# CNIA AREA ACCENTS



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## Chair report

We've had a couple of assemblies since our last Area Committee Meeting (ACM) in March; so this Accents includes minutes from the March ACM, and we will be following up on business from that meeting at our ACM this month. The following motion will be discussed under old business (See pg. 7 under New Business – Spending Plan Discussion – for background information on this motion):

**MOTION:** I move that Area-07 wait 45 days between the presentation of the proposed [spending plan at the ACM] and the initial vote of the Area on that [Spending Plan].

Our Post-Conference Assembly in Nevada City did not disappoint! We had 181 people registered for this event, with healthy attendance both in the room and online. We did have a couple of technical hiccups, but we paused so as not to alienate our members attending online.

- We heard our delegate report back on his experience at the General Service Conference
- We heard a couple of really good, informative panels regarding leadership, participation, and service.
- Old business included a vote on a motion made at our Winter Assembly in January requesting that our area forward the *proposed Twelve-Step Checklist* to the General Service Office as a proposed agenda item (the motion did not pass).
- New business addressed our Area Assembly Structure, and we heard a lot of really
  great comments and ideas of how we might consider changing our assembly structure
  moving forward (We collected survey responses that provided some helpful feedback, as
  well). More to come, as we will continue this discussion in the coming months.
- We also had a mock voting session to test a digital voting platform that we plan to use to simplify the voting process and save time at our fall assembly when we have elections for the next panel's area officers and vote on our 2026 spending plan.

Looking ahead, your elected officers and appointed chairs are outlining their *experience*, *strength*, *and hope* with their service positions, and their service experience will be available for you to review before elections in November. We hope you will consider making yourself available for general service in our area! (Position duties area available in the SMHB.)

Our Election Assembly will be coming up November 14-16 in Tracy (D37). This is a 3-day assembly that starts on Friday evening and goes thru Sunday afternoon. Registration information will be available soon, but you can <u>start planning for this weekend's event now!</u>

Thank you all for your love and dedicated service to Alcoholics Anonymous. It is an honor and a pleasure to serve with all of you!

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns to discuss.

Yours in Service, Holly J. CNIA Chair | Panel 74 chair@cnia.org

#### ACM Agenda - June 21, 2025

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

#### 10:00 am - 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 Past Delegates, Firsttime attendees, Visitors/Guests
- Anniversaries June
- Announcements Housekeeping
- Seventh Tradition
- Review Minutes March ACM

### 10:30 - 11:00 Reports (90 seconds)

#### **Assembly Reports**

- 2025 Post-Conference (D20)
- 2025 Fall Assembly | Elections (D37)
- 2026 Winter Assembly (D27)
- 2026 Pre-Conference (D19)
- 2026 Post-Conference (D17)

### Liaison Reports

- PICPC | Public Information/Cooperation with the Professional Community
- YPAA | Young People in AA
- Hispanic Women's Conference
- FORO
- Central Offices/Intergroups
- H&I | Hospitals & Institutions
- NCCAA | Northern California Council of Alcoholics Anonymous

## 11:00 - 11:15 Webmaster

11:15 - 12:00

- Old Business Motion: Spending Plan Timeline
- New Business Proposed Agenda Item

12:00 - 1:00 Lunch Break

1:00 - 1:30 Sharing Session

- Assembly Structure
- What's on your mind?

1:30 - 2:00 Delegate's Report

2:00 - 2:45 DCM Reports

2:45 – 3:30 Committee Reports

Finance

Technology

**Appointed Chair Reports** 

Accessibilities

- Archives
- Alt-Archives
- Bridging the Gap (BTG)
- Grapevine/La Viña
- Literature
- Technology
- A/V Tech
- Written Translation

Officer Reports

- Alternate Chair
- Alternate Delegate
- Chair
- Registrar
- Secretary
- Treasurer

3:30 - 3:50 Preliminary Spending Plan

4:00pm - Closing: Responsibility Statement

## **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.

- ◆ Election Assembly. Nov. 14-16, 2025 in Tracy (D37) Flyer and registration available soon.
- Archives Re-opening at its new location Located:2251 Florin Rd, Sacramento 95822,Ste 93
   Open monthly on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday July forward. Open house coming soon!!
- 2025 A.A. International Convention in Vancouver July 3-5 Registration is open at aa.org
- July 25-27 La Viña 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Los Angeles)
- September 5-7 BTG Workshop (Ontario)

