

Mountain OCTOBER 2017 Downs

(828) 254-8539

Office Hours
10:00am - 1:00pm
Monday-Friday

info@ncmco.net

Serving AA in Western North Carolina's Districts 70, 71, and 80 since 1974

After-Hours Hotline Volunteers Needed

As our new 12-Step Call Volunteer Coordinator, Hope, and her volunteer assistant, Carl, continue to work on updating the 12-Step Call List, Central Office has another volunteer opportunity that A.A. members can pursue.

Over the years there have been periodic requests to replace the answering service with volunteers to answer calls after hours. Various attempts were made but lack of participation resulted in an ongoing need for an answering service. A couple of years ago we finally worked out a system where we can forward the after-hour calls to either the answering service or a volunteer. Here's how it works:

At present the Central Office manager forwards the phone after hours to an auto-attendant system. When someone calls after hours, they get a recording instructing them to press "0" if they wish to speak with someone or "1" if they want to leave a message for the Office. (If you have not yet heard the after-hours recording, we encourage you to call in after hours and listen to the message.)

Within the on-line setup for the auto-attendant system, the phone number that callers will be transferred to when they press "0" can be changed from the answering service's number to a particular A.A. member's phone number. Since the number that shows up on caller ID when calls are transferred is the number of the caller – not the Central Office number – the A.A. member who has agreed to take after-hours calls should be prepared to answer all calls during that time period, or at least any number they don't

recognize, by saying, "Alcoholics Anonymous. How can I help you?"



Each A.A. member who is taking calls after-hours is given a notebook with the list of 12-Step Call Volunteers and other area resources. When someone calls in after hours wanting to speak with someone, the A.A. member uses their judgment as to whether to talk to the caller herself/himself or take down the caller's name and phone number and tell the person they will have someone call them shortly. If the latter seems preferable they would go through the 12-Step Call List to find a volunteer of the same gender to call the person, ideally someone in the caller's area. Often the caller is just in need of meeting information so it is important for A.A. members answering after-hours calls to have an updated Where & When, which Central Office also provides, and if possible, Internet access for meeting location/map links shown on the website www.ashevilleaa.org.

One of the things that may have discouraged A.A. members (*continued inside*)

(Continued from front cover)

from volunteering for this service was the need to cover after-hours calls from the time the office closes at 1:00pm until 10:00am the following morning. Not everyone who would like to volunteer is available that entire length of time. By accessing the auto-attendant system remotely we are able to divide the after-hours coverage into shorter time periods to better accommodate people's schedules. The answering service can then still be used to cover after-hours calls when a volunteer is not available.

All of this is a work in progress. Feel free to call Pam at Central Office – 828-254-8539 – if you would like to volunteer or if you have any questions or suggestions. Thank you!

Responding to Disasters

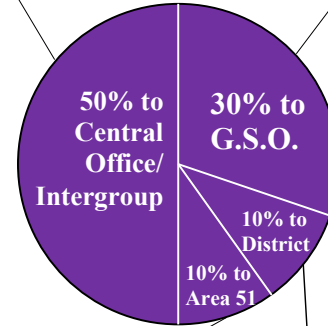
Many A.A. members have asked how they can help fellow A.A. members who have been affected by recent hurricanes and floods and earthquakes. Here is a link that we received from GSO in New York that may provide answers to questions and some suggestions: www.aa.org/assets/en_US/smf-196_en.pdf. This can also be found at the top of the home page on www.aa.org

Suggestions for Group Donations to the A.A. Service Structure*

* from the pamphlet "Self-Support: Where Money & Spirituality Mix." Recommendations for other percentages are also in the pamphlet.

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District 71 Treasurer
246 Laurelwood Lane
Mills River, NC 28759

District 80 Treasurer
91 Lullwater Cove,
Cullowhee, NC 28723

Does your group have a COR? (Central Office Representative)

What is a Central Office Representative and what are their duties?

Central Office Reps (CORs) and their relationship with Central Office are similar to General Service Reps (GSRs) and their relationship with A.A. General Service Districts. CORs are responsible for voting their group's conscience at COR meetings and for bringing to the NCMCO Board any concerns of their home group. In addition to this CORs keep their groups informed about what Central Office is doing. They participate in the quarterly COR meetings where they share their home groups' experiences in carrying the A.A. message and express how they feel NCMCO might better serve the A.A. Community in Western North Carolina.

For the date & location of the next scheduled COR meeting please check our website: www.aanCMCO.org

For an interesting article, "Intergroup/Central Office: Then and Now" see the Fall 2017 issue of Box 459 published by GSO: www.aa.org/newsletters/en_US/en_box459_fall17.pdf

**New NC Mountain Central Office, Inc.
Profit & Loss YTD Comparison
August 2017**

	Aug 17	Jan - Aug 17
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Contributions		
Birthday Contributions	212.00	256.00
Group Contributions	1,876.88	19,949.37
Individual Contributions	30.00	310.76
Subscriptions	0.00	24.00
Total Contributions	2,118.88	20,540.13
Interest on Money Market	0.94	7.25
Sales Income		
Literature & merchandise	2,756.09	20,330.49
Shipping to groups	33.21	331.15
Total Sales Income	2,789.30	20,661.64
Total Income	4,909.12	41,209.02
Cost of Goods Sold		
Discounts	0.00	0.00
Freight - vendor shipping	46.57	394.82
Literature & merchandise	2,217.16	16,636.34
Total COGS	2,263.73	17,031.16
Gross Profit	2,645.39	24,177.86
Expense		
Copier - One-time document fee	0.00	150.00
Copier Rental		
Copier - monthly fee	145.43	1,256.60
Copier - overages	0.00	47.11
Total Copier Rental	145.43	1,303.71
Editor	135.00	1,020.00
ICOAA Conference	0.00	30.00
Office Expenses	57.50	197.50
Office Supplies	25.75	272.58
Payroll Expenses		
Gross Salary (Including Taxes)	1,557.75	9,499.75
Payroll Taxes (Company)	119.17	768.73
Processing (for Direct Deposit)	7.00	45.50
Total Payroll Expenses	1,683.92	10,313.98
QuickBooks Expenses	0.00	210.79
Rent	534.00	4,227.00
Sales Tax Paid to Vendors	11.99	109.35
Shipping to groups	33.19	332.03
Stamps/Postage	76.06	624.05
Telephone & Internet		
Answering Service	139.50	1,067.50
Office Telephone/Internet	149.40	1,182.03
Total Telephone & Internet	288.90	2,249.53
Total Expense	2,991.74	21,040.52
Net Ordinary Income	-346.35	3,137.34
Other Income/Expense		
Other Expense		
Inventory Adjustment	0.00	3.76
Total Other Expense	0.00	3.76
Net Other Income	0.00	-3.76
Net Income	<u>-346.35</u>	<u>3,133.58</u>



