

# CNIA AREA ACCENTS



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## Chair Report

As we round out the first year of Panel 74, I like to say, let's keep pedaling! This time of year goes by fast, full of family and friends and fellowship, but we still have a lot of work to do. We need to remain diligent as we align our service work with our primary purpose – to carry our recovery message to those who are suffering from alcoholism, in and out of the rooms of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Our Area Planning Meeting will be held on December 14 th at the Trinity Church in West Sacramento – 1500 Park Blvd. All are welcome and encouraged to attend, as districts will be bidding to host our 2026 assemblies (contact alt-chair@cnia.org for more information). We will conduct routine business in the morning, have a pot luck lunch in the afternoon, then we will confirm our 2025 calendar and consider dates for our 2026 area assemblies and meetings. Call for Resumés – We will be holding a special election to fill a vacancy for our Area Registrar position at the Winter Assembly. Our Panel 72 Registrar, Loren A. (D22), has graciously stepped in to be of service in the interim until we elect a new registrar. Service resumes are due by January 10, 2025. Please see our Call for Resumes at cnia.org for more information.

Register Now! Registration is open for our Winter Assembly in Sonora (D33) on January 18-19, 2025. This assembly will be our first official hybrid assembly, and remote registration is available now – although we really hope to see you in person! We look forward to a dynamic assembly, as we head into “Agenda Topic Season,” and we have some pertinent business to address, as well. Please visit cnia.org for information to stay abreast of area business.

- ◆ **Accessibilities Interest Group (AIG) put out a survey to gauge the level of understanding and interest for accessibilities support in our area. They will be evaluating that data to lend in the discussion of a motion made at the Mini-PRAASA in October – to amend the CNIA committee structure to add an appointed chair for accessibilities. The complete motion with background material is available on our website at cnia.org.**
- ◆ Review Area Inventory Input from our fall assembly (Mini-PRAASA)
- ◆ Preliminary Agenda Items are available to start planning discussions with your group.

I want to thank all of you – our DCMs, GSRs, translation, appointed chairs, liaisons, and members at-large – who are interested in general service. We appreciate your dedicated service to Alcoholics Anonymous in our area. We could not do our service work without you! Your area officers are available to attend your district and group events, so please extend an invitation! We would love to come visit and support your events.

It is an honor and a pleasure to serve the California Northern Interior Area as your chairperson. Please contact me if you have any questions or issues to discuss.

Yours in Service,  
Holly J.  
CNIA Chair | Panel 74

## Area Planning Meeting December 14, 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.

\* Readings: GSR Preamble, Traditions, Concepts, Why We Need a Conference

\* Introductions – First-time attendees, Visitors/Guests, Past Delegates

\* Anniversaries

\* Announcements

10:15 – 11:00 Business

\* Consider Minutes – November ACM

\* Seventh Tradition

Assembly Reports

\* 2025 Winter Assembly (D33)

\* 2025 Pre-Conference (D09/D11)

\* 2025 Post-Conference (D20)

\* 2025 Fall Assembly | Elections (D37)

Liaison Reports

\* FORO

\* Hispanic Women's Conference

\* PICPC | Public Information/Cooperation with the Professional Community

\* YPAA | Young People in AA

\* Central Offices/Intergroups

\* H&I | Hospitals & Institutions

\* NCCAA | Northern California Council of Alcoholics Anonymous

11:00 – 12:00 2025 Calendar – Confirm dates

2026 Calendar – Consider dates

12:00 – 1:30 Lunch Break – Pot Luck

1:30 – 3:30 Assembly Bids

3:30pm – What's on your Mind?

4:00pm – Close

### 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.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS CALENDAR

- ◆ Register now for the **Winter Assembly** – January 20-21, 2025 in Sonora
  - ◆ **Motion for Accessibilities Chair/committee** information is available on the CNIA Website
  - ◆ **Area Archives** has found a new location – coming soon to Florin Square in Sacramento.
  - ◆ **2025 A.A. International Convention** in Vancouver Registration is open at aa.org!
  - ◆ **Plain Language Big Book** is available to purchase through Central Offices/Intergroups
  - ◆ **Area Inventory Summary** is available to review on the CNIA Inventory Page
  - ◆ **Accessibilities Survey** is available on the CNIA website (open thru Dec. 15)
- ◆ Accessibilities Interest Group (AIG)** – last Sunday of the month on Zoom, 4:00pm-5:30pm. Spanish interpretation is available.
- Upcoming Events – See our CNIA Events Calendar for more information**
- ◆ **February 1** – District 17 Chili Cookoff
- Monthly Committee Meetings**
- ◆ **PI/CPC** – 1st Wednesday on Google Meet, 6:30pm-7:30pm
  - ◆ **Grapevine/La Viña** – 3rd Tuesday on Google Meet, 7:00pm

CNIA CALENDAR					
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	Gazelle - D9 - D11
APR 14-20	General Service Conference	New York	APR 27 MAY 3	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 4 - 6	NCCAA	Sacramento			
OCT 11 - 13	Mini PRAASA	Angels Camp D30	OCT 18	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento
NOV 16	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento	<b>NOV 14-16</b>	Election Assembly	Tracy D37
DEC 14	Area Planning Meeting	Sacramento	DEC 13	Area Planning Meeting	Sacramento