## **Monthly Committee Meetings:**

- SACYPAA business meetings are held on 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday monthly at 1pm. Location: 2100 J Street
- BTG Coordinators' Meeting Moved to the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month 7-8pm
  - Upcoming Events See our CNIA Events Calendar for more information
- ◆ June 7<sup>th</sup> Sutter-Buttes Round Up
- ♦ September 14<sup>th</sup> D36 Unity Day
- Delegate GSC Report June 28; July 9, 12, 13, 15, 15, 20; August 2, 3, 9, 23 (see events calendar for details)

CNIA CALENDAR									
	2025		2026						
JAN 18 - 19	N 18 - 19 Winter Assembly		JAN 17 – 18	Winter Assembly	Folsom D27				
FEB 15	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento	FEB 21	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento				
MAR 7 - 9	PRAASA	Anchorage AK	FEB 27 & 28 MARZO 1	PRAASA	Hawaii				
MARCH 15	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento	MAR 21	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento				
APR 12 - 13	Pre-Conference Assembly	Gazelle - D9/D11	APR 18 - 19	Pre-Conference Assembly	Yuba-City D19				
APR 27 MAY 3	General Service Conference	New York	APR 26 - MAY 2	General Service Conference	New York				
MAY 17 - 18	Post-Conference Assembly	Nevada City D20	MAY 16 - 17	Post-Conference Assembly	Woodland D17				
JUNE 21	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento	JUNE 20	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento				
JULY 3 - 6	International Convention	Vancouver Canada	JULY 18	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento				
JULY 19	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento	AUG 15	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento				
AUG 16	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento	SEPT 19	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento				
SEP 20	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento	OCT 16—18	Mini-PRAASA	Chowchilla-D53				
OCT 18	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento	NOV 21	Area Committee Meeting	Sacramento				
NOV 14— 16	Election Assembly	Tracy D37	DEC 4 - 6	Regional Forum	San Diego				
DEC 13	Area Planning Meeting	Sacramento	DESC 19	Area Planning Meeting	Sacramento				

# Finance Report

Summary from January 1st to 31st							
May of 2025							
may 6. 2020		30-Apr-25		31-May-25		Spending Plan 2025	% of budget
REVENUE/INCOME							
4010 Group Contributions		24,592.04		28,737.18	\$	64,000.00	45%
4020 Seventh Tradition		\$1,135.00		\$1,898.00	\$	2,800.00	68%
4050 Contribution - Other C		502.92		502.92	\$	970.00	52%
4056 By Individual C					\$	400.00	0%
Total 4000 Contributed support	\$	26,229.96	\$	31,138.10	\$	68,170.00	46%
5160 Assembly Income (Net)^^		4,107.00		2,607.00	\$	5,900.00	44%
5490 Misc Earned Revenue	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
5310 Interest-Savings/Sh-term Inv	\$	2.12	\$	2.12	\$	_	
Total 5000 Earned Revenues	\$	4,109.12	\$	2,609.12	\$	5,900.00	44%
TOTAL REVENUE/INCOME	\$	30,339.08	\$	33,747.22	\$	74,070.00	46%
EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES		·		·			
Total 7620 Delegate		\$2,465.15		\$2,678.64	\$	3,857.88	69%
Total 7640 Alt. Delegate^		\$1,418.70		\$1,718.70	\$	2,856.66	60%
Total 7660 Chair C^	_	\$1,596.42		\$1,696.30	\$	2,827.90	45%
Total 7680 Alt. Chair C^	_	\$1,286.22		\$1,286.22		2,722.28	104%
Total 7700 Secretary		\$2,196.49		\$2,835.81	\$	3,313.32	50%
Total 7720 Treasurer C		\$1,442.80		\$1,640.30		3,143.32	52%
Total 7740 Registrar^	_	\$1,634.01		\$1,768.13		2,116.66	84%
Total 7600-7700 Officers Expenses	\$	12,039.79	\$	13,624.10	\$	20,838.02	65%
Total 7820 Literature Chair	Ψ	\$1,179.60	Ψ	\$1,484.00		2,848.24	52%
Total 7840 Grapevine Chair		\$2,212.35		\$2,212.35		2,904.86	76%
Total 7860 Bridging The Gap Chair		\$1,568.01		\$1,568.01	\$	3,407.46	46%
Total 7900 Archives Chair	\$	456.32	\$	1,055.94	\$	2,268.36	47%
Total 7900 Alt Archives Chair^	Ψ	\$1,537.85	Ψ	\$1,537.85		1,987.34	77%
Total 7920 Alt Alchives Chair  Total 7930 AV Tech./Equip. Mgr C		\$2,167.23		\$2,167.23		2,720.78	80%
Total 7940 Oral Transl. Chair	Ф	ΨΖ,107.23	\$	ΨΖ,107.23	\$	2,720.76	0%
Total 7940 Oral Transl. Chair	_\$_	\$998.67	Φ	1.536.28		3,793.86	41.00%
Total 7950 Written Transi. Chair C	_	\$573.90		\$1,408.68			
	_	\$359.14		\$965.92		3,233.76	44%
Total 7980 Accessibility Chair	•	11,053.07	\$	12,399.98	<b>\$</b>	1,834.84	53% <b>50%</b>
otal 7800-7960 App'd Chair Expenses Total 7970 Spanish Transl. ACMs	\$	\$857.20	Ф	\$857.20		24,999.50	
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Total 7990 ASL Interpret. Assemblies	\$	407.20	\$	407.00	\$	1,000.00	
Total 7982&7984 Span. Transl. Mileage	\$	107.20	\$	107.20	\$	600.00	18%
Total 7970-90 Transl. & Interpr.	<u>\$</u>	964.40 200.00	<u>\$</u>	964.40	<b>\$</b>	4,600.00	<b>21%</b> 25%
Total 8000 Assemblies & Guests^^	Φ	126.63	Ф	200.00		800.00	
Total 8070 Other Event Expenses				126.63	\$	1,100.00	12%
Total 8100 Accents, GV/LV, Literat.		\$602.10		\$791.10	\$	1,000.00	79%
Total 8200 Liability Insur., Rent & Misc.^^		\$8,833.19		\$9,138.15	\$	13,420.00	214%
Total 8300 Website	Φ.	\$1,263.09	<b>ው</b>	\$1,263.09	\$	500.00	1828%
Total 8400 Access., Lingu. & Serv. Contr	Э	409.20	\$	1 060 10	\$	2,400.00	0%
Total 8500 Other Misc. Expenses C		498.30	Φ.	1,868.13	\$	2,050.00	91%
Subtotal 8540 General Service Confere	<u> </u>	- #500.40	\$	3,600.00	\$	3,600.00	100%
Total 8600 Taxes & Fees		\$593.13		\$774.42	-	865.00	90%
Total 9000 Technology & Equipment	_	\$319.88	•	\$371.76		1,300.00	29%
Total 8000-9000 Other Expenditure		12,436.32	\$	18,133.28	\$	31,635.00	57%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES	\$	36,493.58	\$	45,121.76	\$	77,472.52	58%
NET REVENUE/INCOME	\$	(6,154.50)	\$	(11,374.54)			
BANK ACCOUNTS							
Checking Account Balance (Corrected)		10,230.54		7,442.02			
^ Prudent Reserve Account Balance		15,002.50		14,963.02			
Prepaid Reserve Fund (Sinking)		1,098.17		1,098.22			
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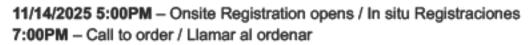
## California Northern Interior Area