October Grapevine is now available!

This month, "AA in the Military", featuring stories from AA members sharing their experiences staying sober while serving their country.



www.aagrapevine.org

Cash on Hand as of 8/31/2017
Prudent Reserve (Money Market)
\$11,049.42
Operating Account (Checking)
\$7,819.64
Rent Deposit **\$400.00**
Petty Cash **\$50.00**

"Lack of power, that was our dilemma."

(Alcoholics Anonymous, page 45)
Our office building suffered electrical damage from Hurricane Irma passing by Asheville on September 11. Due to a series of delays and complications, repairs were on-going through September 23. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. We are now open again! Thank you for your patience and support.

ANNIVERSARIES

2nd Chance Group

John H. 10-07-2013 4 yrs
Missed in
September:
Robin T. 9-21-2016 1 yr

Acceptance Group

Miles R. 10-04-2016 1 yr
Joy G. 10-12-1983 34 yrs
Doré D. 10-15-1976 41 yrs
Noah D. 10-15-2016 1 yr
Dan G. 10-23-1983 34 yrs

AVL Big Book Step Study Group

Kager B. 10-02-2012 5 yrs
Summer B. 10-04-2014 3 yrs
Roseanne G. 10-15-2005 12 yrs

AVL Women's Big Book Step Study Group

Linda K. 10-08-1988 29 yrs

At Wit's End Group

Patrick A. 10-18-2005 12 yrs
Jennifer R. 10-19-2014 3 yrs
Ryan P. 10-31-2014 3 yrs

Back to Basics Group - Weaverville

Jonathan H. 10-15-2014 3 yrs
Karl S. 10-28-2011 6 yrs
Glen S. 10-31-2009 8 yrs

Black Mountain Group

Russ W. 10-06-2013 4 yrs

Brevard Serenity Group

Ben D. 10-11-1993 24 yrs
Jayne F. 10-22-2013 4 yrs

Candlelight Group

Meghan A. 10-28-2015 2 yrs

Candler K.I.S.S. Group

Harlie B. 10-06-1976 41 yrs
Sally G. 10-19-2010 7 yrs

Conscious Contact Group

Mike F. 10-07-2008 9 yrs
Skip P. 10-15-2016 1 yr
Watson J. 10-17-1986 31 yrs
Mike H. 10-19-2009 8 yrs

Cumberland Group

Brandon W. 10-02-2015 2 yrs
Scott A. 10-06-2014 3 yrs
Jonathan F. 10-26-2016 1 yr

Daily Decisions Group

Mark H. 10-09-2012 5 yrs

Fellowship Group

Patricia S. 10-22-2006 11 yrs
John R. 10-23-2013 4 yrs
Margaret D. 10-31-2016 1 yr

Good Livers Group

Kelly M. 10-20-2015 2 yrs
Carolyn K. 10-31-1983 34 yrs

Grace Group

Mica W. 10-02-2010 7 yrs
Doug H. 10-03-2014 3 yrs
Catherine H. 10-09-2014 3 yrs
Esaias J. 10-09-1992 25 yrs
Susan M. 10-10-2001 16 yrs
Billy T. 10-15-2014 3 yrs
Conor A. 10-16-2016 1 yr
Joseph A. 10-17-2016 1 yr
Barbara W. 10-19-2009 8 yrs
Elizabeth S. 10-21-2016 1 yr
Bobby W. 10-23-2009 8 yrs
Katy D. 10-31-1982 35 yrs
Ronnie J. 10-31-1985 32 yrs

Happy Hour Group

Hugh A. 10-27-2012 5 yrs

Hendersonville Group

Jacqueline 10-01-2016 1 yr
John S. 10-07-2001 16 yrs
Debbie M. 10-10-2003 14 yrs
Jim W. 10-10-1974 43 yrs
Bob H. 10-16-2000 17 yrs
Ellie C. 10-17-2006 11 yrs
B.S. 10-19-1999 18 yrs
Lori T. 10-26-2015 2 yrs

In Memoriam:

Stan S. - who
passed away in
June, sober 30+
years

Leicester Group

Calvin M. 10-12-2014 3 yrs

Mars Hill Group

Don B. 10-17-1982 35 yrs
John S. 10-28-2013 4 yrs
Karl S. 10-28-2012 5 yrs

Missed in
September:

Ben C. 9-25-2007 10 yrs

In Memoriam:

Mark H. - who
passed away in
July, sober 34+
years

Phoenix Group

Nita L. 10-10-1987 30 yrs

Serenity Now Group

Rose W. 10-16-1995 22 yrs

There is a Solution BBSS Group

Joyce B. 10-11-1978 39 yrs
Listed under the
wrong group in
September:
Jill E. 9-16-2000 17 yrs