# Finance Report

January 1 - November 30, 2024 Summary

	31-Oct-24	30-Nov-24	Spending Plan 2024	% of budget
<b>REVENUE/INCOME</b>				
4010 Group Contributions	\$ 51,119.36	\$ 55,617.17	\$ 60,000.00	93%
4020 Seventh Tradition	\$ 2,559.45	\$ 2,684.77	\$ 2,800.00	96%
4050 Contribution - Other C	\$ 2,291.43	\$ 2,291.43	\$ 970.00	236%
4056 By Individual C	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 400.00	175%
<b>Total 4000 Contributed support</b>	<b>\$ 56,670.24</b>	<b>\$ 61,293.37</b>	<b>\$ 64,170.00</b>	<b>96%</b>
5110 Literature Sales C	\$ 1,781.34	\$ 2,106.52	\$ 1,500.00	140%
5140 Grapevine/La Vifa Sales C	\$ 1,314.67	\$ 1,314.67	\$ 1,500.00	88%
5160 Assembly Income (net)	\$ 15,510.03	\$ 17,173.26	\$ 6,800.00	253%
5490 Misc Earned Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
5310 Interest-Savings/Sh-term Inv	\$ 0.73	\$ 0.73	\$ -	
<b>Total 5000 Earned Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 18,606.77</b>	<b>\$ 20,595.18</b>	<b>\$ 9,800.00</b>	<b>210%</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUE/INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 75,277.01</b>	<b>\$ 81,888.55</b>	<b>\$ 73,970.00</b>	<b>111%</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES</b>				
Total 7620 Delegate	\$ 3,863.76	\$ 3,863.76	\$ 4,860.00	80%
Total 7640 Alt. Delegate <sup>AA</sup>	\$ 3,652.03	\$ 3,802.91	\$ 3,135.00	121%
Total 7660 Chair C <sup>AA</sup>	\$ 4,595.68	\$ 4,595.68	\$ 2,948.00	156%
Total 7680 Alt. Chair C	\$ 2,508.20	\$ 3,412.19	\$ 2,611.00	131%
Total 7700 Secretary	\$ 3,844.33	\$ 4,045.33	\$ 3,217.00	126%
Total 7720 Treasurer C	\$ 4,323.28	\$ 4,542.28	\$ 3,545.00	128%
Total 7740 Registrar	\$ 1,571.75	\$ 2,335.65	\$ 2,045.00	114%
<b>Total 7600-7700 Officers Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 24,359.03</b>	<b>\$ 26,597.80</b>	<b>\$ 22,361.00</b>	<b>119%</b>
Total 7820 Literature Chair	\$ 800.45	\$ 800.45	\$ 2,330.00	34%
Total 7840 Grapevine Chair	\$ 1,741.21	\$ 1,741.21	\$ 3,012.00	58%
Total 7860 Bridging The Gap Chair	\$ 403.87	\$ 403.87	\$ 3,688.00	11%
Total 7900 Archives Chair	\$ 3,227.94	\$ 3,227.94	\$ 4,108.00	79%
Total 7920 Alt Archives Chair <sup>AA</sup>	\$ 3,461.10	\$ 4,441.00	\$ 3,288.00	135%
Total 7930 AV Tech./Equip. Mgr C	\$ 1,702.58	\$ 2,442.40	\$ 2,627.00	93%
Total 7940 Oral Transl. Chair	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,670.00	0%
Total 7950 Written Transl. Chair	\$ 2,163.44	\$ 2,163.44	\$ 3,010.00	72%
Total 7960 Tech. Serv. Chair C	\$ 2,856.12	\$ 3,614.98	\$ 3,545.00	102%
<b>Total 7800-7960 App'd Chair Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 16,356.71</b>	<b>\$ 18,835.29</b>	<b>\$ 28,278.00</b>	<b>67%</b>
Total 7970 Spanish Transl. ACMS	\$ 3,062.00	\$ 3,512.02	\$ 3,000.00	117%
Total 7980 Span. Transl./Lodg. Assby C	\$ 4,768.00	\$ 5,133.82	\$ 4,000.00	128%
Total 7990 ASL Interpret. Assemblies	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00	0%
Total 7982&7984 Span. Transl. Mil./Lodg.	\$ 237.18	\$ 237.18	\$ 1,450.00	16%
<b>Total 7970-90 Transl. &amp; Interpr.</b>	<b>\$ 8,067.18</b>	<b>\$ 8,883.02</b>	<b>\$ 12,450.00</b>	<b>71%</b>
Total 8000 Assemblies & Guests C	\$ 12,200.95	\$ 13,230.95	\$ 6,800.00	195%
Total 8070 Area Workshops	\$ 395.50	\$ 495.73	\$ 3,700.00	13%
Total 8100 Accents, GV/LV, Literat.	\$ 4,464.16	\$ 4,602.27	\$ 10,500.00	44%
Total 8200 Liability Insur., Rent & Misc.	\$ 6,510.90	\$ 6,980.90	\$ 7,420.00	94%
Total 8300 Website	\$ 396.09	\$ 396.09	\$ 500.00	79%
Total 8400 Access., Lingu. & Serv. Contrib.	\$ 127.30	\$ 927.30	\$ 2,800.00	33%
Total 8500 Misc. Expenses (Corrected)	\$ 9,342.71	\$ 10,817.71	\$ 7,050.00	153%
Total 8600 Taxes & Fees	\$ 927.81	\$ 927.81	\$ 875.01	106%
Total 9000 Technology & Equipment	\$ 6,450.49	\$ 6,450.49	\$ 3,000.00	215%
<b>Total 8000-9000 Other Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 40,815.91</b>	<b>\$ 44,829.25</b>	<b>\$ 55,095.01</b>	<b>81%</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 89,598.83</b>	<b>\$ 99,145.36</b>	<b>\$ 105,734.01</b>	<b>94%</b>
<b>NET REVENUE/INCOME</b>	<b>\$ (14,321.82)</b>	<b>\$ (17,256.81)</b>	<b>\$ (31,764.01)</b>	<b>54%</b>
			Target \$23,000*	

