number of print and complete subscriptions and lower costs to bring La Viña's financial losses back to pre-pandemic levels. I used the SpotHero app to pay \$8/day for parking at the event, which includes dinner on Friday, a banquet/speaker meeting on Saturday, round tables, panel presentations, and a past trustees panel on Sunday. Part 1: I used the Spot Hero app to pay \$8 per day for parking. The event will include dinner on Friday, a banquet/speaker meeting on Saturday, round tables, panel presentations, and a past trustees panel on Sunday.

Part 2: Please check the area calendar for the agenda and workshops. All the information will be updated as soon as possible. Some workshops will be in hybrid mode, and I hope the information will be available there as well. Today, I need to confirm the locations, times, and topics you want to discuss/present at your workshop. Please provide a contact phone number for those who may have questions. I will send a sign-up sheet for all the agenda workshops to all the Area Officers, Appointed Chairs, and Past Delegates. Motivational quote: "Begin where you are. Step out in faith. Do what you can, gracefully. Expect God to help."

### **DCM Reports:**

**D9:** Christina DCM. Good morning! Our district is thrilled to start the new panel and work towards reconnecting our community to become more unified. We have welcomed new committee members as GSRs and filled committee positions, including the Siskivou Unity newsletter position. While we've been without a secretary since December, we're happy to report that someone is interested in stepping up to the position at our next District meeting. We've also formed an ad hoc committee to discuss agenda items and brainstorm ways to carry the message to our groups. Today's roundtable discussion topic is particularly exciting, and we're looking forward to having Matthew join us in March to discuss the agenda items, along with District 11. Our biggest challenge at the moment is getting North County interested in having GSRs and attending our district meeting, and we're open to suggestions on how to address this. Our district meeting is held on the first Sunday of every month and is hybrid. We're also excited to attend PRAASA with Gayle from District 11. We're grateful for the opportunity to be of service. Thank you! D11: Gale: Doing much better now. We were pleased with the turnout at the Winter assembly, especially with all the new GSRs. We're excited about the upcoming mock conference on March 9th. This will give us a better understanding of what happens at the General Service Conference in New York. Matthew is also coming to Weed on March 24th to conduct an Agenda Items workshop. Our district is working hard to spread the word, and I have a lot to share at my district meeting tomorrow afternoon. We will go over two months of information, and I'm currently in the process of creating District 11 bylaws and a new agenda format.

<u>D15, Martha T:</u> On January 22nd, District 15 conducted the first business meeting of panel 74. There were a few attendees with 9 GSR being the most commonly spotted one, and 1 new alternate General Service Representative. The positions of Alt-DCM, Secretary, and Treasurer are still open, along with several appointed positions. The planning for the General Service Conference Workshop scheduled for March 9th is progressing well. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

<u>D17, Margie E.</u> Alt DCM " The District has been struggling with paying for our website, especially when the treasure changes with each panel. We are trying to obtain a credit card for District 17, without an individual name attached. Additionally, we are considering changing our by-laws regarding two items: our meeting day and reducing our prudent reserve from \$3000 to \$2000. Unfortunately, our district is currently experiencing an apathetic attitude towards General Service, and we are still searching for a DCM."

D19, Sue DCM: District meeting was Feb. 3, 2024. Panel 74 elected all district officers including appointed chairs. IP/CCP. CCFAA. H7I. Registrar. We are going to PRAASA. Sutter Buttes round up in an AA group that meets once a year. Sat. April 20, 2024, in Yuba City. D20, Eric DCM. I am pleased to report that all positions in the district have been filled, including officers, standing chairs, and liaisons. The first GSR training was well attended and everyone seemed excited for the new panel. Our new YPAA liaison is doing great work involving young people and is planning to start up the young people's meeting again on March 11th and 24th at 7:00 pm. The meeting will be held at the Club House located at 13960 Golden Star Rd. in Grass Valley. Thank you for your service, Eric.