Total Surrender Group

Bud V. 10-03-2014 3 yrs
Alex P. 10-15-2016 1 yr
Meg L. 10-19-2016 1 yr
Kari W. 10-25-2015 2 yrs
Katy D. 10-31-1982 35 yrs
Paul C. 10-31-2013 4 yrs

Listed under the
wrong group in
September:

Elle W. 9-03-2016 1 yr
Carl G. 9-09-1996 21 yrs
Kimberly M. 9-20-2009 8 yrs
Matt H. 9-22-2016 1 yr
Audrey Y. 9-23-2002 15 yrs
George D. 9-30-1989 28 yrs

Traditional Group

Maurice H. 10-27-1977 39 yrs

United with Hope Group

Frank R. 10-19-1979 38 yrs

Waynesville Grace Group

Michael L. 10-01-2015 2 yrs
Charlie A. 10-02-1987 30 yrs
Scott M. 10-03-2013 4 yrs
Matt W. 10-04-2002 15 yrs
Larry G. 10-05-2007 10 yrs
Megan N. 10-09-1993 24 yrs
Penelope M. 10-09-1988 29 yrs
Mike P. 10-10-1987 30 yrs
CJ D. 10-15-1978 39 yrs
Tommy M. 10-15-1982 35 yrs
Flagg T. 10-21-1989 28 yrs

Women of Grace Group

Kate G. 10-07-1978 39 yrs
Lisa W. 10-18-2006 11 yrs
Sandy F. 10-20-2012 5 yrs

Need to update your Group's anniversary list?

Call Central Office 828-254-8539 - or send a new list to:

info@ncmco.net November newsletter deadline for sending
in anniversaries and announcements is October 15.

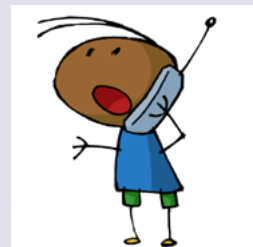
Contributions

	Aug 2017	YTD		Aug 2017	YTD
11-11-11 Meeting		\$70.00	The Principles Group		\$12.50
12 & 12 Study Group		\$100.00	Total Surrender Group	\$388.03	\$388.03
2nd Chance Group - Cherokee 712-180	\$60.00	\$120.00	Tryon Monday 5:30 Meeting	\$152.50	\$376.60
3 Legacies Group 709-522		\$50.52	United With Hope Group 719-052		\$307.00
4th Dimension Group		\$100.00	Waynesville Grace Group 110-692		\$1,680.00
Acceptance Group 122-477		\$906.30	We Are Not Saints Group		\$30.00
Agnostics, Atheists & Freethinkers AA Group	\$350.00	\$600.00	We Think Not Group 700-411		\$60.00
Anonymous	\$81.10	\$707.26	Women's Grapevine Meeting		\$30.00
AVL Women's Big Book Step Study 703-990		\$109.00	Women of Courage		\$193.83
At Wit's End Group		\$99.14	Women of Grace		\$150.00
AWOL Group		\$58.97	Working at Recovery	\$50.00	\$50.00
Back to Basics Grp - Weaverville 147-139		\$200.00			
Big Town Group 671-200		\$635.94	Total Group Contributions:	\$1,876.88	\$19,949.37
Black Mountain Group 117-117		\$48.00			
Brevard Serenity Group 631-231		\$66.43	Individual Contributions:		
BYOC - Bring Your Own Coffee		\$474.70	Anonymous	\$20.00	\$30.76
Candlelight Meeting		\$50.00	Bob P.		\$200.00
Candler KISS Group 163-148		\$168.00	In Memory of B.G.	\$10.00	\$80.00
Cashiers Valley Grp 122-589		\$513.05			
Cedar Mountain Group 161-082	\$69.00	\$94.00	Total Individual Contributions:	\$30.00	\$310.76
Conscious Contact Group - Asheville		\$327.00	Birthday Contributions:		
Cullowhee Valley Group 118-129		\$50.00	Anonymous		\$10.00
Cumberland Group 122-472		\$100.00	Cat		\$5.00
Daily Decisions 643-869	\$210.30	\$818.80	Jerry T.		\$20.00
Day by Day Group 159-058		\$1,436.00	Dani B.		\$9.00
Down But Not Out Group		\$2.88	Monica G.	\$180.00	\$180.00
Early Bird Group 612-780		\$177.00	Sandy F.	\$32.00	\$32.00
Fellowship Group 655-542		\$300.00			
Fireside Group 655-046		\$250.00	Total Birthday Contributions:	\$212.00	\$256.00
Good Livers 666-360		\$150.00	Mountain Doin's Subscriptions:	\$0.00	\$24.00
Grace Group 161-970		\$1,003.44			
Great Fact Group		\$30.00	Grand Total:	\$2,118.88	\$20,540.13
Happy Hour Group - Hendersonville 169-182		\$425.00			
Happy Hour Group - Waynesville		\$30.00			
Happy, Joyous & Free - Columbus	\$50.00	\$75.00			
Heart Fire Group		\$159.50			
Hendersonville Group		\$294.00			
High Noon Group 689-080		\$150.00			
Joy of Living - Black Mountain		\$75.00			
Joy of Living - Brevard 669-820		\$175.00			
Kanuga Group 645-767		\$215.00			
Lambda Group 617-035	\$64.50	\$405.75			
Maggie Valley Group 158-950	\$155.00	\$330.00			
Maple Grove Group 121-212		\$20.00			
Marshall Group 100-489		\$75.00			
Mars Hill Group 130-895		\$200.00			
Men's Attitude Adjustment Group 670-850		\$50.00			
Mid Day Grp (Hendersonville) 143-420	\$35.45	\$423.55			
Mill Springs Group 656-821		\$85.00			
Monday 6:00 Open Meeting	\$140.00	\$270.27			
Mountain View Grp (Highlands) 110-598		\$753.48			
New Freedom Group 700-124		\$50.00			
Newland Serenity (Linville Mtg.)		\$8.76			
No Name Group		\$150.00			
Pisgah Group		\$200.00			
Practicing Principles 667-311	\$46.00	\$46.00			
Recovery by the River 674-892		\$401.63			
Roundtable Group 135-605		\$50.00			
Rule 62 Group		\$225.00			
Safe & Sound 645-654		\$200.00			
Saluda Back to Basics Group		\$20.00			
Saturday Morning Men's Meeting		\$325.00			
Serenity Now 670-803		\$75.00			
Serenity Service Group 110-498	\$25.00	\$200.00			
Sisters in Sobriety - Whittier		\$240.95			
Skyland 12&12 Group		\$145.00			
Speed Bump Group 512-851		\$100.00			
Spiritual Fitness Group 720-419		\$56.09			
Surrender Group		\$150.00			

