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## ICOAA Seminar Report from October 5-8, 2017

The 2017 ICOAA Seminar that I attended last October in Virginia had two evening presentations by Alcoholics Anonymous World Service and AA Grapevine staff. Here is just a bit of the information about AAWS and Grapevine that they reported:

### Estimated A.A. Membership and Group Information – as of 7/2017

(some info from A.A. Fact File – available on the website aa.org)

- Groups in U.S. – 61,258
- Members in U.S. – 1,276,165
- Groups in Canada – 5,078
- Members in Canada – 86,237
- Groups Outside of U.S./Canada – 50,555
- Members Outside of U.S./Canada – 705,850
- Internationalists Groups (Seagoing A.A.s) – 1

Approximately 20 persons in naval service or the merchant marine on sea duty describe themselves as "A.A. Internationalists." General Service Office staff members correspond with these members and make it possible for them to correspond with each other. Internationalists have been responsible for starting and encouraging local A.A. groups in many ports.

- Groups in Correctional Facilities U.S./Canada – 1,413
- Members in Correctional Facilities U.S./Canada – 34,903
- Lone Members – 29

Some 63 men and women living in isolated areas throughout the world (or in areas where it has not been possible to form a local group) are listed at the General Service Office as Lone Members. Many achieved sobriety solely through study of A.A. literature. They correspond with G.S.O. and with their counterparts in other areas of the world. In a number of cases, notably U.S. military installations overseas, Loners have been responsible for establishing local groups.

### Total Reported

- Members – 2,103,184
- Groups – 118,305

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**AAWS** in New York (one of the two operating corporations of the General Service Board) AAWS oversees the operations of General Service Office and serves as the publishing company for Conference-approved and service literature.

- A staff of 12 responds to 90,000 emails and letters per year.
- Archives – newly refurbished; handles 1,350 inquiries per year
- Corrections Desk – handles 6,500 letters per year
- Records Department – processes 15,000 new & updated group forms per year
- Finance – processes 71,000 contributions per year
- Publishing Department - processes 2,600 orders per month – 65% of orders are placed online

In 2016 Literature sales and profits were below budget projections. But Contributions were up 10% with an increase in recurring contributions. Contributions used to be 66% of the budget; now they are about 85%. Operating expenses decreased 5% due to streamlining so now more money goes to helping carry the message. With all this in mind, AAWS indicated there were no plans to increase the price of literature.

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## Profit & Loss YTD Comparison

	Feb 18	Jan - Feb 18
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>		
<b>Income</b>		
<b>Contributions</b>		
Birthday Contributions	10.00	10.00
Group Contributions	1,740.47	5,286.23
Individual Contributions	10.96	40.28
<b>Total Contributions</b>	1,761.43	5,336.51
Interest on Money Market	0.85	1.79
<b>Sales Income</b>		
Literature & merchandise	2,587.55	4,868.61
Shipping to groups	69.20	96.02
<b>Total Sales Income</b>	2,656.75	4,964.63
<b>Total Income</b>	4,419.03	10,302.93
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>		
Freight - vendor shipping	26.09	66.19
Literature & merchandise	2,221.68	4,036.22
<b>Total COGS</b>	2,247.77	4,102.41
<b>Gross Profit</b>	2,171.26	6,200.52
<b>Expense</b>		
<b>Copier Rental</b>		
Copier - IT charge	60.00	60.00
Copier - monthly fee	145.43	290.86
<b>Total Copier Rental</b>	205.43	350.86
Editor	135.00	270.00
New Computer, Software, IT Asst	75.00	754.45
Office Expenses	20.00	40.00
Office Supplies	19.38	98.76
<b>Payroll Expenses</b>		
Gross Salary (Including Taxes)	1,160.00	2,585.13
Payroll Taxes (Company)	95.70	213.27
Processing (for Direct Deposit)	5.25	10.50
<b>Total Payroll Expenses</b>	1,260.95	2,808.90
<b>QuickBooks Expenses</b>		
Payroll Subscription - Annual	230.05	230.05
QB Pro 2018 (good for 3 yrs)	0.00	205.90
<b>Total QuickBooks Expenses</b>	230.05	435.95
Rent	534.00	1,068.00
Sales Tax on office supplies	18.41	47.07
Shipping to groups	69.11	96.14
Stamps/Postage	71.02	149.16
<b>Telephone &amp; Internet</b>		
Answering Service	85.00	170.00
Telephone & Internet - Other	149.22	297.58
<b>Total Telephone &amp; Internet</b>	234.22	467.58
<b>Total Expense</b>	2,872.57	6,586.87
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	-701.31	-386.35
<b>Other Income/Expense</b>		
<b>Other Expense</b>		
Inventory Adjustment	0.00	4.21
<b>Total Other Expense</b>	0.00	4.21
<b>Net Other Income</b>	0.00	-4.21
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-701.31</b>	<b>-390.56</b>



## April Grapevine is now available!

This month, "Bridging the Gap," featuring stories by AA members about helping alcoholics get to AA through BTG service or finding AA with their help.



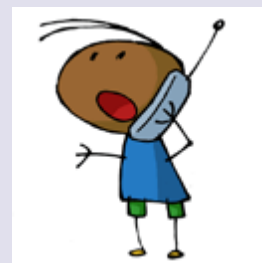
[www.aagrapevine.org](http://www.aagrapevine.org)

Cash on Hand as of 2/28/2018  
 Prudent Reserve (Money Market)  
**\$11,054.91**  
 Operating Account (Checking)  
**\$7,367.06**  
 Rent Deposit **\$400.00**  
 Petty Cash **\$50.00**

## Call & Visitor Log

### February 2018

12 Step Calls – 4  
 General Info – 3  
 Family Help – 1  
 Meeting Info – 7  
 Central Office  
 Business – 52  
 Medical/Detox – 0  
 Visitors – 84  
 Answering Service (Operator-Asst) – less than 65 minutes (January)  
 After-hours Hotline Volunteers - 29 calls (February)



Visits to aaNCMCO.org website (February): Unique Visitors: 623  
 Unique Visits: 1,157 (1.85 per visitor)  
 Pages: 3,985 (3.44 per visit)