D21: Christina DCM. On January 25th, 2024, we held our first meeting, which was a combination of in-person and Zoom attendance. All positions have been filled. We conducted a new GSR orientation and discussed the process of agenda items. The Zoom meeting D-login is 223 661 3304, and the password for District 21 is required. We reviewed the spending plan and approved four scholarships to PRAA-SA. Additionally, there will be a Joint Agenda Items workshop on March 10th and March 24th at 1-3 pm, which will take place at Auburn located on 534 Auburn Ravine Rd. You can also attend the workshop via Zoom using the following link: https://us06webzoom.us/i/87863911721.

**D22:** Lorraine M. All district officers and appointed chairs have been filled except for BTG. In our district and Area 07, there is a need for an Accessibilities/Remote Communities committee. Our district is gathering groups' stories from members. There will be an Agenda Items Workshop on March 17 and 24. We will be joining D-21 & D-20 for an Agenda Items Workshop on Grapevine/La Vina on March 10 and 24. Respectfully submitted. Lorraine M.

<u>D23, Christopher K, DCM.</u> On February 13, 2024, District 23 had its first business meeting. Four out of the eight active groups were present, and we conducted elections to fill four positions. Currently, we have limited finances and are in the process of developing a 2024 spending budget. District 23 is going to co-host an agenda items workshop, along with three other Sacramento districts on March 17, 2024, from 1:30 pm to 4 pm at Traditional Group located at 1355 Fulton Ave, Sacramento, CA 95825. We are currently trying to find an in-person location for the workshop.

<u>D24: Ada R DCM.</u> D24 has been doing well lately. We had our last meeting on Valentine's Day and celebrated with some candy and a fellowship dinner. Nine of our Group Service Representatives attended the winter assembly. During our last meeting, we approved our spending plan for 2024. All officer positions have been filled, but we still have two liaison positions available. On Sunday, March 17, at 1:30 pm, we are co-hosting an agenda items workshop with districts 23, 27, and 29 at the Traditional Group meeting hall in Sacramento. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

<u>D25, Nancy DCM</u>. The district holds virtual meetings on the second Wednesday of every month, but they have decided to conduct inperson meetings once every quarter. They have planned a potluck on March 13 at Bethany Church in Sacramento, and everyone is welcome to attend. A representative from the Area will present one or two Agenda topics during the event. The district is currently working on outreach to fill positions. They plan to conduct a District Inventory after the Post Conference Assembly. Additionally, the district is financially stable.

Thank you for letting me assist you with this information.

<u>D27. Sarah DCM.</u> Emily will attend our district meeting to present a GSR school. We will have an in-person workshop in March with other Sacramento districts to discuss agenda items. Thank you for your service.

<u>D29, Reachyl:</u> In January, District 29 held its first meeting which was attended by ten new GSRs. During the winter assembly, I attended the plain language Big Book sharing sessions, and I am excited to attend PRAASA in the upcoming weekend. The final draft of agenda items has been distributed to our GSRs and district officers. We are hosting an Agenda Items Workshop with districts 23, 24, and

27 on Sunday, March 17th at 1:30 pm at Traditional Group. Matthew will be attending the workshop on behalf of our district. Our district is working towards centralizing all documents electronically on Google Drive, and we have now started using our new email address, which is CNIADistrict29@gmail.com. During our discussion, we talked about changing Area Assemblies to a one-day event. However, most people felt that two days were necessary to cover all the required information. Holding a one-day assembly might mean having to stay overnight anyway if the assembly is far away. Many of our GSRs expressed that their groups cannot afford to pay for them to attend assemblies and suggested that a Hybrid option would enable them to attend for free. Some also expressed that they really enjoy the dinner, ice cream social, and fellowship that comes with a two-day assembly and that the business portion is equally important. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