\*2024 plan had a duplicate Income of \$8,500

<sup>AA</sup> 2025 PRAASA included here for now

C - Corrected

## BANK ACCOUNTS

Checking Account Balance (Corrected)	\$ 23,329.95	\$ 20,979.60
Prudent Reserve Account Balance	15,001.74	15,001.99
Prepaid Reserve Fund (Sinking)	1097.99	1098.05
<b>Total Account Balance</b>	<b>\$ 39,429.68</b>	<b>\$ 37,079.64</b>



**California Northern Interior Area**  
Winter Assembly—January 18 & 19, 2025

**Área Interior Norte California**  
Asamblea de Invierno—18 y 19 de enero, 2025

**Mother Lode Fairgrounds**  
**220 South Gate Drive, Sonora, CA 95370**

1/18/2025 12 PM – Llamar al ordenar / Call to order  
10 AM – Registration opens / Registraciones

1/19/2025 9 AM–12 PM

Dinner: Island Luau or Portabella Vegetarian

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

**Registro en Línea**  
hasta el 13 de enero

**Online Registration**  
due by January 13

**[www.cnia.org](http://www.cnia.org)**

Send reg. form & payment to: / *Enviar formulario y pago a:*  
Dist. 33 Attn: Winter Assembly P.O. Box 1566 Jamestown, CA 95327

Make check payable to: District 33 - Haga los cheques a nombre de Distrito 33

**Mail Pre-Reg due by January 8 / *Correo Pre-Reg hasta el 8 de enero***

Nombre/Name \_\_\_\_\_ District/Distrito # \_\_\_\_\_

Nombre en la insignia (si es diferente) / Name on Badge (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

Electrónico Correo/Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone/Teléfono \_\_\_\_\_

Service Position:  GSR/Alt.,  DCM/Alt.,  Officer,  Appointed,  Past Delegate,  Member

Puesto de Servicio:  RSG/Alt.,  MCD/Alt.,  Funcionarios,  Designado/a  
 Delegado/a Pasado/Pasada,  Miembro/a

Vivienda "Back to Basics"  masculino  femenino  
"Back to Basics" Home Stay  male  female

Registration/Registro \$18.00

Dinner/Cena: \$20.00

Coffee/Café sin fondo: \$4.00

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

# HOTEL ROOM RENTAL OPTIONS

## Heritage Inn

350 S Washington St  
Sonora, CA 95370  
(209) 532-3633  
\$89+ tax - free breakfast  
"CNIA"

## Hotel Lumberjack

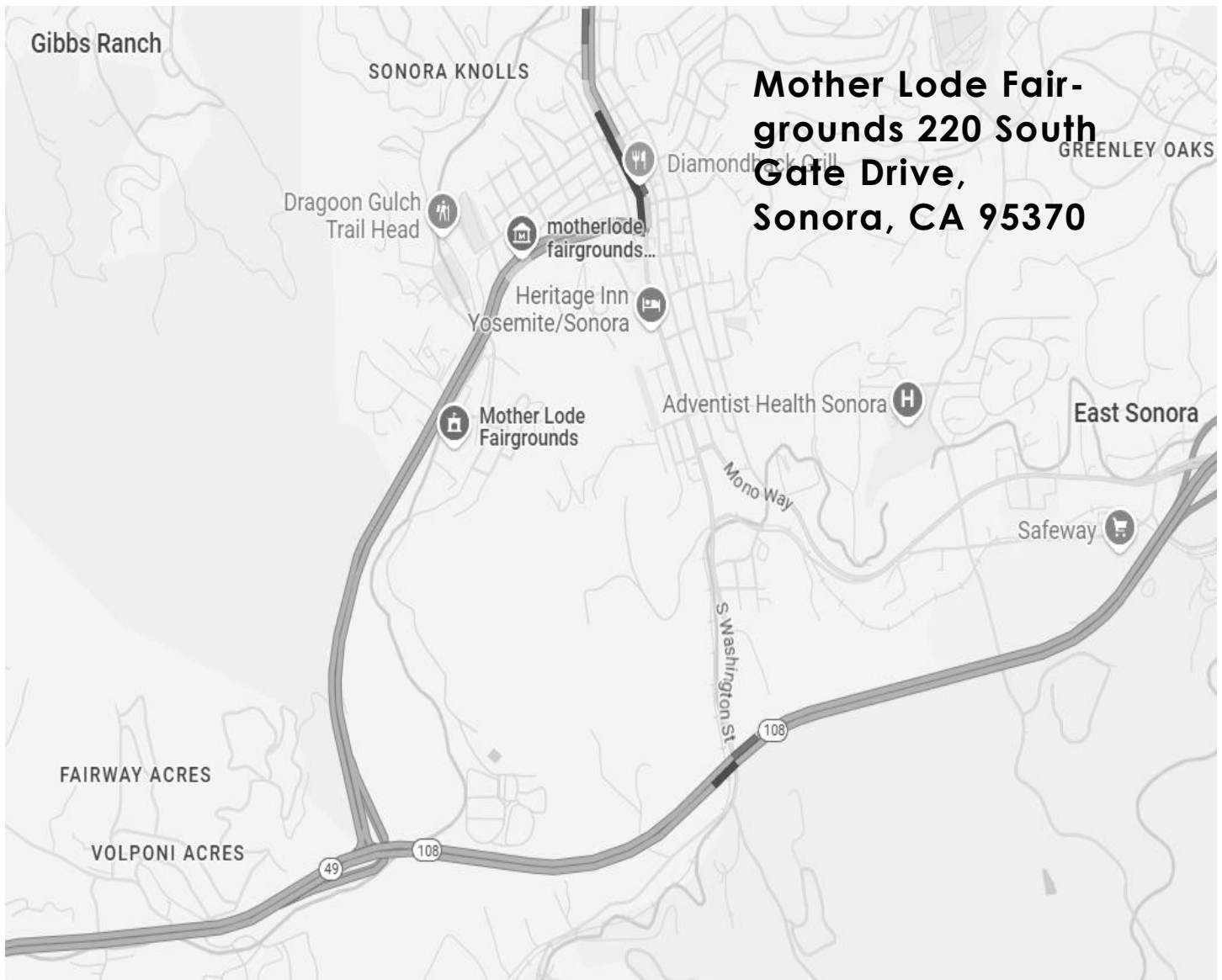
128 S Green St  
Sonora, CA 95370  
(209) 532-2400  
Approx \$129-\$149 + tax  
Free Breakfast