# Contributions

	Feb 2018	YTD		Feb 2018	YTD
11-11-11 Meeting		\$0.00	Recovery by the River 674-892	\$122.50	\$122.50
12 & 12 Study Group		\$0.00	Roundtable Group 135-605		\$0.00
2nd Chance Group - Cherokee 712-180		\$0.00	Rule 62 Group	\$102.00	\$102.00
3 Legacies Group 709-522		\$0.00	Safe & Sound 645-654		\$250.00
4th Dimension Group		\$0.00	Saluda Back to Basics Group		\$0.00
Acceptance Group 122-477		\$372.92	Saturday Morning Men's Meeting		\$0.00
Agnostics, Atheists & Freethinkers AA Group		\$0.00	Serenity Now 670-803		\$75.00
Andrews Group 110-494	\$25.00	\$25.00	Serenity Seekers - Marion 663-204		\$0.00
Anonymous	\$7.44	\$7.44	Serenity Service Group 110-498	\$25.00	\$50.00
AVL Big Book Step Study Group 637-843		\$0.00	Sisters in Sobriety - Whittier		\$0.00
AVL Women's Big Book Step Study 703-990		\$59.00	Skyland 12&12 Group		\$0.00
At Wit's End Group	\$14.37	\$14.37	Speed Bump Group 512-851		\$0.00
AWOL Group		\$0.00	Spiritual Fitness Group 720-419		\$60.00
Back to Basics Grp - Weaverville 147-139		\$0.00	Surrender Group		\$0.00
Big Town Group 671-200		\$135.61	The Principles Group		\$0.00
Black Mountain Group 117-117		\$0.00	Total Surrender Group	200.41	\$200.41
Brevard Serenity Group 631-231		\$0.00	Tryon Monday 5:30 Meeting		\$0.00
BYOC - Bring Your Own Coffee	\$222.00	\$222.00	United With Hope Group 719-052		\$52.00
Candlelight Meeting		\$0.00	Waynesville Grace Group 110-692		\$750.00
Candler KISS Group 163-148	\$18.00	\$18.00	We Are Not Saints Group		\$0.00
Cashiers Valley Grp 122-589		\$283.79	We Think Not Group 700-411		\$0.00
Cedar Mountain Group 161-082		\$0.00	West Asheville Group 110-501		\$0.00
Chunns Cove Men's Association 179-001		\$0.00	Women's BBSS Group - Hendersonville		\$0.00
Conscious Contact Group - Asheville		\$0.00	Women's Grapevine Meeting		\$0.00
Cullowhee Valley Group 118-129		\$0.00	Women of Courage		\$0.00
Cumberland Group 122-472		\$150.00	Women of Grace		\$50.00
Daily Decisions 643-869		\$0.00	Working at Recovery		\$0.00
Day by Day Group 159-058		\$670.22			
District 71		\$250.00	<b>Total Group Contributions:</b>	<b>\$1,740.47</b>	<b>\$5,286.23</b>
Down But Not Out Group		\$0.00	<b>Individual Contributions:</b>		
Early Bird Group 612-780	\$161.00	\$161.00	Anonymous	\$0.96	\$20.28
Fellowship Group 655-542		\$0.00	In Memory of B.G.	\$10.00	\$20.00
Fireside Group 655-046		\$0.00	<b>Total Individual Contributions:</b>	<b>\$10.96</b>	<b>\$40.28</b>
Good Livers 666-360		\$150.00	<b>Birthday Contributions:</b>		
Grace Group 161-970		\$0.00	Anonymous	\$10.00	\$10.00
Great Fact Group		\$0.00	<b>Total Birthday Contributions:</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>
Happy Hour Group - Hendersonville 169-182		\$0.00	<b>Mountain Doin's Subscriptions:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
Happy Hour Group - Waynesville		\$0.00	<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>\$1,761.43</b>	<b>\$5,336.51</b>
Happy, Joyous & Free - Columbus		\$0.00			
Heart Fire Group	\$140.00	\$140.00			
Hendersonville Group	\$375.00	\$375.00			
High Noon Group 689-080	\$90.00	\$90.00			
Higher Power Tower Hour Group		\$0.00			
Joe & Charlie Big Book Study		\$0.00			
Joy of Living - Black Mountain		\$0.00			
Joy of Living - Brevard 669-820		\$0.00			
Kanuga Group 645-767		\$0.00			
Lambda Group 617-035	\$113.75	\$113.75			
Landrum Group 715-401		\$45.22			
Leicester Group 143-417		\$0.00			
Library Group 672-283		\$0.00			
Maggie Valley Group 158-950		\$0.00			
Maple Grove Group 121-212		\$0.00			
Marshall Group 100-489		\$0.00			
Mars Hill Group 130-895		\$0.00			
Meditation Mondays		\$50.00			
Men's Attitude Adjustment Group 670-850		\$0.00			
Mid Day Grp (Hendersonville) 143-420		\$53.00			
Mill Springs Group 656-821	\$65.00	\$65.00			
Mission Group 606-119		\$24.00			
Monday 6:00 Open Meeting		\$0.00			
Mountain View Grp (Highlands) 110-598		\$0.00			
New Freedom Group 700-124		\$40.00			
Newland Serenity (Linville Mtg.)		\$0.00			
No Name Group - Murphy	\$50.00	\$50.00			
Pisgah Group		\$0.00			
Practicing Principles 667-311		\$0.00			
Primary Purpose Group	\$9.00	\$9.00			

Note: If you think there is a contribution missing from your group total, please let us know. Though we try our best to get donations listed correctly, we do make mistakes sometimes and list a donation under the wrong group. As always, we thank you for your generous support!





# MEETING UPDATES: Districts 70 • 71 • 80

## New Meetings:

**Asheville/Candler: The Balance Group:** Thursday 6:30pm. (O,D) Acton United Methodist Church, 171 Sand Hill School Rd, Asheville 28806

## Meeting Changes:

**Asheville: Grace Group:** Saturday 5:30pm (O,BB) Had been meeting at Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, 789 Merrimon Ave, Asheville 28804. New location as of March 31st: St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 223 Hillside St, Asheville 28801.