D30 Greg DCM. This past Saturday, we held our District Committee Meeting. We had a great turnout with about 14 members in attendance. During the meeting, a member volunteered for the position of District Treasurer and was nominated and unanimously voted in. Our Area 7 Delegate, Matthew L., was also present and provided an excellent summary of the GSO Conference process and his roles in it. Our district is in good financial standing and overall doing well. D33 Drew DCM. There are 51 meetings scheduled, out of which 19 are either on Zoom or a combination of in-person and online. A new QR code has been created to direct people to our new website - aasonora.org. This QR code will be included on the new PI card, which will be placed in past Grapevine issues and around 25 Little Free Libraries across the county by our "PI Guy". The PI card will also be resized to a rack card for placement in literature racks. Our Unity Day will be held on Saturday, September 14, in Tuolumne City. Debbie D will be our keynote speaker, and we will conduct a sponsorship workshop before lunch. We have invited the Area Literature and Grapevine chairs to attend. There are 51 meetings scheduled, out of which 19 are either on Zoom or a combination of in-person and online. A new QR code has been created to direct people to our new website - aasonora.org. This QR code will be included on the new PI card, which will be placed in past Grapevine issues and around 25 Little Free Libraries across the county by our "PI Guy". The PI card will also be resized to a rack card for placement in literature racks. Our Unity Day will be held on Saturday, September 14, in Tuolumne City. Debbie D will be our keynote speaker, and we will conduct a sponsorship workshop before lunch. We have invited the Area Literature and Grapevine chairs to attend.

<u>D34 Leslie DCM.</u> Things are going well and we are preparing to move. Turlock Unity Day is taking place on March 23rd, and the Pre-Conference is running smoothly. We're finishing up setting up our volunteers for concessions and also working on the agenda items workshop.

<u>D36, Robert:</u> Our groups are doing well. We are trying to attend all district meetings and encourage groups to send their GSRs (Group Service Representatives) to these meetings as well. Our financial situation is stable, and we are currently working with D34 on a Pre-Conference assembly in Denair, CA. We have registration flyers available for this event here today. We have already scheduled 8 district meetings for 2024. Additionally, we have a Unity Day planned

for September, which will take place at Yosemite Lake in Merced, CA."

<u>D37, Patricia DCM.</u> New General Service Representatives (GSRs) were welcomed and provided with registration information. Information about the GSR School was distributed to all members. We have a Hybrid meeting every third Wednesday. Currently, we have two open Liaison positions and do not have an Alt DCM. I will bring up the issue of any barriers to attending Assemblies with the District. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

D40, Carrie D40: We're pleased to announce that Unity Day will be held in Mariposa on April 27, 2024. Our speaker for the event will be Matthew L. Delegate. Our group has voted to fund me for attending PRAASA. This week, we're hosting our first caravan to a nonparticipating group. We're inspired by the ideas discussed at the Winter Assembly and we're planning to fundraise at the District level to support GSR travel for groups who need it and host more events. A GSR from another group expressed that her group didn't want her to be the GSR, but we explained that they wouldn't have a vote at the District or Area in that case. Finally, she has decided to continue as GSR and is bringing a motion to not fund the DCM to events. I'll keep you posted on that. Thank you to District 53 for hosting the assembly. It had the highest attendance in years. I'm thrilled to have an Alt-DCM for this panel and look forward to generating more interest and participation. I hope you're enjoying the beautiful weather. Thank you for your service.

<u>D42, Bill DCM.</u> Participation and morale have improved since the Agenda Items workshop was set for March 23. A flyer with all the information is now available on our website fresnoaa.org, and it should also be up at cnia.org soon. - Bill L, D-42

<u>D47, Mike DCM:</u> Yesterday, the District Alt DCM and Treasurer announced their resignation due to their work schedule. During the meeting, we voted to attend the Agenda Item Workshop in D42 and co-host the Post Conference Assembly with D55. Additionally, we decided to have Emily conduct the GSR School Workshop, which will be scheduled for late March or early April.