Call & Visitor Log

July 2017

12 Step Calls – 3
 General Info – 3
 Family Help – 3
 Meeting Info – 24
 Central Office
 Business – 42
 Medical/Detox – 1
 Visitors – 97
 Answering Service (Operator-Asst) – 184 minutes (July)
 After-hours Hotline Volunteers -6 calls (August)



Visits to aaNCMCO.org website (August):
 Unique Visitors - 686
 Number of visits (1.73 per visitor) - 1,190
 Pages Visited (3.83 per visit) - 4,559

MEETING UPDATES: Districts 70 • 71 • 80

Meeting Changes:

Cashiers: Cashiers Valley Group: Church of the Good Shepherd, 1448 NC-107S, Cashiers 28717, across from High Hampton Resort. Here is an updated list of all the meeting days & times for the group:

Sunday 5:00p (O,D)

Monday Noon (O,BB,D)

Tuesday 7:00p (Had been at 8:00p) (O,D)

Thursday 7:00p (Had been at 8:00p) (O,D)
4thThur (O,SP)

Friday 8:00a (seasonal May-Oct) (O,D)

Saturday 9:00a (O,SS)

Discontinued Meetings:

Brevard: Sunrise Group: Wednesday 9:00am. (W,O,D)
St Timothy's United Methodist Church, 1020 Asheville Hwy.
Meeting has been discontinued as of September 20.

Columbus: There Is A Solution Group: Tuesday 6:30pm.
(C,BBSS) Columbus United Methodist Church, 76 N. Peak
St. Meeting has been discontinued as of September 19.

Meeting Spaces Available:

• Belfour United Methodist Church, 2567 Asheville Hwy, Hendersonville. They have meeting space available in their fellowship hall. It has access to a kitchen and bathroom. Contact Dottie at the church – 828-778-9886.

• Asheville 12 Step Recovery Club. 22-B New Leicester Hwy, Asheville 28806. The Club has two meeting rooms available various days and times. The space is handicap accessible, and, because there are two rooms, there are opportunities to provide child care. If you are interested in starting a meeting at the Club, send an email to: avl12step@gmail.com

• AHOPE has space available for an AA meeting. Contact Derek Towle, AHOPE Program Director, Homeward Bound of WNC – 828-777-4247. (Or call us here at Central Office.)

• St. George's Episcopal Church, One School Road, Asheville, 28806 has space and times available for meetings.

• 1st Christian Church, 470 Enka Lake Rd, across from high school, Enka-Candler area. Available all days except Sunday morning & afternoon. Handicap accessible.

• Barnardsville United Methodist Church, 7 Church Hill Rd (off Dillingham Rd). Fellowship Hall can seat 30-40 people. Smaller room in parish house available in future.

For contact information call Pam at Central Office – 828-254-8539

The Service Express

November newsletter deadline for sending in announcements is **October 15th**.

District 70: ashevilleaa.org

GSR Business Meeting – usually held the 2nd Sunday of the month. The next meeting will be Sunday, **October 8, 2:30pm**, at St. Luke's Episcopal, 219 Chunns Cove Rd, Asheville 28805. This will be a special Redistricting Event with Area 51 representatives – an opportunity to learn more about the redistricting proposals, ask questions and offer suggestions.

District 70 still needs a CPC/PI Chairperson and a liaison to ADATC under the Treatment Committee. If you are interested in these positions, please attend the business meeting on October 8. They will also be discussing the establishment of a new position of Local Committee Member (LCM) who would visit groups within the district.

The Buncombe County Detention Facility is in need of support for meetings in the jail – especially for men. The BCDF is now open to orient new AA volunteers. Here is the application:

aanmco.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/BCDF-VolunteerApplication-Revised-word-1.24.17-2.pdf

If you have any questions about the application or orientation process call or email Cynthia, the Volunteer Program Services Coordinator, at the Buncombe County Detention Facility: 828-250-4579; Cynthia.Heaton@buncombecounty.org For more information about this volunteer service attend the next GSR Meeting and/or the Service Committees Meeting.

Volunteers are needed for daytime A.A. meetings at Swannanoa Correctional Center for Women (SCCW). Day and time to be determined by volunteer availability; males must be accompanied by females. Call Central Office for more details: 828-254-8539.

Service Committees Meeting – held the last Tuesday of odd-numbered months. Next meeting is Tuesday, **November 28, 6:00pm**, at Trinity Episcopal Church, 60 Church St, Asheville 28801. Volunteers are needed for meetings at SCCW, ADATC, prisons and jails.

Bridging the Gap (with treatment facilities) – If you are interested in this service please attend the Service Committees Meeting or contact the TFC Chair at www.ashevilleaa.org; the BTG Chair or co-coordinator at bridgingthegap.asheville@gmail.com or www.btgww.org

District 71:

GSR Meeting – now held monthly, the 2nd Saturday of the month at 1:00pm. The next meeting will be Saturday, **October 14, 1:00pm**, at 1624 Willow Rd, Hendersonville, 28739. The Corrections Committee now meets in conjunction with the GSR meeting.