**Hendersonville: Meditation Mondays:** Monday 7:00pm. (O,ES/MT) Was meeting at Cox House, 723 N. Grove St. New location as of 3/19; True Ridge, 110 Edney St. Suite A, Hendersonville 28792

## 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 on 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](mailto:avl12step@gmail.com)
- **St. George's Episcopal Church**, One School Road, Asheville, 28806 has space and times available for meetings.
- **1st Christian Church**, 470 Enka Lake Rd, Candler 28715. Meeting space available various days and times except Sunday morning & afternoon. Handicap accessible. Contact Drew –828-665-9499 or 203-592-9574.
- **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

May newsletter deadline for sending in announcements is  
**April 15th.**

### District 70: [ashevilleaa.org](http://ashevilleaa.org)

**GSR Business Meeting** – held the 2nd Sunday of the month. The next meeting will be **Sunday, April 8, 2:30pm**, at St. Luke's Episcopal, 219 Chunns Cove Rd, Asheville 28805. 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:

[aa.ncmco.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/BCDF-VolunteerApplication-Revised-word-1.24.17-2.pdf](http://aa.ncmco.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](mailto: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). The meetings are Fridays from 12:15-1:30pm; males must be accompanied by females. Call Charlyne for more details: 828-450-2919.

**Service Committees Meeting**—Now held the first Sunday of the month. Next meeting is **Sunday, April 1, 12:15pm**, at a new location: **North Asheville Community Center, 37 E. Larchmont Dr, Asheville, 28804** (immediately following the 11:00am Conscious Contact meeting.) 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](http://www.ashevilleaa.org); the BTG Chair or co-coordinator at [bridgingthegap.asheville@gmail.com](mailto:bridgingthegap.asheville@gmail.com) or [www.btgwww.org](http://www.btgwww.org)

### District 71:

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

The Corrections Committee is 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 April, or call/email Central Office – 828-254-8539; [info@ncmco.net](mailto:info@ncmco.net) – for contact information.

### District 80: [aawnc80.org](http://aawnc80.org)

**GSR District Meeting** will be **Sunday, April 15, 1:30pm**, at Jackson County Family Resource Center, 1528 Webster Rd., Webster 28788. They will be looking for a new Treasurer, Corrections Chairperson and Special Events Chairperson. All interested A.A. members are welcome to attend.

There is a concern about the lack of 12-Step Call Volunteers, especially in some of the more remote parts of Western NC. 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](http://www.aanCMCO.org)

## **CORs / NCMCO: [aancmco.org](http://aancmco.org)**

The next **combined COR/Board** will be **Thursday, April 12, 6:00pm**, 70 Woodfin Place, Suite 212, Asheville, 28801. All are welcome to attend the Board meetings and the combined COR/Board meetings but only Central Office Representatives can vote on issues so we encourage all groups to send a COR!

## **SPECIAL MEETINGS** **and EVENTS**

**Area 51 WNC Pre-Conference – “AA – A Solution for All Generations”** April 7. Registration at 11am; lunch at 12pm; program 1-4pm. First Baptist Church – Fellowship Hall, 312 Fifth Ave West, Hendersonville 28739. WNC AA and our Area 51 Delegate need your input on the issues facing the General Service Conference each year when they meet in New York to discuss the future direction of our fellowship. At this Western Pre-Conference our Delegate will meet with us to hear our views on a number of items up for review and supplied to us from New York via an Agenda of Topics. Pre-registration forms can be found at Central Office and on the websites – [www.ashevilleaa.org](http://www.ashevilleaa.org) and [www.aanCMCO.org](http://www.aanCMCO.org)

**Spring Fling Dance.** Saturday April 14 – 9:15pm-midnight. Hosted by Hendersonville Group. Bring hors d’oeuvres and finger foods to share. 1624 Willow Rd (opposite Valley Hill Fire Dept) Hendersonville 28739

**Mission Group Spring Fling Eatin’ Meetin’.** Friday April 29. Speaker meeting at 11:00am; eating at noon. Hamburgers, hot dogs and fixings provided; bring a dish to share if you’d like. Families are welcome. Jackson County Family Resource Center, 1528 Webster Rd (NC116), Webster 28788

**District 71 Service Panel.** Saturday May 12, 2:00pm (following the 1:00pm District meeting). Led by Area Service Coordinators. Open to all AA members interested in service, what’s going on in our state and what we can do in District 71 to carry AA’s message. Refreshments served. 1624 Willow Rd (opposite Valley Hill Fire Dept) Hendersonville 28739. For more information contact Dale – 828-243-2832.

**Oak Island Lighthouse Retreat – Fellowship and Serenity at the Sea.** May 11-13. For more information and registration form, visit website: [www.oakislandlighthouse retreat.com](http://www.oakislandlighthouse retreat.com)

**83rd Founders’ Day.** June 8-10. Akron, OH. For information and registration form visit website: [www.akronaa.org](http://www.akronaa.org)

**37th Music City Roundup.** July 5-8. Music City Sheraton Hotel, Nashville TN. For more information and registration form, visit website: [www.musiccityroundup.com](http://www.musiccityroundup.com)

**43rd Atlanta Roundup.** August 2-5. The Westin Perimeter North, 7 Concourse Pkwy, Atlanta, GA 30328. Group rate is limited; book early! Call 770-395-3900 for reservations or visit website: [www.atlantaroundup.com](http://www.atlantaroundup.com)

**2nd Annual WNCYPAA Campout.** August 24-26. Briar Bottom Campground, 50 Black Mountain Campground Rd, Burnsville, NC 28714. For more information, directions and registration, visit website: [www.wncypaa.com](http://www.wncypaa.com)

For NC Area 51 Conferences and Events go to: [www.aanorthcarolina.org](http://www.aanorthcarolina.org)

For other events around the country and the world, go to the [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org) website – Box 4-5-9 Bulletin Board: [www.aa.org/newsletters/en\\_US/en\\_box459\\_spring18.pdf](http://www.aa.org/newsletters/en_US/en_box459_spring18.pdf)



### **Large Print Where and When Now Available at the Central Office!**

For those who really have trouble reading the printed meeting schedule we now have a Large Print version of the Where & When, printed on 11x17 paper (instead of 8½x14) and folded like the regular schedule.

One free; a pack of 10 for \$1.50.

(This is an introductory price until we see if it aligns with the extra cost for the paper and printing.)

Pick up at the office or call us to place an order for your group – 828-254-8539.