<u>D53, Hector H. DCM:</u> Meetings are scheduled every Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. The committee visits groups every Thursday. We are planning to attend PRAASA from March 1-3, 2024. Several new GSRs will also be attending. Alt-Chair Emily will organize a GSR school on Friday, March 8, 2024. Districts 53-55 will collaborate on an Agenda Items Workshop with our Delegate,

Matthew L. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

<u>D54, Ismael DCM.</u> Consists of 17 groups, and its district officers are Ismael M. as DCM, with Alt-DCM Amado M., Treasurer Victor, Alt-Treasurer Felipe M., Secretary Mauricio, Alt-Secretary Miguel M., Rafael F. as RLV La Vina Rep., Registrar Guadalupe G., and Public Information Officer Epigmenio. The 2024 Forum December Committee comprises Ismael as the Chair, Treasurer Byron Z., and Secretary Alex S.

<u>D55, Simon DCM.</u> D55. I would like to inform you that we still have meetings every Wednesday and visit the groups every Tuesday. Our district has 13 groups including 11 GSR's. We are excited to host the Post-Conference in May and our location is at 1830 Mooney Blvd., Suite #210, Visalia, CA. Our contact number is 93277.

<u>D56, Fidel DCM.</u> We work with BTG and have a District webpage, and meetings every Thursday.

<u>D57, Jose L. DCM.</u> We had a business meeting on February 6th, 2024 with 8 GSRs present. We have 10 groups and 2 online. We scheduled a concept meeting for February 25th, 2024.

# Old Business: Ad Hoc Committee: ARCHIVES AD-HOC COMMITTEE:

Jenn (Fin Com), Emily (alt-chair), Herminia (archives), Christina (DCM D21), Robert (DCM D36)

The committee aims to develop a methodical process for a new Archives Location. The current location poses several challenges, including an old building, no wifi, and transportation of materials up and down dangerous stairs. The neighborhood is undesirable and the facility is small and not nice. The committee would like a new space that is at least 500 square feet (the current space is 300 square feet), but there is no urgency to move right away. The committee is seeking direction and plans to bring back information to the March ACM meeting. They plan to put a recommendation together in April, so that GSRs and DCMs have time to review the information. An expense for Archives needs to be addressed at an Assembly, which can vote at the post-conference. Options include archives only, archives and storage, or archives, storage, and ACM. Storage can move to be in proximity of tech chair. The cost would be \$275 x 8 for ACM and \$235 per month for Archives. The committee is considering partnering with a fellowship or another AA group to share the cost. Other areas have partnered with intergroups and other AA groups to find geographic locations in a reasonable price range. The committee is open to the idea of combining uses, which would eliminate breakdown and moving equipment. Ideally, a space big enough for archives and ACMs would increase interest in both. The projected cost for a combined-use space was an extravagant leap, and the committee is interested in exploring more affordable options.

The GSRs do not have enough information about ACMs and Archives to provide meaningful input at this time. The committee is considering just archives and/or archives with storage.

The cost (over \$2,000) raises the question of whether they should cut services they provide. If you have any comments or questions, contact Jenn (ad-hoc committee) at Jenn@jenndaly.com.

ACM closed at 3:30 pm with the responsibility declaration.