## Best Western Plus Sonora Oaks

19551 Hess Ave  
Sonora, CA 95370  
(209) 533-4400  
\$149+ tax (15 rooms) - free breakfast  
"CNIA"

## Gold Lodge

480 W Stockton  
Sonora, CA 95370  
(800) 363-2154  
\$103 - \$109 + tax  
Free Breakfast





# ACM Meeting Minutes 2024 (Unapproved)

**The November ACM was held on Saturday, November 16, 2024.** CNIA Chair Holly called it to order at 10 a.m.

**Introductions:** Past Delegates Vikki L. Panel P66, Tom A. Panel 70, Jenn Panel 72, Bob D. Panel 36 (Area 28), and new guests and visitors were introduced. The Declaration of Unity followed this. Margie (D17) read the GSR Preamble in English; Rafael (D54) read the Preamble in Spanish. Eric (D20) read the 12 Traditions. Bill (D42) read the 12 Concepts, and Robert (D36) read Why We Need a Conference?

**Consideration of Minutes:** Chris (D23) moved to approve; Margie (D17) seconded. September Minutes approved

## Assembly Reports

**Mini PRAASA Greg N. (D30):** Great event.

**Winter Assembly, Drew R. (D33):** Everything is going well as District 33, Tuolumne County, prepares for January's 2025 Winter Assembly. Co-Chairs, Cathy N. and Carolyn H., have assigned a committee and things are on schedule for a great event. Online registration is open and flyers are available, please get registered. Humbly submitted, Drew R.

**Post-Conference Assembly Eric (D20):** Committees are set, and we regularly have planning meetings.

**Election Assembly, Patricia D37:** We understand there will be a discussion of a possible date change. We are waiting to receive confirmation on the date for the assembly. Once the date is firm, we can reserve the facility and form the planning committee.

## Liaison Reports:

**Hospital and Institutions (H&I), Vikki L :** Inside Visitation Sponsorship Service: IVSS currently serves San Quentin, Salinas Valley, the Correctional Training Facility in Soledad, and the Central California Women's Facility (Chowchilla). Efforts are underway to bring the IVSS to Folsom, Corcoran, the Substance Abuse Treatment Facility Corcoran, and Avenal. A new IVSS position of Inside IVSS Liaison is being tested at, which will help communicate with inside members. The IVSS thanks many people, and the Central Offices actively encourage volunteers and help establish the service for inside members. Please send inquiries about IVSS to handiivss@gmail.com.

**SACYPAA, Young People in AA. Chris:** Sacypaa events are held the 4th Saturday of each month at 2700 L street and times vary. All ages are welcome. Sacypaa business meetings are held on the second Sunday of each month at 1 pm at 2100 J street. If you want to get involved, we would be happy to have you! Flyers can be found at the Sacypaa website, SACYPAA.org. Our next event will be on November 23rd at 7 pm and will be called Servicepalooza. Several people from the

Area will speak on a panel about service so please come out! We will also ensure the information is on the CNIA website.

**Hispanic Foro, Herminia:** Hola Herminia una alcohólica, all is well. Foro is scheduled for Sunday, December 1, 2024. District 54 is hosting. I invite the Area 07 fellowship to attend. A wonderful spiritual experience. Love and service  
**Hispanic Women's Conference, Patricia G:** Conference will be held December 7 in San Jose. I am looking forward to attending and reporting back to the Area. Instructions for mailing in our contribution to the Conference have been forwarded to the Treasurer. Thank you.

**Accessibilities Interest Group, Claudia M. (D11):** AIG members discussed the hybrid test experience during the Fall Assembly/Mini-PRAASA and were excited about the potential for expanded participation for A.A.'s in Area 7, particularly for members with accessibility challenges. We analyzed the results from the 75 paper copies of the Accessibilities Survey returned to us at the Fall Assembly, and we are working to get this survey into an electronic format for wider distribution to AA's in Area 7. The survey was mailed to DCMs in our area and is available at cnia.org. It is open to all AA's in the area to help provide valuable insight regarding the level of the interest in an Accessibilities Committee in our area. The survey is open until December 15<sup>th</sup>, and the results will be presented at the Winter Assembly in Sonora. Yours in service to making A.A. accessible and safe for every alcoholic.