(Continued from front cover)

Some revisions and updates:

- Accessibility – new Guidelines, Workbook and Pamphlets
- ASL videos
- New audiobooks
- New catalog and Quick Reference guide on website
- New pamphlet cover and placard designs (highlighted in Box 459 and on website)

Big Book is now available in 70 languages; other AA literature is available in 91 languages, and they are working on other translations.

**AA Grapevine** (the second operating corporation of the General Service Board)

AA Grapevine has been published since 1944 and in 1996 it was recognized as the International Journal of Alcoholics Anonymous. It is not “conference approved” because it is a monthly publication.

In September the Grapevine Board had a Strategic Planning Session. Here are some questions they are asking:

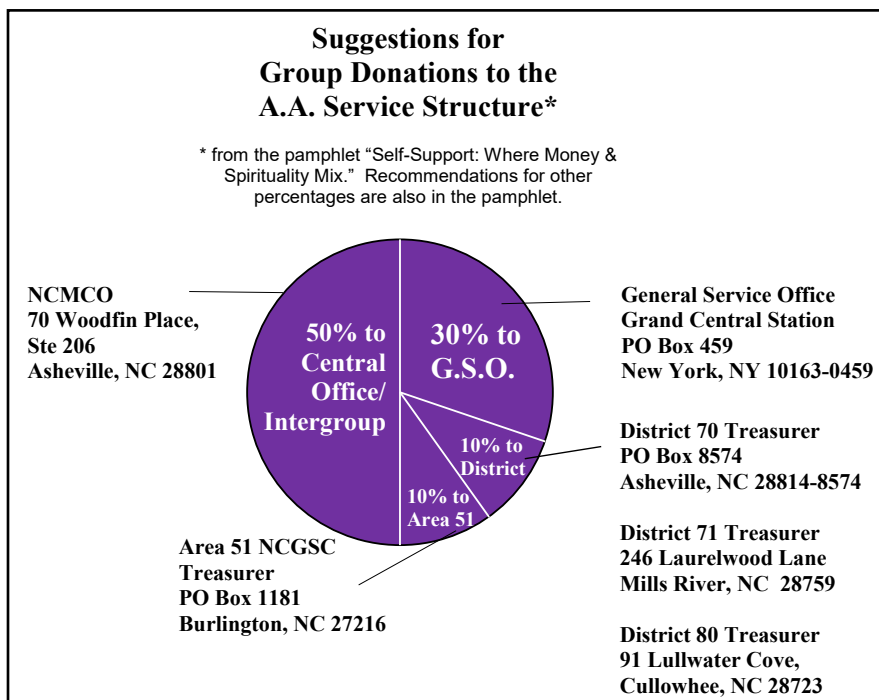
- How can we continue to evolve to better carry the message?
- What if we were more in the fabric of AA where at meetings newcomers were given a Grapevine subscription along with a Big Book, or a Twelve & Twelve plus the Grapevine Beginners’ Book?
- What if Grapevine books were used in Treatment Centers? They have a “newer” language.
- What are we doing to help the still suffering alcoholic?
- What are we doing to help AAWS and each other?

Grapevine is 100% dependent on literature sales and subscriptions. They can’t take contributions. They have revamped their store and are planning to redesign the website. With a staff of 9, they receive 150 stories/month which are read by 3 AA members and filed by subject. Sometimes they are not used for a year or two. They say details included in stories are great – the specific things you remember, use of the steps and traditions, the sponsor you had and how she or he helped you, how your group used a tradition to resolve a problem of conflict. Plus they are always looking for jokes, photos and cartoons. They suggest reading current and past issues for examples. The books are compilations of old stories on particular subjects.

They feel their challenge is to reach beyond those who already know about the Grapevine. The Daily Quote online seems to be helping but Grapevine still needs support. Having a Grapevine rep in a meeting is an important way to spread the word. AA Grapevine is the only place in AA for a current exchange of members’ stories and letters.

This was the second ICOAA Seminar I attended, and I found it helpful and informative and a true joy connecting with other Office Managers and the AAWS and Grapevine staff – all dedicated humble servants of Alcoholics Anonymous and the fellowship.

Pam C.  
NCMCO Office Manager



## Recovery Humor

**Watch how you share when asked to be a Speaker at a meeting**

A lady first time to AA was listening to a man and wife tell of their former problems with booze. The wife concluded by saying that the year before, thanks to the Man Upstairs, they had become the proud parents of their first child.

The new member, never having heard of God referred to that way, turned to the person next to her and whispered in horror, “Do all the people in AA make such shocking personal confessions?”

Retrieved from: [www.aalondon.org](http://www.aalondon.org)



# ANNIVERSARIES

## 2nd Chance Group

Chase C. 4-30-2013 5 yrs

## Acceptance Group

Billy V. 4-24-2005 13 yrs

## At Wit's End Group

Jon L. 4-22-2015 3 yrs  
 Mat W. 4-23-2012 6 yrs  
 Alex C. 4-24-2014 4 yrs  
 Michelle B. 4-24-2005 13 yrs  
 Katherine A. 4-28-2014 4 yrs

## Black Mountain Group

Laura B. 4-04-1989 29 yrs

## Brevard Serenity Group

Julie H. 4-10-2016 2 yrs  
 Laura 4-12-1977 41 yrs  
 Edie M. 4-24-2013 5 yrs

## Candlelight Group

Cory G. 4-17-2014 4 yrs

## Conscious Contact Group

Kathleen O. 4-01-1992 26 yrs  
 Susan A. 4-09-2017 1 yr  
 John H. 4-16-2017 1 yr  
 John G. 4-29-1980 38 yrs

## Cumberland Group

Pete B. 4-19-2005 13 yrs

## Daily Decisions Group

Rocky C. 4-01-1999 19 yrs  
 Brad D. 4-23-1990 28 yrs  
 John C. 4-30-2001 17 yrs

## Down But Not Out Group

Missed in  
 March:  
 Douglas H. 3-08-1989 29 yrs

## Fellowship Group

Eric M. 4-08-2004 13 yrs  
 Bill M. 4-09-1987 31 yrs

## Good Livers Group

Cathy E. 4-03-2011 7 yrs  
 T.J. B. 4-04-1980 38 yrs  
 Robin M. 4-05-1987 31 yrs  
 Julie N. 4-07-2016 2 yrs  
 Nikki M. 4-15-1989 29 yrs  
 Margaret G. 4-19-1990 28 yrs  
 Zoe 4-20-1987 31 yrs  
 Missy G. 4-29-1987 31 yrs  
 Priscilla H. 4-30-1989 29 yrs