With Love & Service, Jose U. Recording Secretary. Panel 74

January 1 - February 29, 2024						
			29-Feb-24	Spend	ding Plan 2024	% of budget
REVENUE/INCOME	GANANCIAINGRESOS					
4010 Group Contributions	4010 Contribuciones de grupos	\$	13,845.72	\$	60,000.00	23.08%
4020 Seventh Tradition	4020 Séptima Tradición	\$	860.25	\$	2,800.00	30.72%
4050 Contribution - Other	4050 Contribuciones - Otros	\$	-	\$	970.00	0.00%
4056 By Individual	4056 Por individuo	\$	-	\$	400.00	0.00%
Total 4 Contributed support	Total 4 Contribuciones	\$	14,705.97	\$	64,170.00	22.92%
5110 Literature Sales	5110 Venta de Literature	\$	237.51	\$	1,500.00	15.83%
5140 Grapevine/La Viña Sales	5140 Venta de Grapevine/La Viña	\$	108.51	\$	1,500.00	7.23%
5160 Assembly Income (net)	5160 Ingresos de Asamblea	\$	2,787.00	\$	6,800.00	40.99%
5310 Interest-Savings/Sh-term Inv	5310 Ahorro de Intereses/Corto Plazo	\$	0.41	\$	0.01	4100.00%
Total 5 Earned Revenues	5 Ingresos Rbtenidos	\$	3,133.43	\$	9,800.01	31.97%
TOTAL REVENUE/INCOME	GANANCIA/INGRESOS TOTALES	\$	17,839.40		73,970.01	24.12%
EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES	GASTOS/GASTOS	, T	,	•	,	24.12/0
Total 7620 Delegate	7620 Delegado		337.58	\$	4,860.00	6.95%
Total 7640 Alt. Delegate	7640 Alt. Delegado	\$	900.05		3,135.00	
Total 7660 Chair	7660 Coordinador	\$	419.47	\$	·	28.71%
Total 7680 Alt. Chair	7680 Alt. Coordinador	\$	599.18		2,948.00	14.23%
	7080 Ait. Coordinador 7700 Secretaria	\$		•	2,611.00	22.95%
Total 7700 Secretary	7700 Secretaria 7720 Tesorera	<u> </u>	584.03		3,217.00	18.15%
Total 7740 Paginters	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$	1,778.61	\$	3,545.00	50.17%
Total 7740 Registrar	7740 Registradora	\$	296.10	\$	2,045.00	14.48%
Total 7600 Officers Expenses	Total 7600 Gastos de Oficiales	\$	4,915.02		22,361.00	21.98%
Total 7820 Literature Chair	7820 Coord. de Literatura	\$	380.92	\$	2,330.00	16.35%
Total 7840 Grapevine Chair	7840 Coord. de Grapevine/La Viña	\$	176.41		3,012.00	5.86%
Total 7860 Bridging The Gap Chair	7860 Coord. Uniendo las Orillas	\$	228.66	\$	3,688.00	6.20%
Total 7900 Archives Chair	7900 Coord. de Archivos	\$	1,358.47	\$	4,108.00	33.07%
Total 7920 Alt Archives Chair	7920 Alt. Coord. de Archivos	\$	389.94	\$	3,288.00	11.86%
Total 7940 Oral Transl. Chair	7940 Coord. de Traducción Oral	\$	-	\$	2,670.00	0.00%
Total 7950 Written Transl. Chair	7950 Coord. de Traducción Escrita	\$	182.42	\$	3,010.00	6.06%
Total 7960 Tech. Serv. Chair	7960 Coord. de Tecn. Servicios	\$	235.22	\$	3,545.00	6.64%
Total 7930 AV Tech./Equip. Mgr	7930 Gerente de Tecn./Equipo AV	\$	395.14	\$	2,627.00	15.04%
Total 7800 App'd Chair Expenses	Total 7800 Gastos de Toto Coord.	\$	3,347.18	\$	28,278.00	11.84%
Total 7970 Spanish Transl. ACMs	7971 Traducc. al Español ACM	\$	537.50	\$	3,000.00	17.92%
Total 7980 Span. Transl./Lodg. Assbly	7981 Traducc. & Alojam. Asambleas	\$	1,550.58	\$	4,000.00	38.76%
Total 7990 ASL Interpret. Assemblies	7990 Interpret. ASL. Ensambles	\$	-	\$	4,000.00	0.00%
Total 7982 & 7984 Span Transl. Mileage						
& Lodging		\$	-	\$	1,450.00	0.00%
Total 7970-90 Transl. & Interpr.	Total 7970-90 Serv. de Trad. & Interpr.	\$	1,955.52		12,450.00	15.71%
Total 8000 Assemblies & Guests	Total 8000 Asambleas & Huéspedes	\$	1,794.68	\$	6,800.00	26.39%
Total 8070 Area Workshops	Total 8070 talleres de área	\$	-	\$	3,700.00	0.00%
Total 8100 Accents, GV/LV, Literature	Total 8100 Acentos, GV/LV, Literatura	\$	4,019.34	\$	10,500.00	38.28%
Total 8200 Meeting Room Expenses	Total 8200 Gastos de Salas de Reun.	\$	225.00	\$	7,420.00	3.03%
Total 8300 Website	Total 8300 Sitio Web	\$	161.32	\$	500.00	32.26%
Total 8400 Accessibil., Linguist. &	Total Accesibil., Lingüíst. y Otras			•	0.000.00	
Other Serv. Contrib.	Contrib. de Serv.	\$	-	\$	2,800.00	0.00%
Total 8500 Misc expenses	Total 8500 Gastos Misceláneos	\$	6,450.00		7,050.00	91.49%
Total 8600 Taxes & Fees	Total 8600 Impuestos y Tasas	\$	333.20		865.00	38.52%
Total 9000 Technology & Equipment	Total 9000 Tecnología y equipamiento	\$	125.00		3,000.00	4.17%
Total 8000-9000 Other Expenditures	Total 8000-9000 Otros Gastos	\$	15,064.06	\$	55,085.00	27.35%
OTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES	GASTOS/GASTOS TOTALES	\$	23,326.26	\$	105,724.00	22.06%
NET REVENUE/INCOME	INGRESOS/INGRESOS NETOS	\$	(5,486.86)	\$	(31,753.99)	17.28%
Checking Account Balance	Saldo de Cuenta Corriente	\$	36,889.05			
Prudent Reserve Account Balance	Saldo de la Cuenta de Reserva Prud.	\$	15,000.00			
Frudent Reserve Account Balance						
Prepaid Reserve Fund (Sinking)	Fondo de Res. Prepago (Hundiendo)	\$	3,300.00			