Election Assembly | November 14-16, 2025

# Área Interior Norte California

Asamblea de Invierno | 14 y 16 de Noviembre, 2025

# Tracy Community Center - 950 East Street Tracy CA 95376



11/15/2025 8:00AM - Onsite Registration opens / In situ Registraciones 9:00AM - Call to order / Llamar al ordenar

11/16/2025 9:00 - 12:00PM

Dinner: Barbeque Tri-Tip and Chicken, Pasta and sides

Cena: Barbacoa Tri-Tip y Pollo, Pasta y guarniciones

Online Registration due by November 7th

Registro en Línea hasta el 7 de Novembre

www.cnia.org

Registro en linea

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

Send reg. form & payment to: / Enviar formulario y pago a:

District 37, P.O. Box 523, Stockton, CA 95201

Make check payable to: District 37 /Haga los cheques a nombre de: Distrito 37

Mail Pre-Reg due by November 1/La preinscripción por correo vence el 1 de Novembre

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Name and District # / Nombre	y Distrito #:			
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Service Position: [ ] GSR/Alt. [	] DCM/Alt. [	] Officer [ ] Appointed	[] Past Delegate	[] Member
Puesto de Servicio: [ ] RSG/Alt [ ] Miembro	. [ ] MCD/Alt.	[] Oficiales [] Asigna	ado [ ] Delegado F	Pasado
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Registration / Registro Dinner / Cena: Coffee / Café sin fondo:	\$24.00 \$20.00 \$5.00			
Total: \$				Online Registration /

The ACM was held on Saturday, March 15, 2025. CNIA Chair Holly called it to order at 10 a.m. Opened with A Declaration of Unity

Introductions: Past Delegates Vikki L. Panel P66, Mike K. Panel 68. Tom A. Panel 70, and Bob D. Panel 36 (Area 28). New guests and visitors were introduced. Michael Web Mater read the Preamble. Jose Luis D57 read the Preamble in Spanish. Ada R. D24 read the 12 Traditions. Jim D29 read the 12 Concepts, and Greg N. D30 read Why Do We Need a Conference?