Also on **October 14, from 2:00-3:00pm**, following the GSR meeting, they will be having an Interactive Workshop – “Keeping AA Safe.” Everyone is invited and encouraged to participate. Join them for coffee and dessert as they share their concerns and solutions regarding this important topic.

In November, elections will take place for the following

positions: DCM, Alternate DCM, COR (Trustee), Corrections, Treatment, CPC/PI, and Events. If you are interested in any of these service positions please attend the meeting on October 14.

The Corrections Committee is still in need of men volunteers to take A.A. meetings into the Transylvania County Jail and the Henderson County Detention Center. All who are interested in participating in this vital service please attend the District 71 GSR - Corrections Committee meeting in October or call/email Central Office (828-254-8539; info@ncmco.net) for contact information.

District 80: aawnc80.org

GSR District Meeting will be Sunday, **October 15, 1:30 pm**, with a **GSR Workshop at 12:45pm**, at Jackson County Family Resource Center, 1528 Webster Rd., Webster 28788. The District will be electing a new DCM and Alt DCM. All interested AAs are welcome to attend.

There is a concern about the lack of 12-Step Call Volunteers especially in some areas. The Murphy Central Office only covers a small area. And while the NC Mountain Central Office covers all of Districts 70, 71 and 80 there is a shortage of volunteers on the 12-Step Call List in the counties within District 80. All who are interested in this service are encouraged to call Central Office – 828-254-8539 – or check the website: www.aaNCMCO.org

CORs / NCMCO: aancmco.org

Next NCMCO Board meeting:

Thursday, October 12, 6:00pm, 70 Woodfin Place, Suite 212, Asheville, 28801. All are welcome to attend but only Central Office Representatives can vote on issues so we encourage all groups to send a COR!

SPECIAL MEETINGS AND EVENTS

NCMCO Fall Picnic. October 7, 11:00am-2:00pm. Carrier Park Shelter, 500 Amboy Rd, Asheville 28806. Come join us for food, fellowship and fun, plus a speaker at 1:00pm – Tom M. from Waynesville. Hamburgers, hotdogs, veggie burgers, coffee, soda and water will all be provided; bring a dessert to share if you'd like. And bring a chair if possible. For more information call or email Central Office: 828-254-8539; info@ncmco.net

34th Annual Midwest Woman-to-Woman Seminar. October 6-8. Columbus, OH. For more information and registration form, visit website: www.Midwest-WTW.org

Florida Unity Roundup. October 6-8. Jacksonville, FL. Go to: www.floridaunityroundup.com for more information.

Maggie Valley Group's Special Eating Meeting. Saturday October 14. Dinner at 6:00pm; speaker (Diana M.) at 7:00pm. Fried chicken and beverages provided; please bring side dishes to share. Maggie Valley United Methodist Church, across the creek at the pole barn, 4192 Soco Rd, Maggie Valley 28751

Black Mountain Group 40th Anniversary Pot Luck Meal: Thursday, October 26th, with Pot Luck Meal at 6:00pm and speaker John G. at 7pm. Located at Black Mountain United Methodist Church in the fellowship hall.

101 Church St, Black Mountain, NC 28711

Fall Cookout. Saturday, October 28, 12pm noon. Charles Owen Park, 875 Warren Wilson Rd, Swannanoa 28787. Sponsored by District 70. Come join us for food and fellowship! We'll be grilling hot dogs and hamburgers. Bring a side dish or dessert to share if you want. All are welcome! Contact events@ashevilleaa.org for more information.

Halloween Dance. Saturday October 28, 9:15pm-midnight. Hosted by the Hendersonville Group; directly following the 8:00pm Open Discussion meeting. Prizes for costumes! Bring hors d'oeuvres and finger foods to share. 1624 Willow Rd, Hendersonville 28739 (opposite Valley Hill Fire Dept.)

Area 51 Fall Assembly. November 3-5. The Hilton North Raleigh/Midtown, 3415 Wake Forest Road, Raleigh, NC. Deadline for hotel reservations: Thursday, October 5; group code "GSA" and the group name "Area 51 General Service Fall Assembly."

Hotel phone numbers and website: 919-872-2323 or 800-445-8667; www.NorthRaleigh.Hilton.com. For more information, visit: www.aanorthcarolina.org or www.aancmco.org/events

12th Annual Mountain Gratitude Dinner. November 4. McConnell Memorial Baptist Church, 84 Church Street, Hiawassee, Georgia 30546. Fellowship begins at 5:30pm; dinner at 6:30; speaker at 8:00. This year's speaker is Joe K., from Naples, FL. For more information, visit website: www.mountaingratitudeinner.org

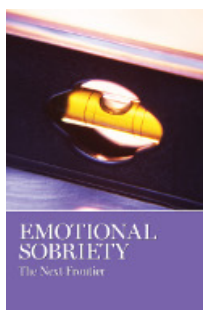
Las Vegas Roundup 2017 – Willing to Believe. November 23-26. Westgate Las Vegas Resort & Casino, 3000 Paradise Road, Las Vegas, NV 89109. Resort Phone: 800-732-7117; Group Code: SLVR7R. For more information and registration form, visit website: www.lvroundup.org

54th International Women's Conference. February 15-18, 2018. Sheraton Grand Phoenix Hotel, 340 N. 3rd Street, Phoenix, AZ 85004. For more information and registration form, visit website: www.internationalwomensconference.org

For NC Area 51 Conferences and Events go to: www.aanorthcarolina.org

For other events around the country and the world, go to the www.aa.org website – Box 4-5-9 Bulletin Board: www.aa.org/newsletters/en_US/en_box459_fall17.pdf

Fall Sale on Grapevine Books



We have a great supply of Grapevine books and will be offering them at 15% off through the end of the year. To find out more about these books and the special sale prices, call us at Central Office: 828-254-8539. For a look at the different books offered, visit the Grapevine website: <https://store.aagrapevine.org/ProductsList.aspx?WG=413>



OCTOBER 7, 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

CENTRAL OFFICE FALL PICNIC

**Carrier Park Shelter, 500 Amboy Road,
Asheville, 28806**

The picnic begins at 11 am, with a speaker meeting from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm. Our guest speaker is Tom M. from Waynesville. Please come out and enjoy the food, fellowship, and fun!