**PI/CPC Alt-Delegate Claudio B:** Attended Suicide Awareness month in Sacramento. AA was welcomed and people were enthusiastic about us having a table. Held Area 07 monthly PI/CPC meeting which is held on the first of the month.

## 7th Tradition was Collected.

### Appointed Chair Reports:

**Tech Chair Sam P:** 1. Discovered our shared Zoom account will be closed sometime in mid-November. Working quickly to create another account for Area 07  
2. We are continuing to learn and update our Hybrid Assembly capabilities. We received fantastic feedback from the members who attended via Zoom for the Mini PRAASA hybrid pilot. The plan is to hold a hybrid Assembly for the 2025 Winter Assembly. Please note that anyone attending via Zoom may lose access if something unplanned goes wrong. The key message is that if you have critical business at the Winter Assembly, please plan to attend in person.  
3. District Websites hosted by the Area are making progress. Contact Michael P. if your district is interested.

**Finance Chair, Drew R:** A partial committee met this past week and discussed the process and experiences involved in creating the 2025 CNIA 07 Spending Plan. Don H, Area Treasurer, and the Panel 74 Finance Committee are committed to increasing the amount of

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of transparency and fellowship input with next year's 2026 plan. As a committee, we encourage all members of the fellowship to submit comments and suggestions to us as we enter into the second half of this panel. The FC; Chair Drew R D-33, Simon C D-54, Ada R D-24 and Past Delegate Jenn D; will convene next in January 2025 to review the 4th Quarter Area accounts with Don H, Treasurer. Thank you for letting us be of service, Drew R D33 DCM A7 Finance Chair.

**Archives Chair, Herminia N:** Archives will have a display at the Hispanic Foro in December. We have a location for the Archives. Yay. Looking forward on moving soon. I continue to participate with the fellowship with my experience, strength, and hope. AA is amazing and on the 8th of November, 29 years sober. Love and service

**Archives Alt-Chair, Valerie L:** The most exciting news is we have found a location for our archives and have put down a deposit. We are waiting for the current renters to move out. We had a great time at Mini PRAASA. We wanted to have some fun with the Archives, we had two silly contests. I made 60 book markers for one contest and gave 54 of them away, which means I 54 brief conversations with people that weekend. The archives had the most signatures in our guest book than ever before. Thank you for coming by and showing interest. We are invited to two area events in the next month, we love to set up archive displays and attend various functions. We will go anywhere in the area if we are invited if we are free. I am working on an area scrape book. I will display what I have so far at the Winter Assembly. Thank you for all your support. In love and service Valerie Lucero

**Written Translations Jorge D:** We almost reached the halfway point of this panel. It has been a year of learning a lot from all of you my friends, thank you for being so patient with me in my service.

**Grapevine/La Vina Chair, Steve D:** I am new to this position and have been acquainting myself with and doing an inventory of the literature. I am also getting a book order ready for the Winter Assembly. I am available to visit your event with the Grapevine/ La Vina Literature. Thank you for the opportunity to serve CNIA 07.

**Literature, Beth S:** Happy 24 hours, First thank you Jorge for doing an amazing job at Mini PRAASA. As you all know the Plain Language Big Book is now out and I have ordered them. I need to do another inventory of my pamphlets and books and order accordingly. If you are wanting something specific please do not hesitate to contact me. I'm waiting for new service manuals to come out and will order. Thank you for letting me be of service, Beth S

### Officer Reports:

**Registrar:** Our elected registrar resigned from their position, and the officers have appointed the past registrar, Loren A., to fill this position in the

interim until we have a Special Election at the Winter Assembly in January. Respectfully, Holly

**Treasurer Don:** Thank you to our Officers, all of our trusted servants and the Finance Committee (Drew, Ada, Simon, Jenn) helping – and Districts 30/33 for the excellent Mini-PRAASA. I am glad to join you online as traveling for work. Thanks to all those helping with 7th tradition on-site. Contributions are stable and on target for November 1 projections – we thank every member, group and district for their support. Remember, there are many ways to contribute: 1) check to the CNIA address; 2) Zelle to treasurer@cnia.org; 3) online at CNIA website – it was updated so offline for a few days sorry – now going fine; and 4) cash or checks to the treasurer at events. Overall, we had a very good group conscience on the Spending Plan for 2025 – this is a vital, spiritual and dynamic process. This started in July ACM and culminated in October at the Mini-PRAASA. Thank you for emails, attending workshops, checking with your districts and groups for their questions and giving input. Drew and I were also glad to attend district meetings and reach out to former officers and delegates. Our final Spending Plan is good, though not agreed upon by all, and we learned from the minority opinions; we reached out to several folks during and after Mini-PRAASA and can visit your group or district still. The group conscious is ongoing – so please continue to share. We decided to continue our practice over many panels of sending officers and chairs to PRAASA – after considering sending fewer – but this late shift did not give you time to get back to your districts and groups – we need to largely avoid such late changes over the final month going forward. Overall, we found a reasonable way, though, with your help, to support the Archives relocation, Maintain Hispanic Conference funding, and mileage reimbursement at \$0.67/mile. There are already corrections to the Spending Plan, such as no national archives meeting in 2025 and higher than expected PRAASA costs – with flights going unexpectedly high for 2025 and a stay of 3 nights likely rather than 2 nights – the reasonable cost is \$1,200 probably, not \$800, yet certainly not all will go.