Consideration of February Minutes: Ada D24 made the motion, which Pete D49. Seconded. Minutes approved with no changes

7th Tradition baskets passed
Roll Call and District Announcements
(no reports)

#### **Assembly Reports:**

Pre-Conference Assembly, Lauralyn. (D09 & 11): District 9 and District 11 are very much looking forward to hosting you all at the Pre-Conference Assembly in Gazelle on April 12th and 13th. If you are there on Friday, April 11, and want something to do, come on over to the Gazelle Grange at 5:00 PM and help us set up! Don't forget to register!

# Post-Conference Assembly Melissa (D20):

Greetings from District 20! Our preparations for this assembly is on schedule. As you know, the venue was secured months ago, and our caterer is on board. We are preparing the numbers for the caterers' deposit to be paid within the next couple of weeks. Our concessions committee is fully prepared to start shopping. Breakfast for Sunday morning will consist of frittata or biscuits and gravy. Coffee has been purchased and will not disappoint. Most importantly, the registration form is complete. Please don't forget about our registration contest and the winning prize! We have had some unexpected changes with a couple of our chair positions, but this has not made an impact on our enthusiasm or excitement for hosting this assembly. See you all soon in Gazelle at the Pre-conference!!! Dedicated in service, Melissa

Election Assembly Patricia D37: District 37 has most of the committee chair positions filled. Our first committee meeting will be held on May 4 at 2:00 p.m. We will meet hybrid format and include Area Alt Chair Emily in our meetings. The

planning meetings will be held every month on the 1st Sunday.

Winter Assembly 2026 Sarah T D27: Working on it

#### **Liaison Reports:**

Hospital and Institutions (H&I), Vikki L:
Currently serves San Quentin, Salinas Valley (SVSP), the Correctional Training Facility (CTF) in Soledad, and the Central California Women's Facility (CCWF Chowchilla). Efforts are underway to bring the ISS to Folsom, Corcoran, the Substance Abuse Treatment Facility Corcoran (SATF), and Avenal. A new IVSS position, Inside IVSS Liaison, is being tested at CTF and 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 K:

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 would like to get involved, we would be happy to have you! Flyers can be found at the Sacypaa website, SACYPAA.org. We will also ensure the information is on the CNIA website.

Liaison, Hispanic Women's Forum Patricia G: Hispanic Women's Forum Liaison: Nothing to report. I will report out once the committee has its first meeting.

## **Central Offices/Intergroups**

CCFAA, Wendy M.: On February 22nd, I attended the orientation for the new Board of Directors (BOD) and Committee Chair. It was a great event, and I enjoyed meeting the new panel of other trusted servants. On March 1st, I also attended the yearly internal audit for our Central Office. We audited the randomly selected month, May 2024, and reviewed bank statements, account payables, and the QuickBooks entries for that month. The records were well-kept, accurate, and clear. The audit was a success. On March 11th, I attended the monthly Board of Directors meeting. We reviewed possible solutions for multiple unfilled shifts in the bookstore and AA hotline. After a thorough

discussion, a motion was made and will be presented to the delegate body today. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

NCCAA Interior Secretary, Sue B: NCCAA stands for Northern California Council of Alcoholics Anonymous. In 2024 NCCAA celebrated its 75th Anniversary. NCCAA was founded on the idea by Bill W. in 1945, to bring conferences to Northern California and have representation to the General Service structure. Conferences are held for one purpose--to carry the message. Bill W was the main speaker at the 1st NCCAA conference. Two conferences are held a year: Spring 2025 Modesto, March 7, 8, and 9, 2025 (DoubleTree by Hilton). There were 618 registrations. The conference was a success. NCCAA. Treasurer election held. Jason S. was re -elected as. Treasurer. The Treasurer election is held every 2 years in odd years. Fall 2025 - No Conference due to the International World AA Conference. Spring 2026 – San Ramon March 20, 21, and 22, 2026 (San Ramon Marriott). Registration is available online at norcalaa.org, or Lorraine may have placed flyers on the table. At the Spring 2026 conference, the NCCAA Chairperson election will be held. Questions or interested people, please reach out to the current Council Chairperson, Mary M., me, or other Council. Members. If your area has an interest in hosting an NCCAA conference, please contact me. Thank you for allowing me to be of service, Sue B.