## Grace Group

Frank T. 4-17-2011 7 yrs  
 Mary P. 4-20-2017 1 yr  
 Brian M. 4-22-1978 40yrs  
 Jonathan L. 4-22-2015 3 yrs  
 Beth T. 4-30-1993 25 yrs

## Happy Hour Group

Lucy H. 4-15-1988 30 yrs

## Hendersonville Group

Debbie R. 4-26-2012 6 yrs  
 Suzanne F. 4-30-2017 1 yr

## Leicester Group

Regina I. 4-16-1988 30 yrs  
 Bob F. 4-21-1983 35 yrs

## Library Group

Lucy B. 4-16-1985 33 yrs

## Mars Hill Group

Frank T. 4-08-2007 11 yrs

## Midday Group

Patty B. 4-28-2012 6 yrs

## Mission Group

Tina A. 4-24-2016 2 yrs

## Riverside-Last Chance Group

Tommy L. 4-01-2009 9 yrs

## Serenity Seekers - Marion

Cheryl D. 4-10-2009 9 yrs  
 John A. 4-15-1996 22 yrs

## Solutions Group

Nancy E.R. 4-06-2004 14 yrs  
 Chris D. 4-21-1997 21 yrs  
 Willow 4-24-2010 8 yrs

## Total Surrender Group

Mike M. 4-11-1979 39 yrs  
 Roy S. 4-15-2007 11 yrs  
 Steve H. 4-21-2017 1 yr  
 Dan V. 4-22-2017 1 yr  
 Alex L. 4-24-2014 4 yrs  
 Joanna D. 4-29-1989 29 yrs

## Traditional Group

David F. 4-01-2011 7 yrs  
 Scott E. 4-07-2009 9 yrs  
 Quinston 4-22-1999 19 yrs  
 Carolyn O. 4-26-1980 38 yrs

## United with Hope Group

Charles K. 4-05-2016 2 yrs  
 Patty B. 4-28-2012 6 yrs

## Waynesville Grace Group

Andy R. 4-01-2011 7 yrs  
 Jackie K. 4-07-1989 29 yrs  
 Diane M. 4-11-2008 10 yrs  
 Sue B. 4-14-2010 8 yrs  
 Vicki M. 4-17-1981 37 yrs  
 Jennifer L. 4-29-2015 3 yrs



Need to update your Group's anniversary list?  
 Call Central Office - 828-254-8539 - or send a new list to:  
[info@ncmco.net](mailto:info@ncmco.net) May newsletter deadline for sending in anniversaries  
 and announcements is April 15.



# 43<sup>rd</sup> Atlanta Roundup

Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> – Aug 5<sup>th</sup> 2018



The Age of Miracles is Still With Us

*The Roundup is pleased to welcome our 2018 Speakers!*

**Clancy I • Venice, CA    Amanda B • Montgomery, AL**  
**Karl M • Covina, CA    Christine B • Buford, GA**  
**Jim T • Athens, GA**

**The Westin Perimeter North**  
Group Rate is Limited—Book Early!!  
7 Concourse Pkwy Atlanta 30328  
Call 770-395-3900 for Reservations

**AA, Al-Anon & Alateen Workshops**  
Big Book Trivia Contest • Meetings  
Fellowship • Entertainment  
Hospitality • Home Made Treats

**Come and join us for our annual weekend of Fun, Fellowship and Serenity as we celebrate our 43<sup>rd</sup> Roundup! We have a great Program of Speakers, Workshops & Entertainment. Register and sign up to be a Volunteer at: [www.atlantaroundup.com](http://www.atlantaroundup.com) or fill out and return the form below.**

**The Atlanta Roundup Committee is an all volunteer body whose Primary Purpose is to carry the AA message and to unite the Metro Atlanta AA, Al-Anon and Alateen Community in Unity, Service and Recovery.**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name for Badge: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Group: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email (for confirmation and updates): \_\_\_\_\_  
Program: AA \_\_\_ Al-Anon \_\_\_ (Alateen registration is \$1 at the door during Roundup)  
Do you want to be a Volunteer? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_. Registration \_\_\_ Greeter \_\_\_  
Bake cookies for Hospitality? (Must be Homemade): Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ ; # of dozens \_\_\_  
**Pre-Registration is \$30.** Scholarship contribution: \_\_\_ Total enclosed \_\_\_  
**Make out checks to: The Atlanta Roundup, 3503 Ashwood Ln, Atlanta GA, 30341**





**DISTRICT 71**

**PRESENTS  
A  
SERVICE PANEL**

**LED BY OUR AREA SERVICE COORDINATORS**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THIS SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY TO INTERACT WITH SUCH A DEDICATED GROUP OF TRUSTED SERVANTS WHO CARRY AA'S MESSAGE THROUGHOUT OUR STATE.

**WHERE:** HENDERSONVILLE GROUP, 1620 WILLOW ROAD, H'VILLE

**WHEN:** MAY 12TH, AT 2:00PM, FOLLOWING OUR DISTRICT MEETING

OPEN TO ALL AA MEMBERS INTERESTED IN SERVICE, WHAT'S GOING ON IN OUR STATE AND WHAT CAN WE DO IN DISTRICT 71 TO CARRY AA'S MESSAGE

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT DALE @ 828-243-2832  
REFRESHMENTS SERVED



# Founders' Day Herald

83<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of Alcoholics Anonymous

June 8, 9, & 10, 2018 | Akron, Ohio | Birthplace of A.A.

## FRIDAY ACTIVITIES

### A.A. 12 Step Panel • 10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Discussion of One Step Per Hour  
Chaired by: Scott T.

### A.A. Early Bird Meeting\* • 3:00 p.m.

Bev P. - Cuyahoga Falls, OH  
"Beyond Blessed, Mixed With A Little Bit of Crazy"  
Chaired by: Woody W.

### Reunion en Español • 3:00 p.m.

El Tema: "La Alegria de Vivir"  
El Coordinador: Crispin O. del Grupo Morristown, TN  
El Servidor: Victor M. del grupo Amor y Servicio, Lemoir City, TN

### Actors Guild Play • 5:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m.

"Worn Out Slippers"

### A.A. Speaker Meeting\* • 7:00 p.m.

Joe W. - Los Angeles, CA  
"There's A Silence and Stillness There, I'm Convinced That's Where God Is"  
Chaired by: Tom O.