**Recording Secretary/Accents Publisher. Jose U:** Good morning, I am honored to serve as the recording secretary and Accents publisher for Panel 74 of the California Northern Interior Area 07. Thank you for submitting your reports; your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Please take a moment to review the Accents, as it contains valuable information. Remember that ACMs are linked with ACMs, and Assemblies are linked with Assemblies. Let's continue to provide this essential service. With love and service.

**Alternate Chair, Emily:** Excited to attend SACYPAA's Annual Servicepalooza 11/23 - one of my favorite events. Continuing to work with 2025 assembly planning committees and we're all anxiously waiting to hear if/when the area will



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move forward with hybrid assemblies; that decision is going to be important for planning including planning dinners, registrations, etc. Compiled area inventory notes and will be sharing more on that later today - I have both a full version and a summary version. The summary version is intended to be easier to consume and sorted by theme as I see it. Please don't take the ideas or suggestions in there as action items or representative of a full area conscience. They are merely ideas, maybe just from one voice, to get you thinking. We will continue discussion today and at the winter assembly in January. The officers also met to review the notes; for any specific comments that affect one of our positions we'll be reviewing and seeing what, if any, changes need to be made. Lastly, in December we will review assembly bid submissions for 2026 assemblies! I'll have bid forms and more info at the ACM

### **Area Chair, Holly J:**

I want to thank our officers and appointed chairs for their tireless work to serve our area. I want to thank all of you, too, our DCMs, GSRs, translation, and members at-large who are interested in general service. We appreciate your dedicated service to Alcoholics Anonymous in our area. We could not do our service work without you! Our Area Registrar resigned last night, so we will hold a Special Election at our Winter Assembly in January to fill this position for the remainder of this panel. Please inform your districts and your groups so interested members can submit a resume to be considered for this special election. I will send more information out with a call for resumes soon. The officers met to discuss and decided to appoint our past registrar (Panel 72), Loren A., as an interim Registrar pending the Special Election in January. We are grateful for his willingness to step in to serve our area in the interim. The officers met to consider a new location for archives and voted unanimously to approve an office at the Florin Square in Sacramento. The unit is not available yet, but we look forward to moving our archives soon. I had the opportunity to be of service to CNCA-06 last week for their area's elections. It was a great event to participate and see how they manage hybrid assemblies with full participation and voting electronically. I look forward to seeing how our tech team addresses this for us going forward. I also attended District 27's Fall in Love with Service event and District 54's service meeting last month, and I'm looking forward to SACYPAA's Service Palooza next week and the Hispanic Women's Workshop in San Jose in a couple of weeks. I'm registered for the Winter Assembly in Sonora, PRAASA in Anchorage, and the International Convention in Vancouver. I hope to see many of you at these events in the coming year! It is an honor and a pleasure to serve you.

**Alternate Delegate Claudio B:** Participated in District 27 Love and Service and District 54 Anniversary both wonderful events. Held the monthly Area 07 PI/CPC meeting which is the first Wednesday of the month. Information on our website. I did two group inventories and have another scheduled for December. I will be attending SACYPAA Servicepolloza at the end of the month. It is always a great event. I hope some of you can make it and support the young people committees in our Area. Helped facilitate Area 06 with other members from our Area in person and online. I have to say I do like Digital Joy, the text-by-vote application they used. Thank you, DCM, Appointed Chairs, and fellow officers, for all that you do for the Area. Happy 24hr Claudio

**Delegate Matthew L:** Begin where you are, step out in faith, do what you can gracefully, and expect God to help!1. The "Plain Language Big Book" sold 42,000 copies on its first day and had 70,000 copies in the first print run. However, two action items, including removing an addiction definition, were not addressed before printing. The Trustees Literature Committee has met, and an emergency board meeting is scheduled for this weekend to resolve the issue before the next print run.

2. The new Service Manual, proposed in digital format, is now available on AA.org in both English and French. Spanish will be available in December 2024 or January 2025. Print copies in English can be purchased by mid-December 2024, while Spanish print copies will be available in January 2025.

3. For AA Quarterly Financial Reports, please visit the website at CNIA.org.

4. Letter from Bob W. (see Delegate page)

Dear A.A. Friends,

November is Gratitude Month, a time for us to reflect on the gifts of sobriety. You can make an online contribution here. If you are interested, you can also set up recurring donations. Thank you so much for everything each of you does for Alcoholics Anonymous. I am grateful for all your sacrifices for A.A., Bob W., General Manager, and G.S.O.

5. Grapevine Report.

6. International Convention Registration is open at \$160 per person. Rooms are now available in Vancouver and at both universities. Check out all the options at AA.ORG.

7. The Preliminary Agenda is out! Please see the website under the delegates page "What's New." Read the letter from Dianna.

As of November 2024, the preliminary agenda items for the 75th General Service Conference (GSC) committees include standing items, ongoing items from the prior Conference, and new items. Once translations are complete, the final agenda and committee distribution based on the Equitable Distribution of Workload (EDW) plan will be

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available after the February 2025 GSB meeting. Additionally, there are five new groups in Area 07, including 3 Linguistics and 2 English.

### DCM Reports:

**D9, Christine T. DCM:** Our district is reviewing the 2025 spending plan and position budgets, looking for ways to improve contributions and save on spending. We will vote on the budget in December. We welcomed new GSRs, and Claudia M. discussed accessibilities. Two members attended the All Unity Day in Shasta County, presenting at a General Service table and speaking on a panel. Our H&I liaison also attended and is now cleared to resume meetings in fire camps, which is exciting since they haven't happened since COVID-19. The High Rails Group will participate in the Intergroup Christmas Party by decorating tables and providing greeters. We are also looking forward to co-hosting the Pre-Conference assembly.