PI/CPC Claudio B: As for PI/CPC had to cancel the last minute has a life event come up. I heard some people showed up and they had a discussion amongst each other. One thing learned at PRAASA from other Areas that bigger cities with multiple districts who have Central Offices/Intergroups have just one PI/CPC instead of every district having a committee. I'm going to work with the Sacramento. Districts introducing them the Central office committee that way it's only one group instead a few different committees. I will still work and support the districts in whatever they need from the Area.

**Delegate Report, Matthew L:** Posted to website on Delegate's Page

Sharing Session: What's on your Mind &

**PRAASA Experiences** 

Several DCMs, Officers, and Appointed Chairs attended PRAASA in Area 02 (Anchorage, AK) and provided reports about their experience. We heard as many as 12 reports and the general consensus is that attending PRAASA is a valuable experience that inspires and grows our future service leaders. However, there is some expressed concern of the cost to our area to fund all officers and appointed chairs to this regional service assembly.

**New Business –** Spending Plan Discussion

**Background:** Our 2025 Spending Plan was presented at the 2024 fall assembly, and it was approved with substantial unanimity. We heard minority opinion, and after a motion and second to reconsider vote failed, the original vote stood to approve the 2025 Spending Plan.

Area Chair receive an email from a district in early March expressing concerns regarding the timeline and process for our Area Spending Plan prepar ation, presentation, and approval. Our current spending plan timeline is outlined in our Service Material Handbook (SMHB), which identifies our September ACM for final review of a proposed spending plan to present for a vote/approval at the fall assembly.

Our fall assembly currently toggles between October (even years) and November (odd years), leaving a very short turn-around time in even years before we present the proposed spending plan at our fall assembly in. October (October Accents distributed October 6th and the Assembly began on October  $11^{th}$ ). The concern is that there is not sufficient time for GSRs in our area to review and discuss the proposed spending plan with their groups, so they can have an informed opinion to share and vote on the proposed spending plan at the fall assembly in October. Furthermore, The proposed spending plan presented at the ACM prior to our Fall Assembly in 2024 was materially different than the proposed spending plan that was presented and put to vote at the Fall Assembly (Added to amend/approve minutes at June ACM).

After thoughtful discussion and consideration, Greg N. (D30) made a motion that was seconded by Eric K. (D20). The following motion was tabled to continue discussion at our next Area Committee Meeting (ACM) in June (after Pre -& Post- Conference Assemblies in April/May).

**MOTION:** I move that Area-07 wait 45 days between the presentation of the proposed [spending plan at the ACM] and the initial vote of the Area on that [Spending Plan].

## **Officer Reports:**

Registrar Debbie S: It's been a very busy start to the 2nd half of Panel 74 for your new Registrar. I executed and distributed the group and service position reports, and subsequently processed dozens of change requests from our districts and groups. Some new groups were added, and a few inactive ones were closed. Several open DCM, GSR and their corresponding alternate positions were filled by excited new servant hearts. A couple of groups changed their name and a few others merged with fellowships. When I didn't have the proper authority to make some of these database updates myself, the GSO member services team took care of them for me quickly. I was invited to District 47's virtual GSR school, as well as a conference agenda items workshop in Sacramento sharing on 2 important pamphlets. With support from our webmaster Carrie, I updated our group number look-up page on the CNIA website so that all groups are available for search and display regardless of their status. And finally, I attended the 2025 PRAASA in Anchorage Alaska last weekend. That report will come at a later date.

Treasurer Don: Thank you to all members, groups, and districts for your support and 7th Tradition Contributions, as well as our Finance Committee (Drew, Ada, Simon, Jenn) and Officers. Contributions can be made by: 1) check to the CNIA address; 2) Zelle to treasurer@cnia.org; 3) online at the CNIA website; or 4) cash/checks to me at events. Materials available include: CNIA and GSB/O envelopes, 7th. Tradition cards, New 2025 Spending Plan (Excel and an English-Spanish outline), Expense/Revenue summary, Treasurer Role & Reimbursement Practice handout, Summary of the 7th Tradition presentation for Spanish Districts. I will be directly communicating with GSRs for simplified treasury/finance updates after ACMs and assemblies. Update: I removed the national conference for Archives and added the Accessibility Chair for ¾ year. 2025 Workshops by the Treasurer & Finance Committee: New online workshops in March April and possibly June on: The 7th Tradition and its Fact Sheet; Best practices for treasurer duties; Setting up bank accounts and non-profit continuity; Q&A sessions. 2025 Treasurer/ Finance Committee Calendar: Annual calendar based on the Material Service Book, adapted

with input from others; 2024 updates included early workshops on SP- 2025 continues this trend, adding workshops focused on treasurer and finance. 2026 Spending Plan: Discussing PRAASA benefits, considering virtual formats based on our values. Options include one or three virtual ACMs, saving the Area significant costs or hosting an online one-day assembly in late summer that could be more interactive and save even more. Let's keep the group conscience alive; practice principles to stay connected! Thanks for your service!