CENTRAL OFFICE FALL PICNIC

**Hamburgers,
hotdogs, veggie
burgers, coffee,
soda, water all
provided!**

**Please bring a
dessert to share.**

**Come join us for
food, fellowship, and
fun!**

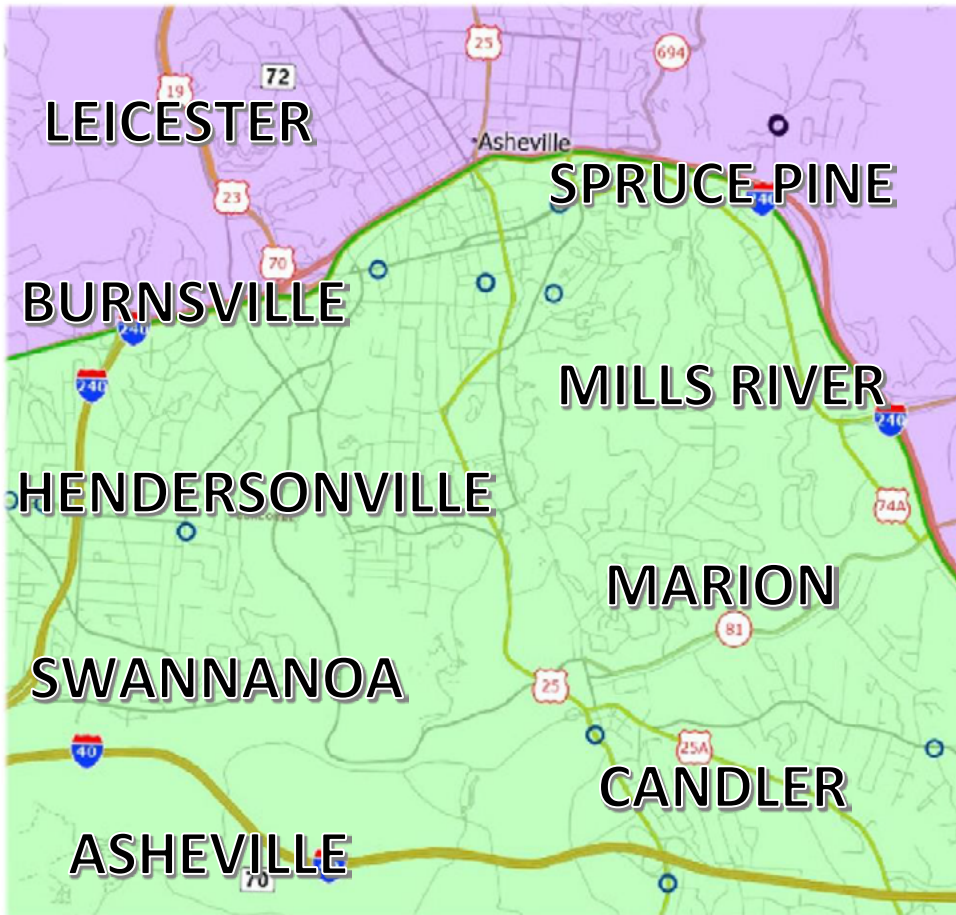
**Speaker Tom M. from
Waynesville at 1 pm.**

**Please bring a chair
if you can.**

**NORTH CAROLINA
MOUNTAIN CENTRAL
OFFICE**

**(828) 254 - 8539
info@ncmco.net**

www.aancmco.org



**Sunday
October 8th
2:30pm**

**Don't be shy-
share your
thoughts**

Make suggestions

Submit proposals

This affects you

REDISTRICTING EVENT

District 70 hosts Area 51 representatives

Join us to discuss statewide redistricting and learn how it could affect you and your group.



- How could this impact our primary purpose?
- What about treatment facilities or detention centers?
- Who will represent the voice of individuals?
- Why does it matter?

ST LUKES EPISCOPAL

219 Chunn's Cove Rd
Asheville NC 28805

Gillian D'Arcy
gdarcy_atc@live.com
Rich Willey
richwilley@yahoo.com



Interactive Workshop

Saturday October 14th, 2-3pm

Following District 71 GSR Meeting

Hendersonville Group meeting building

1624 Willow Road, Hendersonville

Everyone is invited and encouraged to participate.

**Join us for coffee and dessert as we share our concerns
and solutions regarding this important topic.**

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The Maggie Valley, NC AA Group

Invites YOU to attend our...