### Serenity Singers • 8:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

### A.A. & Al-Anon Speaker Meeting\* • 9:00 p.m.

Bo and Shirley T. - West Blocton, AL  
Chaired by: Mickie G.

### Young and Old Timers Meeting

10:30 p.m. - 12:30 a.m.

"The Blending of Time"

#### Young Timers -

Lead - Shanna K.

Panel - Rikki R., Bob T., Kenny M.

#### Old Timers -

Lead - Tom H.

Panel - Cindy L., Pam H., Rick R.

### A.A. Alkathon • 11:00 p.m. - 3:00 a.m.

## SATURDAY ACTIVITIES

### Bus Tours of Historic A.A. Sites

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

2 buses continuously - Bierce Circle

### A.A. Archives

Located in Akron Intergroup Office  
(Stop on bus tour)

### The 12 Traditions • 9:00 a.m.

Gail L. & Harmon V.

"Why It Works"

Chaired by: Tom O.

### Taller de Redacción y Grabación de la Viña 10:00 a.m.

Los cordinadores de la costa norte de California:  
Arturo A., Juan T., Luz Ana L., Nicolas G.,  
Raymundo L.

### A.A. Old Timers' Panel\* • 10:30 a.m.

Frank A. - Sacramento, CA  
Dick D. - Ontario, Canada  
Beverly H. - Bellevue, NE  
"What It's Like Now. God Is Good"  
Chaired by: Jeff C.

### Actors Guild Play • 12:00 p.m. & 2:30 p.m.

"Worn Out Slippers"

### A.A. Speaker Meeting\* • 2:00 p.m.

Patrick M. - Ottawa, Canada  
"Alcohol Always Colored My World"  
Chaired by: Scott T.

### The History of Our Big Book • 4:00 p.m.

Presented by: Gail L. - The Villages, FL  
Chaired by: Woody W.

### Serenity Singers\* • 7:00 p.m.

UA Infocision Stadium

### A.A. Speaker Meeting\* • 8:00 p.m.

Theresa F. - North Hill, CA  
"All Of A Sudden I Became Present To My Life, and I Didn't Like It"  
UA Infocision Stadium  
Chaired by: Joyce B.

### DANCE! DANCE! DANCE!

10:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

Saturday Night

## SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

### MOTORCADE TO DR. BOB'S GRAVE\*

7:30 a.m.

Motorcycle procession and graveside memorial tribute to Dr. Bob & Anne S.

Speaker: Kim L.

Chaired by: Tom O.

### A.A. Spiritual Panel Meeting • 9:00 a.m.

Topic: Step 2

Panelists: Ron J., Cathy O., Tina C.

Chaired by: Linda M.

### A.A. Closing Speaker Meeting\* 10:30 a.m.

Paul McQ. - Rockaway Beach, NY  
"There's No End To The Good"

Chaired by: Tony T.

## AL-ANON

## FRIDAY ACTIVITIES

### Al-Anon Panel • 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Traditions

Chaired by: Leah E.

### A.A. & Al-Anon Speaker Meeting\* • 9:00 p.m.

Bo and Shirley T. - West Blocton, AL

Chaired by: Mickie G.

## AL-ANON

## SATURDAY ACTIVITIES

### Al-Anon Panel Meeting • 10:00 a.m.

"HOW"

Honesty - Irena H.

Openness - Maribeth W.

Willingness - Karen P.

Chaired by: Cathy C.

### Al-Anon Skit • 11:30 a.m.

"Let's Make A Deal"

Chaired by: Suzanne L.

### Alateen Panel • 1:30 p.m.

"Experience, Strength and Hope"

Chaired by: Toledo Alateen

### Alateen Skit • 2:30 p.m.

### How Al-Anon Works • 3:00 p.m.

## REGISTRATION

### UA STUDENT UNION

### CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED!

Friday 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Registrations must be picked up by

6:00 p.m. Saturday - **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Package Plans must be picked up at designated dormitories. Check confirmation letter or e-mail.

### Coffee & Fellowship Room

Student Union

### A.A. Literature Sales

Friday 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED!**

\* A.S.L. INTERPRETER

**NO BASIC REGISTRATION REFUND.  
\$30.00 FEE FOR ALL PACKAGE PLAN CANCELLATIONS!**

**FOUNDERS' DAY IS A SERVICE OF THE AKRON AREA INTERGROUP COUNCIL OF A.A.**

**Name badges & ribbons must be worn for admittance to all meetings — NO EXCEPTIONS!**

# Founders' Day 2018 Registration Form | online at [www.akronaa.org](http://www.akronaa.org)

Everyone must be registered, including children. All registrations must be postmarked by May 15, 2018. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Name (please print clearly) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address\* \_\_\_\_\_

\* If you provide an e-mail address, you will get confirmation via e-mail only!

- Check for special needs - handicapped.  
Handicapped parking will be strictly enforced.
- Hearing Impaired- ASL Interpreter Requested

All beds are at a fixed height of 42 inches. The University of Akron **CANNOT** adjust bed height.

**\*INDIVIDUAL FORMS  
REQUIRED FOR EACH  
PACKAGE PLAN\***

Registration closes at 6:00 pm Saturday, **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Registration \$25 x QTY = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL  
(Registration will be \$30 on site conference weekend)

**MUST have a picture I.D. for pickup.**

**Package Plan A** \$200 = \$ ONE ONLY

Sex: M  F

Includes admission to all meetings, meals, room, registration and bus tour.  
Report directly to designated dormitory to pick up weekend package and room key.  
You must have a picture I.D. to pick up your reservation package.  
All rooms and buildings at the university are non-smoking.

**Package Plan B** \$150 = \$ ONE ONLY

Sex: M  F

Includes all items in Package Plan A **except** meals.

Rooming with: \_\_\_\_\_

## MEALS

## QTY

## TOTAL

SATURDAY

Breakfast

\$13 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch

\$18 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Dinner

\$24 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

SUNDAY

Breakfast

\$13 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS —  Diabetic  Vegan  Vegetarian  Gluten-Free

## MOTORHOME SITE FEES

## QTY

## TOTAL

**NO TENT CAMPING!**

RV Site Tag

(no hook-ups available)

\$40 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
per site/whole weekend

Each RV must have a **Site Tag** to set up.