Recording Secretary/Accents Publisher. Jose U: Good morning, everyone! I'm José, the Recording Secretary and Accents Publisher for Panel 74 of the California Northern Interior Area 07. I want to Thank Area 07 for sending me to PRAASA. Thank you for sending your reports; your support is invaluable. If you need the unapproved minutes, please feel free to email me or let me know. As you review the latest edition of Accents, please pay attention to its essential information and updates. Please send me your reports to Secretay@cnia.org. Please remind your GSRs to bring 3 copies of their agenda items report to the Pre-Conference Assembly – one for the delegate, one for the secretary, and one for the interpreter. Let's continue working together to deliver this essential service, ensuring that our collective efforts reflect our commitment to one another and the community we serve. With love and a deep sense of service, José U.

Alternate Chair, Emily: Please pre-register for Pre-Conference Assembly on cnia.org! Now that we're hybrid pre-registration is crucial to make sure we have enough food for you. I've been staying busy with facilitating GSR schools, agenda item workshops, assembly planning, and PRAASA.

Alternate Delegate Claudio B: I helped facilitate two resolution part of group inventory. Attend two district meetings just to support the DCM and the district. District 20 had Biscuits and gravy which will make me want to every month even if it's at 9:00am. I participated in two agenda item workshops. Both were full of people and the participations and questions were very good. Thank you to the groups in our Area for funding me to attend PRAASA.

I'm so grateful for the opportunity to serve our Area in any way I can and any place possible. Did have international hospitality meeting at PRAASA. We are looking of having food on some days of the international. I was asked to see if our Area is able to contribute to the hospitality suite for rent which will be \$300 and money towards possibly having food some days at the international. The \$300 will be split amongst 15 area. We will also be looking for volunteers. If you plan on going and want to volunteer please let me know.

## **Appointed Chair Reports:**

Tech Chair Sam P: The tech committee is working to ensure a flawless online experience for the upcoming Pre-Conference Assembly. This is the first time hosting a Hybrid pre-conference. We are making efforts in advance to identify and address any critical issues. Matthew and Emily are involved in this process. Michael P. is coordinating focus group sessions with district representatives to garner input about the rollout of the District Websites. We are working to present the status of the District Website rollout at the post-conference assembly. The committee is working on creating Pass It On templates for all Area Officers and Appointed Chairs to standardize the information in support of the transition of newly elected/appointed positions for the next panel. Another goal is to enable the use of phones to facilitate voting at Assemblies. This will reduce the time it takes to count ballots during Assembly voting efforts. We are targeting the Post Conference Assembly as a pilot for the solution. The tech committee members are Michael P., Carrie J., Tom A., Claudio B., and Sam P. It is an honor to serve with these high-quality, dedicated Area members.

Bridging the Gap (BTG), Rachel A: Thank you, CNIA 07, for sending me to PRAASA in Alaska. I had a wonderful time and was able to attend the BTG roundtable. I did not learn anything new, but I was able to help inform other Areas about what we are trying to do and answer some questions. I'm glad I was able to be there to do that. Our next monthly BTG meeting is Tuesday, 3/18 at 7 pm via Google Meet. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Finance Chair, Drew R: The Area Finance Committee met this last Thursday, 3/13, with Don H (Area Treasurer), Ada R, DCM D24, and me, Drew R, Finance Chair/DCM D33. Absent were Simon C, DCM D54, and Jenn D (Past Delegate). I also met Don on Wednesday evening. We looked at the February 2025 Summary, talked about dates for a couple of informational Treasurer/Finance Committee workshops, and discussed the proposed timeline for the 2026 Spending Plan. The Finance Committee is committed to our pledge of increasing transparency throughout the spending plan process, as well as making sure the fellowship is aware of the CNIA Service Handbook timeline and the procedure for approving the plan. Thank you for letting us be of service, Drew R A7 FC.

Archives Alt-Chair, Valerie L: Attended PRAASA Thursday, March 6. I assisted in setting up our Area board at the Archives display and covered the lunch break for the PRAASA Archives attendant, spending an hour with an A.A. historian discussing the significance of our area's history. I had a valuable dinner with the Oregon archivist, who shared her journey of transforming an archive into one of the best in the US and Canada. Her advice on organization left me inspired. The next panel addressed finding balance in personal and service life, a crucial focus for me. I aim to dedicate 20 hours a week to the Archives while managing other commitments. Saturday featured my panel on the "Plain Language Big Book." PRAASA is pivotal for leadership development, and I emphasize the importance of supporting Officers and Appointed Chairs to attend Assemblies and Workshops. I also need to be fully present at these events, taking notes and being engaged. I attended the wrap-up meeting, which reinforced the value of patience and appreciation for the efforts put into these events. In closing, our area stood out by bringing a display to the Archives, making it a worthwhile investment.