### California Northern Interior Area

Pre-conference Assembly - April 6-7, 2024

# Área Interior Norte California

Asamblea Pre-Conferencia - 6 y 7 de Abril, 2024

# **Denair Community Center**

3850 N. Gratton Rd. Denair, CA 95316

04/06/2024:	10 AM	Registration open	/ Pagietraciones
U4/U6/ZUZ4:	IU AM	Redistration open	Redistraciones

12 PM Call to order/ Apertura de la sesión

04/07/2024: 9 AM to 12 PM

Dinner: Choice of BBQ Tri-tip/Chicken/Vegetarian Cena: Opción de BBQ Tri-tip/Pollo/Vegetariana Includes sides / Incluye opciones

Snack bar & refreshments (purchase at cost)
Almuerzo y refrigerios (compra artículos al costo)

Online Registration

Due by April 1, 2024

Registro en Línea

Hasta el 1 de Abril

Website: www.cnia.org

Email: assembly@cnia.org

Send registration forms and payment to: Enviar su formulario y pago a:

District 36 P.O. Box 1362 Atwater, CA 95301

Make check payable to District 36 Hacer los cheques al nombre del Distrito 36

Mail Pre-registration/ Correo - Due by March 23 - Fecha tope el 23 la Marzo

Name/Nombre:	District/Distrito:				
Name on Badge (if different)/Nombre en la bacha (si es diferente):					
Email/Correo Electrónico :	Phone/Teléfono:				
Service Position: □ GSR/Alt. □ DCM/Alt. □ Officer □ Appointed □ Past Delegate □ Member					
Posición de Servicio: □ RSG/Alt. □ MCD/Alt. □ Oficiale: □ Miembro	s 🗆 Coordinador Asignado 🗆 Delegados Pasados				
Registration/Registraciones \$13.00 Dinner/Cena: \$20.00 Coffee/Café sin fondo: \$3.00 Total:					

# Hotel Room Rental Options -Alquiler de Habitaciones de Hotel

Best Western/Orchard Inn 5025 N. Golden State Blvd., Turlock, CA 95382 209-667-2827. 7 miles to Denair \$109. Per Night.