**D11, Gayle S. DCM:** Zack reported on the mini PRAASA for Area 07. There are concerns that some meetings are not conducting the split, which some see as breaking AA tradition. We are also working on a district inventory and are worried that low GSR attendance affects our representation. To address this, we distributed flyers highlighting the need for group representation. Our district meeting time has changed to the third Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m., starting November 19th at the Alano Club, as many felt the previous time was inconvenient. We also elected a new treasurer, as the previous one could only serve until November. Thank you.

**D15, Martha T. DCM:** The Information table at the Stand Down at the Elks Lodge Chico, October 24-26, was a success. We distributed 47 copies of Living Sober and connected with local veterans and organizations. I've decided to step down as DCM of District 15, but I will ensure a replacement is found before I leave. We'll discuss this at our next business meeting.

**D17, Marjie E. Alt-DCM:** District 17 meeting was held on Nov. 11, 2024, with 11 GSRs, Alt. GSRs, and 4 officers present, both in-person and online. Most groups report regular or growing attendance. \*YOLYPAA is increasing its prudent reserve but can't yet make 7th Tradition disbursements. \*No Whiners is planning the Chili Madness Speaker Meeting for Feb. 1, 2025, with no speaker confirmed yet. \*East Yolo fellowship will host a Thanksgiving Alcathon from 7pm Wednesday to 9pm Thursday. \*Woodland Traditional Group will have a Thanksgiving Day Alcathon from 9am to midnight. We mourn the loss of a beloved member to cancer. \*Davis Hope Group's anniversary Speaker/Potluck meeting is tonight see me for details. \*Our PI/CPC chair maintains updated meeting schedules. \*By-Laws now include a description for the Hybrid Operations Chair; résumés are being accepted. \*An ad-hoc committee for the 2025 budget will meet this

week.

**D19, Chris L. DCM:** D19 reviewing the financial report and webpage. Everything is well. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

**D20, Eric K. DCM:** Eric, alcoholic DCM District 20. The Veterans stand down in October went well. GVF is hosting a potluck and alco-thon next Wednesday at 5 pm until midnight Thursday. In love and service, Eric.

**D21, Christina A. DCM:** Twenty-five trusted servants attended the October 2024 D21 Business Meeting. The "Spotlight on Service" presentation from CCFAA Delegate Chair highlighted intergroup benefits, including liability insurance, reduced shipping costs for literature, and an AA hotline. The 2025 Spending Plan is being developed for December, and contributions are down, prompting follow-ups with groups. Scholarships were approved for the Winter Assembly. Our annual D21 Service event, co-hosted by Good for Nothing and Girls Night Out, featured speakers Holly J and Tony A. The District decided not to pursue a bid for the 2026 Assembly.

**D22, Curtis D. Alt-DCM:** Our district in El Dorado County holds hybrid meetings on the second Wednesday of each month in Placerville. With 52 active groups, we typically have over 15 District trusted servants and GSRs in attendance. We are actively engaged, with many members participating in Area Assemblies, including 8 at the recent Mini-PRAASA. We serve as the hub for group activities and information through our website, wsd22.org. Our current priority is Accessibilities, and we fully support the motion to establish an appointed Accessibilities Chair.

**D23, Chris K. DCM:** District 23's business meeting was on November 12, 2024. Meetings are held on Zoom on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM. We co-hosted the Fall in Love with Service event on October 26 and will soon hold elections.

**D25, Nancy M. DCM:** District 25 addresses recent Inventory Action Items. Thanks to Vicki L. for facilitating and Matthew for taking notes. We aim to encourage group involvement at the District level and plan a potluck to welcome new attendees to share about their groups. This fall, District 25 voted to support the 12-step checklist, and I have new information available. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

**D27, Sarah T. DCM:** Attendance is strong, with over 25 GSRs or Alt GSRs present monthly. Finances are stable, budget for next year is set. We have extra funds from the Fall in Love with Service event to allocate for projects like extra splits to Area/GSO or a Carry the Message project for GV. All committee positions are filled, and chairs are learning their roles. The recent event attracted new GSRs and support from neighboring districts, though participation was slightly lower than expected (60-70 attendees). We'll explore ways to boost attendance for next year.

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Thank you to our speakers from the Area and other districts! Overall, things are going well.

**D29, Raechyl L. DCM:** The Finance Committee of District 29 met this week, and I'm pleased to report that our financial standing has improved slightly since the beginning of the year. We will be discussing the implementation of a prudent reserve in the 2025 budget, as well as considering a switch to a different bank to avoid fees. Additionally, we have selected a location for our bid at the Area Planning Meeting next month. I have ordered several Plain Language Big Books for our district, and I'm excited about the valuable content they offer, especially the glossary and interpretations of the steps and traditions. Thank you for the opportunity to be of service.

**D30, Gregory N. DCM:** Last Saturday, during our monthly DCM meeting, GSRs voiced concerns about the Area 7 Budget. Some members felt uninformed after the Mini PRAASA, and although the budget passed at the Assembly, many were troubled by the Finance Committee's decision to send representatives to PRAASA in March 2025 without sufficient prior notification. There were also issues with ballot counting, leading to a suggestion for using paper ballots for key votes. D 30 expressed that the Area 7 Officers and Finance Committee acted unfairly, citing a lack of timely communication on budget changes that seemed to favor specific agendas. I encouraged GSRs to talk to their groups and consider inviting Area 7 Officers to their meetings for improved communication.