Written Translations Chair Jorge D: Hi, my name is Jorge I I'm an alcoholic. I do my best to have all your documents translated on time. sometimes I still struggle with some things but thank you all for your support, and thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you.

Grapevine/La Viña Chair Steve D: Hi everybody. My name is Steve, and I am an alcoholic, honored to be your CNIA Area 07 Grapevine/La Vina appointed Chair. I was privileged to be able to attend the 2025 PRAASA in Anchorage, Alaska, last week. There, I was connected with 700-plus other alcoholics. What an awesome experience! I attended the GV/LV roundtable and gained some valuable information that will help me better serve Area 07. I am looking forward to the email with the notes of the session. I am gearing up for the upcoming Pre-Conference Assembly in Gazelle and looking to serve there. In Love and Service. Steve D.

Literature, Beth S: First of all let me say thank you for sending this alcoholic to PRAASA, as my position does not have a special conference. I rely on aa.org to see if anything is new and available. In which I check regularly. Alaska was amazing, the panels were great, and I learned that another area does QR codes for all literature. I don't think it would be good for us, but it could help in other areas of our service structure, like PI/CPC, BTG, and H&I, as they give away literature. The roundtable for literature asked a question, is our literature still relevant? my answer is yes. The people I get to talk to while they are getting literature show me its still relevant today. With all this said, I am stocked up and will be attending Turlock Unity Day on March 29th. I look forward to seeing everyone at the Pre-Conference. Thank you for allowing me to be of service, Beth S.

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

# <u>District Reports were not heard at this ACM.</u> <u>The following reports were submitted to the secretary:</u>

developed a trifold meeting schedule. We have met with our intergroup and discussed the possibility of easier access to our meeting schedule and the ability to print copies. We are considering a motion to change our district discussion meeting time to accommodate people's in the year schedules. We are having Emily attend our next service.

district meeting via Zoom to have a GSR school. We are looking forward to co-hosting the assembly and have been gathering volunteers.

D20, Eric K. DCM: Good morning, Eric alcoholic DCM district 20. Things seem to be going decent in our district. I went over Mathew's report last month with the GSR's about safety and also pre-conference agenda items. I have gone to different meetings in the district myself and also talked about safety along with how important it is to be involved with the agenda items to try and get more people involved with the process. March 16, myself and a few others will be in Auburn for the agenda workshop. Some of the groups have already started getting together and going over the topics. I also stressed to the GSRs how carpooling and sharing rooms will help with costs with each group. In love and service, Eric. P.S. I'm pretty sure there will be banana cream pies on Sunday, March 16. At the agenda workshop.

**D22, Lorraine M. DCM:** District 22 met Wed, March 12th, at 6:00 pm in Placerville. We discussed the upcoming Agenda workshop our District is holding with districts 21 & 20, and all the Agenda workshops online. There was an excited discussion on the Mock Conference we will be hosting on March 29. Our Alt DCM shared his experience at PRAASA.

D23, Chris K. DCM: District 23's business meeting was on March 11, 2025. Our business meetings are currently held on the second Tuesday of each month at 630 pm on Zoom. We are near completion of our spending budget and bylaws. Our district also co-hosted an Agenda Items workshop on March 2nd. Thank you to those who participated.

D27, Sarah T. DCM: Agenda items have been distributed to the district. I was out of town for our agenda item workshop, which was cohosted with the other districts, but I heard that it was a success. Thank you to the area officers who attended and presented for us. Emily will be coming to our next district meeting in March to present a GSR school for us. Our finance committee is also meeting in March to review finances and our continued efforts to establish a prudent reserve. Our district is also discussing a field trip to the new archives later in the year. Thank you for allowing me to be of service

D29, Raechyl L. DCM: Agenda items have been distributed to the district. I was out of town for our agenda item workshop, which was cohosted with the other districts, but I heard that it was a success. Thank you to the area officers who attended and presented for us. Emily will be coming to our next district meeting in March to present a GSR school for us. Our finance committee is also meeting in March to review finances and our continued efforts to establish a prudent reserve. Our district is also discussing a field trip to the new archives later in the year. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

D30, Gregory N. DCM: Greetings from District 30. We are doing well. We held our Business Meeting last Saturday with 12 folks attending. We are discussing the Warranties of the 12th Concept. We are planning our next Unity Day for this summer.