Hampton Inn 1821 Lander Ave. Turlock, CA, 95380 209-664-9729. (AA Pre-Conference) Make Reservation Before March 22, 2024. \$159. Per Night.

Home 2 Suites 1831 Lander Ave. Turlock, CA 95380 209-667-2972 (AA Pre-Conference) Make Reservation Before March 22, 2024. \$159 Per Night

Comfort Suites 191 N. Tully Rd., Turlock, CA 95380 209-667-7777. 6 miles to Denair \$146. Per Night.

Holiday Inn Express 3001 Hotel Dr., Turlock, CA 95380 209-664-9999. 5 miles to Denair. \$154. Per Night.

Candlewood suites 1000 Power Court, Turlock, CA 95380 209-250-1501. 6 miles to Denair \$49 per night

RV campground at Stan Co Fairgrounds 900 N. Broadway, Turlock, Ca 209-668-1333 call ahead for availability \$50 per day-cash only/call ahead for availability



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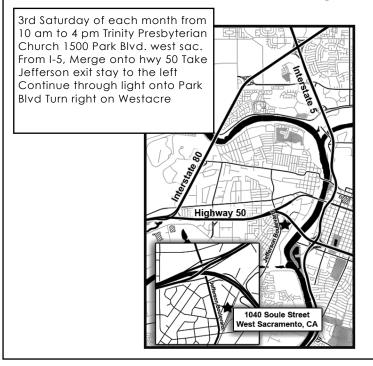
# **GSR** Preamble

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



### **CNIA Archives Center**

1807 Navy Drive (at Fresno Ave) Suite #11, Stockton, CA 95555 (Rodgers Construction, Inc., near Port of Stockton) – Second Floor Rear

From Fresno (and other points south): 99 North to Highway 4 West. Turn left at dead end at Navy Dr, to Navy Dr–Fresno Ave. Building is on the left.

From Sacramento (and other points north): 99 South to Highway 4 West or I-5 South to Navy Dr-Highway 4 West exit. From dead end on Navy Dr, turn left to Fresno Ave. Building is on the left.

**From both directions:** The Archives is located in the Rodgers Construction building on the NW corner of the intersection of Navy and Fresno. The entrance is at the far end of the building, up the stairs.



CNIA Archives will be open the 1st Saturday 10 am to 2 pm

Contact Area Archivist before Visiting CNIA AREA ACCENTS P.O. Box 161712 Sacramento, CA 95816-1712 ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

CALIFORNIA NORTHERN INTERIOR AREA 07 · CALENDAR 2024 to 2025							
2024			2025				
JAN 20 - 21	Winter Assembly	Merced - D53	JAN 18 - 19	Winter Assembly	Sonora – D33		
FEB 17	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento	FEB 15	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento		
MAR 1 - 3	PRAASA	Area 06	MAR 7 - 9	PRAASA	Anchorage AK		
MARCH 16	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento	MARCH 15	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento		
APR 6 - 7	Pre-Conference Assembly	Denair - D36	APR 12 - 13	Pre-Conference Assembly	Anderson – D9 - D11		
APRIL 14- 20	General Service Conference	New York	APRIL 27 MAY3	General Service Conference	New York		
MAY 18 - 19	Post-Conference Assembly	Huron - D55	MAY 17 - 18	Post-Conference Assembly	Nevada City- D20		
JUNE 15	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento	JUNE 21	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento		
JULY 12-14	Regional Forum	Las Vegas	JULY 3 -6	International Convention	Vancouver Canada		
JULY 20	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento	JULY 19	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento		
AUG 17	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento	AUG 16	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento		
SEP 21	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento	SEPT 20	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento		
OCT 18 - 20	Mini PRAASA	Sonora –D30/33	OCT 18	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento		
NOV 16	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento	NOV 14-16	Election Assembly	Stockton D17		
DEC 14	Area Planning Meeting	Sacramento	DEC 13	Area Planning Meeting	Sacramento		