Fall Cookout and Speaker

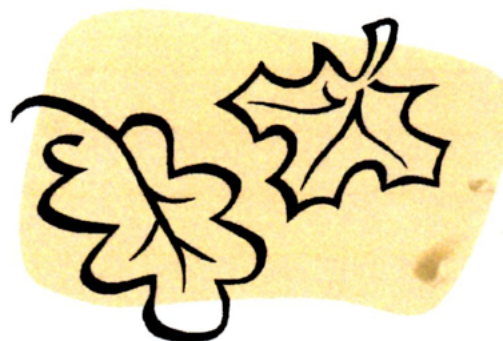
Saturday October 14 at Maggie Valley UMC

4192 Soco Road, in Maggie Valley

**Dinner at 6PM. Bring a covered dish to pass,
favorite drinks to share, or dessert.**

**Group will provide baked chicken,
Jambalaya and Gumbo!**

Speaker Diane M. at 7PM





Black Mountain Group 40th Anniversary Pot Luck Meal

Thursday, October 26, 2017

**Pot Luck Meal at 6:00pm
Speaker John G. at 7pm**

**Black Mountain United Methodist
Church (in the fellowship hall)
101 Church St. Black Mountain, NC
28711**





Fall Cookout

Saturday, October 28th
at 12pm noon

Charles Owen Park
875 Warren Wilson Rd
Swannanoa, NC 28787

Sponsored by District 70

**Come join us for food and
fellowship! We'll be grilling
hot dogs and hamburgers.
Bring a side dish or dessert
to share if you want.**

**All are welcome;
bring your friends and family.**

Contact events@ashevilleaa.org
for more info.



Hendersonville Group of Alcoholics Anonymous
is hosting its

HALLOWEEN DANCE

Saturday, October 28, 2017

9:15 pm—12 Midnight

(Directly following the 8:00 pm Open Discussion Meeting)

COSTUMES ARE WELCOMED!

There will be prizes for Costumes!



“... We aren't a glum lot. We absolutely insist on enjoying life.”

(excerpt from Alcoholics Anonymous book, pg. 132)

Bring Hors d'oeuvres & Finger Foods to Share!

Location: 1624 Willow Road , Hendersonville, (opposite Valley Hill Fire Dept.), NC



ASHEVILLE 12 STEP RECOVERY CLUB

HALLOWEEN CHILI

Sunday, October 29, 2017

3:15 PM: SPONSORSHIP WORKSHOP

4:30 PM: POTLUCK SUPPER

Bring a dish to share!

6:00 PM: AA SPEAKER MEETING

***Join us for food, fellowship, and an
informative workshop designed to help your
recovery flourish!***



22B New Leicester Highway

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DEADLINE FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS
October 5, 2017

DATE: SEPTEMBER 6, 2017

TO: GSRs, Alternate GSRs, DCMs, Alternate DCMs, LCMs (Local Committee Members), Convention Chair and Alternate, Coordinators, Officers, Past Delegates and any other interested members!

SUBJECT: Area 51 Fall Committee & Assembly Meeting November 3-5, 2017

Theme: "...And the Lives of Those to Come"

Special Guest: Racy J., GSO Group Services Desk

Assembly Business Sessions, Workshops, Early Bird and Speaker Meetings
Literature, Grapevine, Corrections, Treatment, CPC/PI and Accessibilities Displays

**Our Area Committee Meeting and Assembly meeting will be held at
The Hilton North Raleigh/Midtown, 3415 Wake Forest Road, Raleigh, NC**

NOTE: GSRs and Alt. GSRs:

Hotel Reservations

Deadline: Thursday, October 5, 2017
Group Code: GSA
Group Name: Area 51 General Service Fall Assembly
Group Rate: \$112.00 Single/Double, \$117.00 Triple, \$122.00 Quad + tax
Phone: 919-872-2323 or 800-445-8667 [1-800-HILTONS]
Direct reservation link: <http://tinyurl.com/ma4y5gl>

For best results:

- Call or reserve online as soon as possible but definitely before the deadline. It's easier to cancel a reservation than to get one at the last minute!
- Please note: once the rooms in our block sell out, it's unlikely there will be other rooms left in the hotel.
- **PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY!**
- Specify the group code "GSA" and the group name "Area 51 General Service Fall Assembly."
- If possible, call the Hilton North Raleigh/Midtown directly at 919-872-2323 during business hours Monday through Friday. This gives you the best chance to speak with a reservations clerk at the hotel. At other times - when the hotel clerks are busy -- calls to this number may be transferred to a regional reservations center.
- Always be sure to get a confirmation number.
- If you have ANY trouble with Room Rate or Availability please contact Rainer L., the Area Chair, at: Chair@aanorthcarolina.org.

- ◆ Early Assembly registration will be on Friday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- ◆ "Early Bird" AA Meeting on Friday at 8:00 p.m.
- ◆ This notice and other event information is also available on the Area 51 website: aanorthcarolina.org

Our tentative schedule is as follows:

<i>DAY</i>	<i>TIME</i>	<i>EVENT</i>	<i>ATTENDEES</i>
Friday November 3, 2017	3:30 PM	Officers' Meeting	Officers Only
	4:30 PM	Available Meeting Space	
	6:30 – 8:00 PM	Early Assembly Registration	GSRs, Alternate GSRs
	8:00 PM	Early Bird AA Meeting	Open
	8:00 – 10:00 PM	Area Committee Meeting	Area Committee
Saturday November 4, 2017 Morning	6:30 AM – 7:30 AM	Early Bird Morning Meditation Meeting	Open
	8:30 AM – 1:00 PM	ASSEMBLY REGISTRATION	GSRs, Alternate GSRs
	SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS		
	9:00 AM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Budget & Finance ◆ Website ◆ Site Investigation ◆ Ad Hoc Structures ◆ Ad Hoc Redistricting 	Subcommittee Members
	WORKSHOPS		
	9:00 – 10:00 AM	◆ “How the Assembly Operates”	Assembly
	10:15 – 11:15 AM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ “How the Assembly Operates” ◆ CPC/PI ◆ Treatment Facilities ◆ Corrections ◆ Grapevine ◆ Accessibilities 	NOTE: Except for meetings marked “Open” and access to displays, Assembly events are for members only
Afternoon	12:30 – 6:00 PM	ASSEMBLY BUSINESS SESSION	Assembly
	5:30 – 7:00 PM	NC State Convention Committee	Convention Committee Members
Evening	7:30 & 8:45 p.m. 7:30 & 8:45 p.m. 7:30 & 8:45 p.m.	ENGLISH WORKSHOPS Being an Effective GSR ...A Solution for All Generations Tradition 5, Primary Purpose: Carrying the Message	Assembly Assembly
	7:30 p.m. 8:45 p.m.	SPANISH WORKSHOPS La importancia del RSG ...Solución para todas las generaciones	
	10 PM	ICE CREAM SOCIAL	
Sunday November 5, 2017	6:30 – 7:30 AM	Early Bird Morning Meditation Meeting	Open
	8:30 – 9:30 AM	OPEN SPEAKER MEETING Racy J., GSO Group Services Desk	Open
	9:40 – 11:30 AM	ASSEMBLY BUSINESS SESSION	Assembly