**ABSOLUTELY NO PETS OR FIRES!**

**REGISTRATION TOTAL \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENTS MUST BE IN U.S.  
DOLLARS ONLY. MAKE CHECKS /  
MONEY ORDERS PAYABLE TO:**

Akron Intergroup  
PO Box 12  
Akron, OH 44309-0012

REFUNDS requested in writing only by  
mail or email and postmarked / received  
prior to June 1, 2018. [treasurerfd@akronaa.org](mailto:treasurerfd@akronaa.org)

**PAYMENT METHODS FOR MAIL IN  
REGISTRATION:**

CHECK  MONEY ORDER

All Credit Card payments must be made online  
at [www.akronaa.org](http://www.akronaa.org). Click on the Founders' Day link  
and follow the instructions.

**NO REFUNDS FOR BASIC REGISTRATION.  
\$30.00 FEE FOR ALL PACKAGE PLAN CANCELLATIONS!**



Hendersonville Group of Alcoholics Anonymous  
is hosting its

# Spring Fling Dance

*Shake off Winter & kick up your heels!*

**Saturday, April 14th**

9:15 pm—12 Midnight

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



“... 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 (opposite Valley Hill Fire Dept.), Hendersonville, NC

*Mission Group of Sylva Annual*  
**SPRING FLING EATIN' MEETIN'**  
**with SPEAKER**

**April 29, 2018**

**Meeting @ 11am with SPEAKER TBA**  
**Eatin' @ NOON**

Mission Group & Members will provide  
Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and Fixin's.  
You are welcome to bring dish to share.

**FAMILIES ARE WELCOME.**

Bring a friend & your appetite!

Join us for great food & fellowship @  
**Jackson Co. Family Resource Center**  
**1528 Webster Rd. (NC 116)**  
**Webster, NC 28788**

July 5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> 2018

The Beautiful  
Music City Sheraton Hotel

Please stay at Hotel  
To help with our room block  
Hotel Phone Number  
888-627-7060

You can also book your room  
online at our website

[www.musiccityroundup.com](http://www.musiccityroundup.com)

Registration \$20 per person

You must book your room  
with the hotel separately;  
registering for the Roundup  
does not guarantee a room at  
hotel.

You must register to enter  
the ballroom no  
exceptions.

# 37<sup>th</sup> Music City Roundup

**Don't Miss This  
Three series Workshop  
with**

Don L. Bellingham, WA  
Carla R. Tujunga, CA

## AA Speakers

Brian P. Dallas, TX  
Tammi P. Los Angeles, CA  
Danny B. Spring, TX  
Mike S. Riverside, CA  
Misoan W. Sarasota, FL

## Al-Anon Speakers

Bud S. Dearing, NH  
Jenny P. AR

Visit our Website for more info

[www.musiccityroundup.com](http://www.musiccityroundup.com)

Registration \$20 per person

you must send payment with form to be registered

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

St. Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) on Badge(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Mail form to: POB 17068, Nashville, TN 37217

Must mail by 6/26/2018 or no guarantee



# Oak Island Lighthouse Retreat

Great Recovery & Fellowship  
 Good Speakers and Meetings  
 Small/Intimate Group (about 200)  
 Low Key atmosphere by the Sea.



*Fellowship and Serenity at the Sea*  
**May 11, 12, 13, 2018**

**Two Night Registration • \$180.00 per/person - double occupancy includes five meals • 3 AA Speaker meetings • Al-Anon Speaker meeting**

- Ice Cream Social • Music • All Meetings

*Register and Pay On-line - Secure PAYPAL*

**[www.oakislandlighthouseretreat.com](http://www.oakislandlighthouseretreat.com)**

**3-Day Registration - \$30.00 per/person • No Meals**  
 Includes all meetings & functions for the weekend

**Speakers :** Jan P. - Charlotte, NC AA (Friday Night ) • Peggy H. - High Point , NC AFG (Saturday Morning)  
 David W. - Wilmington, NC AA (Saturday Night) • John B. - Kernersville, NC AA (Sunday Morning)

*After April 15, 2018 Late registration/room call Charlie 910.512.0970 • Assist for on-line registration/pay call Sara 914.417.7009*

Mail In Registration - Fill out for EACH person you are registering - Overnight Stay or 3-Day Registration  
 Cut out form and mail (with your payment) to Oak Island Lighthouse Retreat, PO Box 235, Oak Island, NC 28465

Name 1 _____	M	F	Name 2 _____	M	F
Address _____			Address _____		
City _____ State _____ Zip _____			City _____ State _____ Zip _____		
Phone _____			Phone _____		
Email _____			Email _____		
Name Tag _____			Name Tag _____		
Special Request: (Roommate, etc.) _____					

REGISTRATION TYPE	# PERSONS	TOTAL \$
Complete Plan - \$180.00 or Deposit of \$90 Per Person		
3-Day Registration - \$30.00 Per Person		
<b>TOTAL ENCLOSED</b>		

**Overnight Registration:** Lodging is motel-style. Friday check-in is at 4 p.m. Dinner is at 6 p.m. First meeting is 8 p.m. Deposits are non-refundable after May 1st. Advance payment of Day Registration fee is encouraged as meeting space may be limited. *Make Checks Payable to: Oak Island Retreat*

**Briar Bottom Campground  
50 Black Mountain CG Road  
Burnsville, NC 28714**

**Date: August 24 - 26, 2018**

REGISTER ONLINE at [wncypaa.com](http://wncypaa.com)

OR

At a WNCYPAA Event

**2 Nights of fellowship, food, and fun**

- Hike to Mount Mitchell
- 50:50 Raffle
- S'mores
- Campfire jams
- AA Speakers

**RESERVE IN ADVANCE—ONLY 100 SPOTS  
AVAILABLE—SPOTS WILL SELL OUT**

- \$20/person (food is included)
- \$25/person after June 1
- Day Passes Available

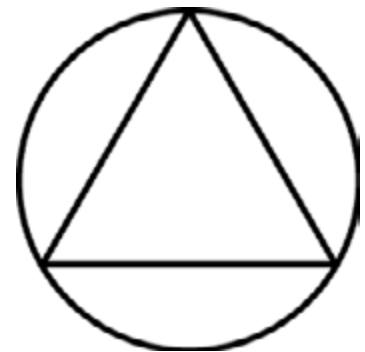
# 2nd Annual WNCYPAA Campout

More information and directions available at  
[wncypaa.com](http://wncypaa.com)

Questions? Email [wncypaa@gmail.com](mailto:wncypaa@gmail.com)

**LIMITED PARKING AVAILABLE**

**PLEASE CARPOOL**



The 68th General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous

# Area 51 • WNC Pre-Conference

***JOIN OUR DELEGATE IN THE DISCUSSION***

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- Help us choose the Theme for next year's Conference.
- What revisions, if any, should be made to the Big Book?
- How can AA effectively use electronic communications?
  - What changes should we make to our AA pamphlets?
  - Should we reorganize any of our AA Service Boards?
- Help us review the changes to the Service Manual.
  - Background materials distributed at Pre-Con.