**D33, Drew R. DCM:** Tuolumne County! We're thrilled to host the 2025 CNIA Winter Assembly in Sonora. Committees are assigned, and excitement is high after our successful Fall food and beverage service assembly. However, we anticipate tapping into our prudent reserve to meet our 2024 financial commitments, so we'll discuss our budget following Monday without overreacting to a slim treasury. Our GV rep is creating libraries to share past Grapevine issues with our PI cards. Safety in meetings is a priority; we recently held a workshop to discuss concerns and enhance our fellowship's environment, especially regarding the inadequacies of the current yellow safety card in addressing inappropriate behavior.

**D34 Leslie B. Alt-DCM:** Things at District 34 are going well. Several members attended Mini Prassa, and Shaun, our GSR from Northside Fellowship, participated in the panel on the 10th Tradition. Laura, my Alt DCM, presented our report for the first time and did an excellent job. We are finalizing our overhaul of the bylaws and guidelines and preparing to discuss our spending plan for the upcoming year. I'm excited for the PLBB!

**D36, Robert G. DCM:** District 36 is actively engaging with unrepresented groups to emphasize the importance of having a General Service Representative (GSR). There was no meeting in October due to mini PRAASA and D36 Unity Day, which had great attendance, delicious food, and inspiring speakers, including keynote speaker Claudio. The next District 36 meeting is scheduled for November 17th at Beechwood Fellowship in Merced, starting at 12:30 PM.

**D37, Patricia G. DCM:** District 37 holds its hybrid

meeting on the third Wednesday of each month. I facilitated a group inventory, which went well, and I learned a great deal from the experience. I also shared the latest Group Listing for updates and the 12-Step Checklist for discussion. I will report back on any interest that arises.

**D40, Carrie J. DCM:** We're discussing changing our meeting time (the first Sunday at 1 PM on Zoom). We're excited to order the Plain Language Big Book, especially for our H&I volunteers, and we're also planning the 2025 calendar.

**D42, Bill L. DCM:** The district meeting occurred on Monday, November 11. The main topic discussed was the Holiday Alcothons. We are collaborating with D43, which has formed four new groups.

**D47, Mike C.**

**DCM:** D47 is performing well financially. Our monthly meetings occur on the first Tuesday of each month. We are collaborating with the Tulare County Central Office for their upcoming New Year's party.

**D53, Héctor H. DCM:** Our District meets every Friday of the month, and I would like to extend my gratitude to the Area for their support. I wish everyone a happy 24 hours.

**D54, Ismael M. DCM:** D 54 consists of 18 active groups. We meet on the first Thursday of each month to discuss the RSGS reports and on the third Thursday to study the Concepts. On average, we have 12 attendees at our RSGS meetings, although we currently do not have a permanent secretary. We want to take a moment to thank all the Area Officers for attending our 29th Anniversary celebration, which was held on November 3, 2024. District 54 is excited to host the Hispanic Forum #23 on Sunday, December 1, 2024. Here's to another 24 hours of sobriety!

**D55, Simón C. DCM:** We are excited to announce our upcoming 17th-anniversary celebration. Everyone is invited to join us in Tulare on December 15, 2024!

**D56, Fidel. Alt-DCM:** District 56 has 11 GSRs, and we meet every third Thursday of the month. We have two committees focused on the forum and public information. Additionally, we visit the groups for motivation every third Friday of the month. Happy 24 hours!

**New Business:** We need resumes for the Area Registrar position. A special election will be held during the Winter Assembly, which will be held in a hybrid format, and we need to continue logistics planning. 3 days Assemblies.

Service Material Handbook: Oral Position - Accents Publisher. It may need to be removed from our book.

ACM closed at 4:00 pm with the responsibility declaration.

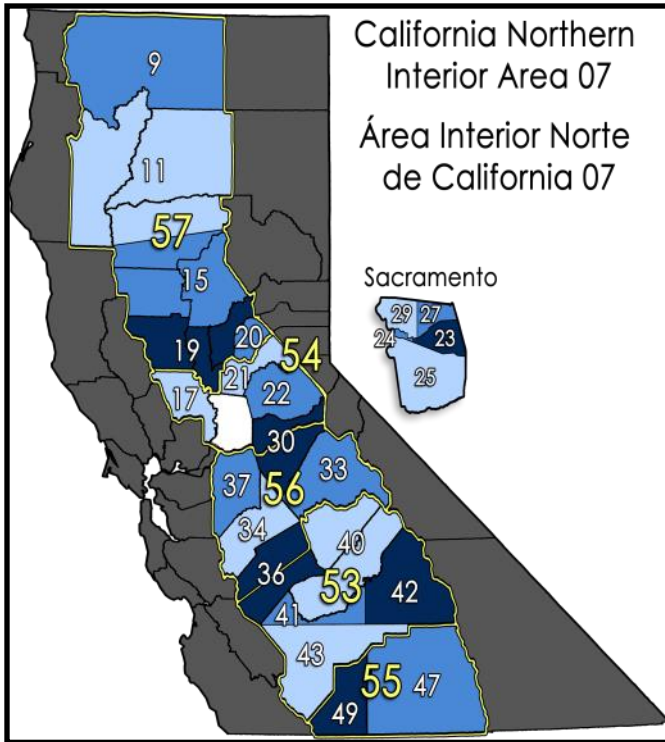
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This we owe to A.A.'s Future:  
 To place our common welfare first;  
 To keep our fellowship united.  
 For on A.A. unity depend our lives,  
 And the lives of those to come.

I am Responsible.....  
 When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA. always to be there.  
 And for that I am Responsible.