12th ANNUAL MOUNTAIN GRATITUDE DINNER

Saturday November 4, 2017

McConnell Baptist Church

84 Church Street, Hiawassee. GA 30546

Speaker: Joe K. - Naples, FL

TICKETS - \$15.00

Available

Online: www.mountaingratitudedinner.org

or

Dean S: 412-352-5828 / Central Office: 828-837-4440

Coffee: 5:30 – Dinner: 6:30 – Speaker: 8:00

Catered by: Mary's Southern Grill (Turkey Dinner)

PLEASE BRING A DESSERT

Sign up on our website: www.mountaingratitudedinner.org

Get Updates & Other Good Stuff

COME JOIN THE FUN & HELP CARRY THE AA MESSAGE

FELLOWSHIP / DINNER / RAFFLE / SOBRIETY COUNTDOWN / SPEAKER



25th Annual North Carolina Native American AA Convention November 9-12, 2017 Cherokee, North Carolina

Pre-Registration Ends November 1, 2017 \$40.00/person

Registration at the door-\$50

Fee includes Participation in all conference events,
T Shirt, meals, and snacks

Registration begins: At Noon Thursday, November 9, 2017

**Location: Cherokee Fair Grounds
545 Tsali Blvd. Cherokee, NC 28719**

Suggested Motels

Cool Waters Motel	828-497-3855
Great Smokies Inn	828-497-2020
Baymont Inn	828-497-2102
Rolling Hills (walking distance)	828-497-5371

Lodging is not included. Please call motel of your choice for your reservations

Events and Happenings

AA Speakers	AA Meetings
Talking Circles	Cherokee Sunrise Services

**WE DO RECOVERY!!!
Sobriety Countdown**

You don't have to be a Native American to attend.

PRE-REGISTRATION: \$40/PERSON (persons under 10 are FREE).

NAME(S): _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL(S): _____ / _____

PHONE #: H) _____ (C) _____ (C) _____

In Party: _____ T Shirt Size(S) _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

Mail Registration Form AND Check, MO, or Cashier Check to:

NAAAC Indians in Sobriety

Jason Taylor, Treasurer

PO Box 548

Cherokee, NC 28719

Contact person: Jody at 828-736-7510

Check out our website www.indiansinsobriety.org

2017 LAS VEGAS

WILLING to BELIEVE



ROCKETED INTO THE
FOURTH DIMENSION

ROUNDUP

SPEAKERS & WORKSHOPS

Can you believe it? It's the 51st Annual Las Vegas Roundup! This year's main hall will be filled with something for everyone. Alateen members get in free when accompanied by a paid adult. Make it date night at your Saturday night dance, featuring DJ Frankie O.

MARATHON MEETINGS

Round the clock Marathon Meetings will begin Thursday at 3pm and run every hour until 9am Sunday. Meetings are free of charge and open to the public. Seventh Tradition donations go to the Las Vegas Central Office.

BILL & BOB'S COFFEE SHOP

Relax at the 8400 square foot, Bill's Kitchen & Bob's Living Room with a beverage and a tasty treat. Enjoy fellowship, browse various AA related booths, or shop til' you drop at the memorabilia boutique. Don't miss "All the World's a Stage" jazz ensemble Friday night. Open 24 hours a day!

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The Annual Tennis Tournament will be held at the Westgate on Saturday at 12noon. All levels welcome! Tickets are \$30 per person.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Annual Golf Tournament will be held at the Revere Golf Club. \$80 per person. Includes cart, unlimited range balls, bottled water, awards luncheon and raffle ticket. \$2500 in raffle prizes! Raffle tickets run from \$5 for 3 to \$100 for 100. 8am departure. Email golf@LVRoundup.org for more information about the tournament.

5K WALK / RUN

Free commemorative t-shirt for participants. We will be returning to the Six Tunnels, Lake Mead. Transportation to and from is included with the \$30 entrance fee. Buses depart 7:15am Saturday for an 8am start time.

AL-ANON LUNCHEON

Join in on the much anticipated Mediterranean Al-Anon Luncheon Saturday at 12noon with speaker Vannoy S. Tickets are \$35 per person.

SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET

Banquet seats are \$55 per person, or reserve a table for \$550.

SUNDAY BRUNCH

Breakfast seating begins at 8am. Tickets are \$35 per person.

Mail this form
by October, 31 2017

Las Vegas Roundup
PO Box 14743
Las Vegas, NV 89114

\$35 PRE-REGISTRATION
\$40 at the door

Stop by LVRoundup.org
for more exciting information

100 FOR \$100

Make an incremental \$100 donation to the Roundup. Your donation will ensure the survival of the Las Vegas Roundup for years to come.

NOVEMBER 23-26, 2017

WESTGATE LAS VEGAS RESORT & CASINO
3000 Paradise Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89109





54th **INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**

IWC is a closed conference for women in Alcoholics Anonymous

is coming to:

Phoenix, Arizona
February 15th-18th 2018

Speakers ♥ Panels ♥ Workshops ♥ Banquets ♥ Tours

For more information or to register on-line
www.internationalwomensconference.org

♥ **REGISTRATION IS LIMITED TO 3550** ♥