**April 7th, 2018 (Saturday)**

**First Baptist Church / Fellowship Hall**

312 Fifth Ave. West, Hendersonville, NC 28739

**11am Registration • Lunch at 12 • Program 1-4pm**  
**(Free Registration & Lunch • Free Parking)**

Please Mail Registration to NCMCO - 70 Woodfin Pl. - Suite 206  
Asheville, NC 28801 - ATTN: "Pre-Conference Committee" or  
Email your registration information to: [info@ncmco.net](mailto:info@ncmco.net)

**PRE-REGISTER NOW!** (so we can order lunch  
and set-up the room)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

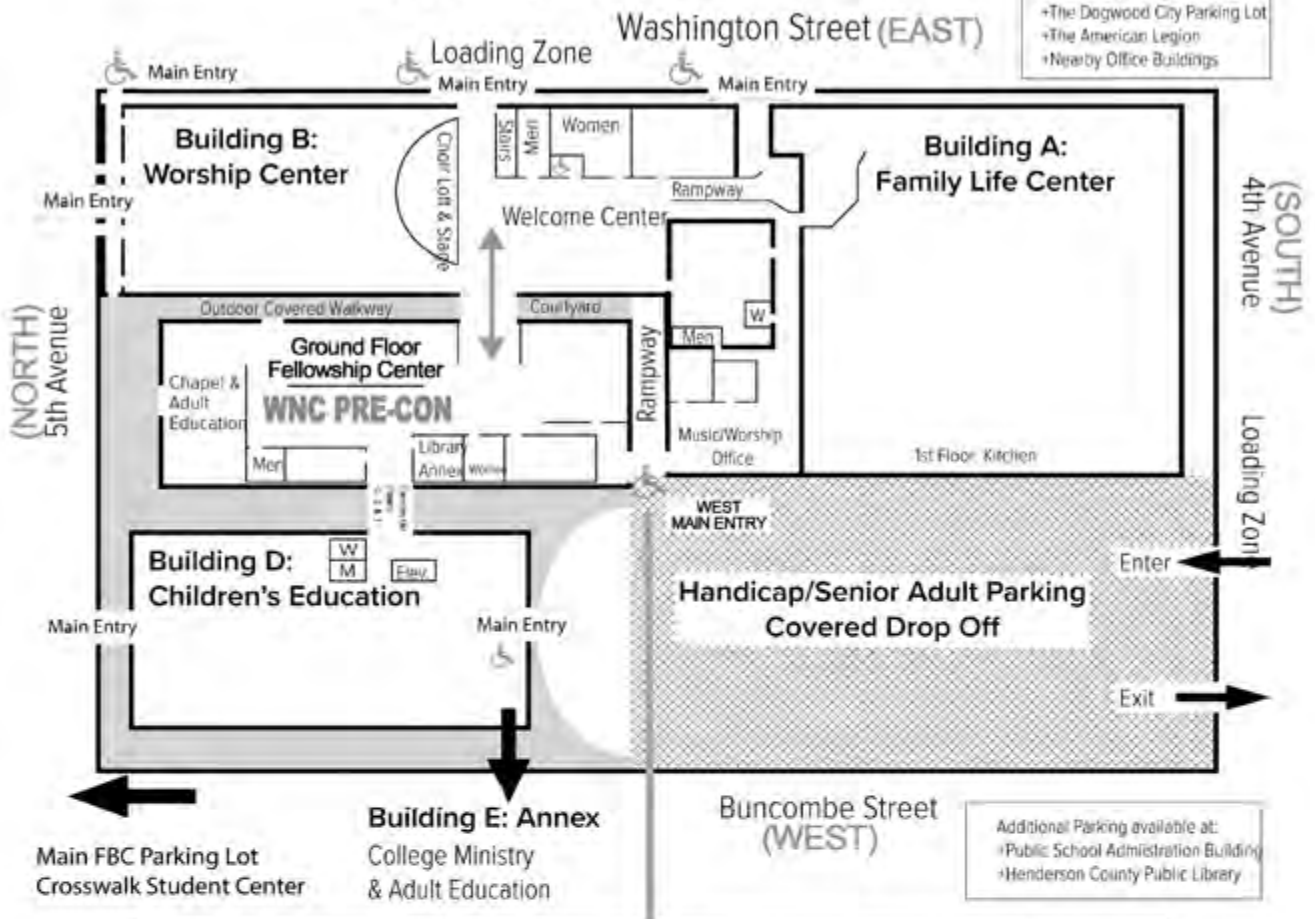
Email \_\_\_\_\_

**OPEN REGISTRATION AT EVENT • ALL ARE WELCOME**



# First Baptist Church / Fellowship Hall

312 Fifth Ave. West, Hendersonville, NC



Recommend only use "West Main Entry" Rampway from covered drop-off  
 Enter/Exit from 4th Ave.



1st Annual



# Memorial Day



## **BBQ COOK-OFF**

Monday, May 28 from 11 AM–6 PM

City of Asheville Parks Recreation and Facility Department

Rec Park Shelter #3

72 Gashes Creek Road, Asheville, NC 28805

11 AM–1 PM: BBQ Competition (\$5/plate)

To compete, please email [wncypaa@gmail.com](mailto:wncypaa@gmail.com). Cut of meat being judged is BOSTON BUTT.

1:30 PM: Veterans Speaker Panel

KanJam, Basketball Court, Swimming Pool (\$3)



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