D33, Drew R. DCM: Tuolumne County has more than 50 in-person/hybrid and 5 online meetings listed at aasonora.org. Our monthly business meeting is the 2nd Monday of the month and is well attended; it is hybrid. The committee still lacks an Alt-DCM, but doesn't let that hold us down! Matthew will be visiting for a hybrid Agenda Item Workshop at the Sonora Alano Club Sunday March 23rd at 1pm, pizza and fellowship at 12:30. Our 4th Monday Workshop this month will provide additional time for GSR and member-at-large questions on the agenda topics. I was funded substantially to PRAASA and honored to be a reader for the Past Trustees' panel. I am registered for the Pre-Conference Assembly in person, hopefully bringing a gaggle of GSRs. District 33 has a sound treasury with a prudent reserve and great fellowship participation. Thank you for allowing a space to report, Drew R DCM D33

D34 Leslie B. Alt-DCM: Hello area, we at District 34 are doing well:) GSRs are engaged in the agenda items, and the District had the first Delegate agenda workshop with District 37. We had 35 people attend and lots of engagement:) The District sent me to PRAASA in Alaska, and it was amazing:) I learned so much, and every time I go, it's like getting an AA injection. Love and tolerance are our code

in full force:) We have a Turlock Unity and CVI Family fun day coming up. Both flyers can be found on the CVI webpage for the Central Valley. Love and service, Leslie B D34.

D36, Robert G. DCM: District 36 continues to reach out to unrepresented groups and talk about the importance of GSR representation and communication in AA. Our finances are doing well, and we have reserved hotel rooms for the pre-conference assembly for our GSRs. We are hosting an Agenda workshop on March 30th at the Beachwood meeting hall in Merced, CA.

**D40, Carrie J. DCM:** We visited the meeting in Chowchilla, and the group has not had a GSR in over a decade. Hopefully, they will be participating moving forward. They were excited to hear about the Hybrid Assemblies. We have a new GSR for the How it Works group in Mariposa. We are excited to host a virtual GSR school with Emily on March 21 at 5:30 pm, the link is on the CNIA website. feel free to join us.

**D42, Bill L. DCM:** Dist. Mtg Mon.3/10.Good participation and interest during the discussion of agenda items and the workshop. Approved \$150 [contribution] to support Dist#47 host workshop. Mtg attendance up, finances steady. Bill I

**D47, Mike C. DCM:** D47 is looking forward to co-hosting the upcoming agenda items workshop with D42 and D53. The meeting will be on Zoom as well.

**D53, Hector H. DCM:** The Historical Archives of the 53rd District. They will be open to the general public every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month, from 11 am - 1 pm. Address 3636 First St., Suite 138, Fresno, CA.. During the first hour, a sharing session related to historical archives and the history of AA. All are welcome. On Sunday, April 6, 2025, the Language Districts, 53,54,55,56,57. We will have our inter-district meeting from 11 am - 1pm, topics we will have Delegate Matthew with the agenda items, all are welcome, we will have simultaneous translation.

### Area Contacts and Information

D54, Ismael M. DCM: Hello everyone, I am Ismael, and I am an alcoholic. District #54 has 17 active groups, of which 5 do not have a Group Representative (RSG) while 12 groups do. District #54 holds service meetings on the first Thursday of the month for GSR's reports and on the third Thursday of the month study of the concepts. The District Committee Member (DCM) is visiting the groups that do not have an RSG. Let's celebrate 24 hours of sobriety together!

**D56, Fidel F. DCM:** District 56 has 11 GSRs, and we have our study meeting every first Thursday and every third Thursday of the month. District 56 has the committees of the Hispanic Foro, Public Information, and La Vina. District 56 participated in the NCCAA held in the city of Modesto California. Happy 24 hours.

With Love and Service.

José U.

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A Declaration of Unity ~

This we owe to A.A.'s Future:

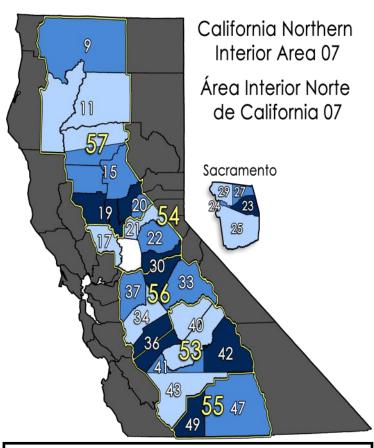
To place our common welfare first;

To keep our fellowship united.

For on A.A. unity depend our lives,

And the lives of those to come.

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



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